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CLOSING EXERCISES OF GRAHAM HIGH

HIGH HONORS GAINED BY GRADUATES THIS YEAR. SEVEN IN NUMBER.

Excellent Program Rendered at Baptist Church Monday Night to Large Audience.

A successful session of the Graham High School closed Monday night when seven happy boys and girls received their diplomas at the graduating exercises held at the Baptist church.

The people of Graham have learned to expect an enjoyable program on commencement night and this year's class rendered the following excellent program:

- Piano Duet—"Poet and Peasant."—Berenice Miller and Eloise Morrison.
- Oration—"What War Means to a Nation."—James Porter, Jr.
- Essay—"Consolidation of Rural Schools."—Leah Stewart.
- Violin Solo—"Souvenir"—J. F. H. Crabb.
- Oration—"Mexican Warfare."—Christian Stoffers.
- Reading—"Judas of Kerioth."—Herschel Eddleman.
- Essay—"The New Geography."—Allye Hogue.
- Song—"Massa in the Cold, Cold Ground."—High School Glee Club.
- Oration—"Fair Play for Women."—Henry Schlittler, Jr.
- Piano Solo—"Valse in C Sharp Minor."—J. F. H. Crabb.
- Essay—"What War Means to Women."—Ethel Self.
- Oration—"The Literacy Test."—J. C. Rickman.
- Presentation of Diplomas, Medals, Etc.
- Song—"Last Night."—High School Glee Club.

Every number on the program was well rendered and every one present enjoyed the exercises. The special numbers were excellent and showed that Graham has splendid music and elocution departments.

The following pupils received diplomas:

- J. C. Rickman.
 - James Porter, Jr.
 - Henry Schlittler, Jr.
 - Christian Stoffers.
 - Ethel Self.
 - Allye Hogue.
 - Leah Stewart.
- Many of the best colleges and universities in Texas offer annually scholarships to the boy and the girl making the highest grades for the session. These scholarships were awarded to J. C. Rickman and Ethel Self.

NOT DEAD

The Newcastle Register of last week contained a little notice that two new residences were being erected in their city, and wound up with this: "Who said Newcastle was dead? Graham papers please copy."

We don't know who said she was dead, Jim, but whoever it was, was sadly off his base, for a representative of The Reporter visited Newcastle this week and found her much alive. How can anything be dead when it is bounded on all sides by prosperity? And this is the position that Newcastle occupies. All around her are fertile farms, wheat and oats just about ready for the reaper, feed crops flourishing, and cotton coming up to a good stand. Nay, nay, Jim, Newcastle is not dead, neither is she sleeping, for we found people over there pretty busy, and working to make it busier.

And Jim, we don't believe Newcastle can die as long as you and the Register stay there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. True of Flat Rock were shopping in the city Saturday. Mr. True came in to see us about the Booster Edition. Mr. True is a real booster and is going to help us tell the good news in the Booster Edition.

BASEBALL REVIEW OF THE SEASON

Games with Olney and Bryson Closed the Season for the High School Team. Individual Batting Average Given.

With the double header on Thursday and the game with Bryson on Saturday, the season of 1915 came to a close. In the first game of the double bill, Chris allowed the Olney men to run our outfielders down. But that could not be helped. Chris pitched a good game, but Olney has a bunch of sluggers which even "Daddy Holt" finds difficult in squelching. The score was 5 to 2.

In the second game, Daddy got ample revenge for what happened to him the last time he was in Olney, for the locals romped away with the big end of a 13 to 6 score. Seven of those scores came in one inning when Robinson, who was twirling for the visitors, took a trip Mars-ward accompanied by his team. He failed to show the class he showed in his previous game against us, and his team played dishearteningly behind him. Incidentally, it might be said that the locals won a \$12.00 catcher's mit put up by the Sloan Drug Co., for the winning team in the second game of the double-header.

Saturday Bryson came over and assayed to play our boys again. They were not at all discouraged over two previous defeats at the hands of our warriors, and played ball for all that was in them. Both teams gave their pitchers all the support they needed, and Bryson won on two timely bingles, both in the same inning. Until that time the game had rocked along 1 to 1. Graham threatened to win in a thrilling ninth inning rally, when, with two down, Daddy Holt whacked out a three bagger—but Ligon fanned.

General Review of Season.

Graham 1	Town Boys	4
Graham 3	Town Boys	8
Graham 2	*Bryson	1
Graham 13	Rocky Mound	2
Graham 7	Town Boys	5
Graham 12	Town Boys	10
Graham 3	Bryson	2
Graham 1	Olney	7
Graham 1	Olney	5
Graham 3	Town Boys	2
Graham 7	Henrietta	1
Graham 3	Town Boys	5
Graham 6	Jacksboro	5
Graham 2	Olney	5
Graham 13	Olney	6
Graham 1	Bryson	2

* Eleven inning game.
Local Batting Average.

Holt	.....	.338
Prideaux	.....	.200
Tackett	.....	.197
Stoffers	.....	.175
Ligon	.....	.166
Eddleman	.....	.155
Rickman	.....	.146
Schlittler	.....	.116
Porter	.....	.087
Lynch	.....	.079

Porter and Lynch distinguished themselves as "hitless wonders," as the former got five hits out of fifty-seven times up, and the latter three hits out of thirty-eight times up. Of sixteen games played, the locals won nine, making an average of .506, an exceptionally good average when one considers the light batting of the team.

One of the most gratifying things this season was the support of the townspeople, which enabled the director to turn into the treasury at the close of the season almost twice the amount with which he began it.

J. E. BURK,
Director of Athletics.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. H. Crabb are in Strawn for a ten days' stay.

MISS RUTH DOTY IS T. W. C. STAR

WINS LOVING CUP FOR COLLEGE. OFFERED BY WASHER BROS.

Will Play for Inter-Collegiate Championship Next Monday.

Miss Ruth Doty, '17, of Texas Womans College, daughter of B. S. Doty of this city, has swept everything before her in tennis this year, winning the Washer Bros. trophy for T. W. C. last Monday when she defeated Miss Minnie Proctor of the T. C. U.

A tournament was held the latter part of April at T. W. C. to decide the college championship, and closed May 1st. Miss Ruth won against three entries, defeating the first one 6-0, 6-0, the second 6-1, 6-1, and the third 6-0, 6-0. In winning the singles she was presented with a handsome racquet. She and Miss Ruth Boaz were victorious in the doubles.

The Star-Telegram of Monday gives the following account of the games:

Miss Ruth Doty, representing the Texas Woman's College, defeated Miss Minnie Proctor of Texas Christian University two love sets, 6-0, 6-0, Monday at T. C. U. This gives T. W. C. possession of the Washer Brothers' cup that was offered to the school that could win two matches in three in women's tennis. T. W. C. took the doubles last week on the T. W. C. campus.

Miss Doty won on her quick, snappy return and fast serving. She will go to Southwestern University at Georgetown next Monday to play there. A tournament will be held at T. W. C. this week to determine who will accompany her as partner in the doubles. Misses Agnes McCullough, Edith Boaz, Mary Dillow and Dorothy Taylor have entered.

The Southwestern team recently captured the North Texas Inter-Collegiate woman's tournament held at Denton.

U. C. V. Memorial Exercises.

Memorial exercises for the United Confederate Veterans will be held next Sunday, May 30, at the Baptist church at 2 o'clock.

At the conclusion of the program the congregation will march to the Oak Grove Cemetery, where the graves of the old veterans will be decorated. An invitation is extended the public to be present and bring as many flowers as possible, and assist in paying homage to the veterans of the Lost Cause.

The following program is to be rendered:
Opening Song—Nearer My God to Thee.

Reading—Miss Fannie Stoffers.
Memorial Address—Rev. J. E. Evans.

Song—Onward Christian Soldiers.

Reading—Jaunita Adair.
Closing Prayer—R. Lindsey.

Some time ago Mr. G. C. Boyle, an old Confederate, lost his badge or C. S. A. emblem, and a few days ago Mrs. P. Stanford, living two and a half miles south of Graham, found it in the road near the gate where Mr. Boyle goes through to the mail box. This old soldier of the Southland was overjoyed at the return of the badge and says from now on he will wear it only upon state occasions. He requests us to extend thanks to Mrs. Stanford.

WINNER OF WASHER BROTHERS' TROPHY



MISS RUTH DOTY
Honoring Miss Norman.

On Tuesday night, May 23, Miss Lucille Reed entertained her Sunday school class in honor of Miss Artie Norman, who left Wednesday morning for her home in Quannah.

Miss Norman was one of Graham's most popular young ladies. That our young people regretted her leaving was shown by this entertainment.

Progressive games were played. Mr. Bill Johnson received a beautiful crocheted towel and Miss Elizabeth Johnson received a chamois, which were both given to Miss Norman. Miss Ethel Birdwell received the booby, a French harp, which was also given to Miss Norman.

About eleven o'clock delicious ice cream and cake were served by Bill Martin and Miss Lucille Reed, assisted by little Misses Ora Mae Martin and Roberta Reed, to the following guests:

The honoree, Misses Myrtle Woolfolk, Beulah and Eula Stone, Lorena and Lottie Bell Wallace, Verda, Velma and Mildred Martin, Ethel Birdwell, Willie Kizer, Elizabeth Johnson and Irene Reed; Messrs. J. C. Rickman, Bud and George Fore, Frank Megginson, Henry Schlittler, Bill and Romie Martin, Mabry Short, Zearl Birdwell, John Matthews, Edd Flint and Bill Johnson.

After this came the farewell. Great tears came in Miss Norman's eyes as she bid them good-bye. Each one wishing that her friends in Quannah would love her as well as they did here.

Methodist Church Services.

Please bear in mind the following announcements for the next four weeks:

May 30—11 a. m. Children's Day services.

June 6—11 a. m. Services by Epworth League.

June 13—11 a. m. Sermon by Rev. S. D. Cook.

June 13—8:30 p. m. Sermon by Rev. L. A. Webb, presiding elder, after which he will hold the quarterly conference.

June 20—11 a. m. Sermon by Rev. B. A. Snoddy.

Announcement for June 27th will be made later in the event the pastor has not returned.

All the church is urged to attend these services which will be to their benefit. There will be no night services during the month, but the Epworth League meets at 7 p. m. and always has a program that would be enjoyed by you, and they bid you welcome.

Bro. Snoddy will have charge of the Wednesday evening prayer meetings. Sunday school every Sunday morning.

J. Hall Bowman.

OLNEY IS VISITED BY HEAVY STORM

WIND, WATER AND HAIL DESTROY CROPS OVER LARGE AREA

Many Fields of Wheat and Oats Totally Destroyed and Others Seriously Damaged.

Last Saturday night the Olney country suffered severe damage from wind, water and hail, and for several miles in each direction from the town of Olney the wheat and oats crops are almost totally destroyed, and many other fields have suffered severe damage.

It was reported in Graham Sunday that practically all the crops in the north end of the county were totally destroyed, but we have since learned the damage was not so great as first reported.

Four houses were blown down in Olney, but no one was hurt.

PADGETT

Padgett has gone wet by a big majority.

Day before yesterday (Saturday) we had the biggest rain that ever fell in Young county, so the old settlers say. There was some wind and hail and the damage is thought to be very great.

The central telephone office located at W. T. Gaw's house was struck by lightning and the batteries destroyed so it is not possible to hear from other parts of the county. Mr. Gaw was away from home at the time but his wife fought the fire and saved the house. I understand that Mrs. Gaw is an advocate of woman suffrage. She surely has proved her ability to do things.

The river is said to be the highest that it has ever been. The bridge is thought to be safe.

Late cotton will have to be planted over, so some think.

J. W. Womack's wheat is said to be ruined.

J. W. Womack, Jr., is visiting his father at Padgett. He thinks the damage is not very great at True, where he lives.

Gus Jennings and Mr. Harmon were waterbound Saturday night with their families and stayed all night with W. F. Robinson. That is, they stayed in his storm house. I don't blame them, I would have been in the storm house if I had had one.

The most of the women folks are mourning the loss of some or all of their little chickens. Some old hens were drowned, also one big hog.

Rev. McCord preached at Padgett last Monday night. We love to have him visit us, we think he is a fine man.

Our Sunday school has gone dead. I guess it is on account of the war and the high cost of living.

Plow Boy, if you don't mind you will get too many irons in the fire. Be careful how you land on the socialists, they will be very popular in a few years. Your Uncle Zeke has fought them for twenty years on account of their attitude toward Christianity. I consider that their only weak point.

