

## Nine Months School

We notice in the Texas Spur an item telling that the Spur Public School closed the last Friday in February for lack of funds, and hearing some talk of the early closing of our school for the same reason, we investigated the financial condition of the Tahoka High School with the following result:

On the 1st of March we had in the First National Bank District School money to the amount of \$556.61; due from the State Department at Austin, \$724.17; this year's delinquent tax due the school \$264, and the uncollected delinquent tax for last year, making a total of \$1,644.78 due on said date.

In round numbers it is costing \$375 a month to run the school, so we are certain of enough money to run the school until the first of June and in all probability until the first of July.

As our school began the first Monday in October we will have an eight or nine months term without a bit of trouble. We are also assured of the South Plains Summer Normal for Tahoka again (second consecutive term) this year, so we will have an almost continuous school year, at least for the higher grades.

If you have children that you want to educate, and if you need to make a living for your family at the same time, there is no better place in Texas, and but few better places on the face of the globe to do that same than right here within the limits of the Tahoka High School district.

Did you notice the almost total eclipse of the moon Wednesday night? The duration here was from about 9:30 to 12 o'clock at night.

Alva Samford renewed his subscription to The News for a year this week and sends it to his brother, A. N. Samford, Richland Springs, for a year.

We mailed all our papers last week that go to Tahoka, O'Donnell, Lamesa, Pride, Lou and Soash, Friday 3:15 p. m., and all others at 6:30 p. m., so if you failed to get your News in due time go to your postmaster and tell him your troubles.

EAST TEXAS—180 acres improved in the fruit belt Franklin county. Want a section of raw land on the Plains. 28-31  
Box 127, Winnsboro, Texas.

Have you seen the Easter novelties at Parkhurst Broken \$ Store? 28-tf

See our new line of 10 cent gingham—The Fair. 24-tf

Some may disagree on John 3-5; but all agree that Parkhurst Broken \$ Store is the place to buy your fresh fruits and vegetables, fresh candy and cigars. 27-28

I want your cream, I pay more and furnish a can.—Paul Miller.

Will buy anything you will bring to town.—Paul Miller.

Premium dishes with your purchases at The Fair. 34-tf

Highest cash price paid for produce.—Paul Miller.

Why be lonesome? When good books are to be bought so cheap at Parkhurst Broken \$ Store. Ask about the return plan, also about renting them. 27-28

## A Pioneer Preacher.

Rev. J. R. Miller of the New Home community, called at The News office Monday and told us to send the paper to Rochester, Haskell county, after this week as he has accepted the call of a good strong Church at that place and will start the first of next week, going overland in the Ford car he recently purchased of Mr. Shook.

We regret very much that Bro. Miller is moving away from Lynn county for he is a personal friend of our family as well as a valued patron of The News. He is one of the most successful farmers that ever turned the soil in Lynn county. Before he went to Old Mexico in 1910, where he stayed two years, he never came to town without a buggy load of produce or wagon load of feed to sell; many is the bountiful meal of turnips, sweet potatoes, roasting ears, water melons and peaches that he has presented to The News family. He subscribed for the Lynn County News when it was first established and most of the time he has been paid up far in advance, his date now reads Sept. 1, 1915 he has used our advertising columns more than any two farmers in the county, he brought the Tahoka Baptist Church up so that they used (they are still doing so) more local printer's ink than all the other churches, lodges and public schools (excepting the Tahoka High School) in the county combined.

Rev. Miller was ordained in 1877 and with the exception of the two years spent in Mexico has been in active service ever since, and as he is only 63 years old, most of his life has been spent in the ministry. He moved to the Plains in September 1900, and being a strong doctrinal preacher, has done much pioneer work for the Baptist Churches of the South Plains. Many is the time we have sat on a hard wooden bench in the District Court room from 11:30 of a hot Sunday morning until 1:30, yes and some times 2:00 o'clock, while Bro. Miller skinned us Methodists up one side and down the other; once in a while a good Baptist brother, like Sam McDaniel or H. S. Hatchet, might nod a little, but you never saw a Methodist, Presbyterian or Campbellite sleep during one of his doctrinal sermons.

However, as soon as Bro. Miller learns a little more about the external and internal workings of a Ford, we shall expect to see him at a Fifth Sunday meeting, and we can furnish him a table to stick his feet under three times a day and a pair of clean sheets of a night.

