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Rally Day for Boys and Girls Club Work

On Saturday, Oct. 26th, there will be held in Lubbock a Club Day Rally for the purpose of giving the members of the Club Work an opportunity to exhibit specimens of their work for the past year.

The rally will be in the nature of a basket picnic, which all Club members, their families, and the public in general are cordially invited to attend. However, only the boys and girls between the ages of ten and eighteen years of age, who are regularly enrolled as Club Members, and furnish a complete record of their work, will be permitted to enter the contests for premiums.

We especially call your attention to the fact that no contestant will be permitted to exhibit his work, unless he furnishes a complete record, also a written composition of how the work was done.

The Chamber of Commerce will offer on the following exhibits First prizes \$1.00, second prizes 50c. On Pig (not including Sow and Litter); Sow; Litter (Minimum limit 3 pigs); Baby Beef; Lamb.

On poultry, first prize 50c, second prize Ribbon, for cockerel, for pullet, \$1.00 for the best pen.

Field products \$1.00 first prizes and 50c second prizes on Milo Maize (best ten heads); Kaffir (best ten heads); Feterita (best ten heads); Peanuts (best bunch); Sudan (best bundle); Corn (best ten ears).

SEWING.

For the best Uniform, consisting of towel, holder, cap, and apron. First prize, \$2.00; second prize, \$1.00.

For the best exhibit consisting of uniform, home-made fireless cooker, home-made flytrap, and home made drier for fruits and vegetables, including the required quantity of canned vegetables and a complete record of tenth acre crop. First prize \$3.00, second prize, \$2.00.

For the best individual exhibit of canned, dried, pickled and preserved products (must all be the work of club member herself) first prize \$2.00, second prize \$1.

Canning, first prize 50c, second prize ribbon, on Tomatoes, Chowchow, Tomato catsup, Chilli sauce, Tomato paste, beans, grapes, apricots, peaches, cherries, pears, apples, plums, berries, beets and okra.

All exhibits must be in by ten o'clock A. M., in order that the judges may begin their work. Places have been arranged for all animals and poultry at the old wagon yard, one block south of the square.

All other exhibits will be placed in the Chamber of Commerce and Department of Agriculture room at the Court House.

Be sure to have your exhibits neatly and orderly arranged before turning them in to the committee. This is very essential in order to save time, and your work will make a better showing.

All club members who expect to enter these contests are requested to send in their names, giving kind of exhibit, to the County Agent, or the Home Demonstration agent, within the next ten days.

Carroll Thompson,
Agricultural Agent.
Mille M. Halsey,
Home Demonstration Agent.

Miss Mae Murfee, of Lubbock, has been appointed chairman of the Campaign Committee of the Young Women's Christian Association for Lubbock County. Her duties will consist largely in dissemination of information in this territory relative to the war program of the Association.

W. D. Hornaday, publicity man at the state university, was in Slaton Monday on his way to O'Donnell where he has some farm land. He made a pleasant visit at the Slatonite office. Mr. Hornaday comes out to see his land at O'Donnell about once each year.

Soldier Boys Letters Mostly From France

Sargeant Briggs Robertson

American Expe. Forces.
France, Aug. 17th.

Dear Mother:

As I promised, I will write you a few lines again today. We don't have much news to tell, hence the briefness of my letters. Would like awfully well to see you today. It's a little bit lonesome over here sometimes but I think we are going to get along all O. K.

I see in the paper where they have passed the new draft law extending the age limit. I don't look for the war to last so very much longer, yet the training will do everybody good. They ought to have a taste of it.

I am not progressing very fast with the French language, but there are lots of Americans over here so I don't suppose it will matter so very much. The nights over here are pretty cool and always a heavy dew every morning. I am chief of the Sixth Section now. Am better pleased than I was.

Well, Mamma, I've told you about all I know. The censor has asked us not to write any more than possible as he has so many to read. Give my love to papa and the kids. I would love to hear from all the folks and friends every chance they get to write. Love to everybody and bushels to you. I am, devotedly,

Briggs.