No political party, as such, cares anything for religion, but as the socialists propose to cure all evils it is essential that they have a proper conception of Christianity. It seems to me that you and the socialists ought to get along fairly well. They plead the cause of the poor; you plead the cause of the poor. You agree with them that every man ought to have a home; that

all should be given work to do that are willing to work.

Now, pray tell us, where you do differ from the socialists? Oh! you say "It is the church question." that "socialists oppose the church." Plow Boy, be agreeable, don't try to make distinctions where there is no difference.

You say the churches are man-made, and I believe the meanest socialist in the land will agree with you. In fact, there are lots of them that honestly believe that the churches are man-made. Surely you ought to agree with these on the church question.

Plow Boy, come over and help me plow out my crop and I will take pleasure in showing and explaining to you the difference between "strait" and "straight." You won't have any trouble in finding me as our good editor is going to give each of us the name and postoffice address of all the Correspondents. Just ask for Uncle Zeke.

Baseball Team Reorganizes.

The ball players of Graham have reorganized their team, and are preparing to go into active practice to make one of the best ball teams in this section.

Merchants, business and professional men, and county officials have donated several new suits and cash, to the boys this week, and as soon as these arrive some games will be scheduled on the home grounds, and the boys expect to put up a good showing of the national sport.

Baseball is one form of athletic sport that very few object to, and where games are cleanly played they are a source of great pleasure, both to the players and fans.

Here's to the new ball team, and a wish that every game will be so well attended that no extra passing of the hat will be necessary to pay the expenses of the visitors.

Chas. Hinson in Kansas.

Chas. Hinson, salesman for the Graham Mill & Elevator company is in Manhattan, Kan., where he is taking a course of lectures in the Kansas State Agricultural College. The lectures are given for millers and those interested in the milling and selling of wheat and wheat products, and covers the entire wheat industry. This is Mr. Hinson's vacation period, and he is using it to further advance himself in the knowledge of the wheat and milling business.

Graham Meets Defeat at Newcastle.

Graham's ball team was in Newcastle Monday and was walked on to the tune of five to four.

Two of Graham's scores came in the first inning and two in the ninth. Errors permitted Newcastle to run in three scores in one inning, and she annexed two more a little later. The local team members state that Newcastle has a good nine, and were accorded the very best treatment by the players, but that his honor, the "umps" gave them some pretty raw decisions.

Col. R. E. Mabry came near getting seriously hurt last Saturday during the drawing in front of D. G. Vick's store. He was standing in his buggy, and the horse moved up suddenly, throwing him out. A man standing close by caught him, however, before he fell to the ground.

The Misses Scott and Miss Bettie Dawson have returned to their home in South Bend to spend the vacation.

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Texas spends \$7,000,000 annually on her public schools.

So far no jitney ordinance has been passed in Graham.

The farmers of Texas spend \$16,000,000 annually for agricultural implements.

Will there be a suspension of hostilities between the allies and Germans to give Americans a chance to celebrate the Fourth of July?

Law and justice would have to be brutally maltreated to devise a way for a New York politician to recover damages for libel.

Chicago defeated a democratic candidate for mayor because he bore "an unsavory reputation and had questionable political affiliations." Wherever possible the degraded republican party robs the democrats of their campaign dope.

Farmer girls should be encouraged to include hogs in their industrial pursuits. An intimate knowledge of their nature might prove of value later in life should they discover kindred instincts cropping out in their husbands.

King Alfonso of Spain wants American coal. He is willing to forget rigid discrimination against American products since the Spanish-American War. Here is a chance for Uncle Sam to get back that \$20,000,000 he paid for the Philippines after gaining them by conquest.

Texas strawberries are now on the market and commanding good prices. The truck growing industry in Young county is still in its infancy but the soil and climatic conditions have demonstrated that all kinds of berries can be grown as prolifically here as in south or east Texas.

Dr. McCaleb predicts a Texas wheat crop of 25,000,000 bushels. The golden grain is ready for the harvest, and the war price is very tempting. The harvesting and selling of this crop will place \$35,000,000 in circulation. There are good times coming.—Ft. Worth Record.

Colonel Roosevelt has been exonerated if not convicted of libel. In other words, as we view the verdict, nothing has been proved nor disproved. Such is the understanding of an Agnostic in his attitude toward a personal deity—that the existence of such has never been proved nor disproved. Or simply, "I do not know." In reviewing the Barnes-Roosevelt libel suit a majority of the public seem to be Agnostics.

The Reporter received this week a copy of the Sophomore Edition of "The Battalion" published by the students of A. & M. College. In this issue are several interesting cartoons from the pen of J. Marion Burkett, who is making rapid progress in his work at the farmers college.

Money can be secured with cotton as collateral, but one of the essentials is that it shall be properly stored and insured, and these two requisites bar many thousands of Texas bales from even a peep over the back fence of the money-lending bargain counter.

It is a violation of law to catch and sell fish without a license and those who may be tempted to do so will themselves be caught in the net of a deputy game warden. Whether it is a violation to steal the catch while other fishermen sleep has not been passed on so far as known.

The hailstorm of last Thursday did severe damage in Tarrant county south of Ft. Worth, stripping trees of leaves and fruit, and very seriously injuring crops. The breadth of the storm was about three miles. Graham was sprinkled quite liberally with hail, many of the stones being as large as hen eggs. Some damage to crops was reported at some distance east of Graham.

The plant for the manufacturing of jars at Wichita Falls is to resume on a larger scale to meet the demand for fruit jars and canned products. This concern formerly operated in Coffeyville, Kansas, but moved to Wichita Falls to secure the benefit of cheap fuel. Young county coal will some day entice like industries to take care of the surplus fruit and vegetable crops.

Eugene Davenport of the University of Illinois thinks if a fair amount of intelligence—hog sense—is put into the work the South can produce hogs, all things considered, for less money than can the corn belt farmer, and therefore, a lack of hog raisers with this necessary hog sense or information is the only reason why the hog cannot be made a good money crop for the South. In fact every southern farm should not only produce as many hogs as are consumed on that farm, but a large majority of them should produce hogs to sell.

It is claimed that to give women the right of franchise they cannot be charged with going hunting or fishing on election day. Many men do. We do not believe women's strongest incentive in going to the polls would be to see what kind of voting costumes her sister suffragettes had on. If the right to vote is given her it should be the cause of having voting places located more conveniently in rural districts or appointed officers to collect rural votes. Whatever objections may be offered against women voting, the shining fact stands forth undimmed that her ballot would be unpurchasable.

There seems to be a splendid feeling of co-operation developing in Haskell, if we know the trend of mutual good feeling. It seems we have reached the stage in the development of this community, when all jealousy has disappeared and everybody is co-operating and seeking to succeed and wishing success for

everyone else. The Free Press was never more hopeful of the future.—Haskell Free Press.

This editor enjoyed a big berry pie yesterday that he helped to pick. They are growing in the fence corners, in the woods, along the railroad tracks and in the pastures.—Jacksonville Progress.

Picking berry pies from fence corners, in the woods, along the railroad tracks and in the pastures, will lighten the arduous task of gathering the berries separately. We have long been familiar with Jacksonville's adaptability to diversification, but the editor's exploit seems rather a remarkable achievement even for East Texas.

Here Are Some Reasons Why the Sackett Resolution Should be Adopted July 24.

Resolution No. 34, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the State of Texas whereby the University of Texas and the A. and M. College are constituted as separate institutions, should be adopted. Here are some of the reasons why this amendment should be carried:

1. It provides for the constitutional establishment and location of the University of Texas, the Agricultural and Mechanical College and its branch, the Prairie View Normal and Industrial College for Negroes, and the College of Industrial Arts at their present locations.

2. It will mean adequate and dependable support for all of the institutions of higher learning in Texas.

3. It removes all doubt concerning the respective spheres of activity for each of the said institutions.

4. It gives autonomy to each institution of higher learning by providing independent boards of directors for each of these schools.

5. It removes the constitutional inhibition against legislative appropriations for permanent improvements at the University of Texas, thus making possible the larger growth and development of that institution.

6. It provides for an equitable division of the University permanent endowment fund between the University and Agricultural and Mechanical College.

7. It provides for the establishment of Junior agricultural colleges under the direct control and management of the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

A vote for this resolution is a vote for a more efficient system of education in Texas. It is fair and just to all educational institutions in Texas, and may be consistently and loyally supported by all friends of education in Texas, including the alumni and former students of each or our higher institutions of learning.—A. & M. Battalion.

A. & M. HAS NO FIGHT TO MAKE ON OTHER TEXAS INSTITUTIONS

Votes for Amendment No. 34 Will be Votes for a More Efficient Educational System in this State.

Votes for Resolution No. 34, better known as the "Sackett Resolution," and which provides for an amendment to the Constitution of Texas separating the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and the University of Texas, will be votes for the entire higher educational system of Texas. In those words Dr. W. B. Bizzell, president of the A. and M. College, strikes the keynote of the campaign which will be waged for the passage of the constitutional amendment during the next sixty days. The Sackett resolution will be submitted to the people for their decision Saturday, July 24.

"Let no one be deceived," says President Bizzell. "We are not trying to bring about the advancement of the Agricultural and Mechanical College at the expense of other education-

al institutions in Texas. There is room for us all. The A. and M. College cannot do the work of the University any more than the University can do the work of A. and M. We have no fight to make on that institution or on any other institution which has for its purpose the same result we are striving to accomplish—the education of the youth of Texas.

The campaign for the passage of Resolution No. 34 will be waged on a high plane. It shall be an educative campaign in favor of all of the institutions of higher learning in Texas. I would not submit to any other plan, and none of our friends would propose to put the campaign on any other plane. When we have finished the fight the University of Texas, the College of Industrial Arts and A. and M. will have more friends than ever before, and future Legislators and Governors will find public sentiment demanding adequate support for the State's higher schools.

"We are not out to injure any school, as I said. We believe in Resolution No. 34. We are conscientious in the statement that its adoption will make for the development of all our educational institutions. We believe in the fairness of what it proposes. We believe that in order for all of our schools to prosper such an amendment is imperative.

"Resolution No. 34 settles for once and for all time the location of our leading schools by making provision for the constitutional establishment of the University in Travis County, of A. and M. in Brazos County, of College of Industrial Arts in Denton County, and of Prairie View School for negroes in Waller County. It means that no one school can absorb another one. There is no doubt in my mind that the development of the A. and M. College has been checked more greatly by talk of consolidation than by any other one force. All of these schools have different spheres of activity, and they should be constituted separately and under different boards of management.

"The resolution provides for the definition of the spheres of activity of each. It insures adequate maintenance for all of these institutions. It is my opinion that many University alumni and friends will support the amendment. Personally, I cannot see why they should not support it. The thing that has hurt the University most has been the constitutional inhibition against legislative appropriations for permanent improvements. Had the Legislature been permitted under the constitution to appropriate funds for buildings, shacks, the source of regret and shame to all true Texans, never would have been constructed on the University campus. While this resolution was submitted to the Legislature by a close friend and ardent admirer of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, he nevertheless felt the injustice of this inhibition and the resolution as proposed by him provided for the removal of this inhibition.

"All in all, there is so much to be said in favor of the resolution and so little against it, that I can see no reason why any true friend of the cause of education in Texas will oppose it. I am mindful of the fact, however, that most voters are prejudiced against all constitutional amendments, and I admonish the students of A. and M. when they return to their homes at the close of school to advocate the adoption of this amendment.

"Remember at all times that we are not fighting any institution, but that we are fighting for all institutions of learning. A vote for resolution No. 34 is a vote for the betterment of all our schools and an act of patriotism."—A. & M. Battalion.

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There is some splendid ammunition for the cause of good roads to be found in The Agricultural Outlook published by the United States Department of Agriculture as Farmers' Bulletin No. 672. A study of the figures presented therein will enable the farmers of the various states to figure out just what they have to pay for the privilege of having poor roads.

The average Texas farmer has to haul his produce an average of 7.5 miles to reach the market, and makes an average 1.2 round trips per day. When he starts out with his wagon to market his produce he loads it with 27 bushels of corn, or 42 bushels of wheat, or three bales of cotton. This makes the day's work amount to 32 bushels of corn, 50 bushels of wheat, or 3.6 bales of cotton marketed. Valuing his and the team's work at the low figure of \$3.50 a day, it then costs him 10 cts. a bushel to get his corn to market, 7 cents a bushel for his wheat, and 97 cents a bale to market his cotton.

