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IRRIGATION BODY IS ORGANIZED AT CHILDRESS FRIDAY

Upper Red River Valley Irrigation Association Organized With Childress Banker President.

The Upper Red River Valley Irrigation Association was organized at Childress Friday night and the sentiment papers for the water rights of the Red River have been filed with the State Board of Water Engineers. It is believed that State Federal engineers will be on the ground early in September to start survey.

M. Crews, Childress banker, was elected president. Will P. Jones, banker, and Charles Dorsey, wholesale cotton merchant, were elected presidents. Tom L. Hardin was secretary and treasurer. The directors are B. T. Williams, Ben L. Haskett, S. P. McMinn, Gus Ford, L. E. Haskett, J. M. McLaughlin, Hugh S. Black, Reid B. Scott, T. Mowrey, J. M. Crawford, and E. Underwood. The executive committee is Lon Alexander, Frankston, E. E. Wood, Fred L. Haskett, J. M. McLain, Ben Carter and W. Davidson.

Much interest was manifested and attendance were the largest proportion in Childress and adjoining counties. The articles of the constitution call for lands to be irrigated in Hall, Childress and Hardeman counties.

The purpose of the organization explained in full by Jerry W. Debenport, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, who related what Clark, member of the State Board of Water Engineers, had proposed at a meeting held Monday.

Engineer R. G. Caraway, of Childress, has been employed as resident engineer. He and his corps assistants have completed their work near the dam site, and reports, together with a blue print of the location of the lake, have been sent to the State Board. The dam will be more than a red feet high and over thirty acres will be covered with water. Mr. Clark estimated the amount of water to come under the gravity ditch at not less than 125,000 gallons. The lake formed will perhaps be the fourth largest artificial body of water in America.

DRESS COMMISSIONERS INSPECT HALL COUNTY JAIL

Childress County Commission-ers visited Memphis this week to inspect the Hall County Jail and new \$175,000 court house. Plans are being made for the construction of a new jail in Childress. Some consideration is being given to the erection of a new court house. The men were well pleased with the jail plan but considered it small for their county. Childress has been in need of a jail and house for some time, having their prisoners in the Hall County jail since the one at Childress was burned several weeks ago.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAY BUY OWN BOOKS

Memphis, August 27.—School districts throughout the State will be to buy and pay for any textbooks that may be needed for the 1923-24 scholastic year as the only way to prevent the schools suffering for the lack of textbooks and as a result of the opinion expressed Saturday by the Attorney General's Department, announced by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction late yesterday.

In his opinion, written by Assistant Attorney General John S. Wall, he held that the State Superintendent of Public Instruction was not empowered by authority to buy textbooks under existing contracts which expire on Sept. 1, 1923. The opinion suggested that the parents in the school districts where the controversy existed, to buy the books in the way.

Many Improvements Are Made At Fair Park

Fair Grounds Being Arranged For Entertainment. Griffith Trio Will Perform Daily.

Under the supervision of the Fair Association, much work is being done to improve the fair park. With the expectation of a bigger and better fair this year than ever before, the park is being made as convenient as possible for the accommodation and comfort of the fair patrons and visitors.

A great deal of work has been finished and still more is being done to put the race course in the best possible condition. The work of grading and rolling the track will continue until the fair starts, and Mr. Sager states that it will be in better shape for the fair this year than at any previous time.

Additional lights are being put in so that all the exhibit halls and the entire grounds will be well lighted for the night visitors.

New, durable fences will be placed at either end of the grand stand for the protection of spectators during the racing events. The ticket office is being enlarged and will be moved to a more favorable location. This will be done in order to better serve the public.

Many minor changes and improvements will also be made as the opening date approaches.

The advance man of the midway attractions was in Memphis Wednesday and selected lots at the fair park, where the carnival will locate. He seemed to be well pleased with the conditions of the grounds and prospects for a good fair, and stated a probability of enlarging the company that was first contracted for.

Mr. Sager received a wire Thursday morning which closed a contract with the Griffin Trio of trick riders and ropers, engaging them for daily performances at the fair park. This company was with the rodeo at the American Legion Round-Up last year, and proved very popular with the people here.

Panhandle Baptist Association

The Panhandle Baptist Association will meet with the Martin Baptist Church, six miles north of Clarendon, Tuesday, September 11, at 10:00 a. m. All churches within the bounds of the association are urged to have representatives present at the opening of the session.

SIMMONS COLLEGE EXPECTS A RECORD ATTENDANCE

Abilene, August 27.—All indications are that Simmons will have a capacity opening, September 13, and that this session will be the best in the history of the college. E. T. Miller, Alumni Field Secretary, has just returned to headquarters from a trip through the West and reports scores of boys and girls planning to enter Simmons in the fall from all over the territory; several communities which have never been represented at the college before will have students register when the doors open.

Mr. Miller made his report to the alumni at a special meeting recently. Plans were also made at this meeting for a big home-coming of former students, graduates and friends of the school Thanksgiving. At this on the gridiron between Simmons and time the annual turkey-day clash Howard-Payne will be a big drawing card. Other elaborate features are being planned for the entertainment of the home-comers.

HALL COUNTY RECEIVES GOOD RAIN SUNDAY NIGHT

Memphis and Hall county received nice, general rains Sunday night, 1.9 inches falling around Memphis. These rains following the heavier rainfall of last week have been very beneficial to the crops, assuring most farmers of an unexpectedly large yield.

Cotton has revived wonderfully and is putting on a good top crop since the first rains. There is much discussion as to the probability of the new forms maturing. Feed, and especially the younger crop, promises a good, heavy head.

The weather, which still remains cool, assists the plants to retain their freshened look. Many farmers are planting millet and wheat for fall and winter pasture.

Son of Wanamaker Becomes Actor



Charles C. Wanamaker, son of the late merchant prince, has signed his first theatrical contract, in New York, with the show "Thumbs Down." This shows him (left) with Myron C. Fagan, author and newspaper writer.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB EXHIBITS WILL BE FEATURE OF DISTRICT FAIR

Hall County Boys and Girls Follow Instructions In Arranging Exhibits and Will Submit Records of Year's Work.

The many exhibits which are being arranged by the members of the Boys and Girls Agricultural clubs in Hall county will be one of the most interesting and attractive features of the exhibit department of the Hall County District Fair.

Among the boys and girls clubs in Texas, Hall county has the second largest agricultural club, except those counties having more than one agent. Many of the counties where club work is being done have two agents, while some have four.

One proof of the interest in this work was seen last year when 100 exhibits were made in the one day club fair. This work has been increasing each year. Perhaps, nothing interests the farm boys and girls more, after they have worked hard the entire year, than to bring their products to the county fair and realize that their products are equal to or even better than those of the older people.

Another great feature of the club work is the trip to the State Fair offered by the business firms of the county, which is the climax prize for which these boys and girls work each year. Nothing is enjoyed more by those who win than these trips which are of untold value in both pleasure and education.

County Agent Thompson reports that the work this year has been very satisfactory along all lines. During the early part of the year, clubs were organized at various schools over the county. In each of these club organizations boys and girls were enrolled the various phases of the work, such as corn, cotton, grain and sorghums, peanuts and many other kinds of farm crops, as well as all kinds of live stock.

In all the different clubs there are 468 projects. At the club meetings in the early part of the year, lectures of instruction were given the club members in regard to their work. Agricultural club members were given lessons on soil fertility and the proper method of increasing its fertility. Live stock and poultry members were given instruction in improving live stock and the importance of feeding a balanced ration. Quite a number of the members have tried these methods with good results.

The agricultural members, in several instances, have used the better methods of cultivation and seed planting this year, there being some forty members receiving pure seed from one of the local bankers. On account of the extremely dry,

Childress Fair Boosters Visit Memphis Tues.

125 Enthusiastic Boosters of Childress State Fair Receive Hearty Welcome in Memphis.

One hundred twenty-five enthusiastic Childress fair boosters, traveling in twenty-five automobiles, decorated with advertising matter of the Childress State Fair, passed through Memphis Tuesday morning en route to Clarendon. On their return trip in the afternoon they slowed up for a short stop in Memphis.

They received a hearty welcome from Memphis citizens. The Chamber of Commerce band united with the Childress band and gave a snappy concert on the square. Secretary of the Memphis Chamber of Commerce Geo. Sager, in a short talk complimenting the Childress fair, suggested that it would be the best fair this side of Wichita Falls, after which he introduced Secretary Jerry W. Debenport of the Childress Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Debenport, in reference to Mr. Sager's statement, insisted that Childress was to have the second best fair in the entire state, not excepting Wichita Falls.

Mr. Debenport went into details of the amusement program, featuring the racing events, fire works and midway attractions. He was highly complimentary in referring to the Memphis band, asserting that "if Childress had such a band as Memphis she wouldn't want any fair, the band would be advertisement a plenty." In conclusion he introduced County Agent L. T. Hunter, who discussed the exhibit features of the fair, urging Hall county people to prepare an exhibit.