Address, Sargeant Briggs Robertson, Battery D, 133 F. A., American E. F.

Corporal Ed. L. Nowels

Somewhere in France,
Sunday evening, Aug. 11th.

Dear Mr. Loomis:

This is the first opportunity I have had time to sit down and write a letter without having to stop, so I will try to make a real letter of it.

We got our mail this morning. We have already received a few

letters and papers over a period of several weeks. But this time we got a big bundle, and it was surprising the change it brot in the men. And I learned for myself just what a letter means to a fellow when he is far from home.

All the fellows were feeling just a little impatient and downhearted because they could not hear from home. But after the letters were distributed this morning they were a different bunch of fellows. They gather in little groups and read and reread those precious missives from loved ones over the seas and discuss events at home. Their faces were brighter and there was a new ring of joy in their voices. For most of them it was the first message from home since leaving the states.

I have received three copies of the Slatonite. They were from a month to six or seven weeks old. But they looked as good to me as if they had been fresh from the press. Sargeant A. M. Cade and Mechanic Fred Tudor of Company E, 315 Ammunition Train, and I read them all before I had had them a half day. That evening we got together and had a lively talk about the doings at home. And many other West Texas boys, and many from other parts of the States passed the Slatonite down the line and read them eagerly. "Anything from the States looks good to us," they said. Every paper, no matter how small it may be or how obscure a town it may come from, is read by almost everyone in the company before it is thrown away.

We do not lack for newspapers, however. The New York Herald prints an European edition and the Northcliffe Syndicate of Great Britain publishes a daily in France for the benefit of the expeditionary forces from English speaking nations. They are not to be classed with our own metropolitan papers in journalistic or typographical styles, but they give us all the news, including columns of items culled from current events in the States. But a paper from home just naturally looks good to the boys.

I have seen many interesting things since I landed abroad. Every day of travel was a wonderful experience for me. I have seen at a distance in passing many places which suggested interesting stories of ancient history, some of which I have been told have great historic value. My one wish is to visit some of them while I am here.

From what I have seen of the French people—tho that has been but little—they impress me as being very hospitable people. They cannot do too much for the American soldier, it seems. They appear cheerful and confident and have no doubt of the final result of the Allied effort in arms.

When we first landed we had a great deal of amusement trying to figure out relative values of our money. When a soldier went into a shop to buy something he would hand out a handful of money and take what was returned in change. Then he would come back and try to figure out whether he had been stung or whether he had stung the shopkeeper. But now we can spell the lingo of francs and centimes as easily as we can dollars and cents. And we have learned to readily figure exchange values, and purchase is just as matter of fact a proceeding as it is at home.

The cartoons we used to see an American soldier carry a conversation by means of French English pamphlets to life. Practically has secured a translation of some kind. If he is in pronouncing

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he will search out the passage he wishes to use and let the French man read it. And the Frenchman replies in the same manner. Where the book will not suffice the sign language is resorted to. The French have learned many common words, however, and the Americans are rapidly learning the French. So it is becoming an easy matter to perform an ordinary transaction.

We are living well and are all in the best of health and spirits. We have comfortable quarters and plenty of good food. That and frequent letters from home will keep us full of "pep" and we cannot do other than to win the war.

I suppose the Slatonite will come regularly now. But be sure to let me have a letter along with it occasionally.

Yours truly,

Ed. L. Nowels.

Corp. Ed. L. Nowels,
Co. B 315 Am. Tn.
A. P. O. 778 American E. F.

When to Look for Frost at Slaton

The Slatonite editor has been asked for the frost dates at Slaton. We have not had a frost since 1911 except the one on Dec. 9th, 1917. The first real winter was in 1911, when it rained all year (when it rained at all) on Dec. 9th, when a heavy frost came. The frost in 1915 on Nov. 11th was the latest record in this section for many years. The record:

1911, Oct. 20th.
1912, Sept. 26th.
1913, Oct. —
1914, Oct. 23rd.
1915, Nov. 11th.
1916, Oct. 19th.
1917, Oct. 19th.