In these matters Texas compares very favorably with the other Southern states. There is, however, a very unfavorable comparison of Texas in this respect with a number of other states. Take California, whose average farm is eight miles from market, and yet we find that her farmers are able to make an average of 1.5 round trips to market in a day as compared with the Texan's 1.2. At the same time he hauls 70 bushels of wheat, the same of corn, and 8 bales of cotton. These larger loads, valuing his time and that of his team at the same figure as for the Texas

farmer, bring down the cost of marketing his wheat and corn to 3.3 cents per bushel and his cotton to nearly 20 cents per bale. The fact that he hauls bigger loads in less time can only be accounted for either by his using more horse power or having better roads, while as a matter of fact we know that his roads are better.

If Texas had had even as good roads as California last year there would have been a saving in the marketing of our cotton-crop of over \$4,000,000, an item that last year would have been particularly welcome. When superior roads give such a great saving as this it would be well for us in our efforts to economize not to forget their effect in this direction.—Progressive Farmer.

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MOUNT PLEASANT

The farmers have been doing real work these pretty days, but we still have plenty of weeds.

Wheat and oats are not very good on sandy land but all crops on upland are fine.

The school picnic on Saturday May 15th seemed to be enjoyed by all and there was a large crowd present. Our school closed on Friday. Prof. Creager taught us a good school.

The Brazos River is higher than it has been at any time this year. Lowlands along the river are covered with water.

Plow Boy has taken advantage of the high water and is irrigating his corn. Hope he makes a success as dry farming is a failure in this part of the state.

J. A. Wright has been buying cattle the past month.

Rev. Roark filled his regular appointment at Mt. Pleasant Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning.

Mr. Steadham and family, and Mr. McLain and family visited Mr. and Mrs. John Timmons last Sunday.

J. W. Nesbit and family and Mrs. Pardue visited Mr. and Mrs. Burnett last Sunday.

J. O. Wilson killed a hog last week. Mr. Wilson is one who doesn't keep his smokehouse in town.

Gabe Choate of Pleasant Valley visited Mr. and Mrs. Ely last Sunday.

Ignorant Voter.

MURRAY

Miss Ruth Carmack is visiting her sister, Miss Bertha, who is teaching at Spring Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wootton visited their son, Joe, of Graham Saturday and Sunday.

The Fish Creek school closed last Friday. An interesting program was rendered by the little folks in the afternoon.

Prof. Braddock and family have moved back to their home on Duff Prairie. We are sorry to lose them from our neighborhood.

Mrs. Henry Myers of Newcastle visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walsh, last week.

Woodson's second ball team came down Saturday and played Murray. The score was 12 to 2 in favor of Murray.

Osmer Kramer and Miss Georgia Carmack attended commencement exercises in Graham Monday night.

Bluebell.

LUCILLE

We are having some pretty weather. Everyone is busy trying to catch up with their work. Crops all look well, wheat and oats are simply fine.

The Reporter looked like itself again this week. So many good letters. I failed to get my last two letters there in time to get them printed so I am going to send this one in time.

Dr. Tate was called over to Lee McKee's Tuesday. I failed to learn who was sick.

Our school was out Friday. Had a short program Friday night.

The Fox Hollow boys came down Friday afternoon and played the Lucille nine. Don't know how the score stood but was in favor of Lucille.

Miss Grace Layton and Geo. Pendergraft took Sunday dinner at A. Storm's.

Misses Mandy Layton and Ella Chick and Charley Chick took Sunday dinner at Mr. Bridges'.

Mrs. Dave Teague took Sunday dinner with Mrs. Chick.

Leroy Storm spent Sunday with Frank Layton.

The Lucille people have voted a tax to build another room to their school house. They decided it was too small, as they have something over 70 scholars enrolled.

Hugh Bailey was out today (Wednesday) taking the school census. He said he thought there would be more children enrolled this year than last.

Roy Barron and Porter Nicklas spent Friday night at Al. Storm's.

Mesdames Ethel Bailey, Ethel Jenkins, Alpha Newberry and

Tom Jenkins gathered grapes Tuesday. Grapes are large enough to can.

A. Storm finished chopping cotton Friday. He will begin cutting his wheat Monday if it don't rain between now and that time.

Mark Bailey rode for the preacher Friday. I never learned how much he made up.

Bob Fawks and family, Jewel Nicklas and wife, Perry Nicklas and family were in our midst Friday and Saturday. Come again.

Joe Shields and family, who have been visiting Bob Chick, returned home Sunday.

Virgel Chick visited his father Saturday and Sunday.

Al. Storm and son went to John Lemley's Friday eve. They went to Graford that night and met the preacher. Uncle Abe Denton returned home with them and spent Saturday night and Sunday.

Bro. Moulden of Ft. Worth preached at Grandma Doan's Saturday and at the school house Saturday night.

John Lemley and family attended church at Doan Saturday.

The ball game was rained out I think that was to have been played Friday afternoon.

Now, Silver Bell, I am coming. Lucille will be well represented from this on, and I will try and not use all of your pencil as you was good enough to lend it to me. Let's hope that the river doesn't get up any more soon.

Well, I will quit and hand Silver Bell her pencil. Many thanks for the use of it. Come on with another good letter.

Johnnie Dolittle.

TONK VALLEY

What we liked last Friday afternoon of having a storm was not very much. A large rain and some hail fell.

A good crowd was out at Sunday school Sunday. There was no preaching.

Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Cook attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Misses Sallie Timmons and Rudelle Seddon spent Saturday night in the city with Misses Gray and attended the picture show.

Misses Jewel and Maggie Stewart of this community and Mr. W. E. Simpson of Bryson were the guests of Miss Delilah Robbins Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. H. L. Busch is visiting her mother and sister at Indian Mound.

Bashful Ben, I had the Prof. hid when you passed here the other day. I thought you might be X. Y. Z. coming, and I didn't want him to have any excuse not to stop and get him a bouquet.

Most everyone in this community went to town Saturday to get the bale of cotton. They all returned disappointed. I acted wise and kept my tickets at home.

Mrs. Denver Killion and Misses Bell Knight and Delilah Robbins attended church at the Baptist church in the city Sunday morning.

Mary Thomas is still on the sick list.

The Killion family visited at Mr. Knight's Sunday.

Mr. Higdon and daughter, Miss Katherine, and son, Turner, attended church in town Sunday night.

Turner Higdon spent Friday night with Harry Hand.

Misses Inez and Gladys Cherrhomes and brother, Geoffrey, Miss Delilah Robbins and brother, Carrell, called at Mr. Stewart's Sunday night.

John George and family spent Sunday at Bruce George's.

Ernest Beckham visited at Ed McCluskey's in South Bend Saturday night. Jolly Girl.

DEVIL BEND

P. F. Lisle and family from Newcastle visited T. L. Lisle Sunday night and Monday.

O. D. Lisle visited T. L. Lisle Monday.

Mrs. Bud Owen and daughter, Della, visited Mrs. Ira Grantham Tuesday.

Miss Della and Oscar Owen hoed for Ira Grantham Monday.

Miss Valerie Bunker spent Monday and Monday night with Mrs. Dolph Owen.

Miss Della Owen spent Thursday afternoon with Miss Lena Owen.

Mrs. Bud Owen visited the school Friday afternoon.

T. L. Lisle has been busy building himself a new barn.

Bird Stringer and wife visited Sid Copeland Friday.

Sid Copeland and wife spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bird Stringer.

Bud Owen and family, Tom Lisle and family, Tom Bunker and family, Jake Jones and family and Everett McLendon spent Sunday with Bill Bunker and family.

T. B. Beach and wife spent Sunday with Frank Sharp.

Buren Lisle and Walter Beach spent the night with Floyd Smith Saturday night.

Vela Jones went to Bunker Sunday.

Mountain Home school will close Friday, the 28th inst. We will all be sorry because we will have to go to hoeing.

As news is scarce I will ring off. Buster Blue.

ROCK CREEK

Hasn't it been awful hot, and it has been pretty dry here, as we have only had two very light showers.

It looks as if we might get some rain today (Monday).

Bro. Lipscomb failed to fill his appointment here Sunday. I didn't learn why.

Since I last wrote we have gotten our weed patch thinned out to a good stand. Crops are looking fine in this community. Wheat and oats are fine.

C. A. Olree made a trip to Graham Saturday.

William Bennett visited at Mr. Keyser's and was climbing in a mulberry tree when a limb broke. He fell and almost broke his back. He was improving fast yesterday. We hope he will soon be all right.

Mr. and Mrs. Orton Bennett and children went to Graham Saturday.

J. J. Foster made a business trip to Graham Saturday.

Bro. Roseite, stay with them, I believe you to be right. Daisy Flat.

KOMO

Mrs. Ida Brooks was at her daughter's, Mrs. Irene DeLong, part of last week.

Messrs. Will Martin and Miller of Graham came out to H. M. Martin's Wednesday.

I guess some of you scribes had some hail last Thursday. I thought it was going to hail here but it passed on east. We only had a light shower.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Martin, Messrs. Austin White, Archie Akers and Monroe Williams attended the dance at Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lewis' Friday night at Lone Star.

Elder and Mrs. D. J. E. Clark of Dakin and Elder John Matlock of Mountain Home attended church here Sunday.

A very good crowd attended the tacky party in spite of the bad looking cloud Saturday night. I think everyone had a swell time. J. J. Martin received the prize, a cake, for being the tackiest man and Miss Wallace Hendersn the tackiest lady. Miss Henderson cut the cake.

Miss Mattie Earl Ardis took Sunday dinner with Miss Lottie White.

As I haven't time to write more I'll quit. Pansy.

CRAIG POINT

As I have not written in two weeks I thought I would dot a few lines this beautiful morning.

I had the pleasure of seeing Candy Kid and Jack o' Diamonds in town Saturday. They looked mighty pleased about something. Must have been thinking about the reunion.

Several from this community attended the graduating recital in town Monday night.

Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Cook attended Sunday school at Upper Tonk Valley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ragland visited home folks east of town Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Killion and mother spent Sunday at Mrs. Knight's in Tonk Valley.

Wickliff Green spent Sunday afternoon with Willie Baugh.

Miss Minnie Watson entertained a few of her friends with a birthday dinner Thursday.

Mesdames John E. Morrison, and Mosley, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Price and children of Graham were visitors at Sunday school Sunday.

Mrs. Moore of Graham spent Friday and Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Green.

Miss Ina May Key is visiting a few days with her aunt, Mrs. George Lanier.

J. B. Schoot of Arizona came in Monday night to visit a few days with his cousin, Mrs. Denver Killion.

Miss Nona Cornelius is visiting relatives and friends in Jacksboro this week.

O. C. Brumble ate Sunday dinner at Mr. Knight's.

Rev. G. B. Hall preached an interesting sermon to a large congregation here Sunday.

Edd Rowel spent Monday night with Denver Killion.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Garvin of Graham visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gallaher Sunday and attended Sunday school in the afternoon.

Miss Mary Clark spent Thursday night with Miss Minnie Watson.

Mrs. Ben Ragland and Jim Laquay attended church and Sunday school Sunday. Come again.

Mrs. Etta Wade called on Grandma Killion Saturday afternoon. Bluebird.

SOUTH BEND

Health is good in our community at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Hale and daughter, Vera Nelle, Misses Eunice Holcomb, Opal Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Harrell and Mr. and Mrs. Hub Rogers ate Sunday dinner with O. A. McBrayer and family.

Arthur Holcomb and sister, Miss Annie, visited relatives in Breckenridge from Friday until Sunday.

Rev. Marcus M. Chunn filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Misses Ola McCluskey Jennie Akers and Naomi Goode and Velma Lee Hale took Sunday dinner with Misses Harrell.

Rev. Marcus M. Chunn, T. Marvin McBrayer and Misses Winnie Harrell and Fannie Goode attended the graduating exercises in Graham Monday night.

Miss Mary McBrayer, who has been attending school in Graham and Miss Fannie Goode, who has just closed a successful term of school at Farmer, have returned home.

E. F. Duncan moved his family out from Graham last Saturday.

W. M. Goode and family took Sunday dinner with his brother, S. W. Goode, and family.

Remember the Children's Day exercises here next Sunday at 11 o'clock sharp. Special young people's meeting in the afternoon.