After a few selections by the band following the addresses, Mr. Sager invited the Childress delegation to a local drug store, where drinks were served. The James Orchestra, accompanied by Miss Dora Flack, vocalist, entertained the crowd with a number of popular songs. Flack sang a number of songs with her ukelele accompaniment which delighted her audience and won hearty applause.

After expressing their appreciation for such entertainment and their regrets for having to leave so quickly, the boosters resumed their return trip.

TRINITY UNIVERSITY QUARTET WILL PRESENT PROGRAM HERE

Presenting a varied program that will appeal to all music enthusiasts and fun lovers of Memphis, the Trinity University Male Quartet will appear at the Presbyterian Church Wednesday night, September 5, at 8 o'clock. No admission will be charged, but a free will offering will be taken.

The quartet has been on the road ever since the close of school and has appeared before more than fifty audiences in all sections of the state. Memphis will be the twenty-fifth city in which they have sung on their tour of West Texas.

Members of the quartet are Fred Myers, first tenor; J. C. Johnson, second tenor and pianist; Charles Dickey, baritone; and James Herring, bass. Two of the boys are sons of prominent Presbyterian pastors, one is studying for the ministry, and another is preparing to be a medical missionary. All the boys live in Waxahachie where the school is located, with the exception of Johnson whose home is at Hillsboro.

FORMER MEMPHIS GIRL MARRIES AT KNOXVILLE

The following clipping from a Knoxville, Tenn., newspaper, of the marriage of Miss Lee Johnson, formerly of Memphis, has been received by the Democrat.

Surrounded by a group of relatives and special friends, a pretty wedding was solemnized Wednesday morning at the Broadway Baptist church when Mr. Strum C. Johnson claimed as his bride Miss Lee Johnson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Albert L. Johnson. Rev. E. H. Peacock officiated.

The bride was married in a coat suit of blue with accessories to harmonize.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson left immediately after the ceremony for a wedding trip to Atlanta, Ga., and upon their return to Knoxville about the first of September, they will reside at 231 Oakhill avenue.

BAND CONTEST WILL DRAW MANY BANDS TO FAIR

Contest Will Be Held Under New Regulations. Panhandle Convention May Be Organized.

A band contest, which will be a drawing card and a feature of entertainment to hundreds, will be held in Memphis in connection with the Hall County District Fair. Bands from all over the Panhandle-Plains country are expected to enter the contest here.

The contest will be managed entirely different to anything that has been held in this section, in-so-far as no cash prizes will be offered. All expenses will be paid by the fair association, except transportation costs and the bands will compete for honors only, according to information received from Manager G. A. Sager.

"In the average band contest, as held in a number of cities in Texas in the past few years, money purses were offered and each band had to go to considerable expense to make the trip and enter the contest. The bands winning first prize in each class got barely enough money out of it to pay their expenses, while the bands less fortunate were out their expenses and got nothing," says Mr. Sager.

"Our contest will be different. There will be no cash prizes offered, the bands competing for the honors only, but the fair association has arranged to stand all expenses of the organizations while in our city. All a competing band will be out will be transportation here and back home, and, as most of them can come in cars, this will be light," he concluded.

While here the bands will be encamped at Broom's Park, where water, lights and other conveniences will be available. All meals will be furnished at the fair grounds.

All contesting bands must register not later than 10:00 a. m., September 20.

A band convention will be held in connection with the contest, and steps taken to organize a Panhandle Band Convention. This will probably attract many bands that would not otherwise attend.

MEMPHIS GIRL TO STUDY EXPRESSION IN BOSTON

Miss Helen McNeely left Tuesday for Boston, where she will enter the Boston School of Expression. She went via of Washington and New York City. Miss Helen is a very successful reader and teacher and her many friends in Memphis wish her much success in the continuation of her studies.

OLD SETTLERS WILL ORGANIZE HERE FRIDAY

There is a movement being made toward forming an Old Settlers Organization for the pioneers of Hall County. Next Friday, August 31, at 8:00 p. m., a meeting will be held at the City Hall, at which time the matter of organizing will be discussed. All the old settlers who are interested in an organization of this kind are urged to be present.

TURKEY PRECINCT RECEIVES \$200,000 AS HIGHWAY AID

In addition to the \$100,000 in bonds voted by Turkey Precinct No. 4 for the purpose of building hard-surfaced roads, that precinct was last week awarded \$200,000 as State and Federal aid. Commissioner Coker, who states that the work will not begin until the first of next year, is highly pleased with the total sum, which will be sufficient to put the designated highways through his precinct in good condition.

There were twenty-eight counties receiving allotments ranging from a few thousand dollars to \$415,000, the latter being awarded to Wilson county. Hall county was the only Panhandle county to receive a part of the highway aid.

This aid has been much encouragement to good roads building and it is probable that Memphis Precinct No. 1 will petition Commissioners Court for a bond election in the near future.

Great Plantation Stabilizes Crop

The greatest handicap to the cotton industry, from the producer's point of view, has been the failure of the cotton men, be they growers, ginners, or brokers, to stabilize it. George Washington Jones, with a hundred acres of cotton down in Mississippi, may "make" a bale to the acre, and yet come out with red ink on the wrong side of the ledger when he foots up his year's activities for the inspection of the income tax collector. He may make less than half a bale an acre, and still show a good profit at the end of the crop. He may have a full production this year, and less than half a production the next two years, and he may get twenty-six cents to produce, or forty-five cents a pound for the same cotton.

George's trouble is that he never knows, when he sets out in March to plant a field of cotton, what the September ginning is going to do to him. The reason is—and herein lies one of the fundamental causes of the unsatisfactory industrial and agricultural condition which has persisted in what is known as the "Solid South" since the end of the Civil War—that the George Washington Joneses, and the rest of the planters and cotton men, have not in all these years established a system of growing, preparing and marketing their cotton. And cotton is to the South what corn is to Kansas, wheat to Minnesota, or oranges to California. It is the greatest, best-adapted, most profitable crop the southern states can grow, and it is, more than all this, a daily national necessity. The man who stabilizes the cotton industry will be one of the greatest benefactors industrial America ever has had.

That is why an experiment in cotton stabilization which has been carried on so successfully that it will produce, gin and market more than 130,000 bales of cotton this year, is worthy of the attention of every one in this country who has the slightest interest in agriculture, production, transportation and distribution. The experiment—which is really beyond the experimental stage, but which always will be an experiment in improvement of methods of operation in the cotton industry—is being carried on in 800,000 acres.

Lower California, one of the states of Mexico, extending from the southern boundary of California to the Gulf of California, and from the Cocopah Mountains on the west to the Colorado River on the east. This year there are 123,000 acres of cotton in this vast tract; next year there will be more, just as rapidly as land can be cleared and the water conducted to it from the great canals which take part of the waters of the Rio Colorado and with them make the garden known as the Imperial Valley on the American side of the international boundary. These canals, as is well known, first pass through Mexican territory before they deliver their waters to the Imperial Valley, and the lands below the boundary are entitled to a certain share in these life-giving floods. By the use of this water a new empire is being developed on Mexican soil which has a number of interesting features aside from the stabilization of the cotton industry.

So much land has been provided and so much labor offered, for example, that there has been virtually no revolutionary movement in this section for the simple reason that the revolutionary agent could find no foothold for his ideas among people busy at work at good wages.

So much importance is attached to the undertaking by the Mexican national and state governments that the seat of government of Lower California has been moved to the heart of the 800,000-acre area, to the town of Mexicali, where a new palace has been built for the governor, and where a considerable town has arisen on what some ten or twelve years ago was barren desert.

More than 12,000 Mexicans are at work on the 123,000 acres of cotton and on the 70,000 or more other acres which are being variously cropped to alfalfa, sugar cane, and so on. This is approximately ten per cent of all the men ever engaged at any one time in any revolution in Mexico, both federal and revolutionary troops. It is probably, also, very nearly one-tenth of the number of men in the entire Mexican state of Lower California. It is estimated that at least three persons are dependent on each one of these workers for a livelihood, and, considering the size of families among Mexican working people, this seems a most conservative estimate. It means, however, that 36,000 persons are deriving a living in a foreign country from an industry established and maintained by Americans.

These matters, along with a number of others of almost equal importance, are, however, beside the question of cotton and its stabilization. Important as they are to both Mexicans and Americans, they are of less value to the world than the putting of the cotton industry on an even keel; the establishment of the cotton planter on a solid financial and industrial footing with the wheat-grower or the orange orchardist; the systematization of the distribution of cotton; and the perfection of preparatory methods for cotton between the producer and the consumer. These things have been accomplished in this, the greatest cotton-growing project ever attempted. The financial resources and the industrial direction of the huge agricultural establishment are provided by an American corporation; the labor supplies itself with such promptness and in such abundance that preparation of the land has been barely able to keep pace with the influx of workers, proving that, in Lower California, at least, the Mexican prefers work to war; and the largest cotton-ginning plant in the world is now in operation every day in the year taking care of the crop.

