

# The Snyder Signal

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## UNIVERSITY INTER-SCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

Held at Austin Friday and Saturday. Snyder Representatives Acquit Themselves Nicely.

The State meeting of the University Interscholastic League was held at Austin last Friday and Saturday. The contests consisted of debating, declamation and track events. The track events are very interesting and develop school spirit and ambition in young men. There were about seven hundred in attendance upon the meeting and despite the continued rains the meeting was very successful.

Snyder High School was represented by Grayum Baker who won the district contest in Junior Declamation and represented the Sweetwater District in that event. The preliminaries were held in the Y. M. C. A. building at 10:30 Friday morning and Grayum Baker was declared one of the boys to go in the final contest that night in the University auditorium. When the finals were held, the contest being very close and there being such a slight difference between the contestants the judges finally decided and gave the first place to a small boy and the second place to another boy much smaller than Grayum. We are not in the least discouraged about it and are determined to win in the State contest next year.

The preliminaries in track work were held Friday afternoon and our boys made good showing but being in competition with boys from large schools where they have regular athletic directors they did not win many of the honors. Bennie Hull entered the finals in the mile race and when that race was in progress on Clark field Saturday afternoon Ben was leading nicely during the first quarter when all at once a large youngster passed directly in front of him and spiked Ben on the shin with his shoe. This so disabled Ben that he could not do his best, but after that he came out with only four boys in his lead and there were some twenty behind him. We consider that he made a good record and we are proud of it. With training, he will make somebody do some running next year, if he is defeated.

While the boys won no first honors, yet it was for them a most successful trip. They came in contact with the best men and boys in Texas and have learned much about the world that they could never get otherwise. They have a broader vision and higher aspirations. Much good will ultimately come from their trip. One thing the boys won for Snyder—a good name. Their conduct was so noticeably good that men remarked about. The men in charge of the contests passed many nice compliments upon them and the sheriff of Taylor county who was on the trip said the boys were the best behaved crowd on the trip. Of this we are very proud.

We will prepare for next year in dead earnest and hope to win some of the honors.

Respectfully,  
E. A. WATSON

## CONSTITUTIONALISTS GAIN A DECISIVE VICTORY

Nogales, Ariz., May 6.—Details of a decisive Constitutionalist victory over the Mexican Federals at Acaponeta were received today at the Constitutionalist junta in Nogales, Sonora.

Gen. Obregon of the Carranza forces wired that his troops had dispersed a strong Federal command under Gen. Colares, capturing 1,600 men, three cannon, 2,000 rifles and 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition.

### Aged Lady Dead.

Mrs. Corley, the aged mother of J. R. Corley, of near Hernaligh died last Saturday and the funeral took place Monday. She was a member of the Primitive Baptist church. The funeral service was conducted by Uncle Ben Davis.

## GOOD CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Mr. J. Dalley, aged 67 years and two months died last Friday night at 10:45 o'clock at the home of his son, W. F. Dalley, five miles east of Snyder. He was a native of south Texas, though for six years he has been living in New Mexico. He came here last December suffering with cancer and his son and family have given him every possible tender care till death came to call him hence. He has a wife and ten children living. He was of the Primitive Baptist faith. The remains were buried in Snyder Cemetery at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. C. H. Kelly conducted the funeral services.

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council met in regular session Monday night.

Present: Mayor J. Z. Noble, Secretary T. F. Baker, Marshal O. P. Wolfe, Aldermen Bolin, Maxwell, Curautte.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The following bills were allowed:  
E. E. Brumley, bread for A. P. Morris ..... 50  
G. E. Brashier, hauling dirt for streets ..... 5.25

Hollingsworth Bros., blacksmithing ..... 1.65  
Higginbotham-Harris Co., lumber for culvert ..... 1.00

E. A. Warren, printing receipt books ..... 5.00  
W. T. Skinner, recording official bonds ..... 2.50

H. E. Rosser, professional services ..... 12.00  
O. F. Darby, repairing water hose ..... 4.40

J. W. Green, street work ..... 37.45  
J. T. Ramsey, street work ..... 34.40  
Texas Co., oil for water works ..... 34.00

Texas Co., gas engine oil ..... 8.68  
H. L. Stone, levelling pump station lot ..... 2.10

Snyder Light, Ice Power Plant, 2 gallons oil ..... 1.00  
S. O. Chapman, street work ..... 9.00

It was ordered by the council that hereafter all work on the streets done with drag or Fresno be paid for at the rate of 40c an hour for one man and one team. All other work by one man and one team to be paid for at the rate of 35 cents an hour.

Owing to sickness, G. B. Clark was excused from serving on the Board of Equalization and M. E. Rosser was appointed in his stead.

The equalization board will meet on May 11th.

## M. LEO FRANK'S LAST HOPE FADES FROM HIM

Atlanta, Ga., May 6.—M. Leo Frank charged with the murder of Mary Phagan, factory girl, was today denied a new trial by Judge Hill. A second appeal to the late Supreme Court was immediately noted by Frank's attorneys.

Judge Hill will sign the bill of exceptions granting appeal.

### Fight On at Saltillo

Torreón, Coahuila, Mex., May 6.—The Mexican Constitutionalist army under Gen. Pablo Gonzales has already engaged the Federal outposts at Saltillo, according to messages brought to Gen. Villa by native runners early today.

Villa has made preparations to go to Saltillo within a few hours to take command. The general assault, scheduled to begin last night, did not open as expected.

No word has been received early today from San Luis Potosí, to the south, where Gen. Maclovio Herrera and Gen. Eugenia Auirre Benavides were ordered to begin operations last night.

More than 10,000 soldiers passed in review before Villa here yesterday in observance of the Fifth of May, National holiday.

## Revival Meeting Now in Progress



PROF. LUCIUS J. ANDERSON Singing Evangelist

The work of building the big tabernacle for the union meeting was pushed to completion last week and by Saturday night it was ready for use. It is comfortable and convenient.

The choir platform is built against the Kincanon & Davis south wall and is supplied with church benches.

Sunday morning brought out a large congregation for the initial service. Members of all the churches in town were there.

There were about 50 people in the choir, with Ed Curry as song leader and Miss Lillie Weathers at the piano.

It was then announced that Evangelist McIntosh and his singer, Mr. Anderson, would not be here till Tuesday.

Rev. J. W. Hunt preached Sunday morning and Monday night and Rev. U. C. Howard on Sunday night.

The Evangelists came in Tuesday morning and are domiciled at the Manhattan hotel. They took charge of the meeting Tuesday morning and it is now going at full swing.

Mr. Anderson is a fine singer and organizer and has his choir well in hand and they make fine music.

Dr. McIntosh is an earnest and forceful preacher and has a wide

range of experience and observation from which to draw an endless fund of logic, faith, illustration, argument and persuasion to awaken the people to their duty to God to themselves and to society and to the world.

His deep earnestness and humility of spirit, along with a manifest interest for the salvation of men and women, awaken in the hearts of the Christian people a feeling of love and sympathy and a reconsecration of soul and new determination to join in the work of leading the unsaved to the altar.

The meeting is a beautiful demonstration of that unity of Christian spirit which always impresses the world that the Kingdom of Jesus Christ is not divided against itself, but is a body of followers interested in seeing all men, everywhere, brought into the Kingdom.

It is expected that the meeting will continue for three weeks. People from far and near are attending. The singing is good, the preaching is strong, heart-searching and effective and interest is fast increasing.

It is hoped and believed that much lasting good will be accomplished.

### Special Order of Services

Friday night at the Union Tabernacle Dr. W. M. McIntosh will hold a special service for the young people of the town. Send out the invitation to all to attend. Let each of us be a missionary for this service. The young peoples should get busy among themselves.

Sunday afternoon at the tabernacle, at 4 o'clock a special service for men will be held. Invite your unsaved friend to this service especially. All men in the town and surrounding country are urged to attend.

### Progress of the Meeting

Tuesday morning, Dr. W. N. McIntosh and Prof. Lucius Anderson arrived and the meeting is in full swing. The stores close each morning at 10 o'clock so the proprietors and employees may attend the services to the hour from 10 till 11. The audiences are great, the tabernacle being filled each night. Results have already begun to appear, and there is every indication of a great religious awakening.

### Mother's Day Service Sunday

Special Mother's Day Service, 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Let all who love mother attend.

W. A. Johnson and H. P. Wellborn returned Tuesday morning from the Banker's Convention in Ft. Worth.

## HUNTER PIANO CONTEST CLOSES

The piano contest which has been running at the Hunter Mercantile Co.'s store for the past several months closed at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening and when the vote lists were opened up and compared it was found that Miss Alsie Smith had won the fine piano.

There were six other premiums awarded. The contest has been conducted with absolute fairness to everybody—a well known characteristic of that popular store and everybody is satisfied with the outcome.

The list of winners and the vote as received is shown as follows:

Miss Alsie Smith, 27,773,315;  
Miss Madge Darby, 14,853,345;  
Miss Nellie Fenton, 14,798,550;  
Miss Alva Adams, 9,546,130;  
Miss Pearl Clift, 9,393,710;  
Miss Syba Banks, 7,549,540;  
Miss Elma Wren, 6,260,285.  
Miss Alsie Smith, winner of the piano is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith of North Snyder

## THE CHURCH ARSON CASES WERE CALLED

Weatherford, Texas, May 4.—The cases against Lee Weatherford, Bill Ratliff and Roy Eastus, charged with setting fire to the First Baptist Church parsonage in Fort Worth, for the burning of which Rev. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the church, recently was tried and acquitted, were called for hearing Monday at 1:30 p. m. All three of the defendants were present and announced ready for trial. They are represented in this case by Hood & Shadle of Weatherford, who will be assisted by W. P. McLean, Jr., Clyde A. Eastus and O. W. Gillispie, all of Fort Worth.

The state is represented by O. S. Lattimore, Dan Doyle and B. H. Gibson of Fort Worth and Preston Martin of Weatherford, in addition to County Attorney J. E. Carter.

The three men now on trial here were indicted on the strength of a "confession" made by Fred Lavennder, who afterward repudiated it. The case was brought to Weatherford on a change of venue. In the preliminary hearing at Fort Worth County Attorney Baskin testified on the witness stand that he did not believe Weatherford, Ratliff and Eastus guilty.

Later—The Star-Telegram of Wednesday says:

"The arson cases against Lee Weatherford, Bill Ratliff and Roy Eastus, charged with the burning of the First Baptist Church and parsonage of Fort Worth, were dismissed in the District Court at Weatherford Monday after the state's motion for a continuance had been overruled, by Judge F. O. McKinsey. The cases had been taken to Parker county on a change of venue.

The defense announced ready for trial Monday but the state asked a continuance because of the absence of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Hill alleged to be material witnesses. When that motion was overruled the county attorney moved a dismissal of the case in which the special prosecutors concurred.

### OFFICER PLEADS WITH STRIKERS TO GIVE UP ARMS

Trinidad Colo., May 6.—Earnestly pleading with men of many nationalities, many of whom could not understand him, Major Holbrook of the U. S. Fifth Cavalry today urged 200 strikers in mass meeting at Camp San Rafael to deliver their arms and ammunition to the U. S. authorities.

The manner of disarmament, it was announced by William Diamond, union leader, would not be put to a referendum vote of the miners but would be left to the individuals. Maj. Holbrook, speaking for Col. Lockett, in command of the troops, promised the strikers that the mine guards would also be disarmed.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Perkins returned Tuesday from visiting at Palo-Pinto and Mineral Wells.

## EX-CONFEDERATES HOLD MEETING

Bill Scurry Camp, U. C. V. Met Monday Afternoon at Court House

Ex-Confeds Hold Good Meeting. Bill Scurry Camp, No. 1374, United Confederate Veterans had an interesting meeting in the Justice Court room Monday afternoon. There was a good attendance of the grizzled remnant of a mighty army of defenders of Southern rights—the Johnnie Rebs.