More letters from soldier boys will appear in the Slatonite next week, and they will prove to be interesting to you.

The registration at Slaton last Thursday amounted to a total of 210 men.

Save Those Thoughtless Dollars \$\$\$



"I GOT THE SWEETEST hat today, and, my dear, of course I didn't really need it, but—"

"WHAT IS IT IS only a few blocks? Get a car."

"AW! COME ON! Be a sport! It'll cost just a dollar or two and we'll have such a good time—"

BUT! OVER THERE in the Picardy mud, mud pock-marked with shell-dug craters and spotted with unspeakable rotting things that once were men, our Soldiers can't hear anything we are saying.

BEST THAT THEY can't, is it? The careless way some of us throw away our dollars—dollars that can shells and food to our men—wouldn't help them to fight harder against the blood crazed Germans, would it?

IT ISN'T THAT some of us are selfish. It isn't that some of us don't care. It's because some of us don't think; or when we do think we think too much about ourselves.

MONEY IS NEEDED. The Government can't capitalize your promise. Your pledge is not worth anything unless you buy the War Savings Stamps it represents and lend the money to the Government.

TURN YOUR THOUGHTLESS Dollars into War Savings Stamps. Do without the things you don't have to get. Lay up your money for the pinch-times that may come after the War. Put your Dollars in War Savings Stamps and be safe.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Advertising Rates among the locals 10c per line each issue.

Mrs. S. Bowman, nurse. Telephone No. 32.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Holder on Tuesday, Sept. 3rd.

Mrs. J. P. Reynolds music class two lessons per week. 50c a lesson. Near school house.

Prescriptions carefully compounded from pure drugs at the Slaton Drug Store.

Ernest Bowen returned home the first of the week from an extended vacation spent in Utah.

Engineer L. W. Smith reported for work last week, after having laid off for some time with a sprained knee.

Stop at our fountain and relieve that tired feeling. A cold drink here will carry you thru a hot day.—Slaton Drug Company.

Mrs. C. P. Harris, mother of T. M. Harris, went to Amarillo Wednesday to remain indefinitely with her son, Lon Harris.

Headquarters for stationery for the school folks. Papers and writing material. We can supply you. Teague's Confectionery.

M. Olim went to Amarillo the first of the week and purchased a Twin Six Oldsmobile car. This is one of the finest automobiles manufactured.

The Rev. F. A. Whiteley and G. R. Leverett attended the fifth Sunday meeting of the Brownfield Baptist Association at Brownfield last week.

The name of the Rev. T. C. Willett should have appeared on the Slaton sales committee for the Fourth Liberty Loan. Mr. Willett is chairman of the Boy Scouts' work in the Fourth Liberty Loan.

M. T. Pember left Slaton last week for his home at Onawa, Iowa, after a visit of two weeks with his son, M. A. Pember, at Onawa, Iowa. M. T. Pember Sr. is a booster of the Slaton Division.

Those named were in Slaton last week, is taking a course in auto mechanics in the U. S. training camp at the A. & M. college in New Mexico. This put him in the volunteer class and he was not subject to draft.

J. K. Wester and family will leave this week for Falls, where Prof. and Mrs. Wester have positions in the school at that place. Mrs. Sowder, of Lubbock, will also teach in the school this year. Mr. Sowder will enlist in Uncle Sam's army to help lick the huns.—Avalanche.

Supt. Albert Ewing, who was transferred to the Clovis Division over Sunday visiting home folks. He has not yet announced any arrangements for moving to Clovis. F. J. Evans, who succeeded Mr. Ewing as superintendent of the Slaton Division, came from the Clovis division where he had been superintendent for five years.