The American corporation is the Colorado River Land Company, with present headquarters in Calexico, California, but which is preparing to erect a large office building in Mexicali, the town created by the cotton industry, just across the line in Mexico. This company, which is headed by Harry Chandler, publisher of the Los Angeles Times, and E. H. Clark, general manager, owns 822,000 acres of land abutting on the international boundary, and extending southward therefrom to the Gulf of California. Of this huge area, fifty miles north and south by more than half as much east and west, 200,000 acres are "working," that is to say, under cultivation. Of this cultivated acreage, 123,000 is in cotton. The average production of this cotton plantation is three-quarters of a bale an acre, as compared with an average in the cotton belt of the United States of 47-100 of a bale an acre.

Driving through this great plantation, as I did a few days ago, one gets a complete picture of green, now almost foot deep, to a reddish gray soil, the silt deposits of ages from the treacherous waters of the Colorado River. This year, when this carpet of green turns to a blanket of white, from 125,000 to 130,000 bales of cotton will be picked from it, for the cotton is now beyond danger of frost, and there is no locust or weevil in all the spread of land.

The systematization of the cotton industry begins here with the soil. With the canals ready to pour their crop-producing waters on what was once a barren bit of the Colorado Desert, the land is leased to individuals who are able to show that they are industrious and honest. The matter of the possession of money is not the question, and the man who will make his acres produce is the man who gets the land. The first lease is made for one year, with privilege of renewal for five years, so that, before a long lease is entered into, the agricultural and cotton experts of the company have time to learn just what manner of man is the applicant for the longer term.

This year there are 154 men leasing these cotton lands, some of them paying as high as 2,000 acres, others as low as 100. The leases are paid for out of the crop, and their methods of seeding, irrigation, cultivation, as well as their expenditures for labor, are watched and guided by agents of the corporation owning the land. When necessary, money is advanced to these lessors and they are given every aid in making every acre produce its absolute agricultural limit.

From time to time during the planting and the growing seasons, men who know the cotton industry from beginning to end are sent out by the landowning company. These men inspect the plantation of every leaseholder. If he has any problems they furnish him with solutions for these problems. If he has trouble with planting, cultivation, irrigation or harvesting, they show him the causes of these troubles and apply the remedies. Distribution of labor for the various jobs connected with the production of cotton also is supervised, so that every leaseholder is certain of the necessary amount of labor to handle his crop from beginning to end.

When the crop is picked—and it is interesting to note that Mexican labor has been found better adapted to this work than even the historic Negro from the cotton fields of the

South—the lose cotton is piled into trailer wagons, each holding 6,000 pounds net. A tractor picks up eight-out of these wagons, or 108,000 pounds of cotton, and hauls it to the largest gin in the world at Mexicali. This use of the tractor and the trailer-train is an economic feature of the systematization of the cotton industry which has proved of great value. To handle the eighteen trailers with their 54 tons of cotton, would require two men and six mules to every two wagons, if the old method were followed. That is, eighteen men and 54 mules would be required to haul the equivalent of one of these trains to the gin. But the tractor makes two such trips a day, whereas the mules and men could make only one trip, the distance at present being about 11 or 12 miles. Therefore, the tractor each day, with two men to operate it, really does the work of 26 men and 108 mules. These economies of operation are manifest throughout this establishment, and the leaseholders are taught to use them in their daily work and in their direction of the men whom they employ.

A network of canals, 300 miles in total length, provides water for these lands, and it is a drive of 102 miles around the cotton fields. Even the operation of the canals is conducted like a huge department store, with upkeep, management, direction and distribution of the water handled by a force of men, mainly Americans, who do nothing else. The total cash cost an acre of irrigation of these lands this year will be \$2.13. The highest rate paid in Mexico for water is \$2.08 a cubic second-foot, and the lowest 75c a thousand meters, or \$1.83 a cubic second-foot. Water sold to Mexican lands in 1922 reached the huge total of \$469,740, while those in the United States (Imperial Valley) are put at \$788,952 for the same period. These are indications that the water sales south of the boundary will expand, and possibly surpass, those on the northern side within the next year or two, under the present systematic development of the cotton industry there.

When the tractors with their eight-teen-wagon trains of cotton roll into Mexicali, they are unloaded by suction pipes into a gin capable of producing 400 bales of cotton a day, the largest and most continuously operated cotton gin in the world. To handle this year's crop of 125,000 to 130,000 bales of cotton, this gin will have to be operated virtually every working day of the year. And no part of the boll escapes from this gin. The seed is converted into oil, except such quantities as are needed for next year's seeding; the hulls are sold for fertilizer, and the cotton shipped in solid train loads to the markets of the world. One of these days, when the cotton area has grown greater, there will be a port on the Gulf of California, to which ships will come direct to load cotton from this vast plantation. Even now, preparations have been completed for the construction of a railroad southward from Mexicali some 60 miles to the point on the gulf at which this port is to be located. Surveys have been made and the funds are ready for the construction of this railroad.

Such a railroad and such a port will still further enable the cotton-growers on the 800,000 acres of Lower California lands to systematize the distribution and marketing of their cotton in a manner similar to that which has saved the orange-growing industry of California from the so-called "red-ink sales" it once endured. That is to say, the cotton from this area can be sent direct to those markets where the demand is the greatest and the price momentarily the highest, instead of dumping it on the market, at any price obtainable, as the cotton-raisers of the southern states have been doing for half a century.

The Colorado River Land Company sells the cotton direct for the leaseholders, and it is proof of the value of organization that the prices paid for this cotton are always two to four cents higher than the current New York market prices, f. o. b. Calexico. Unlike the small cotton farmer in other parts of the cotton belts of the world, whether they be in America, Egypt, India, China, or any other section, the small producer in Lower California is taught, first of all, to husband his resources from year to year, to proportion his expenditures to his production, to produce more and better cotton every year, and to handle the business of farming on the same basis that the captain of industry or the large commercial operator handles his greater capital.

Another interesting feature of this industrial empire is the experimental work being carried on constantly with other crops, to find just what cereals, forage plants, vegetables and fruits will produce best in this climate and soil. This year a considerable area is being planted in sugar cane, as the result of some of these experi-

ments, and, if the sugar cane proves a profitable crop, it, too, will be organized and systematized in both production and distribution. Thus more men will be taught to produce, to earn for themselves, under the supervision of those who know how to produce and to sell. There is space and opportunity on these 800,000 acres for 50,000 men at work producing prosperity for themselves and for their state, and the government of the state is assisting the Americans in every way to bring together men and crops, to the end that not only an industry, but a state as well, may be stabilized.—The Dearborn Independent.

Former Representative Patrick H. Kelley, of Lansing, said, "In my judgment, there is no person living who will see the Eighteenth Amendment either modified or repealed. There is no doubt pro-Prohibition beer intoxicated many, even with an alcoholic percentage of only three and one-half per cent. Legalization of five per cent beer would, in effect, nullify the Eighteenth Amendment."

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Within 100 miles of the Arctic Circle, Cordella M. Karshner has succeeded in raising as many as 350 bushels of potatoes to the acre. She has homesteaded a piece of property

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Getting Ready For School

By Phebe K. Warner

at a few more days and oh, how they will go! Then we must get the children again and send them to school. But what would we do without our schools? A few days ago we were all getting ready for school. The reapers were ready. The binders adjusted. New cutting machines were ordered. The hands were collected from where. Granaries were built. Groceries were ordered. And everything done that could be done to make the harvest season a success. Farmers waded through grain fields to see if anything was necessary to save the crop. Some of the counties of our state the people spent hundreds of dollars getting ready for the grain crop. If this money was spent in one county do you suppose it cost the state to save the 1923 small grain crop? And as a rule such an outlay is made willingly and cheerfully. Men are glad to invest in the new combines to cut and thresh grain and thus save time and expense. And they bought like hot cakes at an eating place. It was all because they were getting ready for school. There was in their crop. The realization of their year's ambitions and with it might have been their life's ambitions depended on the saving of crop.

And now it is just a few days most of our schools will begin. period comes once a year, too. the next thing after harvest. only difference between these great summer events is this: object of the first is to save grain crop and get it ready for feed markets of the world; the second is to save the children and get them ready for the markets of the world. That's the difference. One deals with crops and the other with the children.

Parents, as communities, as a rule, are getting ready for the next event as enthusiastically as the first? Are we anxious to have new and modern device to make school interesting and efficient in the harvesting of the children's minds as we were to have the combine reapers and threshers to save the grain in the best way and the least expense? And we are willing to put the school in perfect order for the beginning of school as we were the machinery for the beginning of the harvesting of the grain?

First of all is the school house. Are the doors on their hinges? Is the window light in? We saw a school house not long ago where the windows were all in and the windows were out. You would not think of sowing your wheat and oats in such a school for a year, would you? Is your school house been fumigated since the last children went home with the measles or mumps or whooping cough? When was your school house scrubbed? No, we do not mean on top of all the dust and dirt germs that were ground into the floor by the shuffling feet of a year's school. We mean scrubbed with good hot soap suds and a mop like you scrub your own kitchen every week.