Commander George W. Johnson presided over the meeting. Announcement was made that Comrade W. R. Waldrip, of Ira, was then on his way to Jacksonville, Florida, to represent this camp. Dr. W. A. Palmer of Dunn and Comrade S. E. Layne, of Ira, were elected to membership in the Camp. Dr. Palmer comes from Winnie Davis Camp, Waxahachie.

Bro. J. T. Hunt made a good talk on the importance of closer fraternity among veterans.

Comrade Middleton related some of his experiences, showing the horrors of war and said he had been trying to forget it.

Comrade W. D. Huffman said he could not forget, but since complete reconstruction when all Americans are again martialed under one flag, it was easier to pass by the hard places.

Comrade J. S. McDonald came to the front, took up the Confederate flag which stood in front of Commander Johnson, spread out its brilliant folds of silk and said, "I never want to forget it. We fought for the flag, we fought for the Confederate cause, we fought as soldiers for States' Rights, and I don't want to ever forget it."

Hon. T. F. Baker, was introduced and spoke for the glory of the stars and bars. He paid a beautiful tribute to the gallantry and chivalry of the Confederate soldier, thanking them, in the name of the younger generations for their defense of American honor and Southern Rights as defined then in the constitution.

Other talks were made, and altogether it was one of the best meetings the veterans have ever held.

## TATTERED RANKS OF BOYS IN GRAY ASSEMBLE

100,000 Visitors Welcome Confederate Veterans to Jacksonville Reunion.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 6.—One hundred thousand visitors here today welcomed the tattered ranks of the Confederate veterans of the civil war who are holding their annual reunion in this city. These thousands are said to be without places to sleep. Many today reported that they walked the streets all last night. Vacant houses with which to shelter the old soldiers tonight have been rented.

At the first meeting of the veterans today the keys to the city were turned over to Gen. Young, commander in Chief of the soldiers, by Maj. Swearington, Gov. Trammel welcomed them to the State. Congressman Frank Clark welcomed them on behalf of the Confederate Camps. Gen. Young, commander, responded.

### Dynamite at Panama

A news item appearing in the papers this week says:

"Panama, May 5.—An explosion this morning at the government of Panama dynamite magazine resulted in the killing of eight persons. Nineteen others were seriously injured. The property was destroyed."

This may have been purely an accident, but it recalls the history of the dynamiting crusade of a few years ago, which later was exposed as a deep laid plot of industrial vengeance.

News comes this week from Miss Mary Grayum who is at the sanitarium in Abilene, saying that she is getting along nicely.



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# Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

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Sixty Years the Standard

### Will Still Guard Border.

People who have been disposed to ridicule Gov. Colquitt's attitude concerning the Texas border may yet see that he has had cause to be interested. Appeals have come to him almost daily from the border people exposed to the Mexican outlawry. The Austin Statesman of Sunday says:

"Governor Colquitt upon his return from Dallas Saturday received advices by telegraph from Brownsville and other border towns that a report was current that State troops were to be withdrawn from border patrol prior to the arrival of Federal troops, which Secretary of War Garrison has promised the Governor he would have to replace the militia in equal numbers. The Governor said with emphasis that not a man of the State guard now doing duty on the border would be withdrawn until Secretary Garrison had his troops in camp at Brownsville.

### Good Wheat Crop.

Pete Ingle was in from his farm west of town Monday and said a nice rain fell at his place Sunday. He reports crops looking good. He has thirty acres of wheat which, if he knows anything about a wheat crop, will make twenty bushels to the acre.

Pro. D. Holcomb of Canyon is teaching school at Old Pyron and cultivating a fifty acre crop at home. That is what might be called spreading out.

Rev. W. W. Werner preached last Sunday at Ira.



### Your Bell Telephone and PARCELS POST

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Complete Line of All Kinds of Building Material Carried.

Agents for the celebrated Sherwin-Williams Paints. Agents for the famous Pittsburg Electric Weld Woven Wire.

Don't fail to get our prices on cedar posts.

### Lightning Strikes Church

During the storm here last week a flash of lightning struck the spire of the Missionary Baptist church, descended through the belfry, struck the electric light wire recently installed and was conducted by it to near the base, where it went through the wall and thence downward to the earth. Some of the timbers in the belfry were burst into kindling wood, a portion of the weatherboarding wainscoting, and a window facing torn off, a window light knocked out and the electric light switch blown across the building. The wood in places was badly scorched and the building evidently narrowly escaped burning.—Roscoe Times.

Golden Rod is positively the strongest feed made and the best. When you order again, include Golden Rod, 1-3 cheaper. Ask to be shown. For sale by all feed dealers.

### Real Estate Transfers

M. M. Gamble to I. A. Gamble, lot 8, in block 31 and lot 5 in blk. 3, Gross sub div. of Scarborough Addition to Snyder, \$300.  
T. F. Kelly and wife to W. R. Burrus part of Section 120 in Blk. 97, H. & T. C. survey, \$175.

FOR RENT—A farm, 256 acres in cultivation. Will rent for \$256.00 a year. See Perkins & Perkins, Snyder, Texas. 35tf

Mr. L. L. Forester of Tahoka was here this week visiting his son, W. L. Forester, and family. He moved away from here four years ago and notes that Snyder has improved and grown considerably in four years.

### HEAVIER STEEL BETWEEN PLAINVIEW AND CANYON

The Santa Fe announced this afternoon that it would soon commence the laying of standard gauge 72-pound rails between here and Canyon City.

The heavier rail will replace the 52-pound rail, which was used in building the road into Plainview several years ago.

The larger size rails are necessary on account of the increase in freight and passenger traffic.

The construction work, which will commence on May 1st, will require three months. A large extra gang will be put to work. The construction crew will be in charge of roadmaster Bruce.—Plainview Herald.

### Notice of Law Partnership

We, the undersigned, announce to the public that we have formed a partnership to be known as Rosser & Boyd for the general practice of law. Our offices will continue to be upstairs in the First State Bank & Trust Company building on the north west corner of the Snyder public square, where our friends and those desiring our services are invited to call. 46-2t

M. E. ROSSER,  
HARDY M. BOYD.

The Signal had the pleasure of a call, Monday, from Mrs. J. C. Fox. She called in to have her subscription date set forward and incidentally was interested in watching the linotype in operation.

When you visit the fount call for Snyder Ice Cream. Accept no substitute.

## STOMACH TROUBLE FOR FIVE YEARS

Majority of Friends Thought Mr. Hughes Would Die, But One Helped Him to Recovery.

Pomeroyton, Ky.—In interesting advices from this place, Mr. A. J. Hughes writes as follows: "I was down with stomach trouble for five (5) years, and would have sick headache so bad, at times, that I thought surely I would die. I tried different treatments, but they did not seem to do me any good. I got so bad, I could not eat or sleep, and all my friends, except one, thought I would die. He advised me to try Theford's Black-Draught, and quit

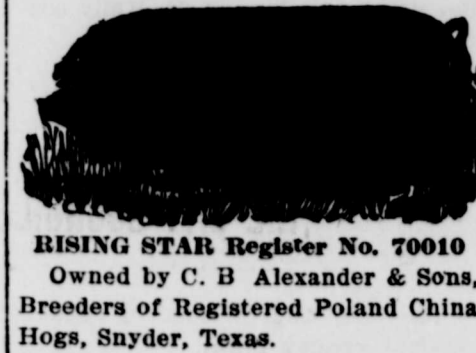
taking other medicines. I decided to take his advice, although I did not have any confidence in it.

I have now been taking Black-Draught for three months, and it has cured me—haven't had those awful sick headaches since I began using it.

I am so thankful for what Black-Draught has done for me."

Theford's Black-Draught has been found a very valuable medicine for derangements of the stomach and liver. It is composed of pure, vegetable herbs, contains no dangerous ingredients, and acts gently, yet surely. It can be freely used by young and old, and should be kept in every family chest.

Get a package today. Only a quarter.



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Breeders of Registered Poland China Hogs, Snyder, Texas.

### If There Were No Women

The Mullen Enterprise says: If there were no women, men would have no object in life; their mustaches would cease to interest; they would not care a Chinaman whether their collars were ironed or not; there would be none to nurse them when they had the toothache, or to keep them from believing they were going to die when an old-fashioned stomach ache had the grip on them. There would be nobody to take to ice cream and no small edition of flesh and blood to hug. There would be nobody to fight against being kissed and then take to it as naturally as the cat does to cream. Most important of all, there would be nobody to write against, to complain of and to love with all your heart and soul. Without her, man would never get to heaven and without them they would never have to taste of the other place on earth. So if a man has any sense whatever, he will put his arm around the woman he is fondest of, thank the good Lord for her and wonder, as he does, what in the world he would do without her."

WANTED—Work in gardens and about premises by competent man with one hand. House cleaning and domestic work a specialty.  
MR. AND MRS. C. E. SMITH.  
Phone 67.

Banlie Smith, P. Brady, O. P. Thrane, H. P. Wellborn, Robt. H. Curnutte and W. A. Johnson are attending the Bankers' Convention in Fort Worth this week.

Wanted—Stock to Pasture  
Plenty of water and grass, two miles south of town. See C. R. Fellmy at Denson & Smith's.

Olney Gets Big Job.  
Washington, May 4.—President Wilson has selected Richard Olney, former secretary of state in the Cleveland administration, to be governor of the Federal reserve board, and Paul Warburg of New York to be a member of the board. Warburg is connected with Kuhn, Loeb & Co. Mr. Olney declined the place.

Q. A. GRIFFITH,  
M. D.  
Specialist on Diseases of the EYE, EAR, NOSE and THROAT. Now permanently at  
Sweetwater, Texas

# Babies! Babies!

The names of the following babies have been turned in up to the present, and have a credit of one dollar set to their account and will get 3 per cent on every cash dollar's worth traded at the Big Store, brought here by the babies' friends.

Rex Berry, born Mar. 14,  
J. P. Baugh, born Jan. 6  
W. P. Thompson, born April 12  
J. P. Abbott, born Jan. 26,

Elsie Alleto Meyers, born Feb. 12  
Maxine Shuler, born Feb. 27  
Anne Kelley, born Jan., 1914  
Edna Earl Chapman, born Mar. 17

COME RIGHT ALONG WITH MORE NAMES

## Caton-Dodson Dry Goods Co.

SNYDER, - TEXAS

### Top Notchers

There is always room at the top, but top notchers are scarce. The New York Commercial says a big executive has been searching for an assistant for six months. The job pays \$15,000 a year to the right man and the job is still begging. Fifteen dollar a week men are found on every corner, when the \$40 level is reached,

comparatively few come up to the requirements; higher up the scale, the Commercial notes, the aspirant meets a demand for initiative and capacity for standing alone and under fire which mark the leaders. These qualities are so rare that the mere dollars say little. Character fixes its own price and remains above it. Yes, there is room at the top, but a top notcher must be a leader of men. If he is content to be a follower, then he must remain at the foot of the ladder.—Fort Worth Record.

Such being so, there should be ample encouragement to boys and young men to prepare for the top. People are disposed to say of a man who has reached a high position that he "had a pull" had friends or money to back him, but that is not always so. Read the story of a number of men who have become managers at big salaries and you will find that they started at the bottom. They did the lower grades of work and they did it so well their promotion followed. They showed no restlessness to go higher. Just faithfully did the work in hand and studied the system and the business. In a few

years they knew the business from the ground up and they were needed higher up and they went there.

### Mother's Day Set Aside by Colquitt.

Austin, May 4.—Governor Colquitt today issued his annual Mother's Day proclamation, officially designating the second Sunday in May which is May 10, as "Mother's Day." The governor urges also in this proclamation that the favorite flowers of mothers be worn.

The Signal and Dallas News \$1.75.