L. B. Olive was up from Bells, Texas, last week, visiting his son, W. E. Olive.

School children can get all the tablets, pens, pencils, ink, etc., they need at Teague's Confectionery.

Wm. Klattenhoff went to the Texas A. & M. college this week to enter school and enroll for a military training course.

J. T. Pinkston was up from Post over Sunday visiting his family. He says his Slaton crop looks mighty attractive right now.

Mrs. Tom Harris will go to Belton, Texas, on Sept. 20th with her daughter, Margie, to enroll her in Baylor University for the 1918-19 term.

The Hawkes Expert Optician will make his regular visit to the Red Cross Pharmacy of Slaton on Wednesday, Sept. 18th. See him for eye examination free.

Fresh candies, pure ice cream, correctly mixed cold drinks and choice cigars and tobaccos at Teague's Confectionery. A parlor for the ladies and children.

J. S. Edwards, A. C. Benton, W. A. Robertson, Chas. White and Earl Edwards arrived home Sunday from a camping trip of fifteen days spent in the mountains of New Mexico and Colorado. They made the trip in two cars.

WANT ADS

Wanted, For Sale, Lost, Found, Etc.
Classified Advertising Rates: One Cent per word for first insertion; Half a Cent per word for each subsequent insertion.

SOME NICE HOUSEHOLD furniture and furnishings. For sale at a low price. See M. Olim at the Grand Leader.

LOST, BETWEEN SLATON and the canyon, a suitcase full of clothes. Finder please leave at Slatonite office.

FOR SALE OR TRADE, FOUR room frame house in Slaton. Practically new, cost \$1,250.00, well finished inside and out, good well in yard. Will sell, part cash, balance easy terms, or will trade for land of near equal value, improved or unimproved, and pay difference in cash. **LAND MUST BE GOOD AND WELL LOCATED**, and priced right. See H. D. Talley, Slaton, or write me at Whitesboro, Texas. J. W. Carey.

FOR RENT, FURNISHED house of two rooms, near Baptist Church. Ask at Slatonite Office.

FOR SALE—14 GEO. B. FAR ris white full blood Leghorn roosters. 264 egg strain, four and five months old. Price \$1 to \$3 each. 4 o. k. for service. J. N. Schones, Slaton, Texas.

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR light keeping at the Cannon Rooming House.

BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE lots (12) in Slaton will be sold in one or more sales. Easy terms if desired.—Hugo Seaberg, Raton, N. M.

Look up your subscription.

Mrs. H. A. Tait and her sons and her mother, Mrs. Call, returned home Monday from a vacation of six weeks spent in the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas.

Miss Jeanette Ramsey returned to Slaton last week to take up her position as music teacher in the Slaton schools. She will stay at the residence of L. W. Smith.

See A. L. Hoffman at the Covington Second Hand Store. Buys and sells new and second hand furniture. Handles the Watkins' line of medicines, extracts, flavors, etc.

G. W. Crawford resigned his place at the First State Bank of Slaton last week to move back to his farm about twelve miles north of town and harvest a bumper crop. He has fine crops this year.

J. M. Rockwell of Houston, president of the Rockwell Bros. & Co. lumber yards, visited B. O. Cloud, manager of the Slaton yard, last week. He gave the managers of the Rockwell yards in the Panhandle a banquet at Amarillo Monday night, and Mr. Cloud attended the reception.

Call and see the Hawkes Expert Optician at the Red Cross Pharmacy in Slaton on Wednesday, Sept. 18th, about your eyes. No charge for examination. If you are interested in the preservation of your eyes and in obtaining a first class pair of glasses at a moderate price, see the Hawkes expert.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Stokes came home from Houston last week. Mrs. Stokes will remain here for some time and Dave will return to his work in Houston, that of helping to build ships for Uncle Sam. He says he sees J. C. Levy, former city marshal of Slaton, quite often in Houston. John is now a street car conductor and he has lost about forty pounds in weight since going to South Texas.