The first school house in which we tried to keep school had not been scrubbed for seven years and

that was as far back as the children could remember. They did not know how many generations back that it had been since the school house had had a bath. That was a long time ago and we do not know whether it has been scrubbed since then or not. "Every" mother in that school district was a first class house keeper. Some of them mopped their kitchen floors every day, and none of them ever let a week pass without their kitchen having a thorough cleaning. But that was they. They lived and worked in their kitchens. They had a personal pride in their kitchens and every other room in the home. Have you any personal pride in the school house where your children live or ought to live nine months of the year? Beside how many people stay in your kitchen? Not many and you are busy at work and on the go in and out of doors every few minutes all the time you are working in the kitchen. But at school there is any where from a dozen to five dozen children in the same room for hours without much recess or fresh air. Which should be the most sanitary place for the welfare of our children, our kitchens or our school house? There it not much argument on this because both are necessary but how much thought does the average mother give the sanitary conditions of her home as compared to the sanitary conditions of the school her children attend?

How about the water supply? Can the children get a clean, fresh drink every time they need it? Is there a well at your school house or do the children carry the water from some old cistern or pond or tin tank in the neighborhood? Have you ever had a house to rent? Have you noticed how quick the renter complains when something goes wrong with the water? And often we fix up the well or clean out the cistern for the renter, and that is right, but let our own children go on drinking the water off of dead rabbits and other things. Oh, but it sounds bad! But it don't sound one hundredth part as bad as it smells and tastes. If it is your renter you send somebody to clean things out or he leaves, and you lose the rent. But if it is only your child the law requires him to go to school whether you clean out the well or furnish him clean water to drink or not. There are hundreds of thousands of invalids in our land today whose health was undermined during their school days. But that was before the days of the mothers club when the school had no official mother to look after the home-making and the house cleaning of the children's home. We heard of a school the other day where neither teacher of last year could be induced to return because of the water conditions at the school house. And they were good teachers, too.

How about the school grounds? Are they in a sanitary condition? What is needed to make them attractive? Does your school ground draw the children to school or drive them away? If you had not been any better prepared to begin harvesting than you are to begin school what would have happened to your grain crop? How about your educational harvest hands? Are they ready? Do they know how to take care of your children's mental needs? Have they had any training for their work? Have they had any experience under a trained teacher? Good,

well-trained teachers are as scarce as good harvest hands and so far there is no combine invented to take their place. And the children, are they ready? Have their teeth and eyes and ears been examined to see if they are in the best of condition for their work? These are the little life sickles with which they are to reap their harvest of knowledge. If their eyes and ears are dull how can they do a good job of gathering the seeds of knowledge? And last but by no means least have you a Mother's Club or Parent-Teacher organization to help keep the whole school system in repair and to help keep the school home as clean and attractive as the homes from whence the children come to make the school? The school, the country school and the city school will be the prettiest and happiest place in all the community when we all do our natural human part to make it what it could be. And no one will be happier than the parents themselves when all our schools are the best places in the whole country.

Under the socialistic dwelling law in Berlin, renters have their apartments virtually free except for certain taxes to the city. The income to the house owner averages not more than \$1 a year. The landlord considers himself lucky if the tenants obey the law and make repairs at their own expense.

Fifty-three million dollars was lost in 1922 through alteration of checks.

A 50-foot thermometer at Atlantic City can be read a mile away. Lights on the board indicate the temperature.

Five hundred times more narcotics, in the form of opium and its derivatives, are produced than are legitimately needed. The average age of the 50,000 known addicts in New York State is 23 years.

A large, seated statue of Minerva, carved from colored alabaster, has been discovered in Rome on the site of Emporium. This point was a landing place on the Tiber for marble shipments in the days of olden Rome. It was found while excavating for a new building. A workman near Ognia, Italy, found two ancient bronze vases containing 300 gold coins dating back to 300 B. C.

Alaska has an area of about 586,000 square miles, much larger than Texas, the largest state. It has a population of about 54,000, much less than three-quarters of that of Nevada, the least populated state.

Four hundred girls of the Nippon Female Commercial College are being given rifle instruction by the First Regiment of Infantry at Tokyo, Japan.

New carpets and rugs in Smyrna are given an appearance of age by the bleaching process which follows washing and scrubbing. They are hung in the sunlight on the roofs of the factories and homes of the workers.

David Starr Jordan, president emeritus of Leland Stanford Junior University, said: "The bane of higher education is the desire to substitute system and drill for inspiration, to develop methods and standards in place of intellect. The university, as such, does not give opinions, but means to form them."

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Bolivar Broad Brayings

By Byrle L. Beach

THE BITTER CREEK BEND SHEEP RANCH

Bolivar Broad was born in the wild recesses of a mountain range in old Kentucky, where his early life ran about as quiet as the numerous brooks by which he sported. He might have continued to call that country home until this very day, but at the age of nineteen his name became linked up with a wild rumor which broke loose and accused Bolivar of pilfering a small herd of razor back shoats. Whether or not he was guilty as accused is nobody's business here nor further up the creek. But rather than remain and take a gambler's chance on not going to the pen, Bolivar decided to travel, notwithstanding, his health was flawless. His sudden departure from the old homestead was made in the dark of the moon, and he hot-footed his way westward and across the mountains into Southern Missouri, where he slowed up for a few weeks for no other purpose than to take on a little food and devote a little thought toward the future. He was not long in making up his mind that he was now entirely too close to his former mountain home, from a safety-first standpoint of vision; besides the hills of Southern Missouri, in the short space of two weeks had become very tame and uneventful for the lad who had chanced to peruse several wild west novels which had filled his venturesome mind full of desire to see the long horn territory of ruff and tuff old Texas.

Bolivar's feet were still very tender from the long hike across the rough mountains, so he decided that further hot-footing was clean out of his young life, and late that night he borrowed a Spanish mule and a saddle from an old friend whom he had never met, and headed West again. He had already heard lots of talk about the state of Arkansas and knew, positively, that he had no business wasting any time there, so he and his mule just charged right on through without a thought of tarrying except for refreshments. Nearly thirty days later they discovered that they were in the land of Bolivar's dreams, yet still very far from the cow and sheep country of the rugged Plains.

By this time Bolivar had become very much disgusted with his slow and jaded companion which had now brought him to the little hamlet of Paris, Texas, so he placed both mule and saddle on the auction block and sold them for enough to buy a railroad ticket to the cow town of Fort Worth. But instead of riding the soft cushions, and to avoid being broke when he arrived at his destination, Bolivar caught a rattler, and after many hardships and hungers, he finally landed at the stock pens in the then wild and woolly town of Fort Worth. Here he got his first glimpse of the cow and sheep business as carried on in a big way, and amused himself for several days by sticking on the stock pen fences, watching the tough punchers load and unload the snorting long horns. Sheep herding was Bolivar's "long suit" back in his native haunts, but the bellowing mavericks were new to him.

However, he ventured many interrogations and received as many very short and rough replies, from that bunch of two-gun men from the bad lands.

Bolivar had often dreamed of a

sheep ranch of his own—away out West—but now his finances were entirely too shy, so he quickly decided to seek a job as sheep herder and later on, establish his big ranch. He approached a job as sheep cowboy and approached a big, tuff looking man with two guns in his belt, and a bowie knife in his boot top, who was loaded out several cars of sheep for his ranch several hundred miles further west. After much persuasion, Bolivar landed the job to chaperon the ten cars of sheep to their destination and act as herder upon arrival. The rough and ready rancher handed Bolivar two dollars and six-bits for expense money, with the gruff remark: "You be damned certain to go out with these sheep."

Well, you have never taken a pleasure trip with a train of sheep or cattle have positively passed up a rare treat. About the fourth day out Bolivar grew very tired and disgusted with his new job of punching up sheep on a slow freight, for the tuff man didn't seem to care much for Bolivar and Bolivar didn't care much for him. Again Bolivar's dream

came to him and the more he dreamed the keener was his desire for a sheep ranch of his own. All of a sudden, an idea hit him and whispered: Here's your chance Bolivar."

The train was then making a long grade, very slowly and the night was dark. Again that idea said: "Make your dream come true Bolivar." Well, this time Bolivar obeyed and gently opened the doors, kicked out his sheep, fell off the train with them, and—established a ranch of his own.

Factory-made grass may now be bought by the yard, and laid down in full velvety growth on golf courses or lawns. A British inventor has perfected a method of sowing grass seed on a special fabric in a "factory" where the temperature is always that of spring or summer. These green carpets are laid down on flattened surfaces, the fabric rots away and the roots become incorporated with the soil.

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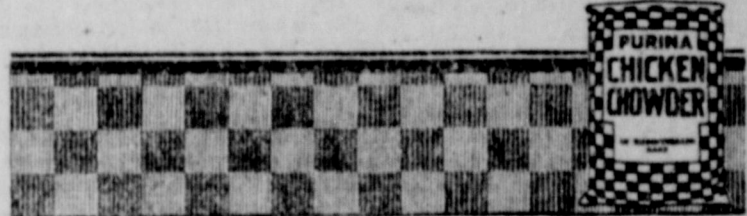
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Local and Personal News

News Paragraphs and Personal Mention of General Interest to Memphis and Hall County Readers

Dr. J. A. McBee returned from California last week.