Mrs. J. L. Smith and children of Graham are visiting in the Bend.

Walter McDavid is able to be at work again.

News is scarce so I will close. Bashful Ben.

HAWKINS CHAPEL

Master Thelma Thigpen entertained his friends Saturday with a birthday party.

Elzie Tedrow and wife were visiting relatives at Graham Saturday and Sunday.

Robert Miller and wife dined with Jesse Oatman and family Sunday.

C. S. Newman and wife visited her mother, Mrs. Carmack of Graham from Saturday until Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. C. Cross of Megargel was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Hawkins, the past week.

Miss Ada Bavousette was the guest of Mrs. Robert Miller last Wednesday.

J. W. Oatman was sick Thursday and Friday.

Messrs. Valentine went to Megargel today (Monday).

A. E. Oatman is at work on Rev. McCord's dwelling at Loving.

Prideaux Bros. were buying yearlings in the community last week.

Mrs. Bavousette and daughters, Misses Blanche and Edith, went to the close of school at Farmer Wednesday of the past week.

Mrs. H. H. Stephens and daughter, Mildred, of Indian Mound came over the first of last week on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newman.

Elzie Tedrow was hauling water today (Monday).

Little Marie Oatman was sick last week.

Mrs. Thigpen went to town one day last week.

There will be no Sunday school next Sunday as it was called in so the Sunday school people could attend the fifth Sunday meeting at Markley.

Carl Newman called at Odus Strattin's last Wednesday.

There was a goodly crowd of Chapel people in Graham Saturday.

There has been some stormy weather the past week, but no damage done.

Jesse Oatman and Walter Ward went to Graham Thursday of the past week.

Bro. McCord of Loving is to fill the pulpit at the Baptist church tonight (Monday night).

Arthur Ward was "traveling" Sunday.

J. W. and Gladys Oatman called at C. F. Newman's last Wednesday afternoon.

Jack Duckworth of Loving was in the community Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lindsey, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Stennett, of Markley for some time, is expected home this week.

The farmers are very busy now in their crops. Most of the crops are planted.

The gardens are good considering the weather.

Fruit is growing very fast and we are hoping to have some in the near future.

Sunday school opened at 10:30 a. m. Sunday. Violet.

CEDAR CREEK

How are you all enjoying this hot weather? I would like it just fine if it wasn't quite so hot.

Bro. Summers of Ivan came down and preached for us Sunday.

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I am at Graham and Newcastle on their Big Mondays.

Live News from our Correspondents

MILLER BEND

While over at Graham the other day I walked into The Reporter office all unexpected to them, I guess, for I caught them all busy, and an extra man to boot. They were working with might and main on a big Booster Edition of The Reporter and a booster it will be. If it measures up to the "dummy" it will be about the size of Holland's magazine and will be profusely and highly illustrated. In fact, it will be a fine piece of work.

Snowflake, please accept long-deferred thanks for your invitation to the Correspondents to fish in Elm Park. A privilege that I have craved for some years, so you may look for me for I'll be there; that is, if the invitation holds good until the "craps" are laid by.

Thanks to your home to eat fruit, Bono, and say, won't your "frier" chickens be ripe about that time?

Roseite, I hope you will quit asking me to measure socialism by their platform, because I do not accept your platform as a correct socialist program. Like all other political platforms it is framed to deceive the common voter. Your literature teaches a great many things which your platform does not contain. For instance, the socialist platform does not say one single word about "science perfecting humanity." Neither does your platform knock on the Bible or Christianity or the churches and preachers. It does not contain a single word concerning the fact that when a man becomes a socialist he quits being sociable. That is, he as a rule, quits attending church and all meetings and gatherings except socialist meetings. Nor does it specify that socialists shall in common conversation everlastingly harp on and euss the "profit system," but they do. And if a fellow won't help them they have no use for him, consequently they are "clannish" to a disgusting degree. They simply put to shame the "close communionism" of some of the churches.

Neither does the socialist platform say anything about Darwin evolution. Not one word against the monogamous family. Neither does it contain one word in favor of "free love" or the "free mating" of men and women, but it is taught in socialist literature.

Yes, your platform is misleading and deceptive, calculated to catch the vote of the southern farmer, who thinks he has lost confidence in the old parties, but who really has lost confidence in humanity. In fact, we all know we are being plundered by designing human beings, who manipulate the political parties to suit their own selfish ends. But how do they do it Roseite? Simply by playing upon the ignorance and prejudices of the common people just as they would do under socialism or any other "ism" as to that matter.

If humanity will not vote right under representative democracy, pray tell us by what magic wand you expect to get them to vote right under socialism or "pure democracy" as you are pleased to define it?

Now, if it is democracy you are looking for, don't go any further, it is right here. Get to work and "purify" it, for it surely needs it. That is the humanity in it needs "perfecting." And if you believe in a republican form of government I beg to tell you we have it right here in America, and it was won in blood from the tyranny of the British crown and has never been forfeited to any country on earth. It is our heritage and our possession, and is amply protected by two strictly "political" parties, completely separated from "church."

Roseite, I am going straight through with my "what I know and what I think of socialism," and then, with the editor's permission, I will briefly notice your reply and will endeavor to

answer your questions.

My friend, Roseite, says "socialism is not a religion," but I say if their literature means anything socialism "is" a religion. And right here allow me to repeat that comparatively few who think they are socialists know what socialism means. They know that something is wrong and they hear that socialism proposes to correct all that is incorrect, make straight all that is crooked and smooth all that is rough so here they go, saying "me too, me too," just like young birds swallowing everything the spell-binder rolls into their wide mouths—thinking not "SOCIALISM!" What "does" it mean? What "is" it? Who "can" tell? Mr. Simons, editor of the International Socialist Review, says: "Socialists do not attempt to give any details of that future society since all such details will be dependent upon the decision of the majority of the working class of that future time, and upon the stage of industrial development which has been attained when socialism is ushered in. Since both of these factors are manifestly impossible of being shown at the present time any attempt to forecast their outcome would be equally impossible."—Enc. Americana Art. Socialism.

And to my opinion Mr. Simons is eminently right. What socialism will be no man or set of men can tell. Not even Roseite and Gringo.

The socialist party is composed of and will ever be composed of ordinary "humanity." The ordinary voter is "as clay in the potter's hands"—easily controlled by simply appealing to his prejudice or touching the chord that reaches his sense of his "country's honor" or, in other words just to be plain, the chord connecting with his "military nerves" which he calls his "patriotism." But socialists say they are opposed to war and they are now advertising a book "A Way to Prevent War."

Now be still and listen. According to The Christian Socialist "the 110 deputies in the German Reichstag voted for the Kaiser's war budget at the beginning of the war—because they would not desert the Fatherland in the face of the Russian invasion." See They were Germans first and then socialists. They were gripped by "militarism" just the same as the other Germans. And according to The Melting Pot in an article contributed to the socialist press of America, James Keir Hardie, socialist member of the British parliament, made use of the following language: "When the war is over the struggle of the working class for its own emancipation must be resumed." See? Britains first, then socialists.

Now, I suppose that with few exceptions all people and nations are really opposed to war, but the spirit of militarism is stronger than any kind of "ism" not even excepting "socialism." To talk about preventing war sounds foolish to me, and will ever sound so until I cease to believe God's word. Therefore I am expecting it to always "sound foolish to me." For I am persuaded that no Socialist or any other "critter" will ever be able to convert me to "materialism." Jesus had these dreamers to contend with during His short stay among men. They thought He had come to set up a "material kingdom." They thought He was going to give them a living. He understood it and reproved them at least once for following Him for the sake of the "loaves and fishes."

Socialist literature teaches that Jesus was a revolutionist, and they call the socialist movement a "revolution." The Appeal to Reason boastfully calls the Appeal printing establishment "The Temple of the Revolution." Someone is sending the Appeal to me, and it is about the cleanest socialist paper I ever read, but there is sel-

dom an issue of it that does not contain something antagonistic to the Bible, the teachings of Jesus and criticising the churches and preachers.

But I have wandered. Let's back to the "war subject." Jesus said: "And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom and there shall be famines, and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows." Just the "beginning of sorrows" the Savior said, and here we have the socialists ranting around here talking about "voting" universal peace upon the world, while Bryan, Wilson, Taft, Carnegie and other hot air dispensers are talking international peace by agreement, and even while they were swearing there would be no more wars the awful European war broke out. And now these fellows are trying to comfort the people and to some degree redeem themselves by saying "this will be the last war." And, I for one, would rather believe that this is the last war than to believe that men will ever prevent war. For indeed, who knows but that this is the time when "the spirits of the devils shall gather the king of the earth to the battle of the great day of God Almighty?" As it is written, "He gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon."

At this awful time "there was a great earthquake such as was not since men were upon the earth. So mighty an earthquake and so great." "And every island fled away and the mountains were not found," and the great city of Babylon was destroyed. "In one hour is she made desolate," and the holy apostles and prophets were told to rejoice over her "for God hath avenged you." Then heaven opened and the "King of Kings and Lord of Lords" appeared. Then the books were opened and the sea gave up the dead and death and hell delivered up the dead that were in them. "The devil was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beasts and the false prophets are and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever." "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

Now, while all this was transpiring we read nothing about voting and the socialists are left clear out of it all. And yet, strange as it may seem to them, here is what John saw immediately following. "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying: Behold the tabernacle of God is with men and He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people and God himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

Now that is the nearest approach to the socialist dream that I can find in the Bible, and we see it is not to be brought about by voting or by "science perfecting humanity." Neither was all humanity "perfect" because we see in the above prophecy that those whose names were not written in the book of life were cast into the lake of fire and brimstone along with the devil, the beasts and the false prophets, while others there will be with whom God himself shall dwell and they shall be His people, and He will be their God. And they will dwell in the holy city, new Jerusalem, which was brought about and made possible by the socialist par—er-y-er-no! which "came down from God out of heaven." Certainly so, simply

because the Word says so.

Neither do I believe these good people with whom God is going to dwell in the new earth and in the holy city were predestinated to enjoy these glorious things any more than were those who are to be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, but they are they "who have come up through great tribulations," who have "endured to the end." Thus we see that when Jesus shall come the second time He will find perfect men, also evil men, eh, Roseite?

Surely He hasn't come already has He Roseite? If so please show us the "holy city, New Jerusalem." Plow Boy.

SALEM

We have been blessed with very favorable weather during the past week. Only a few light showers of rain fell here.

A ten or twelve foot rise in the river passed here Sunday on its way to the Gulf of Mexico.

We visited the city Saturday and there was so much business being transacted there it looked like Dallas or Fort Worth. And on the way up about a dozen fine buggies and teams dashed past us on the road, and yet, there are those who claim we are poverty stricken here. Well, we used to go over the same route in an ox wagon when there was only a trail where the road is now.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Criswell visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Askew went to Graham Saturday.

Rev. Patterson filled his regular appointment at Salem last Sunday.

R. L. and J. A. Askew and M. H. Henderson have their corn laid by.

The road crew has been doing some good work on the Graham and Palo Pinto road, and if we were not afraid of making Riley Gibbs, who bossed the work, vain we would brag on him a little for he surely managed the work to good advantage.

Millard Hinson and family spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives at Henry Chapel.

Little Bernice Hinson is down with a severe case of mumps.

Gringo says, "To allay Plow Boy's fears that the abolition of the senate would wreck the old Ship of State I'll offer a word of explanation. The rich men who made our constitution, and they were rich in their day, not a worker among them—made a constitution under which nothing could be done that the rich did not like. That was why the senate was created. It was frankly admitted in the constitutional convention that the senate was to represent wealth."

Well, now that is information by the barrel. Does Gringo believe this? Or, is he only trying to run a big "jolly" over us? He may run such a "joker" over the citizens of Myers Branch but it won't work here at Salem.

United States history says,

"As soon as there were delegates present from nine states the doors were closed and a solemn pledge of secrecy was imposed on the members. Not until after fifty years afterward were the proceedings of the convention published." The full proceedings of that convention never were published and what was published is known in history as the "Madison papers." There were three great compromises made in the convention. The first was the question of relative representation between the larger and the smaller states. And, the controversy was settled by a compromise which gave equal representation to all the states in the senate, or upper house of congress, and representation according to population in the house of representatives, or lower house of congress.

Now, we propose to give Gringo a \$5.00 hat if he can prove that the statement he makes is anything other than pure fiction.