Monday the railroad men of the Slaton Division presented to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ewing a handsome cut glass set consisting of a water pitcher and six glasses, a bowl, a cream pitcher and a sugar bowl, all with the Stars and Stripes design, a really beautiful gift. The presentation was made as a token of the esteem which the railroad men hold for Mr. Ewing, their former superintendent who was transferred to the Clovis Division on Sept. 1st. Mr. Ewing is a very efficient and popular railroad official with all the men, and he carries their friendship and heartiest best wishes with him to his new position.

Pay your Slatonite subscription before we send you a bill.

Presbyterian Preaching Notice
The Presbyterians will have preaching services at the Movie Theater on the second and fourth Sundays in each month, conducted by the Rev. A. E. Faust. Hours 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

The Missionary Society
Program for Monday, Sept. 16th. Leader, Mrs. Proctor. Devotional.

The history and justification of Sunday laws in the United States, Mrs. Shankle.

The Sunday laws in our community judged by the standard of personal and religious liberty. Mrs. Dyer.

Music. Our new school at Nogales, Arizona. Mrs. Brewer.

The girl who was too young—and the girl who did. Mrs. Whitehead.

Report of Delegate from the District Meeting at Lubbock. Mrs. Posey.

Song. Benediction.

Mr. Castle. Capps Hotel. Bob Holman. Prior of Houston.

SLATON A SOUTH PLAINS DIVISION TOWN
Founded and Owned by the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Co.



LOCATION

SLATON is in the southeast corner of Lubbock County, in the center of the South Plains of central west Texas. Is on the new main Trans-Continental Line of the Santa Fe. Connects with North Texas Lines of that system at Canyon, Texas; with South Texas lines of the Santa Fe at Coleman, Texas; and with New Mexico and Pacific lines of the same system at Texico, N. M. SLATON is the junction of the Lamesa road, Santa Fe System.

Advantages and Improvements

The Railway Company has Division Terminal Facilities at this point, constructed mostly of reinforced concrete material and including a Round House, a Power House, Machine and Blacksmith Shops, Coal Chute, a Sand House, Water Plant, Ice House, etc. Also have a Fred Harvey Eating House, and a Reading Room for Santa Fe employees. Have extensive yard tracks for handling a heavy trans-continental business, both freight and passenger, between the Gulf and Atlantic Coast and the Pacific Coast territories, and on branch lines to Tahoka, Lamesa and other towns.

BUSINESS SECTION AND RESIDENCES BUILT

3000 feet of business streets are graded and macadamized and several residence streets are graded; there are 30 business buildings of brick and reinforced concrete, with others to follow; 700 residences under construction and completed.

SURROUNDED BY A FINE, PRODUCTIVE LAND

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Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Townsite Company, Owners

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R. J. Murray & Company
Local Townsite Agent, Slaton, Texas

Harry T. McGee
Local Townsite Agent, Slaton

State Seeks Recovery of 55,000 Acres Panhandle Land

Austin, Sept. 5.—The attorney general's department has in course of preparation papers in a suit which is to be brought in the Travis county district in behalf of the state of Texas against the Capitol Freehold Land & Development company, Ltd., of Great Britain, which operates in Texas under a permit issued by the state department. The state of Texas will sue for the recovery of 55,000 acres of land, valued at \$10 an acre, and located in the Panhandle country. This land was a part of the land given by the state to the Capitol syndicate in payment for the construction of the state capitol at Austin. Under the contract the state was to give 3,000,000 acres. Under a recent resurvey of the land it was found that 55,000 more acres were given than the state agreed to give. The state will now sue to recover that excess.

The Capitol Freehold Land & Development Company, Ltd., which is to be made defendant in the suit, took over the holdings of the Capitol syndicate. The suit will be filed within the next few days.

NEW LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL GINNERS AND ALL COTTON SEED DEALERS.