T. D. Gee of Estelline was a Memphis visitor Saturday.

J. A. Powell of Newlin was a Memphis visitor Wednesday.

Rev. M. E. Hawkins, of Claude, was in Memphis Monday.

J. M. McNeal returned from a trip through Arkansas Sunday.

Jim Travis came in Wednesday from a trip to California.

Jas. Davis, of Childress, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Currie Green of Estelline was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mrs. T. J. Cope of Parnell was shopping in Memphis Saturday.

Chas. Meacham and wife of Lakeview were visitors here Tuesday.

D. H. Arnold spent Tuesday in Childress looking after business.

Oren Jones made a trip to McLean Sunday, returning via Shamrock.

Call B. Webster, at W. P. Dial's, for fresh comb honey. Phone 351.

Uncle Bill and Dave Howard attended the celebration at Lubbock Tuesday.

Commissioner Med Barton of Estelline was in Memphis Saturday on business.

Mrs. J. R. Martin of Paducah is visiting this week with her son, Bea Martin.

Mrs. Robert Freel and children of Deep Lake were Memphis visitors Saturday.

Phillips Station will vulcanize your tubes. Try us! 4-5-*

Mrs. Bob Crab of the Pleasant Valley community was in Memphis Saturday.

Clifford Lemons returned Thursday from Canyon, where he attended summer school.

Bob Henderson and Buster Montgomery visited friends in Lubbock last week.

Earliest McMurry returned Wednesday from an extended visit in California.

Cook Wanted—Experienced white woman. See Mrs. Wade Roberts, or phone 260.

McGregor and Schmellers line of golf supplies at Harrison-Clover Hardware Company.

S. E. Ross and family returned Monday from a two weeks trip to New Mexico.

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Miss Jessie Sparkman, of Fort Worth, is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. Compton.

For Sale—Four Jersey milch cows. See E. M. Evans, 4 miles southwest of Memphis.

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We have McGregor line of Golf Clubs same as ever. Harrison-Clover Hardware Co.

Miss Mary Nobles, of Amarillo, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Nobles this week.

Harry Trueblood of Childress spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives friends here.

New fall Stetson hats for men just arrived, priced from \$7 to \$10. Greene Dry Goods Co.

Wanted—50 horses to pasture at \$1.00 a head per month. Write Grover Swift, Washburn, Texas.

Miss Mae Simmons came in Saturday from Canyon, where she attended school this summer.

Wanted—A 1922 copy of the Estelline News. Will pay 25c for same at Democrat office.

Geo. Broome returned from Kansas last week, where he marketed a shipment of cattle.

Mrs. Womack and Miss Jessie Mae Womack arrived Saturday for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, of Duncan, Oklahoma, were here the first of this week visiting relatives.

Miss Cressie Ardery returned the first of the week from a visit at Plainview and Hale Center.

New pattern hats for the fall season arriving daily in our millinery department. Greene Dry Goods Co.

Mrs. T. E. Wynn, of Dumas, visited her sister, Mrs. E. A. Thomas, Sunday and Monday.

For Sale—Seed wheat at barn, clear of Johnson grass, \$1.00 per bushel. See T. J. Cope, Parnell, Tex.

Golf clubs, balls, bags, etc. Prices to suit your pocket book. Harrison-Clover Hardware Co.

F. M. Trapp returned home Monday from a visit with his brother at Bellview, New Mexico.

I have returned from my vacation and am ready for business. John W. Fitzjarrald, Chiropractor.

Rev. Chas. T. Whaley and family left Monday for Hollis, Oklahoma, where Rev. Whaley will conduct a two weeks revival.

Mrs. M. McNeely will begin her class in music and expression Monday, September 3. Class work in Expression and Public Speaking will not begin until school opens.

Don't overlook those guaranteed fast color M F C gingham in our stock in buying your fall gingham. Greene Dry Goods Co.

Wanted—I will be in Memphis one week. Bring your mules in if you want to sell them. Will give all they are worth. S. A. Overton, Fort Worth.

John W. Fitzjarrald and family returned Saturday from Arkansas, where they spent a vacation of several weeks.

Notice—To my customers and friends. Am back from my vacation ready for business. At your service day and night. J. A. McBee, D. V. M.

Miss Edna Spear, of Tyler, and her niece Miss Edna Spear, of Houston, who have been visiting R. S. Greene and family, left for Tyler Saturday night. The latter will spend a few days with her aunt in Tyler before returning to her home.

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Miss Hazel Hawkins will be glad to confer with all prospective violin, piano and theory pupils on September 14 and 15, at the residence of Mrs. Elmer Shelley.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edd House, of Parnell, has as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Weatherby, Mr. and Mrs. Lottie Tipton, Misses Ruby House, and Boneita Ellis, Messrs. Lewis Clark, and Fred Graham. The rain Sunday night kept them until morning, when they all went to the home of T. D. Weatherby. They spent the day, enjoying a cold swim and a chicken dinner.

W. S. Gooch and family returned Sunday from an extended trip into Oklahoma and Arkansas. Mr. Gooch says everything is dull and dry in that part of the country and that crops are generally short. He says Hall county looks good to him.

Mrs. S. E. Draper is enjoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. Horne, and sister, Mrs. Hester, of Quanah, this week.

Judge and Mrs. R. J. Thorne are stopping in Memphis on their return trip from New Mexico. They are visiting Mrs. Thorne's brother, Tom Parker, who lives east of town. They will leave for their home in Dallas Friday morning.

The Palace Theatre

Program.

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY—

Thomas Meighan, the most popular male star today, in "If You Believe It, It's So."

MONDAY AND TUESDAY—

Wallae Reid, Bebe Daniels, and Conrad Nagel in "Nice People."

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY—

Wanda Hawley and Milton Sills in "Burning Sands."

Mrs. Branham and daughter, Milliscent, and Mr. and Mrs. Bone Bottoms, of Quanah, visited Andrew Jay and family here Sunday.

Misses Bess and Lillian Norwood left Monday for their home in Dallas, after an extended visit with friends here.

H. H. Burnett and son, Curtis, of Dumas, were visiting with relatives and friends here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lottie Tipton, of Estelline, are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Weatherby of Lett's Ranch.

Miss Willie Merle Trammell, from Canyon Saturday, returned to West Texas State College this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. ... sister, Miss Jessie, returned from a visit with relatives at Temple.

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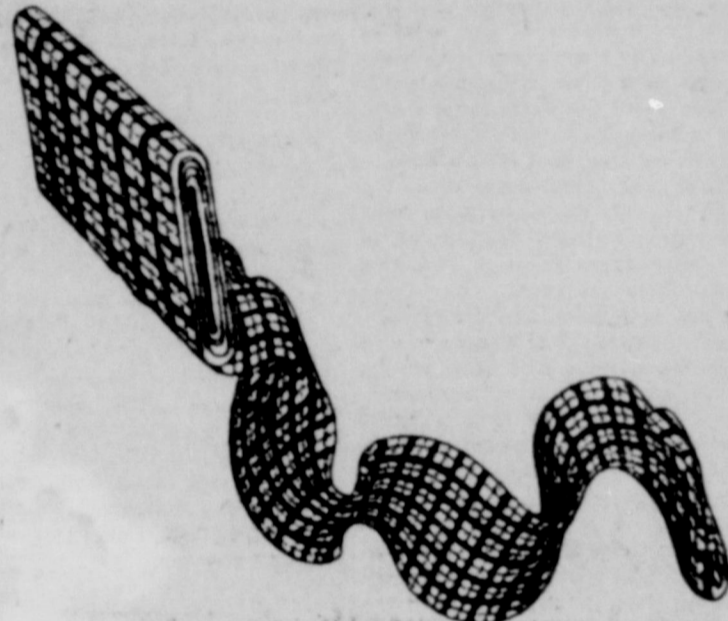
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... We were visited by a good rain
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... Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stephens are
... the proud parents of a baby girl.

she will be in her office now on
regular office days, Monday, Friday
and Saturday.

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from your grocers. Every package
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W. L. Vaughn, principal of the
Memphis High School, returned last
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Capt. E. G. Edwards, district engi-
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whose headquarters are in Amarillo,
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Intermediate B. Y. P. U. No. 2.

The Intermediate B. Y. P. U. No.
2 will meet at 7 p. m. Sunday, Sept-
ember, 2. All boys and girls in the
ages of thirteen and fourteen years
are urged to be present. We have
a new leader, Mrs. Sigler. The same
program will be given that was an-
nounced for last Sunday.

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W. B. Gilreath traded cars Satur-
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Mr. Joe Williams and Miss Jessie
Patton were married Thursday at the
home of Hollis Eiland. Rev. Enoch
Eiland performed the ceremony.

Joe Williams is on the sick list
this week.