The second compromise was on the slavery question. And the third compromise consisted of differences between agricultural and commercial interests. The states are sovereign in

their sphere, and this constitution of the senate keeps that fact in view, operates against undue centralization of power and oppression of the smaller by the larger states. In the United States of America, the source of all authority and the origin of all law, is in the people alone. The fact that laws are made by representatives does not alter the fact at all. They are simply the agents or substitutes of the people.

Socialism would abolish the senate, it would do away with the veto power, it would elect, by popular vote, the supreme judges of the United States.

And where is the ordinary voter who is able to judge of the fitness of a candidate for that high office? They would do away with representative government and substitute instead, a pure or straight democracy in which the people would vote on and make every law straight from the shoulder. This would make an institution so large and so unwieldy, awkward, and so ignorant that it would smother in its own tallow and we would have no government at all. Democracy is a good thing but, there is danger in having too much of a good thing. Food is a good thing but there is danger in eating too much at one time. All the elements are good but temperature could go either so high or so low that everything would perish on the face of the earth. And the same may be said of drought and moisture.

We ask you to notice here that the socialist says "hands off" to everything except the direct voice of the individual. He is to govern himself and to do as he pleases, and that is individualism, and it is socialism. And there is no central power, or government for the good of all the people about it.

Gringo appears to find solace in the way the Ford automobile factory is managed. We have before us a late magazine account of this industry. Profits are shared in this company with workers of four classes only. Married men living with and taking good care of their families, single men over twenty-two years old who are of approved thrifty habits, young men under twenty-two years of age and young women, the sole support of some next to kin. Forty men, good judges of human nature, explain opportunity and teach the laborers, and a strict record of facts is made in the case of each individual. The whole effort of this corps is to point men to life and make them discontented with a mere living. You will notice here that the company does not employ every thing that comes along. The facts in the case are: For the small premium they pay in the way of sharing profits, they get pick and choice out of all the labor in the country, and of course, make money out of such labor.

The Panama Canal is a great work that all nations on the earth use and are interested in and ours was the only government large enough that could or would take up such a great work and complete it, and thus give a more direct route around the earth.

Roseite, by what means would your customers have known the good qualities of Swift's and King's goods if it were not for advertising. Honest advertising of inventions or of goods of any kind is valuable information and worth all it costs. Public information that inventions, wearing apparel and food products of various kinds are in use and where and how they may be secured is an actual necessity under any kind of government.

A writer on this subject says: "I doubt if any one force, the school, the church and the press excepted, has so great an influence as advertising. To it we owe the prevalence of good roads, rubber tires, open plumbing, sanitary underwear, water filters, hygienic waters, vacuum cleaners, automobiles, kitchen cabinets and pure foods." As the public is not endowed with the power of mind reading and x-ray vision, it has to be told, and advertising does the telling.

You had as well try to economize by doing away with the telephone as to try to do away with advertising.

We would be pleased if Roseite or Gringo would give a full account of the glowing success (?) the state government met with in supervising the farms and other industries of the penitentiary system of this state. We are done and here we rest until they say something.

Salemite.

FLAT ROCK

A hail storm last Thursday afternoon did considerable damage to the orchards in the west part of this neighborhood. A large portion of the stones were as large as a turkey egg.

Farming is progressing nicely since the recent showers.

Health in this community is good at this writing.

Bro. Whitely preached to a large congregation Sunday afternoon.

Miss Maggie Corley has returned from Jermyn.

Everybody went to Graham Saturday to get the bale of cotton and rug Mr. Vick was to give away but as luck would have it everybody did not have to be bothered with hauling them home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hodges attended Sunday school and church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Burton and daughter, Miss Georgia, were pleasant visitors to Mrs. Corley and Miss Lona Thursday afternoon.

Alma Martin and family of Graham spent Sunday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cook entertained a few of their young friends Saturday night.

We have ordered some new song books and expect them to be here by next Sunday. Everybody come and help us use them.

Mrs. Mary Martin and children, Misses Jessie Alford and Maggie Corley were visitors at Mrs. Corley's Saturday evening. I notice quite a few of the Correspondents are sending descriptions of themselves, but as all who know me know that there isn't much description to give on myself I'll just omit that.

Gray-eyed Girl, I guess you to be nineteen and give you a chance at guessing my age. Please do not guess thirty, if you do think so.

Corn looks very well in this part of the country.

Miss Maggie Taylor visited Miss Leota Hodges Saturday afternoon.

Brit Mayes has finished working for Mr. Hazelton and moved back home.

The rats are getting so numerous they are eating everybody's little chickens and turkeys. We have used strychnine, carbon and a number of other poisons but haven't gotten rid of them yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Brit Alford spent Saturday night and Sunday with E. H. Corley and family.

The singing Sunday night was enjoyed by all present.

Romie Martin and Miss Maggie Corley were guests at the Corley home Sunday afternoon. Charlie Meeks and wife attended church here Sunday.

Vergil Martin called on the Hazelton boys Sunday.

Rev. Roark filled his regular appointment at Mt. Pleasant Saturday and Sunday. He took his family with him. They returned home Monday.

Willie Martin had a horse badly cut on the wire last week.

Miss Lona Corley spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Iva Fain and Miss Maggie Corley.

Mrs. Homer Willis of Center Ridge visited at Oscar Fain's Tuesday. Miss Maggie Corley returned home with her to visit for a few days.

Miss Jessie Alford spent Saturday night with her sister, Mrs. May Martin.

Misses Ezzie Ash and Dollie Martin and Messrs. Newby and Printess Corley were guests of Miss Leota Hodges Sunday afternoon. Candy Kid.

BUNGER

Health is good at this time. We are sitting around this (Sunday) morning wishing for the noon hour for snap beans and Irish potatoes.

Gen Lasater and Earl Rhodes went fishing at the slant rock Saturday night.

H. A. Driver got his new fangled wheelbarrow Friday and called in a few experts to help set it up. He called in Odel Johnson, Rufe, Joe and A. J. Driver and was till noon getting it together.

Bunger ball team and Fox Hollow will cross bats next Friday at Mountain Home. The school at Mountain Home will close that day.

Odel Johnson has been working on the Bunger gin this week and on Saturday put up a thirty barrel cistern for washing purposes for H. A. Driver.

Odel Johnson and R. L. McLaren were here Sunday morning after their mail. While on their way here R. L. found a bee-tree on the side of the road.

Mr. Grantham has the prettiest garden I have seen this spring. His Irish potatoes are nearly as large as baseballs.

We will soon hear the hum of the binder and the whoop of the harvest hands gathering in the sheaves.

Mrs. Nora and Miss Cora Rose attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Johnnie Dolittle, you may do very little but there is one man down there that does as little as you possibly could. His name is Willie Dolittle or nothing. You must get acquainted with him. He lives near Pickwick I think.

Plow Boy, you can't do anything with Salemite. He keeps his head cool eating ice cream and drinking cake. He was going the rounds last Saturday in Graham.

Silver Bell, you may have seen me at Fox Hollow and I might have seen you but I don't guess I would have known you. I would like to get acquainted with you.

Hugh Ribble was here this (Monday) morning.

Bill Bunger bought a load of corn from F. M. Berry Monday at ninety cents per bushel.

Henry and Oscar Owen went to Newcastle Saturday and got waterbound and never got home until Monday morning.

Goose.

CENTER RIDGE

We are having some fine weather now. Everything is growing fast.

Rev. Whitely preached to a large congregation at Flat Rock Sunday.

Center Ridge was well represented in Graham Saturday.

Mr. Ash says he is going to hunt somewhere to live next year besides on a rock pile.

There has been lots of rain in some parts of the county and we need some of it here, for the ground is hard, but I guess we will get it when our time comes.

Rev. Roark and family went to Mt. Pleasant last Saturday, where Bro. Roark preached Saturday and Sunday, returning home Monday.

Vester Chambers went to town Monday on business.

Miss Maggie Corley is visiting her brother, Oscar Fain, this week.

Will Walker is no better at this writing.

Mrs. Walker is able to be up, after a spell of pneumonia.

Mr. Bird's baby is right sick this week. They went to the doctor with it today (Tuesday).

Corn looks fine in this part of the country.

Mrs. Roark says she is going to pick the dewberries in a few days so she can have a dewberry cobbler for dinner. All come to see her that day, Sunday.

Rambling Rose.

LOVING

We have had several showers the last few days and it was very good on the crops of all kinds. The wheat that had the rust was washed off, the cotton that was young and crusty it softened the ground and started it off to growing, and it will

almost finish making the oat crop, the largest we have ever had.

Harvest will soon commence and they will have to get "bizzzy," for all the crops will have to be looked after, as well as harvesting the grain.

The Farmers' Institute of Loving met last Saturday afternoon and elected three delegates to the State Farmers' Institute which meets at Austin, Texas, July 27 to 29. Grady Millican, James Shoop and Mark Nall were the men selected. The institute here has 46 members and will meet June 29th.

Louis Wheat of Memphis, Texas was here Friday and Saturday, and left on the west-bound train for home Saturday evening. He had been to Hearne and several other points east on business.

Will McKinney of Livingston, Texas was shaking hands with his many friends in Loving Saturday afternoon. He only had a few minutes to stay and took the train for Seymour, where he and little daughter will visit his parents for a few days.

Mrs. Jake Cross took the train Saturday for Megargel, after a stay of a week or more here visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hawkins.

Henry Simmons is overhauling his gin and putting in a larger engine for the fall ginning.

Brother McCord preached a good sermon here Sunday and also Sunday night.

We learn today (Sunday) that they had a big washout on the road near Olney, and there will be no train till Monday. They also had a very heavy hail which damaged the crops fearfully. The rain here Saturday was very light, but we could hear the storm west of us.

Messrs. G. B. Underwood, A. J. Wheat and Will Reeves, with their better halves, were elected as delegates to the fifth Sunday meeting at Markley next Sunday.

R. L. Reeves and family took a trip to the Clear Fork above the Stovall farm to fish Thursday, returning Saturday.

Will Reeves has bought him a new threshing machine and is now ready to do the threshing for the grain men as soon as it is harvested.

Mrs. G. B. Underwood has been very sick the last week, but is getting along well enough at present.

The Baptist people are making arrangements for Children's Day exercises the fourth Sunday in June.

Will Tiffin and Dan Norris have painted their houses lately, and Aut Bills is building a new granary to hold his fine wheat and oat crop. Mr. Bills has the finest oat crop we have ever seen.

Mrs. Beard and Mrs. Henderson from Arkansas and Mr. Beard from the state of Washington are visiting A. J. Beard here. Correspondent.

PROFFITT

Dr. Cagle was called to see the little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Turner Monday.

Miss Grace Howard attended the holiness meeting Sunday night at Holy Hill.

There were several attended the school picnic at Live Oak Friday. Among them were C. L. Griffin and family, Misses Grace Strother, Ida Watson and Bertha Woodriddle.

Mesdames Redwine, Howard, and Emma Webb called on Mrs. Lewis Wednesday afternoon.

Burgess Bellamy and two sisters, Misses Sallie and Loura, attended the picnic at Live Oak Friday.

Little Mary Willhoit is spending a few days this week with her Grandpa Gibbs.

Miss Dennie Maples and Charlie Johnson and Miss Edna Maples and Willie Redwine attended church at Holy Hill Sunday night.

Jim Webb spent a few days with his brother, John Webb.

Mrs. E. A. Johnson visited Mrs. Turner Wednesday.

Worth Holbert and sister Miss Marie, and Miss Winnie Reid also attended the picnic.

Snowflake.

ONCE WAS LOST—BUT NOW HE'S FOUND

Not so many years ago, and to be explicit, in the early part of 1907, when his crown was adorned with just a bit more of the woolly substance called hair, Buck Stuart, erstwhile letter carrier, prospector, and other things too numerous to mention, disappeared from life's activities, so far as his friends in the sandy lands of East Texas knew.

But Buck was finally located, and the Tyler Evening Times, in recording the fact says:

"A letter directed to Tyler letter carriers No. 1 and 2 was received at the Tyler Post-Office yesterday and the contents of same was a pleasant surprise to the postoffice force, the same being from their former friend and letter carrier, Buck Stuart, who said he was alive and doing well.

"Some time last January reports reached Tyler that Stuart had been killed at some point in New Mexico.