## State Examinations

Attention is called to the fact that a special examination for teachers certificates will be held in Tahoka the first Friday and Saturday, and Thursday preceding, in April, instead of May, as heretofore. There will be no May examination this year. The change is made to accommodate a large number of Teachers who desire to here from their papers before the regular June examination. The April examination will be limited to State certificates only, and the same rules and regulations which govern the regular examinations will also govern in this instance.

Sincerely yours,  
W. F. DOUGHTY,  
28-1t State Superintendent.

## From Pride, Texas

Well Mr. Editor, we are sure having some pretty weather now. The fruit trees are about in full bloom.

Mr. C. B. Morrison has been suffering with a bone felon on his hand. He went to O'Donnell one night this week and had Dr. Thompson to lance it.

Mrs. J. P. Simmons in right sick this week with lagrip.

Mrs. J. K. Epperson has been right sick, but is improving.

Mrs. C. B. Morrison has been right sick, but she is up and around again.

The School Literary at the Pride school house last Friday night was fine. There were some good speakers and the children had some good pieces. All enjoyed themselves.

Mr. N. B. Cathey is gone to his Moores Draw ranch this week.

Mr. J. P. Simmons sold his fat 22 months old steer last Saturday to the Burnett brothers. The steer weighed 1140 pounds and brought J. P. \$80. How is this for a baby beef?

Miss Hattie Etter of O'Donnell, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Epperson last week.

Mr. J. C. Turner of Plainview, has moved back on his old home place near Pride. Mr. Turner sold his home here, over two years ago and moved to Plainview. He is like the cat, he will come back. He says the sand sure looks good to him. Proud to have you with us again J. C.

J. K. Epperson is lying in bed with kidney trouble.

Miss Birtie Preston came in home this week from Plainview where she has been to have her eyes treated.

### HEEL FLY.

Ladies, we have just received a new supply of stamped embroidery pieces, consisting of center pieces, pillow tops, library scarfs, thread and fringe, also stamped shirt waists, gowns, corset covers, Etc. We especially invite you to come in and look through this line.—Parkhurst Broken \$ Store. 27-28

## On Keeping Potatoes

Joe Smith says that the generally accepted idea that sweet potatoes will not keep over winter is a mistake, as he went into his sweet potato bed the other day and found the potatoes in just as fine a shape as they were when he put them in last fall; they were sound and sweet, and well preserved. In putting them away he leveled off a place for a bed, making it just a little higher than the surrounding ground and let it dry well in the sun. Then he put the potatoes on it and covered them with corn stalks, and covered the stalks with dirt. He put a ventilating pipe in the bed at first but opened it only in the day time when the sun was shining bright. When the potatoes were cured so they did not heat any more he took the pipe out and covered up the opening.