### For SORE HEAD

(Chicken Pox)  
This dread disease will practically ruin the flock unless quickly checked.  
Pratts Sore Head (Chicken Pox) Remedy is a sure cure. Fight lice, mites, etc., with a sure weapon.  
Pratts Powdered Lice Killer 25 and 50c. Is easily applied and never fails. Refuse substitutes; insist on Pratts. Satisfaction Guaranteed or Money Back. Get Pratts 100 page Poultry Book.  
Sold and Guaranteed by Graym Drug Company 3488

\$25.00 reward for any impurities found in Golden Rod. Why is this offered? Because the manufacturers have confidence in it, like you will have if you will only try it. Ask your grocer to show you. 38-tf

Prof. G. H. Leath made a business trip to Sweetwater.

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Anything you need in Lumber, Sash, Builders' Material, Posts, Wire, Etc.  
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**Edwin Clapp Low Quarter Shoes**  
for Summer wear

WE HAVE THEM

During the Revival Meeting Our Store will close at 6:30 p. m.

**Coates Mercantile Company**

### Got His Man After Long Chase.

Something like a year ago the guardian of the law were placed in possession of what they believed was sufficient facts upon which to base a charge of forgery, involving \$197 against a certain man who had been in some sort of business here and Sheriff Boles has ever since then had the papers ready and has been on the lookout for the man, but he was gone, and probably thought he was entirely lost to our sheriff. If he has had such thought, he didn't know that Sheriff Boles is an officer who never lets up. He has persistently kept trace of his man through several of the States in the Northwest and recently he got a tip that the fellow was in Oklahoma. The officers up there were put next and on Tuesday morning of this week, Mr. Boles received a message saying that the man had been arrested and was being held for him at Chickasha. Mr. Boles left here Tuesday evening to bring the man back to Snyder.

If your old family horse is out and down, put him on his feet with Golden Rod. 1-3 cheaper. Why? Because it is appetizing and 100 per cent pure. Tell your dealer to send you a sack. 38tf

### Young Ladies Visit The Signal

Miss Elma Wren of Union, Miss Alvie Adams of Canyon and Miss Sybil Banks of Snyder honored the Signal office with a friendly visit on Tuesday afternoon. They were much interested in watching the linotype and the presses in operation. We enjoy having the ladies visit us and hope they will come in often.

Again on the same day Miss Aisie Smith of Snyder and Miss Nellie Fen ton of Route One called in to see the machinery at work. The linotype machine is one of the wonders of the printing age and, is an object of interest, not only to the younger people, but to the older ones as well. These visiting young ladies live in homes where the Signal is taken and they read it every week, therefore they are some of our own girls—they belong to the Signal family—it is their home paper and their visits are especially appreciated by the Signal force.

O. P. Trueblood is working at Jayton.

### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

## Try It on the Most Difficult Things You Ever Bake



In 10, 15 & 25 Cans At All Good Grocers

### AMONG OUR EXCHANGES

Editor L. P. Loomis of the Slatonite has been appointed Justice of the Peace at Slaton. Honor and place come to newspaper men sometimes, even if they do have to hustle for them.

Dreaming your town into a city is impossible; you must boost and build it into one.—The Slatonite. Especially, build it.

The rain on Sunday came just in time to save Abilene.—Merkel Mail. Such an apostate city as Abilene will not stay saved long at a time.

Farmers are voting for themselves their wives and children when they vote for improved roads.—Colorado Record.

Where you find a country of good roads you find a progressive citizenship.

Furthermore, we wouldn't advise any young woman to marry the kind of man who tells her that when his party gets in power the Government will give them a home.—Dallas News.

You should not be so unkind to the young socialist wife seekers.

The Abilene Democrat, a new weekly has just come to our exchange table. The youngster shows up well. L. B. Shook is editor and publisher. He is a nester, having in years past worked the steering gear of the Abilene Reporter.

An Exchange says an incubator will produce a hundred times more chicks than one hen. That may be true, but an incubator lays no eggs, never cackles and never scratches up the flower beds. In fact an incubator is a mighty poor substitute for the hen family.

During the lull in war business, let's take up the important question of getting a summer suit of clothes.—Amarillo News.

We've had that question in mind for some time.

The Wichita Falls Morning Tribune, published by the Searchlight Company with Edgar P. Haney as General Manager is a new venture in the daily field. Its first appearance was on last Friday and it shows up pretty good.

See Hardy M. Boyd for Abstracts. Office over First State Bank. 1f

Rules for Writing Poetry. Mineral Wells Hustler. Its easy to write a poem of any given style, on any given subject, from Currency to Bile.

You first lay out the distance you want the lines to go, select a bunch of pretty words and string them in a row.

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With right regard to distance the rhymes fall with a clink, the work is all mechanical, you don't even have to think.

'Tis occupation restful, the easiest in the land, this reeling off a poem entirely made by hand.

If you want to be a poet just follow this simple rule, and waste your time and paper like any other fool.

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Mr. J. E. Jones was here Monday from Fluvanna and visited the Signal while here. He moved from Fluvanna about two years ago to Uvalde but he decided to come back to Scurry county and thinks he'll stay here now.

The Signal and Dallas News \$1.75.

A. E. Creighton left Monday for Santa Anna, Texas, to take a position in the composing rooms of the Santa Anna News.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hudson and Mrs. C. E. Hudson of Gail were guests Monday night at the popular Manhattan.

Supt. E. A. Watson and his boys returned Monday from Austin where they took part in the Oratorical and Athletic Contests.

Prof. R. W. Dodson of Estelline was here this week, making application for a position in the Snyder schools.



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J. J. Belew, a prominent merchant of Fluvanna was a business visitor in Snyder Monday.

Postmaster A. Rhoades was here from Ira Wednesday.

Mrs. J. B. Autry of Ira is reported quite sick this week.

Joe Huffman has been on the sick list this week.

Let the general management of the City Cemetery be given over to an association of women and there will be something doing in the way of beautifying the grounds.

Judge W. J. Arrington of Aspermont, candidate for the office of District Attorney of the 39th Judicial District spent a day in Snyder this week getting acquainted with the voters. Mr. Arrington is the County Judge of Stonewall county and bears a splendid name wherever known as a man and a lawyer.

Read the Ads this week. It pays.

## SCURRY COUNTY WORKERS BIBLE SCHOOL

To be Held With Snyder Baptist Church, Friday, May 15, Beginning at 10 A. M.

10 to 10:30—Devotional.  
10:30 to 11—Reports from the Field.

11 to 11:30—Practical Primaries Plan—Mrs. M. T. Tucker.

11:30 to 12—Juvenile Work for Country Churches—Lyman Wren, E. C. Dodson.

NOON.  
2 to 2:10—Song Service.

2:10 to 2:30—A Successful Prayer Meeting—T. F. Kelley.

2:30 to 3:15—The Church (1) Its origin (2) Its purpose—M. T. Tucker.

3:15 to 4—Round Table.

There is quite a good deal of whooping cough and some measles in town.

Born, April 29, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pruitt, near Dermott, a boy.

## Are You Looking For A BARGAIN?

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These chops were a little warm when received by us, but are really very little damaged. It will pay you to come and examine them.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edgar P. Smith of Girard visited the home folks in Snyder.

Dick Eubank has returned from Corpus Christi.

Mr. H. V. Williams is at Jayton doing photograph work.

I have just received a car of good Mexico lump coal. Will sell cheap. Phone 154 JIM DAWSON

Joe Monroe left Monday evening for Winters, Texas on account of the seriousness sickness of one of his brother's children.

Mr. E. C. Sims and family were in from their ranch Wednesday night.

Mr. A. M. Avant of Marfa, Texas is here this week looking after his property interests.

County Clerk Skinner issued a marriage license last Saturday for Mr. W. A. Perry and Miss Bettie DeShazo of Camp Springs.

You can get the signal and the Dallas News for a year for \$1.75.

J. A. Wilson, one of the good citizens of Ira, proprietor of the up-to-date blacksmith shop in that town was here Wednesday and paid the Signal a pleasant visit.

J. H. Fondy is on a business trip this week to Vernon.

Mrs. H. W. Fairbanks of Post City is the guest of Miss Birta Wilson.

**Will Crush Grain.**  
I will crush grain at my wood and coal yard Wednesday, May 13th.  
JIM DAWSON

C. W. Morton was here Monday from his farm east of town showing his fine two-year old Morgan-Clydesdale stallion.

Born, May 3, to Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Miller, near Knapp, a girl.

Born, May 3 to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Turner, Snyder, a girl.

Born, May 1st, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones, a girl.

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Sam Casstevens left Wednesday for Fort Worth.

W. W. Davis left Wednesday on a business trip to Dallas and will visit his father at Greenville over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Smith returned Tuesday to their home at Girard.

O. P. Trueblood has the contract to build a new brick school house at Jayton.

"There is a destiny that shapes our ends, rough hew them as we may" though we may not be able to see it—and there may be influences beyond our vision that are today controlling the actions of certain stalwart politicians in Texas. Personal friendship is a powerful leverage among men.

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## V SHAPED PINS AT H. G. TOWLE'S

Tremendous rains fell Saturday in the Panhandle country and Oklahoma-Canadian river was reported to be higher than for many years. It is said that the Santa Fe bridge is the only bridge over the Canadian that stood the test. It is further stated by Santa Fe people that it is the only system in Texas that had no wash-outs.

**Texas Man Arrested in Oklahoma**  
Sheriff Boles returned Thursday morning from Chickasha, Oklahoma with Bill Green, a former resident of Scurry county, who has been held by

officers there on a Scurry county charge. The sheriff says he brought the man back on a charge of disposing of mortgaged property.

Patronize the fount men who serve home manufactured cream.

Tom Bynum was here Wednesday and claimed to be pining for some sort of occupation. Since the school closed his boys have taken his plowing job away from him and relegated him to a back seat. Really he looked like he was enjoying the elimination.

**A Fine Colt.**  
Dr. E. J. King is the proud owner of one of the most perfect high bred colts i thees "diggins."

He is 15 days old and was three feet and four inches at first on his feet. He is from a registered Tom Hal mare, and sired by old Rattler Brooks, for many years one of the most noted and popular horses in Ellis county.

W. A. Annis brought Rattler Brooks to that county in the early '90's and he became a favorite with farmers and stockmen all over that country. Dr. King says old Rattler Brooks died last summer at 25 years old.

Rev. and Mrs. M. T. Tucker, Judge and Mrs. M. E. Rosser and Mayor J. Z. Noble went up on Deep Creek Wednesday and had good luck fishing. Mr. Noble says Mrs. Tucker came near being bitten by a water moccasin and there was not a drop of snake bite remedy in the crowd. He will favor providing for emergencies hereafter.

**Talked About Silos**  
Mr. Metcalfe, who is connected with the Santa Fe demonstration system addressed a small audience of farmers and stock raisers here Tuesday. He gave some good, practical information about silos and ensilage. The silo is growing in popular favor here and in a few years they are apt to be almost as numerous as windmills.

Mr. A. L. Lynn one of the good citizens of Pyron was in Snyder last Thursday and visited the Signal.

**CROWDER**  
Well it seems like now, we poor laboring farmers will come out all right. We have had plenty of rain for the present.

Grandma Kuhn, mother of Mrs. W. B. Lemons returned to her home in Parker county, Texas.

Miss Georgia Turner spent Monday night with Ola and Addie Busby.

Leonard Turner had the misfortune of losing his big bay mare last week.

Everett Crowder took dinner with Gerald Lemons Sunday.

Miss Addie Busby spent Sunday noon with Lora Lemons.

S. D. Hayes has a horse that was foundered last week.

Prayer meeting was a splendid one Sunday night. Conducted by C. E. Busby.

Well Mr. Editor, I haven't started to war yet. I don't guess they will need me now, do you?  
BIG HAT

Col. A. C. Wilmet returned a few days ago from El Paso where he put in several days just looking around. He saw many things of strenuous interest and came back with a greater feeling of pride than ever in the power and spirit of humane justice of the United States government.

Mrs. M. J. Abbey and Mrs. C. H. Abbey of Coleman have been visiting the Paschen families east of town and left Saturday to visit at Justiceburg.