"The Times phoned his home at Chandler, he being a resident of the place at the time, and parties then stated that the report had reached them and that his wife had gone to the place where the tragedy was supposed to have occurred.

"The incident was never heard of again, and the friends and acquaintances of Buck Stuart thought him dead. He was for many years a mail carrier in this city and numbered his friends by the score.

"The letter states that he and his wife had located in a Western village near San Angelo and that they were preparing to build them a home.

"The letter requests that a copy of the paper giving an account of his death be mailed to him."

Should Buck disappear from Graham we do not imagine that a searching party would have far to look to find him, especially at this time of the year. Just so long as there are any fish in the river or Norris' lake, you could almost play it a hundred-to-one shot that Buck was at one of these places. Anyway, that's where we'd look for him first.

If your subscription expires with this issue now is a good time to renew.

G. H. S. Senior Class Entertained

Last Thursday night, May 20 the Senior class of the Graham High School was entertained, this making the third occasion for this year, and needless to say the hostesses, Misses Elsie Rubenkoenig and Fannie Stoffers, surpassed themselves in the royal entertainment at the home of the former. The hostesses are two of the alumni of the G. H. S., and with a fond recollection of former days, gave this party.

On arriving at the scene of the festivity the guests were served with a delicious punch. Then, after a short interval in which many jokes were told, and all became each to himself "a jolly good fellow," a "school" was started. This caused much merriment, classes being held in geography, history, drawing and spelling till "noon." During the "noon hour" refreshments were enjoyed by all which consisted of a fruit course served in orange baskets with different kinds of delicious cake. The school colors, purple and gold, were carried out in the decorations and refreshments. After "noon" a class in botany was held, this being followed by the awarding of prizes. One humorous incident occurred to mar the peace of the school and the party. The incident referred to was an accident which befell our principal, E. L. Howell. Sitting peacefully in his chair, what was his surprise to find himself precipitated to the floor with a demolished chair beneath him. This is the second accident of the kind to befall our principal. Soon after this incident, it being nearly midnight, the joyous guests took their sad leave of the hostesses and "homeward pursued their way."

Those present were Mesdames E. McLendon, H. C. Stoffers, J. F. H. Crabb; Misses Lucile Miller, Berenice Miller, Lovella Edleman, Catherine Craig, Vera Gatlin, Lillie Pate, Olita Bolden of Olney, Ethel Self, Leah Stewart, Lena Stoffers; Messrs. E. McLendon, E. L. Howell, J. E. Burk, J. F. H. Crabb, Herschel Eddleman, James Porter, Jr., Christian Stoffers, Henry Schlittler, Jr., Floy Hinson, John Spivey, Fred Hudson and J. C. Rickman.

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MOUNTAIN HOME

Hello to one and all, how are you all by this time? The Gray-eyed Girl is somewhat tired. I have been hoeing corn. I guess several of you have experienced such.

I have been hoeing some in my flowers, too. Wish I could hand Mr. Editor over a large bunch of roses.

Pansy, did your flowers live I gave you? I hope they did.

I had my letter written and sealed up last week when I got my stationery. Many thanks to you, Mr. Editor. It was certainly nice.

Where were Kido, and Jack o' Diamonds last week? I wore my paper out hunting for their letters. Now you both better come on and write for I hand my paper to another lady when I get through reading it.

Mrs. Mary Plaster was taken quite sick Sunday morning, but she is much improved this (Monday) morning.

Miss Maggie Cox of Salt Creek spent Saturday with Miss Anis Matlock.

Mrs. Cox spent Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. Jossie Jones.

We had a rain and hail last Thursday. The hail broke down lots of corn. Oh, yes! we had two gallons of ice cream. Mr. Editor wish you could have been with us.

Well, I see Plow Boy crying because I didn't hand him over a bowl of cream. Now hush, I will hand you a bowl next time.

Mrs. Ella Robbins spent last Thursday evening with Mrs. Mary Plaster.

Quite a number took dinner at John Matlock's Sunday, the 16th. Among them were Miss Etta Woods and two brothers, Hugh and Floyd, Lewis Ribble and family, Elder D. J. E. Clark and Joe Snodgrass of Dakin.

Miss Maggie Cox, Mr. John Key, Robbie Howard, Buddie Hannah, Elder I. N. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Miller and son, Pharis, Elder I. N. Howard and Mr. Collins spent Saturday night at John Matlock's.

I saw Trixie Saturday. She sure did look natural. I certainly enjoyed meeting the correspondents.

Mr. and Mrs. Camp and family of Jacksboro attended church Sunday, the 16th, at Mountain Home. Come again, we are glad to have you with us.

Mrs. Clay of Center Point spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Derrick.

Mrs. Connie Pierce spent last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Chaddrick.

Mrs. Stella Matlock spent one day last week with Mrs. Ella Robbins.

There is going to be dinner on the ground at Mt. Home June 13th. Everybody come.

I notice some of the correspondents are telling what state their parents came from. Papa has been in Texas all his life. Has lived here in Jack county 36 years and lived in Parker county 12 years. Mama came from Arkansas here. She lived in Parker county 9 years and moved from there to Jack county.

Miss Bernice Riddle spent Thursday with Mrs. Matlock. Miss Riddle taught school at Henry Chapel.

Well, I will go and wash the dishes. Come on Jolly Girl, you and Candy Kid. We will even have a time. Oh, yes, there is Bluebird, you come too.

Gray-eyed Girl.

HUFFSTUTTLE

Here I come again after an absence of several weeks.

We have not had any rain in nearly two weeks now, and the farmers are very busy trying to get caught up with their work. Most everyone got behind while it was raining so much. Everything is growing nicely but we need a little rain to soften the crust on the ground.

The gardens are looking pretty. I think there will soon be plenty of snap beans and new potatoes.

Health in the community is good. I believe everybody is well except Mrs. Jim Moreland. There have been several

wolves caught in the neighborhood lately. Some dogs ran a wolf into Walter Moreland's house a week or two ago.

Ed. Stoker of Walters, Okla., is visiting his father, R. G. Stoker.

R. G. Stoker's mother, who lives at Breckenridge, is not expected to live. She is over ninety years old.

We had church last Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night by Bro. J. H. Littleton.

Dill Peacock and family visited at Bud McGuire's last Sunday.

Jerry Moreland and family and Ab. Campbell and wife took dinner at Walter Moreland's last Sunday.

Bert Campbell took dinner with Ira Otts last Sunday.

Jack Taylor and wife took dinner at Frank Otts last Sunday.

Will Otts and wife visited Roy Jones and wife last Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie Franklin is visiting at Ollie Peacock's this week.

Miss Annie Daniels and little sister, Ruth, visited at F. J. Peacock's last Sunday.

Mrs. Ab. Campbell intends to start to Tarrant next Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Will Whitener.

Felix Thomas of Oklahoma is visiting his uncle, George Daniels.

Wheat and oats are looking very well now. If nothing happens there will be a good deal of grain raised around here.

Guess Who.

DUFF PRAIRIE

As I have been absent a few weeks will try to be among you this week. It is impossible to mail a letter the first of every week therefore I am compelled to be absent some, although I read all the good letters every week, and as usual, enjoy them.

We sure have been having some lively weather. I am sure all are like me—enjoy it, too.

I did not keep up with the news much last week so I don't know much.

Jim Stone and family spent the day Sunday with Henry Rogers and family.

Mrs. Will Burgess was in our community Sunday visiting her sons, Ol and Floyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Harrell spent the day Sunday with Mr. Groene and family.

Esther Rogers was on the puny list a day or so last week.

Ol Burgess and wife went to town Monday.

Will Martin and son helped Walter Corbett brand cattle Saturday.

Lucian Adams and wife sat till bed time at the Groene home Saturday night.

J. Quincy Adams left Tuesday morning of Abilene to visit home folks a week or ten days, then he will return to the harvest field.

Our missionary, Bro. Summers, preached an interesting sermon at our school house last Sunday night. The cloud came up just before he finished his sermon and it broke up and soon all went home. Quite a number from Cedar Creek attended church and a few from South Bend. All are welcome to come again when we have preaching.

Dreamy Eyes, I was glad to see you in our midst Sunday night. Come again, also June Roses. Silver Bell why didn't you come, and Bashful Ben, I think you might have tried to come. I will not take up any more space this time. Come on all you good writers.

Sorrell Top.

MONUMENT

As I failed to write last week will try this week.

We are having some, dry, warm weather at present. The ground is getting very dry and hard, and we are needing a shower of rain.

How did you all like the looks of the cloud we had Saturday evening? I was told it came a hail storm north of us, but we only got a sprinkle of rain.

There were several of our people in Graham Saturday. Everybody took their tickets

expecting to get the bale of cotton or the rug, but everybody failed to get them. Mr. Will Dipple of our community got the bale of cotton. He lives on D. G. Vick's place about one and a third miles west of Monument school house.

Jack o' Diamonds, did you visit The Reporter office Saturday? I did for the first time and I think it is a nice place. In fact, I believe it is the nicest kept building in Graham.

A. L. Reeves and family and Messrs. Arthur and Walter Sanders took a pleasant fishing trip to Clear Fork last week. They did not catch very many fish but had a nice time anyway.

Misses Lottie and Lola Reeves spent a few days last week visiting Misses Dennie and Edna Maples of Proffitt.

Malcolm Cox attended Sunday school at Loving Sunday morning.

Rev. McCord filed his regular appointment Sunday with a large congregation in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Tiffin called on J. M. Barnett Sunday evening.

Messrs. Lawrence Alberts and Willie Harris spent Sunday morning with Oran Hewitt.

Miss Gladys Barnett ate Sunday dinner with Savannah Sheppard.

Miss Nannie Mahan spent Sunday morning with Misses Golda and Vida Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lowe of Loving spent Saturday night and Sunday with T. H. Jackson and family.

Obe Manley and family spent Sunday with Mr. Enlow and family.

Tempest and Sunshine.

OAKLAND

Since the last writing we have had a hail storm that did quite a lot of damage. Some of the stones were as large as turkey eggs. The largest I ever saw. But little rain fell with the hail.

Mr. Blount visited his son, Gray, in Fort Worth last week and reports the latter improving slowly.

Miss Amy Robertson is spending a few weeks with home folks before leaving for Mineral Wells to attend school.

Miss Ethel Baty is at home from school.

Mrs. Alma Clayton and little daughter visited her father, Mr. Baty, last week.

Miss Julia Logan returned to Graham Saturday, after spending a few days out on the ranch.

Mr. Crick's family was in Graham Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks were in Graham Saturday.

John Blount is still visiting home folks.

Clarence Blount leaves Monday for the Loving Ranch where he will work.

Curtis Findley was at Mr. Blount's Sunday afternoon.

E. E. Craig was at Jeff Whitfield's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Baty was in town Saturday.

Misses Whitfield were in Graham Saturday afternoon.

Messrs. Blount were trading in Graham Saturday.

Everyone is fighting "Mr. Green" as he has been staying with the farmers in this community.

Jeff Whitfield and sisters were in Graham Thursday night.

Clarence Blount was in Bryson Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Jones was shopping in Graham Saturday.

How many of you are in favor of the old settlers' reunion? I am for one, as I think everyone would enjoy a few days' outing and renew their life of younger days when they would go camping out. And many of them, in early days could do nothing but camp out all the time.

The time is here when we celebrate many events gone by so why not set aside a day or several days to celebrate in honor of the old settlers, for they are the ones who built our country and towns.

Misses Dora Robertson and Jewel Lester were shopping in Graham Monday.

Carrie Nation.

ELIASVILLE

Dear Editor and Correspondents, I will write a few lines to the paper today and tell you all what everyone is doing over this way.

We had a shower of rain last Thursday which was very much appreciated as the ground was getting real dry.

Miss Ruth Moore has returned to her home. She has been teaching school at Pecan, near Breckenridge, in Stephens county.

Miss Nell Claggett is visiting at the Newell home.

Mr. McClain was in Eliasville Thursday afternoon.

There has been lots of fishing on the Clear Fork.

Elmer Collins was fishing at Eliasville last week but got a message from home that some of his family was ill and had to go home.

Some few from here went to Graham Saturday.

Mr. Elledge and Argo Davis went to town last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hakett went to Graham last Friday.

Miss Maude Souter called on Miss Allie Ardis Friday afternoon.

Everyone is fishing this week with much success.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Peck of Ivan spent Saturday night fishing in the Clear Fork here at Eliasville.