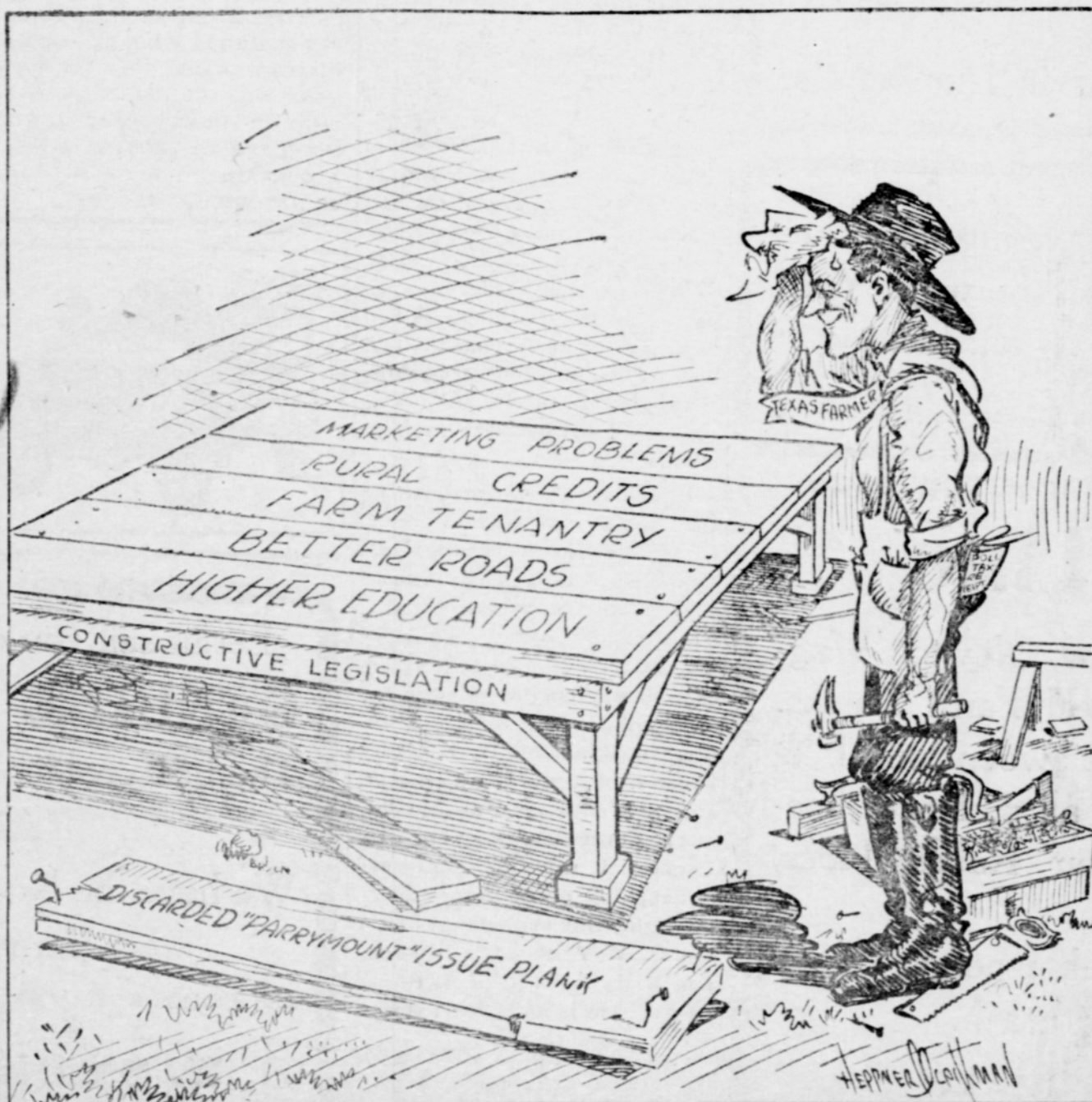
Heavy rains fell on the potato rick last fall but the moisture did not penetrate to the potatoes. So in the spring almost six months later the potatoes were as good as when he put them away. The hoodoo that sweet potatoes won't keep has been dissipated. Mr. Smith says that next fall he is going to save all his sweet potato vines and care and dry them well and use them as a first covering instead of the corn stalks.—Slatonite.

Dr. J. F. Galloway, Dentist, 11-tf who is now in Lamesa will be in the town of O'Donnell, on March 10th remaining until his return to Tahoka Saturday March 14th, and be located upstairs in the postoffice building. 27-28

Embroidery needles, hooks, stiletos and sissors. Tatting shuttles, embroidery novelties, Mexican drawn work, and embroidery pieces of all kinds, embroidery thread, Etc., at Parkhurst Broken \$ Store. 28-tf

FOR SALE—Eggs from prize winning strain of Rhode Island Red Chickens. Same you saw on the Demonstration Train. Setting of 15 for \$1.00.—W. L. Kuykendall, Tahoka. 27-29

## THE PLATFORM BUILDER



## For District Attorney

We are authorized to announce Judge R. A. Sowder of Lubbock, as a candidate for District Attorney for this, the 72nd Judicial District, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

"I am a native Texan, a graduate of the University of Texas, admitted to practice in 1901, practiced seven years at Canyon, and four and three-fourths years at Lubbock, for nearly three years I was County Attorney of this county, resigning January 1914; I am, and have always been, a Democrat, voting my ticket straight. I feel a pride, pardonable, I trust, in my record in the courts—I have been successful in 75 per cent of my contested civil cases in the trial courts, and in fully 75 per cent of my appealed cases; while in my administration as County Attorney I believe I have as good a record as any County Attorney on the Plains.