All ginnors, buyers, agents, dealers or other handlers of cotton seed not already licensed by the United States Food Administration who handle yearly between September 1 and August 31 more than 20 tons of cotton seed were made subject to license by the president's proclamation of May 14, 1918. The effect of this extension of the license regulations was to include practically all the cotton seed business.

Most all of the neighboring towns are reporting the first bale of 1918 cotton on the local markets. For a country that is supposed to have raised not anything this year, these "first bales of cotton" locals carry an encouraging note.

Batteries Re-Charged

We Are Fully Equipt to Charge Batteries and Have Had Excellent Success With the Work

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RED CROSS FAMILY REMEDIES

Many able Chemists and Doctors were called into service in perfecting this line of Red Cross Remedies. This is an age of Specialists, and while one may have distinguished achievements to his credit in one particular line, another is excelling in something else. That very thing makes it possible for us to have a Red Cross Remedy for each ailment, and enables us to give the consumer more than we promise or charge for. Each formula is compounded with as much care and precision as if our entire success depended upon that one Remedy. That's why NEURO-TONE repairs shattered nerves, and Red Cross STONE ROOT and BUCHU puts your kidneys in a normal and healthy condition. Red Cross Remedies are not Patent Medicines. The formula is printed on each carton in plain English, so that you know what they are composed of and what you are taking. More than one hundred Red Cross Remedies and Toilet Preparations are sold and guaranteed only by

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Slaton, Texas
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REMEMBER...
We Pack, Crate, Ship, or Store Furniture for You
Handling and Shipping Furniture is a daily part of our business, and we know how it should be done
Howerton's
FURNITURE HARDWARE UNDERTAKING

GOOD BYE SALE

The time has come when we must close our store in Slaton. We told you that we were holding a Closing Out Sale and made you prices during the last sixty days that could not be met anywhere this summer, prices lower than wholesale markets

Now that the time is soon coming to close the doors of our store and pack our goods, we are putting on a Good Bye Sale to give you one more chance to supply you needs in dependable merchandise at bargain prices that mean money to you

Beginning Saturday, Sept. 21, 1918

10 DAYS ONLY

Closing Thursday, October 3rd

We are going to hold a Good Bye Special Price Cutting Event that will make all other sales seem small in comparison.

In our rush to prepare for this sale and close our business we haven't time to prepare a big circular, but our prices will tell the whole story. Everything will be marked low and this sale will be bigger far than any other sale we have ever held here. REMEMBER, this sale lasts only ten days, then the store closes.

STORE WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY (20th), TO MARK DOWN THE GOODS

After the sale closes on Oct. 3rd the goods will be all packed and you will not be able to buy. Freight rates are very high and we don't want to ship out any more goods than we have to, so we are putting on this Good Bye Special Sale at very low prices to reduce our stock as much as possible. Thanking you for your patronage in the past, we invite you to attend this, our last Slaton sale.

We are going to give you such bargains that you never will forget us. We will positively close our business on the 3rd of October

When the doors of this store close on the night of October 3rd your last chance at Bargain Sale prices will have passed. We ask you to take any catalog you may have and compare prices and we will show you that our prices in this Good Bye Sale are much lower than the lowest priced mail order house.

The Grand Leader

M. Olim, Proprietor North Slaton, Texas

SLATON SLATONITE

Slaton, Lubbock County, Texas

Issued Once a Week on Friday Morning
By L. P. LOOMIS
Owner, Editor, and Publisher

SUBSCRIPTION, THE YEAR \$1.00

Entered as second class mail matter at the post office at Slaton, Texas, on Sept. 15, 1911, under the act of March 3, 1897.

Look up your subscription.

Just in passing, we take this space to remark that the Slatonite has entered on the eighth volume of its existence. Seven years ago the Slatonite was launched as an asset for Slaton. If we can keep it from becoming a liability, perhaps we should be satisfied.

The government cancelled its plans of enlisting all young men students for military training in the colleges over the country and giving them the pay of privates, so the boys who went to college a few days ago as military students are returning home. The war department evidently found that it had attempted an innovation that proved to be too big a thing. The boys will all be in the camps by next June, anyway.