Mr. C. I. Jaeggli was here Monday from Hermleigh.

Always in the market for chickens and eggs. C. NATION & SON, Grain and Hay Dealers.

Dr. Scarborough has returned from Mineral Wells.

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## DANCED IN SURINAM JUNGLE

Explorer Tells Part He Took in Festivities With the Daughter of Native Chief.

In Harper's Magazine Charles W. Furlong told of attending a dance of the native tribes in Surinam, South Africa, and dancing with the daughter of a chief.

"The commandant and Mr. Smit were with me opposite the drummers, where a Djoeka presented his daughter, a superb black creature, who, with two other girls, advanced into the ring, with coy step and posture, toward three men, with whom they danced in pairs; the girls, with a shy lift of the head and constant moving of hands, passed and repassed, turning closely about their partners, but never touching. A girl would follow a man of her fancy as he walked from the ring center, then, as he turned at the edge, whisk away to a hum of laughing approval.

"Suddenly the dusky form of the girl previously presented emerged from the throng with the same coy, mesmeric motions of the hands, almost touched me, turned like a flash, and was gone. A loud murmur rose. Smit nudged my arm. 'She likes you. You have got to dance,' he whispered. Every explorer knows it is sometimes as unwise to accept such a challenge as it is sometimes indiscreet to refuse. She advanced again with another girl; reassured by safety in numbers, my strong susceptibilities to the rhythm of music enabled me to adapt some slight proficiency in 'buck-and-wing' dancing and to become a moment later an integral part of that throbbing throng."

## PROVES MAN OF STANDING

More Than a Little Amount of Philosophy in Walter's Idea of Having Credit.

For the twentieth time Dave, the waiter, pushed a pencil insinuatingly toward the regular customer as he presented the check for the meal. For the twentieth time the regular customer, heroically resisting temptation, averred that he had always paid cash and always meant to pay cash.

"Dave," he added, "you shouldn't tempt me this way. Don't you think a man ought to be proud of paying cash or his meals? I'm proud of it. Don't tamper with my virtue."

Whereat Dave, looking pityingly upon the customer, enunciated the following:

"Proud? Why should you be proud? Hasn't it ever occurred to you that anybody—some one we've never seen in our lives at this restaurant and don't know from Adam—can come in here and pay cash for what he gets? Now, I ask you, can any Tom, Dick or Harry sign his check?"

"No, sir. To have credit, a man must have standing. The fact that you sign for your meals gives you a standing. It means that you're a regular fellow; that you're known and respected. Pay cash? Bah! Any fool can do that!"

Without another word the regular customer picked up the pencil, wrote his name on the check, and put down a quarter for a tip.

"Confound you, Dave," he said; "you've converted me."

## Brother of Famous Ethan Allen.

Ira Allen, a younger brother of Ethan Allen and one of the founders of Vermont, died 100 years ago in Philadelphia. Born in Connecticut in 1751, Ira Allen accompanied his brothers to Vermont at the age of twenty, and in one year became an extensive land proprietor. He was lieutenant in Colonel Warner's regiment in the Canada campaign, and a confidant of General Montgomery. He was first treasurer of Vermont and a member of the board of war during the Revolution. He was prominent in the Haldiman negotiations, and while his conduct gave some color to the charge that he was ready to surrender the territory of Vermont to the crown, the fact remains that his action delayed the consummation of an agreement and saved the territory to the United States. In the latter years of his life Allen met with financial reverses and at the time of his death he was harassed by creditors and lawsuits.

## Various United States Capitals.

The capital of the United States has been located at different times at the following places: At Philadelphia from September 5, 1774, to December, 1776; at Baltimore from December 20, 1776, to March, 1777; at Philadelphia from March 4, 1777, to September, 1777; at Lancaster, Pa., from September 27, 1777, to September 30, 1777; at York, Pa., from September 20, 1777, to July, 1778; at Philadelphia from July 2, 1778, to June 30, 1783; at Princeton, N. J., June 30, 1783, to November 20, 1783; Annapolis, Md., November 26, 1783, to November 30, 1784; Trenton, from November, 1784, to January, 1785; New York, from January 11, 1785, to 1790; then the seat of government was removed to Philadelphia, where it remained until 1800, since which time it has been in Washington.

## Versatile Alpine Guide.

In a lecture recently on some Alpine adventures Julian Grande, F. R. G. S., said that 95 per cent. of Alpine accidents were due to climbing without a guide. The Alpine guide was a wonderful fellow. He had to undergo three years' apprenticeship before receiving his license and had to pass an examination in topography and geography as well as in ambulance work. He knew also how to sew and how to cook, and his charge was \$5 a day and all found.

## Letter From El Paso.

El Paso, April 27, 1914.

Dear Mr. Hardy:

Thanks for your request. Things are quiet today and it appears war is over as to Mexico. Wednesday and Thursday, 23 and 24th, though pretty exciting. Early in the day the newspapers begin to issue extras and by night they had reached as high as the twelfth edition. Each news item between Mexico and U. S. was enlarged upon. While the editorials were pacific, the news reporters were red.

Villa (pronounced Veya) came in Thursday night and immediately poured oil on the troubled waters with an interview to the effect that he would not fight his good friends the United States. The majority accepted his statement as being his real feelings and confidence was established and El Paso dropped into its business channels.

While the war excitement ran high I saw much that was interesting to me. I saw Uncle Sam's river patrol, the machine guns, the Signal corps, the cavalry and the artillery and I saw them all get ready to act if necessary. You can hardly get out of sight of the patrol on the river. No one is allowed to cross except on the two National bridges. All persons entering Mexico that are not known are searched for arms or ammunition.

It makes ones nerves tingle to see the boys mounted on a foot marching to position, but what interested me most was the artillery. I had the good fortune to see them break camp at the Fort, and then train their guns on Juarez. They surprised me in one way. The cannoners themselves do not see the object shot at as a rule. For instance the battery I was with set down behind some of the finest residences of El Paso in a position that the cannon could not be seen from Juarez nor the cannoners see it. The commanding officers of this squad sat on a mountain some distance away and gave the orders over telephone to the ranking gunner. The gunner sets his gun by vernier just like the vernier on a compass. He is given the numbers to set on by his officer behind who gets his from a field transit that shows the angle of the gun and the object to be shot. From the two known angles they calculate the unknown. Thus you see each shot is a mathematic certainty. After I saw the thoroughness and completeness of Uncle Sam's boys I feared no longer for El Paso but for Juarez.

The saddest sight was the faces of the 5000 prisoners when our boys hurriedly broke camp and started toward Mexico. They are not dead to the love of home. Their faces showed their anxiety.

El Paso has grown to be a city. It has the largest lumber plant in the world. This was a surprise to me. The plant owns a railroad over 200 miles long to its forests in the Madero Mountains in Mexico. I saw boxes put up for Boston, New York, Chicago, St. Louis and many other places north and east. They manufacture all the boxes that hold the apples of the entire West. They use the saw dust and shavings alone to run all the machinery. All knots and refuse are sold as wood to El Paso and surrounding country and by the way they nail the boxes together with machinery.

It also has the largest smelter. Cannot better impress you with the greatness than by the fact that it takes two trains to haul away the melted slag, a train every half hour. It claims the largest brick plant in Texas, but it is really in Mexico. It is on the south side of the river, and has never recognized any war and running full blast. It also has a great cement plant. This was interesting to me and I followed its manufacture from the crude stone to where it came out the finished product, fine as doodle dust.

They have foundries and machine shops and various other industries. It has builded much since I first saw it in 1890. The swamp is filled up and the mountain has been leveled and is now the swellest residential district in Texas.

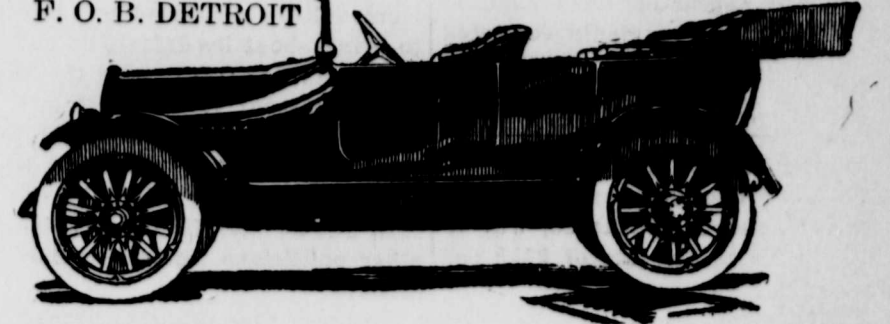
Over one half of the city's population is Mexican. While all Nationalities live here. The Spanish speaking predominate. Right here I wish to say they bear their troubles without whining. There was not as far as I heard or saw a single instance of ill will between American and Mexican. The Mexican has faith in our honor and army. Think, on the very night that it looked as if war was a certainty, all the women and children of non combatants took shelter on this side of the river. Even Villa's wife resides in El Paso and motors over when Villa comes up to see her.

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charge of the enemy while they fought in order to protect them?

I could write much more of the civic improvements for it has done much. Its streets are all asphalted and are smooth as a floor. The county has 350 miles of asphalted road. The city has a number of beautiful and well kept parks. They have been wise and forbade years ago the building of any wooden houses and it is therefore the best built city in Texas.

I wish every citizen of Snyder could see these beautiful homes. Maybe they would try to emulate. It is much easier to beautify there than here. Every hole nearly for a tree has to be blasted out of the rock. The soil has to be hauled to cover the yard and water has to be purchased to make anything grow. There are no gardens, neither any orchards in the city, and this makes it look barren compared to our queen of the west. You see I still think Snyder is the favored spot of all of Texas. I will visit the irrigated lands before I return and if it interests you I will tell what I find in next you I will tell what I find in next, perhaps will write you from Alpine.

Your truly,  
A. C. WILMETH.

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Snyder, Texas, May 8, 1914.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic Party in July.

### For Representative (105th. Representative District)

T. F. BAKER of Scurry Co.  
A. J. HAGINS of Kent Co.

### For District Attorney (39th District)

JAS. P. STINSON of Jones Co  
W. J. ARINGTON, Stonewall County.

### For District Clerk—

WALTER S. ADAMSON

### For County Judge—

C. R. BUCHANAN

### For Sheriff—

W. A. MERRILL  
J. B. BOLES

### For County Clerk—

W. T. SKINNER

### For Tax Assessor—

JOE MERRITT

### For Tax Collector—

W. M. CURRY  
D. NATION

### For County Treasurer—

C. R. LOCKHART

### For County Attorney—

R. W. WEBB  
W. W. WEEMS

### For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1—

B. F. DAVIS

### For County Commissioner (Precinct No. 1)—

B. F. DAVIS  
W. T. THOMPSON.

### For Commissioner and Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 3—

JAKE AUTRY

### For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 1—

ZACK EVANS  
SAM HULL

### For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 4—

Hermleigh—  
G. W. McCALL

It is said the U. S. Express Company will go out of business on June 1st. The parcels post seems to be a great eliminator.

Col. R. M. Johnson and Clarence Ousley are both in the Tom Ball band wagon. Do you see any finger prints on the wall?

The free canal tolls law heretofore passed by Congress is a plain subsidy of the shipping trust and is in the interest of rich American ship owners and it ought to be repealed.

Some of the biggest ants in the State say they will vote for Tom Ball—that but for his prohibition notions—and even in spite of them, he is the fittest man in the State to be Governor.

The Lockney Beacon man has reversed the legal decision of Tom Ball. He cites Ball's assertion that National prohibition would be unconstitutional and then assures us that Ball is wrong. Guess that settles it.

Austin people are about to establish a home for the "black mammy" of that town. It is a worthy project. Many a man and woman now living can remember the old colored mammy. How she nursed the children, cared for the Missus and gave all her energies and simple life for the family. It is right to provide her with a home, and feed her if necessary.