"The office of District Attorney is an important one, such officer being charged, as an arm of the State, in enforcing the laws protecting life and property, and its duties should be administered with even handed justice, without fear, favor, rancor or hope of reward outside the fees of the office; the rich are not too great to be amenable to the laws, and the poor are not too humble to invoke and obtain its protection; such officer, therefore, should be the best man available."

Before making their choice for District Attorney, the voters of this district should give Judge Sowder a careful consideration and thus be in a position to vote for your choice in the July Primary. 28-1t

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I want your hides green or dry and will pay the highest market prices for all you have. Lyall McGonagill at the Cash Meat Market. 10-tf

## Biggers a Candidate

I am a candidate for representative from this, the 122 representative district. I will begin an active campaign as soon as possible, presumably about the 1st of June. The people will then hear from me fully, frankly and emphatically on every material issue pertaining to the state and this particular district. And then, if elected,

Like the poor benighted Hindoo I'll do the best I kin do.

Respectfully,  
28-20 DON H. BIGGERS.

We have a car load of kerosene and gasolene on hand. Burn Eupion oil the best on earth. I will soon have in a car load of all kinds of oils and greases. G. W. SNIDER, Tahoka Agent for the Pierce Fordyce Oil Association. Call at our Wagon Yard when in Tahoka and let us fill your bill for auto engine supplies 18-tf

No. 8597  
Report of the Condition of  
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
at Tahoka, in the State of  
Texas, at the close of business, March 4, 1914

### RESOURCES DOLLARS

Loans and Discounts	103,709.89
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,753.84
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	7,500.00
Banking House, Furniture, and Fixtures	10,000.00
Other Real Estate owned	1,500.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	782.14
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers Trust Companies, and Savings Banks	489.07
Due from approved Reserve Agents	12,310.14
Checks and other Cash Items	71.95
Notes of other National Banks	405.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents	22.03
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	8,215.65
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 pct. of circulation)	375.00
Cotton Bills of Acceptance	1,059.24
TOTAL	148,193.95

### LIABILITIES DOLLARS

Capital stock paid in	25,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	1,425.92
National Bank Notes outstanding	7,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check	87,168.03
Time certificates of deposit	7,100.00
Bills payable, including obligations for money borrowed	10,000.00
TOTAL	148,193.95

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF LYNN, ss.

I, W. B. SLATON, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. B. SLATON, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of March, 1914. G. E. LOCKHART, Notary Public. (SEAL)

CORRECT—Attest:  
W. D. NEVELS,  
A. L. LOCKWOOD,  
G. W. SMALL, SR.  
28 1t Directors.

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## FRESH GROCERIES

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to set out your fruit trees, they will be sure to grow and do well. This is a good fruit country, as this year proved. I will have all standard varieties of apples, pears, peaches, plums, cherries, apricots, grapes and small fruit.

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**Tahoka Hardware Co.**

## Honesty Demanded In Operation of American Cities

By HENRY BRUERE, City Chamberlain of New York

AMERICAN cities generally have come to the stage wherein their citizens expect definite reasons along the lines of scientific public service for the things which their officials do.

The new sentiment is DEMANDING HONESTY, but it is demanding more than that—it is DEMANDING ITS FULL MONEY'S WORTH. Not only must there be no stealing; there must be no waste.

And not only must there be NO STEALING AND NO WASTE, but there must be intelligent expenditure—that is, the people do not shy at giving up their money. They give it cheerfully, but they demand results.

In these days the government which stole nothing and saved much, but which did not deliver to the people a safe and pleasant, a progressive, an improving city, would be open to just criticism—and would get it.

IN AMERICA THE BUSINESS CORPORATION HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO ITS HIGHEST POINT OF TECHNICAL EFFICIENCY. THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION NOW MUST BE. BUT THIS PUBLIC EFFICIENCY MUST HAVE VERY CLEAR SERVICE AIMS.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate Under Order of Sale.

State of Texas, } In the Dis-  
 County of Travis, } trict Court of  
 Travis County, Texas.