The Slatonite has no pets. Some names appear in the paper oftener than others do because some people are easier to get news from than others are. Some people take an interest in helping the paper along by giving out news, while some fellows who are just brim full of good news are quiet by nature and never intimate that they know anything. An editor situated where he has to do the mechanical work cannot get out and loaf on the streets and gossip—and that is what you have to do to get lots of news. The time in the department of the Slatonite is evidence in itself that we do not have business enough to hire a reporter. So we are very glad if people turn in news, and the fact that one item appears in the paper and another doesn't, can't mean that we have any prejudice whatever. What we want is news, real news, and we print ALL that we can get. But we have no pets.

ONE GRAFTER STUNG.

The protection that a Charity Organization affords the citizenship was apparent one day last week when a grafter solicitor "made" the town. He came in on the trail unannounced and went over town with a subscription list that anyone could write out on a typewriter, trying to pick up nickles, dimes, quarters and half dollars under the guise that he was collecting for some religious organization. We don't suppose anybody contributed to his slush fund.

His graft was so apparent that it was amusing. When he was informed that Slaton has a charity organization for him to go to with his appeal, he became insulting in his language. Oh, No, he didn't want to go to any organization because he knew that his petition would receive only a very modest contribution, if any. He wanted to canvass the town because he would be sure of getting a nice little haul, or swag, or whatever would be an appropriate name for his little graft.

He wouldn't even listen to a suggestion that he take his appeal to the charity organization. Such strangers as this furnish one of the good reasons for an organization. Home folks need to be protected from them. Don't contribute to any such appeals. Send them to the officer of the organization. Just like this fellow, they know that their work is a graft and they never will appear before the officers with their petition.

The city council should give us an anti alms soliciting ordinance.

EXIT NEAR BEERS:

ENTER BUTTERMILKO!

Congress has passed a law prohibiting the making of beer after Dec. 1st. The law, it now transpires, will also put the ban on making near beers, as these Gambrinus drinks minus the kick require grain and coal in the making. The law is going to work a hardship on Editors Smith, Loomis and Jameson, well known editors of the Panhandle Press association, as they some months ago acquired a taste for Bevo, and other such concoctions, which they contend are "liquid food."—Jess Adams, editor of the Plainview News.

Adams is one of those ardent pros who is an authority on near beers and beer substitutes, we suppose from a scientific trend which requires a personal touch and frequent sampling so he can keep a record as to whether the manufacturers are slipping in a kick that is too stout for us soft buttermilk drinkers. Anyhow, he informs us that some of the near beers are just as good as Budweiser's Blue Ribbon, with just as high a per cent of alcohol in them. We don't anticipate that it will be very trying to exist without our near beers after all, for by the time given our friend Adams will have his Buttermilko, a near alcoholic bovine beverage, exhilarating but not intoxicating, ready for the market. Adams is experimenting on extracting the alcohol percentage said by the science he uses for a lexicon to be present in buttermilk, and in making a drink that will produce a drunk without the distressing after affects usually felt in the last chapter of a spree. Buttermilko will afford a man a good drunk but it never goes to the head or the feet; under its comprehensive influences a man can enjoy life and yet draw an imaginary line straight as a die down the middle of the sidewalk for a city block, he can anchor to a convenient lamp post without scattering all over the street to find it, he can noiselessly unlock the door at two o'clock p. m. on a dark night without letting wife know what time he turns in, he will love his wife and children instead of beating them.

Us old toppers will hail with delight the advent of Adams Apple Blossom Kick, or Jersey Cream Organizer, or whatever the name will be, just so it has a kick without a kink in it.