E. E. Walker, of Memphis could
not be with us in the first part of
the revival owing to conflicting dates
with the meeting at Hedley, where
he is leading the singing. We hope
that he will be with us later on.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Nall, of Tur-
key, who have been visiting at Wichi-
ta Falls, came in Saturday, and were
spending the night with C. E. Nall
when they received a call to come to
the bedside of their daughter at Tur-
key.

Rev. and Mrs. V. B. Clark, of Los
Vegas, New Mexico, have been visit-
ing the former's brother, Judge T.
T. Clark. They were missionaries to
Cuba for a number of years, and are
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tist College near Los Vegas. Rev.
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Kennon Hillyer and Harold Walk-
er left Wednesday for Plainview,
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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Guthrie are at
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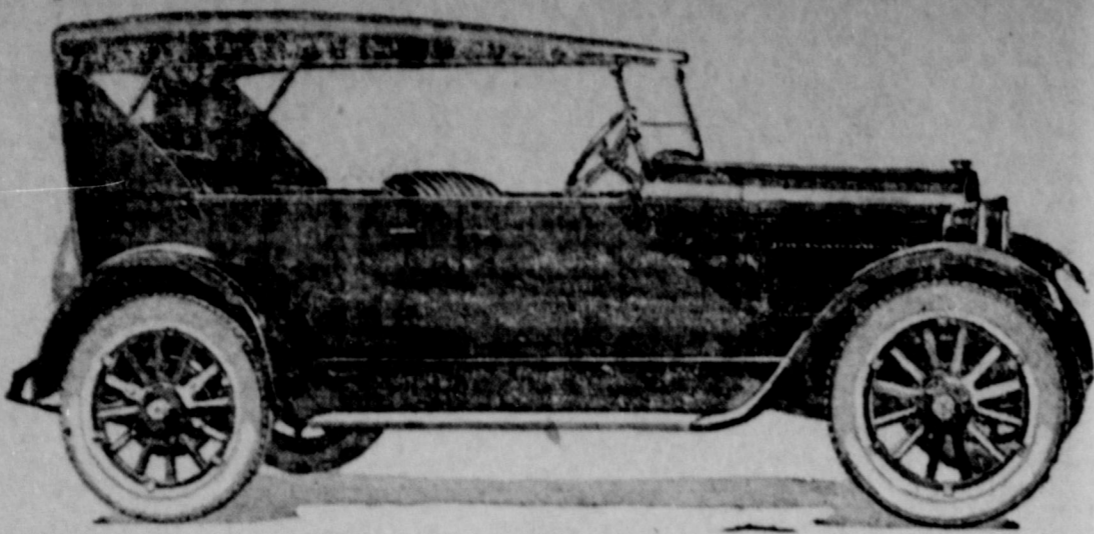
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THE 1924 MODEL DODGE TOURING CAR

Appearance And Comfort Features of Dodge Improvement

Marked improvement in appearance and comfort is apparent in the new line of Dodge Brothers Motor Cars, in the production of which the factory has been gathering momentum since July 1. Hundreds of dealers are now supplied with display cars of the new type, and from every source the factory is receiving reports of enthusiastic approval by the public.

While the basic characteristics of the familiar Dodge Brothers cars of recent days are still present, there is an air of distinctiveness that surpasses all previous efforts of the concern to build a moderate car of commendable appearance as well as quality.

The wheelbase is 35.1 inches, the body is lower and changed to semi-underslung, and lengthened to 55 inches in length.

All the features of the public today are design of the complete includes a touring coupe, two types of side and panel side of 3/4 ton capacity. A Dodge Brothers in their open passenger cars several years ago are now used for all types.

The effect of the longer and lower body and longer wheelbase, combined with the new lines and low seats, is the improvement in riding qualities is no less pronounced than the improvement in general design. The reduction in body height lowers the center of gravity and thereby reduces sideway, while rebound shocks are effectively dissipated by the improved front and rear springs. The car holds the road easily and gracefully and affords real riding comfort.

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In the Type A sedan, the upholstery is the finest grade mohair velvet, and all interior hardware is of distinctive Dodge Brothers design. The business coupe and business sedan are finished in attractive Spanish blue leather.

The faking of sculpture has reached such proportions in France that a movement is on foot to forbid the departure of any art work from that country unless the sale is approved by the Ministry of Fine Arts and a group of connoisseurs.

One of the worst insect pests that ever got into this country is the Japanese beetle. It feeds on grass, and on the leaves of fruit trees, vines, and cornstalks and is spreading very rapidly. In certain sections the beetles have grown so dense that during fruit time the orchards have the appearance of being overwhelmed with bee swarms. They are a brilliant iridescent bronze green in color. They came in with some imported Japanese iris.

In India the money lender in many cases takes two receipts, one for the exact amount loaned and the other for sometimes twice the amount. The interest charged is usually one anna on a rupee a month or about 6 1/2 per cent a month. If the amount borrowed is paid back by the borrower both of the receipts taken are returned to him, but if he cannot pay and the money lender has to go to court to foreclose, he produces the receipt for the larger amount and collects on that basis.

In 1920 there were more than 20,000 Indian children of school age who were not in school because of lack of facilities. All the Indians are not Osages, wealthy in oil lands. Others live on poorer reservations whose homes are hovels, tents, shacks tepees and houses with dirt floors.

All corporations are not soulless. When the crippled body of little Clyde Patnoe, of Cisco, California, was swept over a 30-foot fall, the Pacific Gas and Electric Company toiled night and day with steam shovels, dynamite, picks and wheelbarrows and turned the angry waters of the Yuba River into a new channel. The body was recovered from between jagged rocks just below the falls. The child was a cripple and a great favorite with the workmen. After the rescue of the body the river was turned back into its old channel. The electric company's books show an item of more than \$20,000 on the red ink side of its ledger.

If the site and buildings of the old Hudson Bay post at Fort Langley, British Columbia, are donated to the Dominion Historic Sites and Monuments Board, that body will repair the old furtrading post, turn it into a museum and preserve it as a monument to the early pioneers in British Columbia.

Only one per cent of 80,000 samples of liquor seized during the last of the year was genuine, according to a report of the prohibition commissioner at Washington. He said that adulteration of bootleg liquor was leading to serious physical consequences. Drinking of moonshine may not cause death directly, but its toxins are cumulative and result in death if indulged in for a protracted time.

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"The simplest and surest means of committing battery murder is to use it without giving it water. Without water the plates become hard and are rapidly overheated by the charging current. This may cause the plates to buckle and completely ruin the battery.

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They have brought new beauty, new riding ease and new mechanical perfection to the product on which their reputation as builders has been founded.

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The same sturdy engine is under the hood; the same dependable chassis, improved in numberless details, underlies the body.

But the rear springs—now underslung—have been materially lengthened. The wheelbase, too, is longer, and the combined result is a notable improvement in riding qualities.

Bodies of all types have been designed to give improved appearance, and greater comfort. Lower, longer, with deeper seats and more leg room, the lines of these new cars are low-slung and graceful—the interiors are comfortable and roomy.

New head lamps—underhooders, especially designed by Dodge Brothers—come with the hood of the car—a long straight hood and cowl effect—longer and wider running boards—unusually wide doors—combination stop signal and tail lamp—and instruments attractively grouped on raised panel—are a few of the numerous body innovations common to all types.

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and faced her smilingly. It was staring at him through the night, her lips parted, her eyes wide with fear.

I don't speak, and he asked again, "What is it? Are you afraid of me?"

I know now who you are," she said to say. "You—you are the 'Frisco Kid.'"

ment his lips shut tight, a bit of a grin; then he laughed.

Yes, I have," she muttered, looking straight at him, yet in his mysterious way not the least afraid. "I have been led to believe in a most desperate character, an outlaw, a criminal, with a price on our heads. I have been told many of our exploits—and, and, but why come I to repeat all this?"

"Because it is extremely interesting, for one thing; quite flattering for even a better reason. If we are trying to continue being friends—and I insist that we are—we shall have to come to a mutual understanding. What am I in your estimation? A robber and thief, I suppose? Who told you all this?"

By Randall Parrish



SYNOPSIS

I.—On the isolated Meager southern border, Deborah Kelleen, whose husband has been killed, visits Meager, Mrs. Meager's friend and takes possession. Deborah and she resolve that there seems no possibility of being away, alone.

R. II.—Meager ghosts over night, telling her he has justice of the peace, who than tomorrow. Horrified, she secures a revolver.

R. III.—The justice, Cornell, and her friend arrive with a party, among them "Frisco Kid," notorious desperado. A girl locks herself up.

R. IV.—Forced by Bob, Mrs. Meager tells her of her husband's marriage ceremony. In the afternoon, she escapes and her room.

R. V.—Meager seeks the she stuns him with the revolver to the stables, hoping a horse and escape, any from Meager, if she must desert. In the stables she "Frisco Kid." Somehow he is with confidence and she the situation is not having out at the wedding.

R. VI.—The "Kid" tells her Daniel Kelleen, that he is Meager, and securing two a pair ride into the desert.

R. VII.—Alone with Kelleen, Deborah becomes apprehensive, she tells her of her service here Deborah had been a d she puts full faith in him.