Morgan Calloway Jr., Plaintiff  
 vs C. W. Atkins, G. M. Shelton,  
 R. L. Black, C. E. Lytle, and J.  
 A. Kerns, Defendants,

Whereas by virtue of an order of Sale issued out of the District Court of Travis County, Texas, on a judgement rendered in said Court on the 6th day of January A. D. 1914, in favor of the said Morgan Calloway Jr. and against the said C. W. Atkins, G. M. Shelton, R. L. Black, C. E. Lytle and J. A. Kerns, No. 29,800 on the docket of said Court, I did on the 14th day of February A. D. 1914 at 10 o'clock a. m. levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land, situated in the County of Lynn, State of Texas, belonging to the said C. W. Atkins, G. M. Shelton, R. L. Black, C. E. Lytle and J. A. Kerns, to wit:

640 acres of land situated in Lynn County, Texas, known as Sur. No. 15, Block No. 7, on the waters of Alamo Creek, a tributary of the Brazos River, located by virtue of Land Script No. 625, issued to the East Line & Red River Ry. Co. and patented to said Company on or before September 2, 1879, by patent No. 618, Vol. 45, described by field notes as follows:

Beginning at an earth mound and 4 pits, N. W. Cor. of Sur. No. 10 Blk. No. 7: Thence North 1900 vrs md & 2 pits: Thence East 1900 vrs md & 2 pits: Thence South 1900 vrs md & pit: Thence West 1900 vrs to the place of beginning; and on the 7th day of April A. D. 1914, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4. o'clock p. m. on said day, at the Court House door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said C. W. Atkins, G. M. Shelton, R. L. Black, C. E. Lytle and J. A. Kerns in and to said property.

Dated at Tahoka, Texas, thi the 14th day of February A. D. 1914  
 J. H. EDWARDS, Sheriff Lynn County Texas.



Photo by American Press Association.

## Japan, Threatened on Both Sides, to Adopt Middle Course

By Professor M. ANESAKI of Imperial University at Tokio

JAPAN IS OFTEN SAID TO BE DOOMED BECAUSE SHE IS BEING WESTERNIZED AND BECAUSE SHE IS WILLING TO ADMIT THAT THE EAST SHOULD REMAIN EAST. AND QUITE AS OFTEN THE OPPOSITE ACCUSATION IS MADE, AND JAPAN NOW APPEARS THE INCARNATION OF A DEVIL COLORED YELLOW PERIL. IN THE FIRST CASE WE ARE PITIED BECAUSE WE ARE ENDEAVORING TO ADOPT WESTERN CIVILIZATION, AND IN THE OTHER CASE WE ARE HATED SIMPLY BECAUSE WE ARE ORIENTALS.

Until our last war with China our western neighbor hated us and despised us because we seemed to her to be becoming the SLAVES OF THE WESTERN "BARBARIANS." This hatred increased in power until China so infringed upon Japan that she was at last obliged to resist it with force of arms. It was the firm conviction of the whole Japanese nation in the war of 1894-95 that we were fighting in order to awaken China from her STUBBORN BLINDNESS TO THE WORLD'S PROGRESS. But, curiously enough, no sooner was the war ended than a picture of the oriental devil appeared, designed to impress the western people with the dread of the yellow peril. Thus we are threatened on either side, and our task is to resist both extremes and to keep steadily to a middle course.

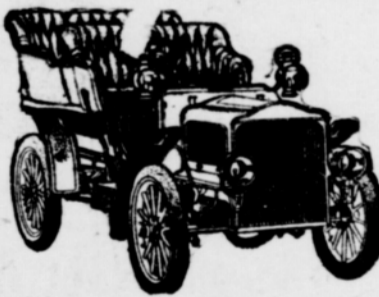
DESPITE THESE CRITICISMS PASSED UPON US, WE ARE FIRM IN OUR RESOLUTION AND FAITHFUL TO THE CHARGE LAID UPON US BY OUR SOVEREIGN THAT OUR COURSE SHOULD LIE MIDWAY BETWEEN EAST AND WEST AND THAT OUR DESTINY IS TO BUILD A STONE FIRMLY INTO THE BRIDGE WHICH BINDS THE TWO CIVILIZATIONS TOGETHER.

## Panama Canal Has Upset The Weather

By JOHN J. MAXWELL, Science Research Student, Baltimore

THE commingling of the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans meant a change in their currents. Volcanic disturbances on the Pacific coast made the Pacific impulse stronger, and thus the GULF STREAM IS FLOWING FARTHER NORTH, carrying with it the balmy weather of the tropics.