It costs Slaton 25c a hundred on insurance for the privilege of piling boxes against the buildings. Insurance is cheap, so what's the difference? It only costs \$25 more on a policy of \$10,000, and perhaps for the entire town that's only \$500 per year. That's cheap when you consider what time is worth and the energy saved by stacking boxes against a building instead of stacking them in the open away from a building. The state fire inspector said the last time he was here that he was tired of cleaning up the boxes and reducing the rate only to find on his next trip the boxes back up to the building again, so he would put that 25c penalty on and let it stick for a while to see if Slaton would come out of it. Slaton is a dead game sporty town, Mr. Inspector, and we want you to know that that bluff has been called. Maybe some towns can't afford a 25c penalty for a luxury these days but we can, by gum!

Rent houses are in great demand in Slaton. There have been a half dozen people in the Slatonite office this week just begging for houses. There are a few old shacks vacant but people won't have them; they want houses.

Marshal Paul P. Murray sent away yesterday the head of a dog which acted queerly and was suspected of having the rabies. He instructs the Slatonite to inform the public that when he sees after a dog or cat suspected of having the rabies they must render the animal or go to

THE FELLOW THAT GIVES UP

The Enterprise is carrying some advertising on a yearly contract basis, and just to illustrate the difference in men and in business institutions we relate the following: One merchant has been after us for the last several weeks to allow him to cancel his advertising contract on the ground that business is so dull he cannot make any money out of his advertising. Another merchant told us that he intended to do more advertising this year than he had done before, and upon hearing of the man who threatened a cancellation, said in case the rest of the merchants quit advertising, he wanted to take a part of their space. The first has a wrong conception of advertising, even though he has in the past been one of the biggest advertisers in Olney. The last mentioned has absolutely the right idea—when business is dull is when he needs the advertising most. If an advertisement is of any value any time (and there is no argument as to that) it is to create business; and when business is dull is when advertising should be used most extensively.—Olney Enterprise.

There is a class of fellows who are already whipped before the fight even begun—that is the fellow that quits advertising when business gets dull. If there is anything in advertising at all, and it has been proven thousands of times that there is, then when business is quiet is the time to stir up something, and induce the purchasers to come in. The business man that figures a yearly appropriation for advertising and keeps hammering at it, is the business man that comes out winner one year after another. You may have the finest stock in town. Your prices be just half what the other fellow's are, but if the purchasers do not know it, how much are you benefitted? Tell the people what you have to sell, and give them the prices. You will see good returns from the publicity. Advertise all the time.—Avalanche.

The Avalanche has one of the best if not the best systems on advertising that we have ever seen in a weekly newspaper, and the paper carries more advertising than any other paper we have ever read in a town of less than five thousand population, so the editor undoubtedly is an authority on the advertising business and the status of the advertiser.

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Don't Overlook This

Don't let it escape your mind that the War Industries Board has said that the Slatonite must put its subscription list on a Cash in Advance basis, and subscriptions that are not paid in advance must be discontinued. Also that all papers taking subscriptions at \$1.00 a year must advance the price. So after October our subscription price will be \$1.50 per year. If you pay your subscription now it is \$1.00. A little later it will be \$1.50.

Practically all the Slatonite's list is now in advance. There are yet a few who are in arrears and a few whose time is just up. We want to give you full opportunity to meet the conditions of the order before we are compelled to meet the requirements of the War Industries Board.

W. R. Wilson was up from Whitewright, Texas, this week looking after his land interests here. In response to an inquiry Mr. Wilson stated that he had been all over northern Texas and southern Oklahoma in the last few days and that the best crops he knows of in this part of the universe are right in the Slaton vicinity. Crops at Whitewright are very slim this year.

Winners every time! You win if a patron of ours. You win the very best service to be had in a Confectionery. Try our service. Teague & Son's Candy Store.

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The Meeting at Southland

Pastor J. M. Earls recently closed a meeting with his church at Southland, and the membership was greatly blessed. There

were fifteen additions to the church, ten of them by baptism. Bro. Earls has suffered with us during the trying times of the past few months and all his people love him.
—Contributed to Slatonite.

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