## WOULD MUDDY THE WATER

J. Sheb Williams of Paris, who has flourished for two years as the official head of the democratic party in Texas is now a voter without a candidate. He declares he will not vote for either Ball or Ferguson, but in his enthusiasm for the defeat of prohibition he threatens to put a new wrinkle in politics. His idea is, that if he can't have access to the water trough, he'll stir up the mud till nobody else will drink the water. He feels sure that the State-wide amendment will be submitted and in order to bring about its defeat, he will get the committee to place on the ticket an amendment for a quart law. By this means he hopes to muddle the thing up so that voters will kill the whole concern. He thinks he can do this, but he may find that there are other politicians who think they are smart.

The way the statewide proposition was brought about before, left it not a matter optional with any executive committee. A certain per cent. of the people petitioned the legislature to have the amendment submitted and it was so ordered. Col. J. Sheb may be referred to the legislature for his mud slush scheme.

## FERGUSON TELLING TALES

Since Clarence Ousley and R. M. Johnston have both announced as supporters of Col. Ball, Candidate Ferguson's telling off on them. He says they want him to take the lieutenantancy and let Clarence be the governor, then after he had gotten sufficient knowledge of politics Clarence would go to the United States Senate and let their pupil be governor. He refused to be their "Friday" and then they went back on him.

The Signal hopes to see an organization of Snyder Women take hold of the management of the City Cemetery, and leave nothing for the men to do, but furnish the means to do with.

It was well for those Mexican soldiers at Vera Cruz to limit the parley of the surrender of the Water Works by the American guards to ten minutes, for when Gen Funston's men got busy, ten minutes was a long time for the greasers to stand exposed.

Since the policies of President Wilson have won approval of nearly every civilized power and is about to succeed in bringing some degree of order in Mexico, the state papers are saying in bold headlines, "Seatur Culberson approves Wilson's Mexico policies." He has been a long time saying so.

Chief Becker who is held up to the world as the imperial influence in gunmen outlawry in New York City seems to be up against the real thing. He is finding that for once, at least, money doesn't make the mare go. The court has denied his motion for a change of venue.

A bunch of prohibition eliminators got together the other day and with the consent of the three prohibition candidates for State Comptroller, named Sheriff McClure of Jones County as the pro candidate for that office.

A private letter received here from an observant citizen of a certain town where candidate Ferguson recently made a speech says, "Ferguson will get some votes here. He completely caught all the oSocialists."

## IF WE QUIT

Some day when we're up for judgment, and our acts upon this earth,

Spread upon the record pages, tell of waste or sin or worth.

There will show a debit item, glaring, strong and plainly writ, And we'll blush with shame—that item tells us that was when we QUIT.

Black and strong we'll see it staring like a record mark of shame— That was when we got discouraged, cowardly and quit the game. There'll be no other marks against us, but this one, black as the pit Pointed by an angel finger will show us—oh, shame! WE QUIT. (Dallas News Staff Poet.)

The weather has been delightful here this week. No rain since Sunday. A rather cool norther was on for Tuesday night and Wednesday morning giving a good stiff bracer to the atmosphere. Land is in fine fix. A good growing season and crops are humping. Farmers are too busy to talk politics, go fishing or swap horses.

## Mexico Stories Verified.

Mr. George Ralston returned last Wednesday from Galveston. He heard quite a good deal of Mexico talk while there, and saw the ship that brought over a number of refugees. He met an oil man there who gave him an account of some of his experiences.

The Huertistas pressed him so hard that he came away and left his wells flowing and the oil going to waste. When he realized the intentions of the rioters he ran toward the beach and was in a block or two of the water when they caught him and began to kick and beat him. They would probably have killed him had not a German officer interfered. The man said the Federals and Rebels use each other with horrible brutality and the only reason they didn't do him the same way they didn't have time.

From the statements of this man to Mr. Ralston we conclude the newspaper reporters over there are giving it to us straight.

We have our own Jersey cows and use their milk in making ice cream. When you eat Snyder Ice Cream you get the purest and best.

THE SNYDER BOTTLING WORKS  
Phone 119 Free Delivery

## Protecting Cotton

Two travelling men here a few days ago were noticing the bales of cotton on the yard here and one asked if cotton was not seriously damaged by being left on the yards unprotected. The other said "Not to amount to much."

Mr. Nathan Adams of Dallas, president of the Banker's Association in an address this week at Fort Worth spoke pointedly against this practice and insists that sheds should be required to protect the holdover cotton.

Rev. J. E. Kelly of Bowie, a minister of the Nazareth church, was here this week enroute to Bethel to fill his regular preaching appointment Saturday and Sunday.

The friends of Mr. G. B. Clark are made sad to know that he is still quite sick. He had a bad time Wednesday night and Thursday.

A. M. Curry of Miles is here this week looking after his farm east of town. He is accompanied by Arthur Morrison, his son-in-law, who has recently returned from Decatur, Alabama where he has been railroading for two years. Al says they have had good rains at Miles and everything looks good.

## Card of Thanks.

I wish, in this way, to express my grateful thanks to all those who gave me their aid in the recent contest at Hunter's. I would like to thank each one of you personally, but that is impossible so I take this means.

With gratitude,  
ALSIE SMITH.

## Snyder Man Immune

A well known citizen of Snyder sat on the corner a few days ago and listened to the pessimistic prophecies of an itinerant calamity preacher in his predictions that a war must soon come in this country between capital and labor.

The Snyder man went home in a pensive mood. He had no appetite for supper and when he retired he was too restless to sleep. His good wife finally asked what bothered him and he told her that we are about to have war between capital and labor.

She is a philosophical woman and at once was ready to reassure her husband that there was no cause on his part for worry and she said: "Go to sleep old mucklehead, you don't belong to either class."

## Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the people for their assistance in the piano contest. I appreciate your help very much.

MADGE DARBY

Dr. McIntosh, in his discussion of poisons, Wednesday night probably caused many people to make an introspection and see what is the trouble.

## School Trustees Elected

The election was held in Snyder Saturday for four trustees of the Snyder Schools. B. F. Pryor, O. L. Jones, Pat Johnson and E. B. Barnes were elected. J. W. Couch received something over fifty votes though his name was not printed on the ticket.

## Offers Solution to Tenant Question

Trinity, Texas, May 5—Owners of about a million acres of land in the Trinity Valley and throughout this section will meet the "Tenant Question" which is being widely discussed in this state now and which is incidentally furnishing campaign material for gubernatorial candidates by placing their lands through the medium of the Trinity Commercial Club at the disposal of 220,000 tenant farmers of Texas without payment down for one year and forty years thereafter in which to pay for them.

This decision was announced at the last meeting of the Commercial Club which organization has been working for some time to effect such a plan.

The above news item has been sent out by the Trinity Commercial Club and it will have effect. The millions of acres offered there and the millions of acres in West Texas that could be handled the same way would furnish homes for all worthy farmers who have grit enough to take advantage of the offer. It is reasonable, legal and right to put this offer up to the volition of the landless men instead of seeking to confiscate the rights of men who own farm lands and fix the terms of occupancy by law.

The Trinity plan is American, the proposed legislative plan is Socialistic. Commercial clubs in West Texas could control an offer of millions of acres to be disposed of to free men seeking homes of their own.

## Looking Good.

A representative of the Signal made a trip through the country to Hermleigh last Tuesday and all along the way everything looks good. Farmers were very busy planting and fighting the weeds, which also seem to be doing extremely well. The farmers have several weeks ahead in planting and plowing their crops. There is a fine season in the ground everywhere and no time is being lost in getting the crops in the ground.

The merchants of Hermleigh are feeling fine over the prospects and are looking forward to a big fall business. Hermleigh is located in a fine farming country, has a splendid citizenship, both in the town and surrounding country, and it is sure to always be a good little town, and will grow better as the years advance and the development of the country moves forward.

One thing that look especially good to us on this trip was some wheat fields along the way. Mitchell and Broxson have 185 acres of wheat on the Stinson place east of town that looks good and is just about ready to head out. M. L. Williams has a large field of wheat five miles north of Hermleigh that is as fine as one could expect to see in Central Texas, and if nothing unforeseen happens to it, will make a yield that will measure up with Missouri wheat fields.

## Will Thompson for Commissioner

The Signal is authorized this week to announce Mr. W. T. Thompson as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner for Precinct No. 1. Mr. Thompson is a successful farmer and business man. His splendid farm and irrigation plant, a mile south of town show that he is a man who does things. He is not a mere theorist. He is a practical man of affairs and has lived in this country fourteen years, long enough to have a clear idea of what this county needs. He is progressive, but not extravagant. He will watch the financial interests of the county and will take pains to know for what the public monies are spent, yet he will not be stingy in expenditure where the public welfare needs it.

If elected he will make a safe, conservative and active commissioner. Consider his claims.

## Work on Church Progressing

The plasterers are making good progress at their work on the new church. The memorial windows for the main auditorium are all in place. There is yet a vast amount of work to be done, but it is hoped to have the house ready for the district conference.

The Signal learns that Dr. and Mrs. Harkrider have rented the Dr. Morrow home on Colonial Hill and will occupy it after the close of school. The Morrow family will move to Dunn.

# SHIP YOUR FREIGHT and DO YOUR TRAVELING

VIA



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NO. 3		NO. 1		SCHEDULE		NO. 2		NO. 4	
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9.30 a m		9.40 a m		Lv Hermleigh Lv	4.35 p m	4.15 p m			
10.00 a m		10.15 a m		Lv SNYDER Lv	4.00 p m	3.45 p m			
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Schedule subject to change without notice.

## EXCURSIONS:

ONE AND ONE-THIRD FARE for round trip to Abilene, College Station, Dallas, Fort Worth, Galveston, Houston, Pilot Point, San Antonio, Temple, and Tyler during April. For selling dates, limit of tickets, etc., phone or write agent.

TOURIST TICKETS; at reduced rates, on sale daily to Brownsville, College Port, Corpus Christi, Hubbard, Marlin, Mineral Wells, Palacios, Port O'Connor and Rockport.

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## BROTHERS AND SONS

"On a dirty floor at a slimy bar in the ante-room of hell

I have seen them stand with a devil's leer, I have heard the tales they tell—

I have heard them brag of the brutish things, I have heard them boast of shame,

Till I longed again for the Jewish God, for the God who smote with flame.

And I wondered much if there lingered still not a dream of boyhood land,

Not a tender thought of a mother's kiss or a touch of sister's hand.

For we wander far, and the years go by and boyhood vision fades,

Yet we are the sons of the mothers of men and brother to all the maids.

"And it isn't there in the wilds alone that the souls of men forget;

In the house of pride, on the polished stair, where the gilded ones are met,

I have heard the tale that is often told on the dirty barroom floor,

While the idle smiled and the lounge-laughed, and the bestial asked for more

For the thing we are is the thing we are, not the thing in garments new;

And the coat that fits is the tailor's coat, but the man inside is you.

It is such as I, it is such as you, that have made the jests and jades—

Yet we are sons of the mother soft men and brother to all the maids.

"Yea the sons we are of a motherhood, of a mother-love divine;

And I cannot slander this mother yours—If I do not slander mine

Yea, the brothers are of a sisterhood of the sisters loved or lone,

And you cannot slander the least and say that the world shall spare your own.

For a woman's name and a woman's fame, they are sweet, and frail as flowers;

But the strength to shield and the arm to wield for the woman's name are ours.

Let the God-made man keep his God-made trust till his life's last twilight fades—

For we are the sons of the mothers of men and brothers to all the maids."

—Douglas Mallock

## The Difficulty of Diplomacy

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer:

"She has the hardest time of any woman I know" remarked another woman to still another.

"Why how can you think so? She is the most diplomatic and easy going person I know."

"Her diplomacy is what makes

life so hard for her."

"How can that be?"

"She tries to make her worldly friends think she is not pious and her pious friends believe she is not worldly. And it keeps her thin."

Patronize the fount men who serve some manufactured cream.