Ed McCharen went to Graham last week.

Saturday afternoon was spent in cleaning off the ground for the coming picnic.

A fifth Sunday Baptist meeting will start over at Ivan next Thursday night.

Meadow Brook.

MING BEND

Aren't we having some hot weather?

We had a right good shower Friday.

Some are complaining about the ground getting hard.

W. R. Gibbs and family spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Gibbs' parents.

W. A. Pickard, Andy Owen, Jim Barnes and wife, W. L. Newby, W. R. Gibbs, R. A. Kutch, Jim Price, R. F. Mitchell, and son, John, went to town Saturday.

Hugh and Olaf Ribble were visiting in Fox Hollow today (Sunday).

S. L. Ribble and family, Joe Gee, and Jesse Sims, and Roscoe Criswell ate dinner at Mr. Newby's Sunday.

Jim Smith and mother spent Friday night at Mr. Newby's.

W. A. Pickard and family and Miss Reuby Newby went fishing Wednesday afternoon and stayed all night on the river. They report bad luck.

Bert Criswell and family spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roark.

Sam Williams and wife went to Graham Saturday.

Emmett Askew and wife went to Graham Saturday and also visited relatives at Mountain Home.

I will correct a mistake that was made in my last letter. It said Joe Marshall sold 85 pounds of fish and it should have been 35 pounds.

Mrs. Doll Owen visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pickard Sunday.

Everett Newby took in the picnic at Pickwick Friday afternoon. He reports a fine time.

Walter Fawks and family visited his brother, Robert, at Fox Hollow from Friday until Sunday.

Jesse Sims spent last Monday at Mr. Newby's.

R. E. Sims, wife and two children, Willie and Theo, went to Graham last Monday.

Sam Williams and wife visited at Dick Whittenburg's last Monday.

Bill Sims and Roy Ribble left last Monday for Oklahoma to work in the harvest.

S. L. Ribble went to town Friday.

Mrs. P. A. Newby has gone to Graham to stay a while.

Goose, you send your broom handles and patronize your home factory. They are cheap.

W. R. Owen has had a relapse of the mumps, but glad to report him up.

Mr. Roark's brother from Oklahoma is visiting him a few days, and he is also looking for a location.

W. A. Pickard visited Frank Ribble Sunday.

Jim Smith and mother spent Saturday night at Mr. Pickard's.

Everett Newby and sister visited Miss Ella Pickard Sunday afternoon. Rainy Day.

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LONE OAK

We are having fine weather for farming now and the farmers are very busy in their fields at present.

Some of the cotton is up and already chopped out and part of the farmers have just finished planting.

The school here closed last Friday evening with an entertainment. The program was very interesting and was well rendered, but owing to the threatening weather part of the program was left off.

Misses Smith and Kisinger have done excellent work in the school here the past term. They have many friends here who regret their departure but wish them much success in their future work.

Mrs. Mollie Moreland had the misfortune of getting one of her arms broke last Thursday.

Mrs. Emma Johnson had a severe attack of heart trouble last Friday.

C. V. Willis of Jean was in this community grading the road Monday.

Miss Lena Hawkins was the guest of Miss Mary Slater of Red Top from Friday night until Sunday afternoon.

Miss Clara Slater of Red Top spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Emily McBee.

Well, I'll declare Kid, I supposed you all knew that Pilot was the one who got married. You know he lives in this community but as he was correspondent from Farmer I didn't suppose it was my place to report the wedding.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Reeves Thursday, May 20th, a girl.

Mrs. Jennie Dodd of Jean spent Friday with her mother, Mrs. Emma Johnson, of this community.

A. J. Lowe has purchased a house and lot in Olney. He contemplates moving there in the near future. Brunette.

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WHITE ROSE

Church was well attended at White Rose Sunday and Sunday week both.

We had two conversions last Sunday week. Bro. Wilson filled the pulpit both days.

Guy Wignall and wife were out driving Sunday afternoon.

J. A. Gachter entertained with an ice cream supper Saturday night.

W. W. and Warren Cook and Guy Wignall were in Graham Monday.

Albert Elliott went to his farm east of town Sunday night. He informs us that he has a fine crop of corn and cotton.

P. C. Walker of White Rose and Gomer Jones of Newcastle informs us that they have a debate matched with some parties at Jean. The subject for debate is: Resolved, that socialism is right and practical. The date has not been set.

J. A. Gachter was in Graham one day last week.

Multitudes of unemployed walk the streets of our great cities or tread from state to state awaiting the will of the master to move the wheels of industry.

The farmers in every state are plundered by the increasing prices exacted for tools and machinery and by extortionate rent, freight rates and storage.

Capitalist concentration is mercilessly crushing the class of small business men and driving its members into the ranks of propertyless wage workers. The overwhelming majority of the people of America are being forced under a yoke of bondage by the soulless industrial despotism. It is this capitalist system that is responsible for the increasing burden of armaments, the poverty, slums, child labor, most of the insanity, crime and prostitution, and much of the disease that afflicts mankind.

Under this system the working class is exposed to poisonous conditions, to frightful and needless perils to life and limb, is walled around with court decisions, injunctions and unjust laws, and is preyed upon incessantly for the benefit of the controlling oligarchy of wealth. Under it also the children of the working class are doomed to ignorance, drudgery, toil and darkened lives.

In the face of these evils, so manifest that all thoughtful observers are appalled at them, the legislative representatives of the republican and democratic and all reform parties remain the faithful servants of the oppressors. Measures designed to secure to the wage earners of this nation as humane and just treatment as is already enjoyed by wage earners of all other civilized nations have been smothered in committee without debate, and laws ostensibly designed to bring relief to the farmers and general consumers are juggled and transformed into instruments for the exaction of further tribute. The growing unrest under oppression has driven these two old parties to the enactment of a variety of regulative measures none of which has limited in any appreciable degree the power of the plutocracy, and some of which have been perverted into means for increasing that power. Anti-trust laws, railroad restrictions and regulations, with the prosecutions, indictments and investigations, based upon such legislation, has proven to be utterly futile and ridiculous. Nor has this plutocracy been seriously restrained or even threatened by any republican or democratic executive. It has continued to grow in power and insolence alike under the administrations of Cleveland, McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft.

Salemite, it seems that you have come to the conclusion that we have to do useless work in order to keep people occupied. Socialism will give all drummers, useless clerks and delivery boys an opportunity to work on the public highways or the large co-operative farms at not less than union wages. Sure this would do society more good than these days. As soon

as people realize this useless labor they will strive to stop it. Your argument brings to mind a fact I once read of England. A great famine came over the country, and the laborers were on starvation. A wealthy lord conceived a way to help them out. He hired one group of men to dig post holes and another group to come along and fill them up. As soon as the first group learned what the latter was doing they refused to work. The workers today will only have to learn what those fellows learned, then they will establish a perfect industrial system.

What protection has your little ginner under this system? Couldn't some man or company build one close by and take all or the most of his profit? Now the State will not fool with little country gins. When the people demand it they will build one large enough to accommodate the country for miles around. If this little ginner had anything that the state could use and would sell it as cheap as the state could buy it elsewhere, probably they would make a bargain. No law will stop or confiscate this gin but I think it would be a simple case of freeze out.

As to men like Rockefeller, I admire men with that get up and push method that they seem to have, but why have a system that the building of one will pull down the other? Wealth is created by the sweat of man's face. If you are not producing you are living off of another's labor.

As to the way the government will get the big industries, will be decided when the time comes. You admitted that labor applied to natural resources created all wealth. Rockefeller is worth nearly a billion dollars. Did Rockefeller's labor create all of this wealth? If it did he is entitled to it. I think that the laborers that worked for him did the creating, so some day, if they decide to take same, would it be wrong? The children of Israel worked four hundred years for the Egyptians, and when they left God commanded them to borrow everything they could from them, and they did so. Was this wrong? Socialism will not cause man's talent to lay dormant but will crush that part of it that is used to take wealth that is created by his fellow man. Experience and common sense teaches us that the government can do things cheaper than private companies. No law stopped several of the express companies, but they stopped. No law will keep you out of the merchandise business, or gin, oil, timber or any business you may choose to follow. Experience teaches us that we cannot compete with the federal government, for goods under socialism will be sold at the cost of production. We will save all of the cost of advertising, useless transportation, and the waste of inadequate machinery. This would amount to billions of dollars.

If a little bit of socialism is good, more of it is good. Why don't you advocate private ownership of the dirt roads, schools, court houses, etc. Your logic would be just as good along these lines. (Continued next week.)

LOWER TONK

We are sure having some pretty weather now. Corn and cotton is looking fine.

The people are putting in good time in their crops trying to catch up with their work.

James and Sylvester Gowens called at Sam Jones' Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones gave the young folks a party Friday night. There was a small crowd on account of the weather. We sure did have a time just the same.

Vernon George and Miss Anna Belle Wadley attended the picture show at Graham Friday night.

Mrs. G. W. Gowens and children called on Mrs. Sam Jones Thursday afternoon.

The valley was well represented at Graham Saturday.

Misses Minnie, Jewel and Eunice Moore visited their father and mother Saturday and Sunday at Duff Prairie.

Murry Moore and Charlie Reedy took in the picture show Saturday night.

Miss Sallie Timmons spent Saturday night with Misses Lillie and Hallie Gray in Graham.

Kemp Moore spent Saturday night with Ivan Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnett spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Alice Moore.

Gray-eyed Girl, I guess your age to be 17 years, so remember your promise.

Lee Jones is on the sick list. He has been sick about a week and isn't any better at this writing. Hope to report him better next week.

Misses Minnie, Jewel and Eunice Moore called on Mrs. Sam Jones and Miss Ethel Hollybee Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones took dinner Sunday at G. W. Gowens'.

Miss Ethel Hollybee took dinner with Miss Zula Jones Sunday.

Miss Dena Moore took dinner with Miss Crystal Gowens Sunday.

Kemp and Ivan Moore spent Sunday with Clarence Gowens.

Ernest Beckham, Roy Jones, and Charlie Reedy called on Lee Jones Sunday afternoon.

George and Jesse Jones and Sylvester Gowens called on R. D. and Zack Gray Sunday afternoon.

James Gowens and Lee Moore spent Sunday afternoon with Murry Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones and Miss Ethel Hollybee called at G. W. Gowens' Sunday night.

Mrs. Alice Moore, daughter and son-in-law came in Sunday night.

Mrs. A. H. Jones and daughter, Miss Gracie, called on Mrs. Johnson Sunday. X. Y. Z.

INDIAN MOUND

Last week we failed to get our report complete so we will just drop back and give a few items anyway.

G. W. McComas has purchased a \$500.00 self-player piano. We learn that G. W. has quit work and runs it both day and night.

Will Hoggard has traded D. G. Vick a year old mule colt and young mare for a good work mule.

Bob Taylor traded Mr. Vick a mare and colt for a cultivator and two-row cotton planter, and we heard something said about Bob going back and taking up the balance in autos, steamboats, wheelbarrows and bicycles.

The long-continued drought of about ten days was broken Friday by a nice rain.

Henry Frie was helping W. W. Williamson work on a grainery part of last week.

Wheat harvest will soon be here and the wheat men are making all needed preparation to be ready when the grain is ripe. Nearly all wheat and oats here are good, especially the fall oats.

Mrs. F. C. Borchardt and two children went to Newcastle last Tuesday.

Messrs. G. W. McComas, Dee James, and W. W. Hoggard went to Newcastle Friday.

Mrs. Cordie Bird and children and Miss Jean Bryan called on Mrs. F. C. Borchardt Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. H. H. Stephens and little daughter, Mildred, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Newman, at Hawkins Chapel two days last week.

Dr. Roy Rutherford and wife of Red Top are spending a few days with his rother, Tom, and family on Flint Creek near White Rose. They were here Friday afternoon and called at G. W. McComas' and R. G. Taylor's while here.

Will Steen of Red Top called on G. W. McComas Friday morning.

The rain Saturday afternoon and night brought Salt Creek down on a boom Sunday morning. We learned that at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon the water was over the bridge and the creek was thought to be still rising.

Austin Bird, F. C. Borchardt, Reece Easterling and family, W. P. Fisher, G. W. McComas and son, John, all went to Graham Saturday. John stayed over till Sunday. He and Henry Mayes of Graham came in Sunday afternoon in time for the singing and children's practicing exercises.