IT WILL BE ONLY A QUESTION OF TIME WHEN ARTIFICIAL HEAT IN BALTIMORE WILL BE ANCIENT HISTORY AND THE CLIMATE HERE WILL BE IDENTICAL WITH THAT OF ROME. PEOPLE WILL NOT DARE TO VENTURE OUT AT A CERTAIN HOUR OF THE DAY. SO HOT WILL IT BECOME.



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**G. W. SNIDER, North of Square, Tahoka**

# Lindley At O'Donnell

We now have our store stocked complete. On account of very heavy business at Larnesa we have been unable to have our stock as we had hoped at the time of opening, but we have now filled in all the vacant places and can say that no where aside from our main store can you find so good a stock.

We hav just returned from market, and have the latest goods now in:--

**New Gingham, New Laces and Embroideries, New Ribbons, New Wash Goods.**  
Misses and Childrens Ready-to-wear dresses.

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**New Shirts, Ties, Gloves, Hats and Caps.**

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# Lindley At O'Donnell

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## THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

in my home." For constipation, indigestion, headache, dizziness, malaria, chills and fever, biliousness, and all similar ailments, Thedford's Black-Draught has proved itself a safe, reliable, gentle and valuable remedy.

If you suffer from any of these complaints, try Black-Draught. It is a medicine of known merit. Seventy-five years of splendid success proves its value. Good for young and old. For sale everywhere. Price 25 cents.

## Nicholson's Subject League Program Sunday, Mar. 15th.

The subject Rev. Nickleson will preach on Sunday night, March 12th at the Tahoka Baptist church, will be: "Jonah and the whale." This is an old subject, but no doubt he will be able to throw new light on it.

Next wednesday night, March the 18th, he will lecture on the fourth Article of Faith, which is given below:

### IV. OF THE WAY OF SALVATION.

"We believe that the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace; through the Mediatorial offices of the Son of God; who by the appointment of the Father, freely took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by his personal obedience, and by his death made a full atonement for our sine; that having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, he is every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all-sufficient Saviour."

## League Program Sunday, Mar. 15th.

Opening Song.  
Prayer.  
Reading the minutes of last meeting.  
Song.  
Roll call—Each answer with Scripture verse.  
Leader—Harold Blankenbecker.  
Subject—A Master or a Servant.  
Scripture verses.  
James 1-26—Leader.  
James 3-10—Lola Donaldson.  
The Epworth League in China  
I. Wilmah Blankenship.  
The Epworth League in China  
II. Ophelia Millman.  
Song.  
Talk by the pastor.  
Benediction.

### PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

Dr. E. E. Callaway is having quite a nice addition built to his residence in North Tahoka this week by S. S. Ramsey, contractor, who has a turnkey job of it. This is the Dr. Inmon place and the improvements consists of a new room, bath room and back porch and when completed will give Dr. Callaway one of the nicest and most comfortable homes in Tahoka, which by the way is noted for its pretty homes.

Crepes, Ratins, Tissues, Loop cloth, Massalines, Suitings—Prettiest line in town—The Fair.

## Announcements

For County and District Clerk.  
J. W. ELLIOTT.,  
(re-election)  
E. P. HICKS,  
W. N. GORE.

For Tax Assessor,  
JOE BALDRIDGE  
JOHN THOMAS  
L. G. PHILLIPS,

For County Treasurer,  
C. T. BEARD.  
McMILL CLAYTON  
(re-election)

For Sheriff and Tax Collector  
D. T. ROCERS,  
F. E. REDWINE

For Connty Judge  
E. A. WHITE  
J. L. STOKES  
(re-election)

### Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

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## Banks Under Strain to Help Borrowers

By JAMES B. FORGAN, President of First National Bank of Chicago

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**ISOLATION AND DRUDGERY THE TWIN ENEMIES OF AGRICULTURE.**

**The Rural Church the Guiding Star of Progress.**

**The New Rural Civilization.**

**By Peter Radford.**

We are confronting a new rural civilization. It is so radically different from the life of the past that it may well be called new, not merely because of its characteristics, but because of its triumph in rural co-operation and leadership. The utilization of modern agencies, and the use of farm machinery have greatly increased the efficiency of the farmers, broadened their vision and made life more satisfying.