# Underwear

Men's, Ladies' and Children's Underwear for the least money. We are satisfied with a small margin. Try us and see--The Arcade



# The Piano Contest Is Over

The \$400.00 Piano Contest, which has been under way at our store for the past 6 months, closed Wednesday night and the various premiums were awarded to the winners. The contest has been successful in every sense of the word, and everybody seems satisfied. We want to congratulate the winners and express to those who will not receive a premium, our sincere hope that you will be more successful in the next one.

This store desires to thank every contestant individually, for your untiring efforts in contributing to the success of this contest.

## Standing of the Contestants in Hunter Mercantile Co. and West Texas News Piano contest at the close on the night of the 6th and a list of the winners

No. 185—Miss Aisie Smith gets the Piano.	1	9,546,130	55	14,798,550	110	4,030,445
No. 50—Miss Madge Darby gets Second Premium.	20	7,549,540	64	2,977,225	161	6,260,285
No. 55—Miss Nellie Fenton, gets third Premium.	25	3,438,280	72	4,117,375	162	2,964,525
No. 1—Miss Alva Adams, gets Fourth Premium.	26	2,371,145	82	4,316,865	185	27,773,315
No. 36—Miss Pearl Cliff, gets Fifth Premium.	36	9,393,710	86	3,836,855	195	3,799,160
No. 20—Miss Sybil Banks gets Sixth Premium.	45	6,216,485	92	3,061,055	197	3,002,390
No. 161—Miss Elmer Wrenn gets Seventh Premium.	50	14,853,345	96	4,750,905		

We are well pleased with the results of the contest, our only wish being, that everyone could have won a prize. We thank you for your patronage and ask that you continue with us, promising that we will render you the best possible service, in quality and price.

# Hunter Mercantile Comp'y

SNYDER, - - - TEXAS

### School Board Met.

The Snyder School board had a meeting Wednesday evening and canvassed the returns of the trustee election and Messrs. Pryor, Jones and Barnes were sworn in. Mr. Johnston was not present. There will be another meeting Saturday evening when Mr. Johnston will qualify and it is expected the board will re-organize and complete the election of teachers.

### Pink Boll Weevil

Washington, May 5.—Fearing the introduction into the United States of the "pink boll worm" known as the most dangerous of cotton pests, the Department of Agriculture announced that the hearings will be had on May 15, on the proposed quarantine of the insect.

### Cloudy and Cool

The weather this week has carried changeable features. Monday and Tuesday were warm. Tuesday night brought a cool norther, then came a maffernoon of warm, close, ominous weather. Thursday morning showed up cloudy, with cool north-east wind and people began to look out for more rain.

### Boy Scouts on Hike

Mr. E. J. Anderson and about 25 Boy Scouts started out for a hike about 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. They went north to the Smith ranch house, two miles out, then crossed over to Deep creek and returned to town late in the evening.

### Mother's Day

Gov. Colquitt has issued his proclamation, designating next Sunday, May 10, as "Mother's Day." He suggests that we wear on that day Mother's favorite flower.

The new concrete work on the sidewalk in front of the Nunn property on the West Side has put the walk on a level and there is less danger of a slide down or sudden jerking of pedestrians.

### MANY GLAD TO QUIT CALOMEL

#### Thousands Avoid Taking the Drug and Use Dodson's Liver Tone in its Place to Their Comfort and Delight

Dodson's Liver Tone is a harmless reliable vegetable-liquid. It is made to take the place of dangerous calomel.

Calomel in large doses is a poison. It is a mineral, a form of mercury. What it does unpleasantly and very often with decided danger in cases of constipation and sluggish liver, Dodson's Liver Tone does for you safely and pleasantly, with no pain and no gripe. Dodson's does not interfere in any way with your regular business habits or diet.

Dodson's Liver Tone is backed up by a guarantee of "satisfaction or your money back" as Grayum Drug Company, the druggists will tell you.

Of course so successful and so reliable a remedy has its imitators, but this store has Dodson's and will not deceive you.

Dodson never makes extravagant statements. Dodson's Liver Tone has been made from the first to take the place of calomel. It "liven's the liver" overcomes constipation agreeably and makes you feel good and if you are not satisfied completely The Grayum Drug Company will hand back the purchase price (50c) to you cheerfully, instantly and without question.

### Best in Ten Years

Mr. J. C. Beakley was here last Wednesday from Dunn and reported everything lovely in that community. They have had lots of rain and crop conditions and the general outlook is the best in ten years. He and others have been having fine luck fishing in Deep Creek. He says he caught a five pounder the other day.

Even people who think they are good, and fair and just will ascribe evil motives to others without knowing the facts.

### At the Opera House

Manager Grantham of the Opera House is to be congratulated on the character of attractions booked recently. "The Broken Rosary" presented last Thursday night is pronounced the best play that has been here this season. The story contains a high moral tone and serves to show the menacing tendency of a growing evil in this country—that of prostituting the marriage relation to money. It deals with matrimony in high life and shows the sins of mothers who seek to marry their daughters off to rich men, regardless of every feature of sacredness in the marriage relation.

The story has been well written and was presented by a troupe of well equipped actors.

Albert Taylor is a popular theatre man and always draws a good house. He had a good audience Saturday night, and while the play was funny, it was pronounced a mediocre performance.

### CAMP SPRINGS.

Brother Greenway went to Snyder Monday.

Mrs. Trice who has been sick is better.

Mr. Abe Perry and Miss Bett DeShazo were happily married last Sunday.

The Singing Sunday was enjoyed by all present.

We are having some warm weather since the rain.

The baby of Rev. and Mrs. Yeats was right sick last week.

Mrs. Greenway was right sick the latter part of last week.

The recent rains have put us farmers in a rush, everything to plant over.

News is scarce.

—QUACK.

A Rhoades says that before the rain the people were putting in considerable time fishing, but now you can't get an Ira farmer to look at anything but a mule and a planter.

### HUERTA'S SUN GOING DOWN

The Daily Press has been giving notice for several days that President Huerta was tottering and his abdication has been expected. It was uncertain whether it would come in the way of surrender, flight or suicide—but it must come. His protecting guard was composed of children. He had lost confidence in everybody. Men obeyed his orders from fear. His cabinet officers have quit him and his soldiers showed signs of disloyalty. His power was gone and his resignation expected to come not later than Thursday of this week.

The mediation envoys were notified early this week that Carranza will not agree to cease fighting, but will press on to Saltillo and Tampico, and probably to the Capital.

The Federalists tried to get the Constitutionalists to join them, promising general amnesty, but the rebels spurned them and will proceed to complete the work of subjugation, now so far advanced.

The rebels can see that the action of the United States in seizing Tampico and Vera Cruz, gave them an easier road to victory and now if they will maintain a respectful attitude to the United States and will proceed to establish a government on the bloody ruins of the Huerta regime, the United States may recognize them and the war in Mexico may be ended in a few days.

### Wanted

Seventy-five head of horses and cattle to pasture. Plenty grass and water. STRAYED, 11 head of cattle, 4 cows, 7 two year old heifers, branded C. V. on left hip, have been in pasture about one month. Owner please call and settle pasture and pay for this notice.

C. R. FELLMY,  
At Denson & Smith's

W. D. Sims was riding through a mesquite thicket the other day after a cow and got a thorn stuck into his hand. He said if the leaders of the hand had been cut, his hand would not have been any deader, and it is not well yet.

The sin for which Ananias died was telling the cashier that he was turning over all the money.

### CROWDER CRUMBS

The good rains have placed a broad smile on the once long faces of the farmers of the Crowder vicinity.

The Sunday School and Prayer meeting were well attended and much interest was shown. The praying meeting was especially fine. The Lord was with us and gave us a great blessing. It was indeed good to be there.

Mrs. W. W. Kuhn, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Lemons, returned to her home in Parker county, last week.

Our public school will be out Friday. We feel that we have had a good school this year.

The singing at Mr. Bentley's was a splendid affair.

We have new books for our singers and every one seems to take a new interest in the singing.

Mr. Ross Pate of White Bluff and Miss Alvia Adams of Canyon attended our prayer meeting Sunday.

Miss Lora Lemons visited Miss Georgia Turner Sunday afternoon.

Crowder was well represented at the singing Saturday night at Mr. Garner's near Union.

Miss Winnie Garner of Union visited Miss Iva Bentley Sunday.

The sand storms are getting old and drollsome to us.

Several young men from Canyon visited our prayer meeting Sunday night.

The Crowder and Bethel boys played a game of baseball at Mr. Bentley's Friday. The game stood 9 to 18 in favor of the Bethel boys, but never mind. Crowder is going to organize a team—then wait and see who beats.

Mr. Hugh Cordell spent Saturday night with Mr. Gerald Lemons.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggs visited

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Light of near West Point Sunday.

Miss Wasson visited Miss Effie Hodge.

Everybody is invited to attend Sunday School League and prayer meeting next Sunday. The League meets at 3:30 in the afternoon. Everybody come.

TIP.

Remember that A. P. Morris is in the second hand business. Repairing a specialty. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Read the ads this week—it pays.



### SANTA FE EXCURSIONS.

Galveston, Texas—Account Southwestern Gas and Electrical Association. Sell May 18th and 19th, 1914. Fare for round trip \$19.55, final limit for return May 26th, 1914.

Gainesville, Texas—Account Texas Christian Missionary Convention. Sell May 10th, and 11th, 1914. Fare for round trip \$12.45. Final limit for return May 17th, 1914.

Houston, Texas—Account Texas Medical Association Annual Meeting. Sell May 9th and 10th, 1914. Fare for round trip \$17.60. Final limit for return May 18th, 1914.

Amarillo, Texas, Account annual convention Northern Texas Missionary Convention, Sell May 25 and 26, 1914. Fare for round trip \$8.15. Final limit for return, May 29th, 1914.

Dallas, Texas—Account State Saengerfest. Sell, May 9, 10, 11 and 12, 1914. Fare for round trip, \$9.80. Limit for return May 17, 1914.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Account General Conference Methodist Episcopal Church—Will sell May 2, 3, 4, 5 and 14th, 1914. Final limit for return, May 29, 1914. Fare for round trip \$12.80.

For further particulars, call or write Santa Fe Ticket Agent. Phone Ticket Office No. 253, Freight office No. 128..

J. M. RODGERS, Agent,  
P. & N. T. Ry. Co.

## DRESS MAKING

All work guaranteed or money refunded and goods replaced.  
First dress made free.  
MRS. MARY HUNT,  
Six Blocks East of Post Office.



## I TOOK PE-RU-NA

Was Able to Sleep and Eat Again

Mrs. Mueller says: "I keep Peruna in the house constantly. When I am not feeling well I take a few doses. It always restores."



MRS. M. MUELLER, P. O. Box 321, Hawley, Wayne Co., Penn.

Mrs. Mueller's story of her experience with Peruna fully explains why she always keeps Peruna on hand. A few years ago she was very sick. The trouble seemed to be the stomach and liver. She suffered great pain. Was unable to get anything to help her. She was growing weaker and weaker. She became tired of life.

Somebody suggested that she write to the Peruna Co. She did so. Through their advice she began to use Peruna. In a letter from her at this time she says: "Through the use of Peruna I have regained my health. I took only a bottle and a half when I was able to sleep and eat again and my nervousness disappeared." No wonder Mrs. Mueller keeps Peruna in the house. Under similar circumstances Peruna would be in every house in the land.

Any one taking Peruna ought to have a free copy of the "Ills of Life." Address Peruna Co., Columbus, Ohio. People who object to liquid medicines can now obtain Peruna Tablets.

## UNIVERSITY HOME AND SCHOOL LEAGUE

A New Movement for Improving Country Life.

How can we make living in the country more satisfactory and enjoyable to boys and girls? How can we check the



Prof. F. M. Bralley

drift of our best blood to the cities? What can the University of Texas do to promote community life and really help the 75 per cent of the population of Texas who make their living on the farm?