R. VIII.—Kelleen explains "Frisco Kid" is a manufactory, that he is really the regular army detail, down a gang of thieves and a gang of desperadoes.

R. IX.—While the exhausted Kelleen dismounts, Deborah, with a talking with Juan Sanchez, of Meager, and from the constable believes Kelleen to be member of the gang. Her appa returned, she seeks to establish a concealed man.

ment of her presence. Their minds when she felt she must cry out, her nerves falling she crushed the desire back on, dulled with fatigue.

eyes and thought centered on re of the man riding steadily. She could obtain no glimpse see, not even its contour, yet a light he sat in the saddle, his thrown back, his left hand the reins. Kelleen, his seat of the trained, disciplined man, rather than the cowboy she could but mark how everybody followed the slightest out of the animal under him. ly, but without glancing back ted into the grim, gray desert.

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ranch, and I have remembered it ever since. Do you remember a morning in August, 1918, when the Thirty-third division went over the top, waded a river, and cleaned out the heights beyond? It was a sharp fight, and lots of the boys never came back. You remember, don't you?"

"Yes." "Well, I was there, and I got mine about eight o'clock. Mine must have been plenty, for they hauled me back to the first-line hospital and had some sort of surgical job done before I woke up. The man next to me died, and the nurse who was with him—she was heavily built with very light hair—"

"Jessie SeEVERS." "I don't know, but she gave me a drink of water, and then they put another wounded guy into the place where the dead body had been. He was just a kid, not more than seventeen, I reckon, and was crying like a baby, his nerves all shot to pieces. You were his nurse, and I lay there and watched how you fixed him up. It's not likely you've forgot that."

"No! No!" She bent her head. "He was from my town; he—he died that night."

"I didn't know, for they took me away, but I lay there and watched you for another hour before the stretchers came. I never saw you again. I would have liked to mighty well, and I didn't even know your name then—just a memory of your face."

He reached out his hand suddenly. "I—I wish you'd shake hands with me," he said, almost hesitating at his boldness, "and sorter pretend to forget that 'Frisco Kid' business."

"I have forgotten it," she answered steadily, their eyes and hands meeting. "You were a soldier in my division; I believe in you, and am your friend."

CHAPTER VIII Story of the "Frisco Kid."

To Deborah, Kelleen was no longer a bandit, a fleeing fugitive from justice, but a soldier who had been wounded in battle, who had played the part of a man; while to him the girl was no longer a stray runaway in whom he felt little interest, but a nurse whose face had haunted his memory since he had first watched her in the glow of the French sun.

They stood there on the rim of that strange crater, the grim, gray desert circling them about, neither able to think of a word to say. Deborah's eyes fell, and she withdrew her hand, turning to stare into the depths below. The slight movement served to arouse Kelleen to the situation.

"Well, this will never do," he exclaimed, new cheerfulness in his tone. "They will have a glass trained on us over there before we get to cover. We'll send the horses down first; they'll find the best route and we can follow. Come, Sultan, over you go, old boy; oh, no, you're not afraid; we've done this little trick before. Go on, sir!"

He struck the animal with the flat of his hand, and, with a reproachful shake of the head, Sultan slowly and cautiously began the steep descent, seeking a path along the deeper layers of sand, and zigzagging from gulch to gulch better to obtain foothold. The other horse followed, but not without a struggle, trembling with fear, and keeping close to the trail left by the leader. Kelleen touched the girl's arm.

"Come," he said briefly, a bit of command in the voice. "Really it is not so dangerous as it looks from here. Sultan has found the best trail, and we'll drill along after him."

They made it slowly, picking their path along the trail left by the two animals, finding purchase in the sand, occasionally steadied by an outcropping rock or the exposed root of some clinging shrub. The drop was more extensive than Deborah previously had realized from above, and the sharp descent left her breathless.

The sand disappeared as they reached the lower levels, the walls becoming sheer rock, but slashed with gullies, and finally these were more or less choked with vegetable growth. At the bottom, where the two horses were contentedly munching the short grass, the valley had all the appearance of a new land, made fresh and verdant by the magic touch of water.

Deborah, at the foot of the long descent, clung to the projecting root of a tree and stared about her with wide-open eyes, unable to restrain her amazement.

"Why this is simply marvelous," she exclaimed. "I did not appreciate what it meant from up there. You have been down here before, you said? You—you do not believe you are the only one who has made this discovery?"

"No; that is hardly probable. There were reasons why it was impossible for me to determine the truth when I was here before, yet I found evidences that others had been before me—the remains of a camp fire, an exploded cartridge shell, and even the imprint of cattle. I have no wish to frighten you, Miss Deborah, but my idea is that probably this place has been, and perhaps still is, a hiding place for thieves."

"Cattle stealers, you mean?" "Yes, and munition runners. This whole border is honeycombed with that sort of thing, and this hole is certainly an ideal hideout. Come, let's sit down here and eat what we have, for I am not going to risk a fire, and I'll tell you a theory I've worked out."

turned speech. "I am inclined to think," he said gravely, "that this has been a rendezvous for that sort of traffic for years. I don't believe many have known about it, or else some whisperers would have reached me, but this particular section of the border has been a sore spot for years. Someone stumbled on this place just exactly as I have—perhaps several sombodies—but my present notion is that the discoverer was either Bob Meager, or one of the disreputable gang he has with him.

His determination to get control of the ranch at his father's death, the fellows he has brought there from across the line, and Garrity's deep interest in the affair, all combine to make me suspicious. Do you see? The ranch, and this hole, together, make an ideal outfit for running either cattle or munitions across the border, and some of these fellows over there have been at that job for years."

"Then how do you dare come here with me?" "Because it alone promised security for this one day. Tonight we'll go on, but we could not travel across the desert in daylight without being seen."

Her eyes were on his face inquiringly. "You dislike Bob Meager very much? Was that why you were so willing to help me?" "Not altogether; it may have had weight, I confess. Now, however, that thought has gone entirely."

"And Judge Garrity?" "He is utterly despicable." "Yet you seemed very friendly with him only last night. On excellent terms."

He smiled good-naturedly. "You are quite a cross-examiner, Miss Meredith. Sometimes you know, it becomes necessary to play a part in life. What is the cause for all this shrewd questioning?"

"I hardly know myself, but it is all so strange, and has happened so suddenly. I am just beginning to think clearly. How did you happen to serve in the Thirty-third division—they were all Illinois troops?"

"So you even noticed that. I was transferred." "From what command?" "The regulars."

"Was that not very unusual? You—you were surely an enlisted man?" "I did not say so," he smiled back; "and now that you drive me to a confession, I might as well make a full breast of it. I was transferred to take command of a company."

"A captain?" "Yes." "Why?" She drew in her breath sharply, leaning forward with new eagerness.

"Then surely you are not now what I thought you to be—an outlaw, a renegade? You are not really the 'Frisco Kid'?"

"Oh, yes, I am. At least I am all the 'Frisco Kid' there ever was, to the best of my knowledge, although I fail to line up entirely with the reputation so kindly given me by 'Pop' Reynolds. The 'Frisco Kid' is an entirely manufactured character, made for a practical purpose. Do you grasp the idea?"

She shook her head, but her eager eyes belied the action. "You have a glimmer, nevertheless. I'll explain. This portion of the border has been a hotbed of outlawry for years. It has baffled every commanding officer assigned to this district. We had no information to work on; suspects were numerous, but proof lacking. Finally a plan of action was evolved, but to carry it out successfully, a desperado with an established reputation as a bad man was first of all most essential. With this end in view the 'Frisco Kid' was carefully put on the stage. Newspapers along the coast, and near the border began to note his exploits; dispatches regarding him were sent east; regards for his capture, dead or alive, were posted. It was intimated, finally, when his name had become sufficiently familiar, that he had escaped into Mexico, and then that he had been seen again in this neighborhood. Troops were dispatched to run him down, and word to that effect scattered broadcast on both sides of the line. You see the purpose of it all?"

"To win the confidence of the real gang?" "Exactly; and it worked. The end is already in sight."

"But who, then, are you?" "Daniel Kelleen, just as I told you, a captain in the —rd cavalry."

"You—you volunteered for this service?" "Yes; you see it was impossible for the department to use any officer who had been stationed lately along this border. Such a one might be immediately recognized, and the whole scheme ruined at once. At the same time, whoever was chosen to play the character must have intimate knowledge of the border. I met the requirements fully, as I had served here ten years ago as a mere boy, and knew the country fairly well. So here I am, the 'Frisco Kid!'"

Deborah held out her hand impulsively. "I'm glad you told me," she said in all frankness.

CHAPTER IX A New Viewpoint. She had been sleeping for nearly two hours, with head supported on a saddle, the steep wall of the canyon on one side of her and the valley itself shut completely off by a thick growth of shrub. She had not realized how tired she was, and, in fact, rested there some time in this nook Kelleen had found, starting with wide-open eyes up at the strip of blue sky, her mind still active. The knowledge of who this man really was had brought her instant relief, and a new sense of safety in his presence. So her heavy eyes closed, and she slept.