The most serious enemies to country life are isolation and drudgery, and perhaps the worst of the two is isolation. It is the curse of the country. The hunger of young people for companionship has been disregarded and in various ways the social instincts have had their revenge. The fruits of modern inventive skill and enterprise have enriched country life and afforded the facilities of banishing forever the extreme isolation which used to vex the farm household of the past. The telephone is a great social asset in the rural home; the rural free delivery brings the world's daily message to the door; the parcels post delivers ten million packages per annum at a half million homes and the automobile annihilates distance, making isolation a myth. The building of public highways has brought communities and farm homes closer together.

**The Slave of Drudgery.**

It is a dramatic moment on the farm when machinery emancipates the slave of drudgery. The evolution of farm machinery is a continued story of human ingenuity. One man now, by the aid of modern mechanical devices, can do as much as five or ten men used to perform and the work is less burdensome and more fascinating. The miracle of conquest will lift the curse of drudgery that has crushed the courage out of farm boys and caused them to retreat to the cities. There are many labor-saving devices for the homes that can relieve the wife of back-breaking tasks. Labor-saving machinery has wrought educational problems that have engaged the attention of the boys, relieved the housewife and added new economies and values to farming and has taken away self pity and given them a genuine pride in their calling. We need to take full advantage of these facilities.

**Co-Operation the Key-Note.**

One test of modern civilization is the capacity for co-operation. The selfish days of the independent farmer are rapidly passing and we are beginning to catch the vision and share the profits of organized efforts. There are many farm machines adapted to serving a community, but organization of farmers is required to purchase and operate them on a co-operative basis, and new laws are needed to permit these transactions.

**New Tasks for the Rural Church**

The rural church has been slow to adjust itself to the new order of things. The churches are discovering new opportunities for service, broader community usefulness and a greater social mission. The church must gird itself for new tasks and under a new virile type of leadership undertake real community building with the modern church as the center of activity and source of inspiration and guidance. The triumph over isolation and the gradual emancipation from drudgery, the development of good roads, telephones, rural mail service and the wonderful evolution of farm machinery make for religious advancement. The increase in intelligence, new social consciousness, growing spirit of co-operation, added efficiency of rural institutions, character, home building and better rural morals afford opportunities for a community-serving church to demonstrate its power. The rural church to fulfill its mission must swing around it the influences for progress.

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**RAILROADS WILL HELP THE FARMER**

**Common Carriers Will Co-operate in Marketing Farm Products—Middlemen Charge Higher Rates for Handling Farm Than Factory Products.**

**By Peter Radford.**

The leading railroad systems of the nation will establish market bureaus to assist the farmers along their lines in marketing their products. The following lines have acceded to the request of the Farmers' Union and announced their willingness to enter into active co-operation with the farmers in marketing their products: Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Southern Pacific, Santa Fe, St. Louis, Southwestern and other "system" lines.

The express companies have surveyed the field and the Federal Government, through the parcel post, has demonstrated the possibilities of the common carrier as a useful agency in marketing farm commodities. I consider the action of these giant business concerns in determining to co-operate with the farmers in marketing their crops, to be the greatest product of human thought on the Western hemisphere during the past year, and it demonstrates that the educational work of the Farmers' Union has brought the nation to a clearer understanding of the real problems of the farmer.

To give information on marketing is far more valuable than to give advice on production. There is a mutual interest between the railroads and the farmer which cannot exist between any other lines of industry. The railroads are the teamsters of agriculture and they are employed only when there is something to haul. Good prices will do more to increase tonnage than any other factor, and railroads want tonnage.

Agriculture has many inherent disadvantages which require combined effort to overcome in marketing. There are millions of producing units working independently and selling without knowledge of market conditions. The harvest is once a year, while consumption is pretty evenly distributed throughout the entire year, and most of the farmers, through custom and necessity, dump their entire crop on the market as soon as it is gathered. The problem of organizing and systematizing the markets is one in which the farmers invite assistance of all lines of industry friendly to their interests.

**Farmers Bear the Burden.**

The business of the manufacturer lends itself more readily to organization and the facilities for studying the markets are more easily available. The result is that the merchants are compelled to handle most staple manufactured articles at very little profit, and as a consequence the merchant must look to products which he buys direct from the farmer for his profits.