These are some of the big questions that Professor F. M. Bralley, formerly Superintendent of Public Instruction and now at the head of the Extension Department of the University of Texas, attempts to answer in Bulletin No. 322, which is sent free to all who apply for it. This bulletin contains the purposes and plans of the University Home and School League which Professor Bralley hopes to see organized in every country community in Texas. Through this organization it is his belief that great good can come to country folks.

### IN THE ESTATE OF W. H. H. LINDSEY, DECEASED.

In the County Court of Scurry County sitting in probate, April term, A. D. 1914.

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the estate of W. H. H. Lindsey, deceased, were granted to us, the undersigned on the 9th day of April, 1914 by the County Court of Scurry County, Texas and persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to us within the time prescribed by law.

Residence and post office address of Miss Alice Lindsey is Snyder, in Scurry County, Texas and that of J. H. Lindsey is Post in Garza County, Texas.

ALICE LINDSEY, Executrix.  
J. H. LINDSEY, Executor

Warren and J. A. Scrivner were here Monday from Dermott.

Cotton Seed for sale. Guaranteed pure Mebane, \$1.00 per bushel.  
H. VON ROEDER  
46-3tp Knapp, Texas

## FLUVANNA

Miss Corian Field's school at Jenkins closed last week and she left for her home at San Angelo Saturday.

Mrs. Lon Deere is very sick at this writing at their home north of Fluvanna.

Olin Hardy of Snyder was in our town one day last week in the interest of the Snyder Signal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hunter visited in Snyder Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Orville Dodson of Snyder is visiting Mrs. J. M. Hunter this week.

Mrs. M. A. McGregor has been quite sick the past few days and her condition at this writing is very much improved.

J. I. Parker is spending the week on his farm on the Plains near Meadow.

Miss Lucille Miller of Snyder was in our town Saturday.

W. A. Sealy and daughter, Miss Doscia, from near Gail, were in our town last Saturday.

This county has been wonderfully blessed with good rains this week. The precipitation being about two inches, and fell in such a way as to not be wasted. In some localities there has not been sufficient rainfall to put out stock water, but has been sufficient to put a fine season in the ground and everyone is jubilant.

J. J. Belew visited in Snyder Sunday.

J. A. Weems left Monday for Kent county to accompany his daughters Misses Mary and Bulah home.

Ed. Joyce of Hermleigh and Tom Sturdivant of our town traded bulls and the exchange was made Monday. Each of these gentlemen had the registered Hereford's and they are as fine as can be found anywhere.

Misses Pearl and Edith Clift visited their parents at Hermleigh Saturday and Sunday.

John Petty came over Saturday of last week after freight for the Gall merchants and put up that night in the wagon yard here. Some time during the night some hungry person swiped a sack of potatoes from the wagon.

Dolph Favors visited in Snyder Sunday.

Rev. B. W. Dodson of Memphis, Texas, the new presiding elder of this church came in on Monday's train. On account of high water he was delayed one day enroute. He began preaching a series of sermons at the Methodist church Monday night.

Rev. J. C. Oliver of Abilene filled his regular appointment at the anti-Board Baptist church Sunday.

Mr. S. P. Smith left Monday of this week to attend the Banker's Association which meets in Ft. Worth this week.

If you want your cow to give more milk and butter, feed her Golden Rod. 1-3 cheaper. Why so. Because it is green and sweet. Your grocer or feed dealer has it. 38tf

**Canyon Normal to Be Rebuilt.**  
Austin, May 1.—Acting under instructions of the board of trustees of the West Texas State Normal at Canyon, J. B. Nitschke, state inspector of masonry, left today for Canyon to make a thorough inspection of the ruins of the West Texas school building which was totally destroyed by fire several weeks ago.

It was planned to rebuild the institution before the legislature convenes and have the next legislature make the appropriation. The new school building is to cost about \$250,000 and will be absolutely fire proof.

See Hardy M. Boyd for Abstracts. Office over First State Bank. tf

Isaiah Davis was in Saturday from Ennis Creek and reported things looking good over there. A pretty good shower fell there Saturday morning. He called around to have his date moved up on the Signal and Fort Worth Record. There are no better men nor more successful farmers than I. S. Davis.

W. V. Roy, a good citizen and successful ranchman of Garza county was a business visitor in Snyder Monday night.

## Program of Fifth Sunday Meeting of Scurry County Association.

Thursday 8:30 p. m., Introductory Sermon by C. A. Jones.

Friday 9:30 a. m. Devotional service.

10 o'clock, Scurry County Laymen and their Religious Obligations., T. P. Martin and F. J. Grayum.

11 o'clock, Sermon.

2:30 Devotional service.

3:00 The Reward of Faithfulness, Walter Leach and O. J. Hull.

Question Box, A. J. Leach.

8:00 p. m., Sermon.

Saturday 9:30 a. m. Devotional service.

10 o'clock, Things that Will Make Our Churches a Power For Good. T. F. Kelley and M. T. Tucker.

11:00 a. m., Sermon.

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3:00 o'clock, Associaional Missions, A. J. Leach, J. W. McGaha and R. W. Roe.

Board Meeting.

8:00 p. m., Sermon.

C. H. KELLEY for Committee.

Plenty of money to lend on farms and ranches at all times. Interest from 8 per cent to 9 per cent per annum, 5 to 10 year loans only.

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### Lafon Case Affirmed.

The Lafon case, which was appealed from the District Court of Jones county, has been affirmed by the Court of Criminal Appeals. A writ for new hearing has been introduced, however, and the Court will review evidence affecting the case.

Lafon was convicted in the District Court of Jones county on the charge of unlawful attentions to a young girl. The alleged offense was committed in this county.—Clairemont Reporter.

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Dr. W. A. Palmer and Rev. Cal C. Wright were here Monday from Dunn.

Grandmother Doak returned a few days ago from O'Donnell.

## TEXAS FACTS

### POPULATION.

Texas had 3,896,542 people in 1910, according to the Federal Census.

Our population at the present time is approximately 4,500,000.

The first Texas Census, taken in 1850, showed 212,595 persons in the state.

Texas ranks fifth with other states in population, having wrested that place from Missouri during the past decade.

In 1850 Texas ranked twenty-fifth with other states in population.

The 1910 population classifies—3,204,848 white, 690,049 negroes, 702 Indians, 595 Chinese, 340 Japanese, 6 Filipinos and 2 Hindus.

Eighty-two and two-tenths per cent of our population is white, 17.7 negro, and 1 per cent Indians, Chinese, Japanese and others.

There are 242,000 persons in Texas who were born in foreign countries.

Seventy-six per cent of our population is rural and 24 per cent urban. There are 2,017,626 males and 1,878,916 females in Texas.

We have 109 white males to every 100 white females in Texas.

We have a million persons in Texas who have moved here from other states. Most of them came from Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas.

There are 20,000 negroes in Texas who came here from Louisiana.

Seventy-five per cent of the native white population in Texas were born in this state.

For every person who leaves Texas and moves to some other state in the Union, we get eight in return.

Cochran county in 1910 had only 65 persons living within its borders.

## DECREASING IN EFFICIENCY?

In the opinion of several heads of higher institutions of learning in the State, the graduate of the average high school in Texas today is not so well prepared to take advantage of a college education as was the graduate of the average high school in Texas fifteen years ago.

Professor Thomas Fletcher, who inspects for the University of Texas, has concluded, after interviewing the heads of various colleges and universities in Texas, that the training given in a great number of high schools in the State has deteriorated in the last fifteen years. In speaking of the causes of this deterioration, Prof. Fletcher says that the chief reason is the over-expansion of the high school programs of study, resulting in the overtaxing of both teachers and students. With a view to correcting this evil, the questions arise of how many classes a teacher can teach with a maximum of efficiency under given conditions, and how many recitations a day can the average high school student attend with profit? The practice in sixteen high schools in Texas was examined and it was found that eight of them require students to carry four subjects at a time.

The Springfield (Mass.) High School requires a minimum of three recitations per day; the St. Louis High School, four; the New York High Schools, the same. The Iowa Board of Education requires of its accredited list of schools that not more than four recitations be allowed per day. In short, the overwhelming verdict of pedagogical authority in the United States would limit the number of recitations per day per pupil to four. The trend is toward a less number.

Now, let us see what the practice is in this regard in 143 high schools of the rank and file in Texas. In thirty-eight of these schools pupils recite four times a day; in ninety, five times a day; in fifteen, six or more times a day; so, in the large majority of the ordinary high schools of the State the practice is against the great weight of reliable authority—the practice of over-burdening the pupils with work.

### Cane Seed! Cane Seed!

Hand Cleaned Red Top Cane Seed, per bushel \$1.75.  
Machine Cleaned Red Top Cane Seed, per bushel, \$1.50.

D. E. WALTON,  
At Perry Morris' Second Hand Store.

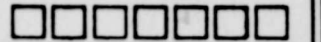
Mrs. F. M. German is residing at present in Waco.

Mr. Joe Church and son, Stephen Dexter Church, were in Snyder Monday and visited the Signal

## OUR ADVERTISING COLUMNS

are read by the people because it gives them news of absorbing interest. People no longer go looking about for things they want—they go to their newspaper for information as to where such things may be found. This method saves time and trouble. If you want to bring your wares to the attention of this community, our advertising columns

Should Contain Your Ad



Mr. W. R. Waldrip left Saturday for Jacksonville, Florida, to attend the annual re-union of Ex-Confederate Veterans. He goes as the representative of Bill Scurry Camp.

### Please Remember.

We again call your attention to the fact that cards of thanks, notices of church and charitable entertainments where admission is charged, where profit is to be made, will be charged for at the rate of 2 1/2 c per line.

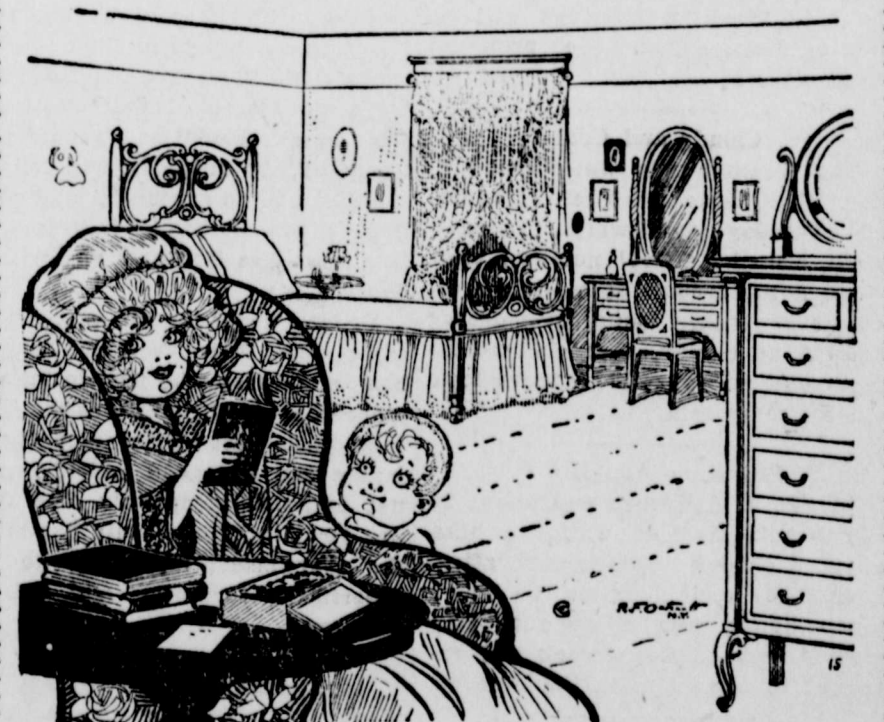
Presiding Elder B. W. Dodson was here Monday from Sweetwater enroute to Fluvanna to fill a ministerial engagement.