What had become of Kelleen? Through the tree branches behind which she had been concealed Deborah searched the full length of the chasm within reach of her vision, but discovered no trace of his presence. It was not likely the man would be absent long. It must already be noon by the sun, and, actuated by a desire to do something, she finally began to arrange a meal for his return. She had opened the bag of provisions, when suddenly her eyes caught sight of something moving far below, and to her right, objects at first hard to distinguish, and then quickly discerned as two horsemen, emerging from the very cleft in the rocks where she had decided the canyon probably ran. They came steadily on, growing more distinct each minute, yet still too far away for recognition.

She crouched lower behind her screen, and waited breathlessly. Two, what could that mean? It seemed highly improbable that Kelleen could have encountered a friend in this spot—a man in whom he had faith—who was returning with him. If this was, as he so evidently believed, a hidden lair of outlaws, a rendezvous for border crime, it was hardly possible he had met with any comrade here, if—if he was really what he had claimed to be. The thought of that "it" struck her like a blow. But was it not (Continued Next Week)

Audiences Throw Off Heat. Exciting plays and motion pictures cause the bodily temperature of audiences to rise and result in the throwing off of heat so that judicious theater owners utilize such plays as a substitute for fuel, according to a Boston professor of note, who says that he had made actual tests on theater audiences in Boston playhouses, and asserts that many theater owners observing this phenomena lower their heat supply as acts approach "the end." Fat persons, according to Professor Miller, give much more heat than thin ones as well as greater moisture, which is also beneficial since the average theater atmosphere is rather dry.—Scientific American.

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Subscription: In Hall County \$1.50 per year. Outside of Hall County \$2.00 per year. Anonymous communications will not be published in this paper.

We are publishing several hundred extra copies of this issue of The Democrat. A part of these will be mailed to residents of Hall county, who are not subscribers, while the others will be distributed on the fair booster trips next week. If you are not a subscriber and by chance receive this copy, read it, and don't delay sending in your subscription. We publish that which is news, ignore scandal, and get results as an advertising medium.

We understand that as a result of the torrential rains near Newlin, a portion of the road in that section is in an almost impassible condition. Tourists and local people coming over the road complain of excessive prices being charged by teamsters, who pull the cars through the worst places. Those who detour this part of the road report heavy toll being collected by gate tenders at the entrances of the pastures. This being a designated highway, the county is responsible for its maintenance, and a teamster should be hired at the expense of the county, to pull cars through. Money has been appropriated and plans made for improving this part of the road, and the work will begin in the near future.

LADDIE BOY.

Written by Esther Alberti, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Alberti, of Memphis.

Into a room, an East room,
A room in the great White House,
Stole a dog, an Airedale
As silently as a mouse.

For he knew he'd found the place
As he lay down beside the flag-draped
And flower bedecked case.

Somehow his soul seemed to whisper
That his master was in that room,
Though he understood not why he
Should be there

Amid that silence and gloom.

Yet, there he lay as he ever had,
And ever hoped to lie:
By his master's side when danger
Or happiness were nigh.

Though he longed for a touch of his
master's hand
He never once did whine,
But all day long he strained his ears
For a whistle
Which was his master's sign.

He longed to play with the man he
loved
And the man he ever served;
The man who had so suddenly
Off the path of life swerved.

He longed to hear the words
That filled his heart with joy,
The words he loved, from the lips
he loved,
The words: "Come, Laddie Boy."

Then he placed his feet on the casket
And silently bowed his head,
And though it was in dog language
God knew a prayer was said.

And our Father understood,
And asked for no more, naught,
For the dog had remembered the
lesson—
The first by his master taught.

SUN ECLIPSE SEPT. 10
LAST TIME IN CENTURY

Darkness dense enough to make lights necessary for the continuation of business uninterrupted will accompany the eclipse of the sun on Monday, Sept. 10, although the eclipse as viewed in Memphis will not be total, say astronomers.

Those with a keen eyesight will be able to view the planet Venus during the eclipse. This planet will be but a few degrees north of the Sun.

At the height of the eclipse the sun will appear locally as a thin crescent of light, very much similar to a new moon, but much brighter. The real beauty of the eclipse will not be visible here, nor anywhere in Texas. This is the corona, which is supposed to be formed of super-heated gas surrounding the sun, and visible only during a total eclipse,

it is pointed out.

Memphis residents may best obtain a view of the eclipse through a smoked glass large enough to cover both eyes. Those who own field glasses or telescopes may get a much better view than those depending on the naked eye.

The eclipse will be visible only in Central Mexico. The first contact of the moon and the sun will occur about 2 p. m. standard time, and the eclipse will last for approximately two hours. The eclipse is caused by the moon passing between the earth and the sun, says Weather Observer D. S. Landis. This will be the last total eclipse visible as near this section in possibly a century, it is said.

Lakeview School Notice.

The Lakeview school will open Monday, September 3, 1923.

We send this as an invitation to all patrons and urge that you be present on our first day of school.

We believe, as all other school people do, that it is best for the students and the school as a whole, for all pupils to be present the first day. We not only believe that students should be present on the first day of school, but that they should remain in school every day throughout the entire term.

If we will remember the above request we may look out on the future and say that we will have a good school year. Come patrons, students and all who wish the school a prosperous school year.

Can we do this? Sure we can.
R. M. HOLT, Supt.

First Baptist Church.

A movement is on foot to turn the departure of any art work from that

Dr. W. T. Conner, one of the professors of the Seminary at Fort Worth, will preach at the Baptist Church next Sunday, due to the absence of the pastor, who is away in a meeting at Hollis, Oklahoma. Let's give Dr. Conner a good hearing next Sunday. He is a great preacher. Everybody is invited to hear him.

GALLOW'S FOR HER



Mrs. Sabelle Nitti-Crudelle, who was found guilty of first degree murder by a Chicago jury. This was the first hanging verdict against a woman that has been reached in 27 years in Chicago. According to the evidence Mrs. Nitti and Crudelle, her star boarder, and now her husband, beat Mr. Nitti to death, and her son and Crudelle threw the body in the drainage canal.

If the site and buildings of the old Hudson Bay post at Fort Langley, British Columbia, are donated to the Dominion Historic Sites and Monuments Board, that body will repair the old furtrading post, turn it into a museum and preserve it as a monument to the early pioneers in British Columbia.

Main Street Church of Christ.

Men's Bible Class at Library. No more hot, dusty days. A fine fall. All old pupils and many new ones wanted next Sunday. Come and help make this fall the best of all.

Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Morning subject: "The Philosophy of Labor. Would Jesus Be in Favor of the Open Shop if He Lived in Texas?" Evening subject: "Some Reasons Why the Kingdom of God Will Not Fail."

Junior C. E. 3:00 p. m.
Junior C. E. 3:00 p. m., Lucy Hudgins, leader.

Intermediate C. E. 4:00 p. m.
Prayer meeting, E. ...
p. m.

Women Meeting Wednesday 8:00 day, 3:00 p. m.
Mrs. ... missionary meeting, Thurs-
day, 7:00 p. m., in the home of
J. ... A. Odom, leader, Mrs.
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Notice to Singers.

The Hall County Singing Convention will meet at Brice on Saturday night and Sunday, September 8 and 9. All singers are urged to attend this convention. Classes are requested to bring their song books.
W. A. McINTOSH, Pres.

First Presbyterian Church.

On Sunday, September 2, Rev. Frank Greenway, of Clovis New Mexico, will preach at the Presbyterian church. All members and friends of the church are invited to hear him. We would especially like for the

members to meet Rev. Greenway and wife. They may decide to locate with us.

—Palpit Committee.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received at Memphis, Texas, until September 25, 10:30 a. m., for equipment for the Hall County Courthouse, consisting of electrical fixtures, moveable furniture, pews, linoleum, etc.

Each bid is to be accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of the amount of the bid and is to be made payable to A. C. Hoffman, County Judge.

Plans may be had by applying to C. H. Page & Brother, Architects, Austin, Texas.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

A. C. HOFFMAN,
County Judge.

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Superintendent
Patrons To Be Present

was our pleasure to read articles during the past year at the opening of schools at Memphis. Now that our local schools are opening, we hope that you will be interested in the splendid articles and reports of the teachers. Don't fail to buy a copy of this issue. You will find it very interesting and helpful. It is the aim of the Superintendent to keep up the standard of the schools and to improve the system of schools. We are interested in the city and we are interested in the children of this city. We are interested in the school education of our children.

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It will be our aim to have an atmosphere that will encourage a proper regard for the child. The teachers will be glad to have you visit the schools. We are interested in the child's mind and we are interested in the child's body. We are interested in the child's soul and we are interested in the child's future. We are interested in the child's present and we are interested in the child's future. We are interested in the child's mind and we are interested in the child's body. We are interested in the child's soul and we are interested in the child's future. We are interested in the child's present and we are interested in the child's future.