The reports of the Federal Department of Agriculture show some very interesting information and enable a comparison between the cost of marketing products of the farm and those of the factory. A few items will serve to illustrate the general run. The cost of getting sugar from the refinery to the consumer is 9 cents on the dollar; the cost of getting tobacco from the factory to the consumer is 14 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of eggs the middleman gets a profit of 50 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of potatoes, the middleman makes 70 cents on the dollar; in selling a dollar's worth of fruit, the middleman gets 84 cents on the dollar, and on centaloupes 82 cents.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 570, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, in discussing this subject, said:

"The high price paid by consumers, ranging from 5 to 500 per cent, in some cases, more than the farmer receives, indicates that there is plenty of room for lowering the cost of farm products to consumers and at the same time largely increasing the cash income per farm, without increasing farm production. This condition is undoubtedly a marketing problem which will have to be solved by better organization of farmers and improved methods of marketing."

**Large Shippers Influence Rates.**

In railroad rates the inequalities are equally as glaring. Rate making in its primitive stages was largely influenced by demands and arguments of large shippers, but the farmers were unorganized and seldom appeared before rate-making bodies, and the burden of expense in transportation lies largely against the raw products of the farm.

In banking, our securities are discounted against, as compared with the products of the factories and mines. The farmer is entitled to a square deal. The farmer is more interested in good prices and efficient service than he is in rates.

**THE WOMAN IN THE FIELD**

**The Farm Woman Needs Relief More Than Her City Sister.**

**By Peter Radford.**

Much has been said and more written about the woman in the factory and behind the counter, but how about the woman who works in the field? I want to say a few words in her behalf. I regret a necessity that compels woman to work for a livelihood and I favor not only shortening her hours, but freeing her from manual labor entirely. I crave for society that high standard of excellence where the home is woman's throne and her life is devoted to molding the character and elevating the thought of the rising generation. But so long as want, greed and misfortune prevail in this world, women, through choice or necessity, will work, and perhaps they will work at one task or another as many hours per day as they please.

We may pity the weak and admire the strong in their struggle, but the farm woman is entitled to her share of sympathy and reward.

**All Must Toil.**

The labor problem, as relates to men, is a most vexatious one and when we apply it to women it becomes more seriously complicated. We will always have to work unless some political genius can put a law on the statute book that will enable us to live without labor. So long as every person must meet toil face to face, the best we can do is to equitably distribute the burdens and reward of labor, and if there is to be a revision of wages and a shortening of hours, I want the farm woman to get her share. She has more reason to complain than any other class of toilers. She has, as a rule, fewer comforts, fewer pleasures, less recreation and less opportunity for enjoyment than her sister in the city. She has not so many conveniences and fewer luxuries and less to be thankful for than women who live in the town, but she toils on, a model of consistency, patience and womanly devotion. Certainly she should be the first to be rewarded.

**The Real Labor Problem is on the Farm.**

The great dailies with flaming headlines deplore the lot of women who toil in the cities, the city pulpit thunders with sympathy for her and the legislators orate in her behalf, but not a line is written, a word said or a speech delivered in the interest of the million women who labor on the farm. Where one woman works in the cities in Texas, there are a hundred mothers toiling in the field, and no mention is made of it. Is the woman in the city entitled to any more consideration than the woman on the farm? I contend that she is not. The city woman may be more easily restrained by legislation and she may have a more attentive audience when she cries aloud, but the real labor problem, insofar as it relates to women and children, is on the farm. It is there we find the mother, drenched in perspiration, and the child, its lips wet with mother's milk, wielding the hoe and gathering the harvest, toiling day in and day out without hope of reward.

**The City Life Puny.**

The farm women work from sun until sun. They do their housework and lull a half million babes to sleep after the chickens go to roost and they get breakfast and milk the cows before the lark sings. The city woman frequently chafes under hardships that the farm women would consider a blessing. The city people are great talkers and oftentimes greatly magnify their troubles and enlarge their accomplishments. This characteristic permeates organized society as well as enters into the individual life of cities. There are orphan asylums which are doing commendable work and should be encouraged, that boast of their accomplishments, but I have seen widows in the country make a crop, drink branch water and eat corn-bread and molasses and raise more children and better children than many of these city orphan asylums. The cities need to get back to the soil with their ideals. They are hysterical, puny and feeble in their conception of life, its requirements and its opportunities.

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