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# GREENVILLE PROCEEDINGS

## CANDIDATE

### In Elloquent Address, Choice of Progressive Forces of Democratic Party for Governor Discusses Issues of Pending Campaign.

### TAKE FIRM STAND ON LEBER PROBLEM

### Educational, Eleemosynary and Penal Institutions Must Be Fostered, Land Question Settled, Court Reform Secured, and State Placed on Cash Basis. Replies to Ferguson.

Greenville, Tex., April 21.—Before one of the largest crowds that ever assembled in Texas on a political mission, in which there were men prominent in all walks of life and every section of the state, Judge Thomas H. Ball, candidate of the prohibition democrats for governor of Texas, formally opened his campaign. His address in which he was enthusiastically received, follows:

Fellow Citizens, Ladies and Gentlemen: In response to the cordial invitation of Greenville and Hunt county, I am here today to begin my campaign for the democratic nomination for governor of Texas. The great gathering which was promised when the invitation was extended is here to manifest interest in my candidacy and the message which I bring to you and which through you will go out to the people of the entire state.

The presence of so many representatives of the womanhood of Texas upon this occasion is deeply appreciated and evidences the fact that enlisted under the standard which has been placed in my hands will be found the great majority of the women who work and pray for a saloonless state and whose support will be an inspiration to me throughout the battle now on.

I deemed it appropriate to select the natal day of the independence of Texas to open my campaign for the highest office in the gift of the people, in obedience to what I believed to be a substantial demand for my return to the public service.

I was born and lived from boyhood until the meridian of life in the historic old city of Huntsville, where Sam Houston lived and died, and came now from the city of Houston which bears his honored name, and from Harris county, upon whose soil the battle of San Jacinto was fought and the liberty of Texas achieved to the great battle of San Antonio, Texas, to ask you and all with whom I am substantially agreed upon great public questions to join with me upon this anniversary of the birth of our republic in accomplishing the things which are near to the heart of an army of Texans many thousands of miles from the forces which fought under Houston, Lamar, Sherman and Burleson at San Jacinto.

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repeal, instead of being reconciled by its permanent place in the constitution. I shall not go into a legal argument about its constitutionality. Suffice it to say that the constitution provides that "the legislature shall pass adequate laws whereby the voters of any county or subdivision thereof, city or town, may from time to time by a majority vote, whether the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited within such prescribed limits."

I do not believe that the legislature can obey the constitution which commands them to allow the people of counties, subdivisions, cities and towns to vote on any question by majority vote, that they shall not vote. My position on statutory prohibition is not a new one. At the great prohibition rally at the Dallas State Convention, I declared my belief that statutory prohibition could not be had so long as our local option law remained in the constitution and I have not changed my views since that time.

Five or Ten-Mile Law. Do you come purpose that statutory prohibition would have been urged by many that we pass a five or ten-mile law, that is, prohibit the sale of liquor within a certain number of miles of school supported in whole or in part from state funds.

While the legislature could pass a law to prohibit the sale of liquor within a distance from a schoolhouse or church as to remove a nuisance, a five or ten-mile law would be statutory prohibition in effect, as it would deny practically every county or town in this state the right to vote from time to time to determine whether or not the sale of liquor should be prohibited.

It would be lawful to circumscribe the sale of liquor in any one of the subdivisions named in the constitution, but it would be unlawful to destroy the constitutional right of these subdivisions by such a measure, so that liquor could not be sold in any way that would practically deprive the qualified voters so desired.

I do not believe that we could get around the constitution indirectly in this manner, and I do not believe that we could hit it full in the face by statutory prohibition, and I could not sign such a law if it were passed.

I have been asked by both of these propositions if I should not sign them if passed and let the courts decide. I would be willing to do this if I were not so convinced that I could not, of course, pass up my oath of office for judicial decision.

We can close saloons at 6 or 7 o'clock or close them altogether, by a sealed package law. We can take them out of residence districts, and by appropriate legislation about which there can be no doubt, do the best we can until we can get the constitutional amendment.

We can purify our election laws, and the liquor interests from controlling our politics.

The action of the Fort Worth meeting in endorsing the liquor resolution, the submission of a constitutional amendment for national prohibition, has caused some Texas prohibitionists to become alarmed. I am not a prohibitionist, but I am an effort to commit the democratic party to national prohibition and to destroy states rights.

The prohibitionists are not a party to national prohibition and Texas will no more seek to commit or state-wide prohibition than they would allow the democratic party to be committed to the doctrine of national prohibition.

As for myself, I have never aligned myself with the national prohibition movement, and I do not believe in the legalized liquor traffic in any state in the union, but I believe it best to treat the state as the social unit and by state prohibition to drive out from the borders the business of selling liquor.

The national government has already practically surrendered the control of liquor selling in dry territory to the states, and that has gone far to remove objections to the ability of the state to properly deal with the liquor traffic of interstate commerce laws. I expect a bill to be passed by congress in the near future to provide against the issuance of licenses to dealers in liquor in dry territory.

Having these views, I cannot join with a large army of honest men and women in a campaign for national prohibition. While I think they are clearly within their rights in espousing the cause of national prohibition, I do not believe it the wisest and best plan by which to drive the liquor traffic from all the states, but I do believe the way to do it is to vote on state by state.

It may be claimed that I should have declared myself upon national prohibition at the Fort Worth meeting, or opposed the national prohibition resolution. The Fort Worth meeting was called to endorse a candidate for governor, and I do not believe that I should have declared with practically any other party. The Fort Worth meeting carried out their wishes and after I had made my views known, I do not believe that I should declare for national prohibition.

The resolution asking congress to submit a national prohibition amendment to the constitution was introduced by the great temperance advocate, Mrs. Nannie W. Curtis.

I knew the resolution was going to be introduced, because she showed it to me. I did not object, and I had no right to object, as it was entirely proper for the delegates to vote for the resolution if they saw fit.

I am a firm believer in states rights, but I do not assent to the views of many of my friends who believe that advocacy of national prohibition is the best way of advocating the destruction of states rights. There is ample room for debate on this subject, and I do not believe that it is an unnecessary or unwise reaching out of federal power, but national prohibition could never come except in the manner provided for in the constitution.

The national prohibition resolution was adopted by the union was formed. That method requires two-thirds of both houses of congress to submit and three-fourths of all states to ratify any amendment to the constitution, and this plan was assented to by the states when our government was established. It would, therefore, be more subversive of states rights to adopt national prohibition in that way than it was to amend the constitution so as to elect United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Democratic Party and Prohibition. Within the ranks of the democratic party nearly 200 counties have been dry under democratic laws, and the evils of the liquor traffic greatly lessened, and all because of the prohibition agitation. The charge that I am a prohibitionist, the democratic party to either state or national prohibition is in face of my record.

In 1888, as a member of the platform committee at Fort Worth, I sat up until 3 o'clock at night fighting the Heart of Texas plank offered by the great prohibitionist, Chief among these are: statutory prohibition, the five and ten-mile law, sealed package law and national prohibition.

Statutory Prohibition. I do not favor statutory prohibition, and that being my position I could not, of course, allow to become a national prohibitionist. I would not be willing to risk the fate and success of state-wide prohibition upon a statute around which every political contest would be fought for years to come, to the obscuration of every other public question, and which its opponents would constantly discredit in the hope of its nullification or

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As president of the Huntsville school board for many years, and a member of the local board of the Sam Houston Normal, I brought into intimate association with our educational interests, and leaders of educational thought in Texas, and learned much of the needs of the public and other educational institutions, which will greatly aid me in the discharge of my official duty as governor.

Eleemosynary Institutions. The patriotic people of Texas desire a provision made for the safety and support of our institutions for the blind and the deaf and dumb; homes for orphaned soldiers and orphans; homes for the aged and infirm; homes for the epileptic colony and asylums for the insane, and I am in hearty sympathy with such sentiment and purpose.

The present governor has declared the blind institute a fire trap, and it is known to all men that the inmates are crowded with the insane, many of whom may be denied a restoration to reason by lack of prompt care and treatment.

Before the close of my first term provision will be made to take away from our sightless wards and those in a great building, the inmates will be taken from county jails and provisions made for the epileptic insane, now confined in jails and not subject to the asylums or the epileptic colony.

Penal Institutions. The penitentiary system is in a deplorable condition and its affairs show a tremendous deficit and a huge debt outstanding. I lived at Huntsville, where the first penitentiary was located, and the whole system was leased to individuals, and through many state administrations after the state took charge, and I had opportunity to know much of its workings.

It has been hard, through all the years, to keep politics from entering into penitentiary management, and it is to be taken which will guarantee business methods, humane treatment of prisoners, keep politics out, prevent appointments being made as reward for political favors, and put the penitentiaries upon a self-sustaining basis.

I do not believe that the present system is workable one or that any governor or state administration can make a thorough success of penitentiary affairs unless changes are made. In order to do this we must primarily depend for at least a practical education, governmental authority and educational thought should be devoted to increasing the length of term, the enrollment of pupils and the efficiency of these basic forces in the educational world.

The present constitutional tax limit of 50 cents on the \$100 for school purposes, in the common school and independent school districts of the state, should be removed so that such districts may tax themselves, if they see fit, as much as \$1.00 on the \$100 for the education of their children.

The rural high school law passed by the last legislature was a step in the right direction, but experience has demonstrated that it needs and will need amending and developing so as to measure up to the possibilities and opportunities which can be afforded by rural high schools and evening schools. Money should be expended in the purchase of land with agricultural, domestic economy and industrial training emphasized, within the reach of the more than 700,000 children of Texas who live in the country.

Compulsory Education. In literacy Texas stands thirty-fifth among the forty-eight states of the union. The compulsory school law of 1907, which is now in force, has not been enforced, and the children of school age are daily out of school. Many contended in the past against the right to tax a man's property for universal education, and whether he sent children to school or not, but that opinion has become obsolete. Thoughtful men and women everywhere demand contribution from property owners to educate their own or other people's children in order that our citizenship may be enlightened and ignorance banished.

In this principle is sound, and the state and communities should provide schools and funds, enumerate the children and offer to all the boys and girls of the state the opportunity for an education. It ought not to rest with the parents or guardians of the children to deny them the right.

I therefore favor compelling school attendance by every child in Texas not already attending either private denominational or public schools, to an extent that will open the door of opportunity to the poor boy and girl denied educational advantages. Terms, conditions, exemptions and restrictions can be worked out in a practical way adapted to local conditions in city, town or country.

Higher Institutions of Learning. Not only should a common school education be within the reach of every child in Texas, but the privileges of a higher education must not be left to the sons of the wealthy. The well-to-do, broad avenue should be opened to every ambitious young man or woman, leading to the highest attainable level of a branch of learning and from which students may go forth to elevate the standards of citizenship and honorably contribute to the welfare of the state in all spheres of human activity.

I favor ample provisions for buildings, equipment and maintenance of the state normal schools, College of Industrial Arts, Agricultural and Mechanical College and the University of Texas. Their annual support should be provided for by an appropriation from taxation, specifically provided for by law showing just what amount is to be apportioned for each character of institution, and thus take them out of politics and make them independent of the varying attitudes of caprices of legislators or executive approval or veto.

Convinced that the best interests of education in this state are served by the Texas University and the Agricultural and Mechanical College demand their complete separation, I stand for a plan that will properly equip and sustain both these institutions for the great work for which they were established. At the University, any young man of normal intelligence and of moderate means, if his parents or other persons are willing to pay for his education, should be able to obtain an education equal to the best to be had in any university in any state.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College should be made what its name implies, a great college where a liberal education can be had, with its greatest strength in the scientific and practical training in the arts of agriculture, horticulture, stock-raising and mechanical arts. It should be high enough for both in the foreground of institutions of their kind.

Our state normal schools have done a wonderful work for the cause of education and in providing our public schools with efficient teachers, well equipped for the discharge of their mission in life. I lived in Huntsville when, under the inspiration of the old Alectia, the Sam Houston Normal Institute was founded, which was adopted in its early history, a diploma from that institution was

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