The ladies are meeting Wednesday afternoons of each week helping the children with their parts.

Mrs. Horace Busch of Tonk Valley visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

W. W. Hoggard was helping J. W. Douglass put up a binder Monday.

Miss Wood of Graham visited Misses Stephens a few days.

Henry Mayes of Graham spent Sunday night with John McComas.

Gray-eyed Girl, I have read your age to be seventeen years, five months and ten days.

Gray-eyed Girl, I have read your references but as I am real short on time this week will wait till next week to answer them. But I am ready now to "fess" up that you have your wires crossed and if you don't believe you have just read that Psalms 32:8 that you gave me last week. If I was about ready to leave my teens like some larger kids and was hunting a cook I would sure hate to hear you say, "I am quitting you."

Sunday's overflow left Salt Creek bridge in need of some repairs which our overseer, Riley Dollins, is expecting to make today (Tuesday).

Miss Corrine Stephens returned home from Graham last Friday where she had been attending school. She has a host of friends here who will be glad to welcome her back.

Mrs. F. C. Borchardt and children went to Newcastle Monday.

Dee James and family visited at Will Hoggard's Monday.

W. F. Grubbs called at Will Hoggard's Monday.

D. G. Vick's renter was here today (Tuesday) in search of some runaway stock. Kid.

BROWN DICK

A Steel Dust horse, 16 hands high, weight about 1300 pounds, will make the season at my place 5 miles southwest of Graham. Fees to insure \$12.50. Pasture free.

A. H. Jones.

NOTICE

All members of Hound Men's Associations in adjoining counties are invited to meet with us Monday, May 10, 1915, at Graham, Texas.

Wolf, Fox & Hound Men's Assn. of
J. B. Foster, Pres.

GOOSENECK

Aren't we having fine weather for killing weeds?

Health of this community is some better.

Mack Rose is able to sit up, after a four weeks' confinement with the mumps and a relapse.

Mrs. Odel Johnson and children spent Tuesday with Mrs. McLaren.

Mrs. Lucy Parsons and children called at Mrs. Conder's Wednesday afternoon.

A light shower of rain came Thursday afternoon. Would have been glad to have had a good, big rain.

Wheat in this part of the county is going to be rather short, but the oats will be very good, we think.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, mother and father of Mrs. Kelley, went to Graham Thursday.

Miss Eugene Kelley was delivering goods Saturday.

Odel Johnson has been working for Mr. Storm at Bunker this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLaren took in the sights at Graham Saturday.

W. I. Gilmore of Salem came over after three yearlings Wednesday.

Frank Vaden, John Clark, Toliver Hall, Willie Conder, Alfred Parsons and Murray Conder went to Graham Saturday.

Oscar James went to Graham Saturday.

Mrs. Eva Mullenax and children spent Saturday afternoon with the Parsons family.

Tom Reed and Ewing McLaren are getting along pretty well with their crops considering their ages.

Nath and Abb Reed made a trip to Fox Hollow this week.

John Clark and Frank Vaden were out driving for their health Friday evening.

Dug Rutherford and family spent Sunday at G. W. Day's.

Mrs. Nora and Miss Cora Rose attended Sunday school at Bunker Sunday.

W. W. Sparks and family and Bob Watson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Vaden.

Willie Conder took Sunday dinner with the Parsons boys.

S. J. Kelley and family took a vegetable dinner with A. L. Conder and family Sunday.

Uncle John Driver and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Parsons Sunday.

Abe McLaren has the mumps.

It is reported that Rev. Grantham of Bunker will preach here Saturday night and Sunday.

News is so scarce that I will hand my pencil to Silver Bell, and try to do better next time.

Gander.

Crabb's School of Music

Special Summer Normal Course

At the solicitation of a number of prospective patrons and several of my pupils, I have decided to open an Eight Weeks' Summer Course, to begin MONDAY, JUNE 21

and close Friday, August 13. This course will be the opportunity for the beginner, both adult and children, as during the eight weeks you can readily prepare yourself to enter the Fall Session fully able to make rapid advancement and contest for the MEDAL HONOR during the session of 1915-16.

Our Direction Blanks, given each pupil, covering their individual requirements, prevents any misunderstanding on their part and causes enthusiastic and intelligent practice.

Those desiring to avail themselves of this special course are requested to see or phone me.

Thanking the public for the very liberal patronage of the past year and soliciting a continuance of same, I am,

Very respectfully yours,

J. F. H. CRABB

Director Crabb's School of Music

Postoffice Box 165 Ind. Phone 34-4r

Local and Personal Mention

Dr. Berry of Elbert was here on business Friday.

Buy your groceries this month from R. L. Reed & Co.

Rev. C. F. Bell of Loving was a visitor in the city Tuesday.

J. M. Askew of Bunker was in the city yesterday on business.

D. G. Vick returned Saturday night from a business trip to Odessa.

Mrs. Emma West of South Bend was shopping in Graham Tuesday.

Pierce-Fordyce gasoline and kerosene, the best on earth. 33-35c C. C. Johnson, Agent.

Miss Mary McBrayer has returned to her home in South Bend.

Mrs. Chas. Widmayer visited relatives in Dallas Sunday and Monday.

J. F. Barnett of Newcastle was in the city on business Tuesday.

Pierce-Fordyce gasoline and kerosene, the best on earth. 33-35c C. C. Johnson, Agent.

J. L. Anderson of Olney was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Walsh of Newcastle were visitors in the city Tuesday.

Walter Corbett of South Bend was a business visitor in the city Tuesday.

For breakfast try a box of Swift's Premium sliced bacon at R. L. Reed & Co.

Capt. S. R. Crawford returned Sunday night from a business trip to the east.

T. B. Gilmore of Salem was a pleasant visitor at The Reporter office yesterday.

Pierce-Fordyce gasoline and kerosene, the best on earth. 33-35c C. C. Johnson, Agent.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gowens of Tonk Valley were trading in the city Tuesday.

Prof. Herman McBrayer of Jean was a business visitor in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Widmayer spent Sunday and Monday in Fort Worth.

Quite a number of the Graham people were in Eliasville to enjoy the picnic.

Mrs. R. F. Arnold is in the city visiting her son, Fred T. Arnold, and wife.

W. H. H. Smith of the Monument community was trading in Graham Tuesday.

J. H. Carter of the Salem community was a business visitor in Graham Tuesday.

Mrs. N. C. Anderson and daughter of Waco are visiting old friends in the city.

Jesse Jones and Arch Akers of Fish Creek were in the city on business Wednesday.

B. W. King, E. L. Howell and John Spivey made a business trip to Olney Wednesday.

Mrs. Lula Steele of Ivan paid The Reporter a pleasant call while in the city Saturday.

Miss Lillian Manning returned Wednesday night from a visit to Dallas and Ft. Worth.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Brown of Newcastle made The Reporter a pleasant visit while in the city Tuesday.

R. G. Hallam left Tuesday for Oklahoma City with a car of steers to sell on the Oklahoma market.

Miss Lily Morrison returned Wednesday of last week from Sherman where she attended Kidd-Key College.

A. C. Anderson of Henry Chapel was a pleasant visitor at The Reporter office yesterday afternoon.

Will McKinney of Livingston, Texas visited his brother, Tom, in the city several days this week.

Mesdames S. B. Street, Q. Street and Harry Wadsworth returned from Mineral Wells Saturday.

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Little Mansell Birdwell is suffering from a severe fracture in his arm, caused from a fall on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. S. P. Taylor took the train here Monday for Albany, Oklahoma, where she will visit her mother for two weeks.

Mrs. J. H. Robbins and daughter, Miss Delilah, of Tonk Valley were pleasant visitors at The Reporter office last week.

Misses Sallie Timmons and Rudelle Seddon of Tonk Valley spent Sunday in the city, guests of Misses Gray.

Log Cabin Maple Syrup, guaranteed pure—try it with early breakfast cakes. R. L. Reed & Co.

Prof. E. H. Burk, who taught in the High School here the past year, left Tuesday morning for his home in Center Point.

Messrs. W. C. Bell, T. E. Wallace, Rube Loftin and Henry Groves went to Newcastle Monday to see the ball game.

T. Marvin McBrayer of South Bend was in the city Monday night to attend commencement exercises.

Rev. M. M. Chunn of Eliasville attended the commencement exercises in the city Monday night.

Land Abstracts furnished on short notice. King & Marshall, Abstracters, 311fc

J. J. Scott of South Bend was in the city Monday night to attend the commencement exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Graham are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy, who came to their home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. J. C. Casburn and son, Randolph, of Newcastle spent Tuesday night in Graham with the family of her son, A. B. Casburn.

The third episode of the Master Key will be exhibited at The New Electric Theatre tonight. And it's better than the first two.

The Reporter was the recipient of a beautiful bouquet of flowers from Jolly Girl of Tonk Valley last week, for which she has our sincere thanks.

J. F. Osborn, of Fort Worth, representative of the M. K. & T. Ry. was in the city Tuesday looking after business for his road.

Misses Ida and Dora McBee of Red Top were shopping in the city Tuesday. While here they paid The Reporter a pleasant visit.

Messrs. Dick Newell, R. M. Donnell, W. T. Donnell and A. A. Donnell of Eliasville were business visitors in Graham on Tuesday.

Children's Oxfords 48c. A lot of Children's Pumps and Oxfords, regular prices \$1 to \$1.50, broken assortments, choice 48c. S. B. Street & Co.

C. S. Newman of Hawkins Chapel was a business visitor in the city Saturday. While here he paid The Reporter a pleasant visit.

The Reporter enjoyed a visit Saturday from Mrs. J. R. McClannahan and Miss Ida George of the Tonk Valley community, who were shopping in the city.

Louis Bower is having a large quantity of wood shipped in from Dakin, preparing for winter trade. He says he will have a plentiful supply on hand when the season opens.

Misses Christine Harrell and Fannie Goode of South Bend were in the city Monday night to attend the commencement exercises of the Graham High School.

Misses Myrtle Norris of Loving, Ethel and Bernice Long, Lorene, Ruby and Jenette Alberts of Monument were pleasant callers at The Reporter office last Saturday.

J. J. Jones of the Bunker community was a business visitor in the city Saturday. While here he paid The Reporter a call and gave us a boost on our Booster Edition.

Misses' Oxfords 95c. One lot Misses' and Children's Pumps and Oxfords, former prices \$1.50 to \$2.50, your choice for only 95c. S. B. Street & Co.

Messrs. J. L. McLaren and W. I. Gilmore of the Salem community were here on business Saturday. They are going to help boost Young county in our Booster Edition.

Finis Burnett of the Mount Pleasant community was transacting business in Graham Saturday. Finis believes in Young county and will help us boost it in our Booster Edition.

Ladies' Coat Suits and Dresses. We have a good assortment of Suits, Dresses, Waists, Skirts and Middies, all newest and best styles and marked at the lowest possible prices. Call and see them. S. B. Street & Co.

Judge E. W. Fry, who has been spending some time at Lamarque, Texas, returned to Graham Sunday night. He left Tuesday for Proffitt to visit his mother for a few days.

Mrs. Nat Price and two youngest children left Wednesday morning for Arizona to visit her mother, but upon reaching Fort Worth Mrs. Price became ill and returned home that night.

Jo David Doty left Wednesday for Fort Worth; where he will engage in practice games of tennis with his sister, Ruth, who is training for the intercollegiate championship to be played in Georgetown next Monday.

John Hughes, of Hughes & Kizer, left yesterday for points in Archer county, where the firm has two large contracts for installing private waterworks and sewerage systems on ranches in that county.

Stylish Millinery. We show the largest and best stock of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Hats in Graham and invite you to call and see the New Styles we show. S. B. Street & Co.

E. L. Howell, principal of the Graham High School for the past two years left Thursday for his home in DeLeon, Texas. Mr. Howell grows more popular with both the patrons and pupils of the school, and it is hoped that he will return to Graham for another year.

Strayed or Stolen. One bay horse mule, ten or twelve years old, shod all round, tolerably thin order, hump back, Roman nose. One black mare mule, ten or twelve years old, good order, eyes inclined to be sore. Notify John Hobson, Bridgeport, Texas and receive reward. 35c

D. G. Vick gave away a bale of cotton and an art square in front of his store Saturday afternoon. The date of the award had been advertised for some time and a large crowd was present. W. M. Dipple of the Monument community received the bale of cotton and Mrs. R. E. Lynch of this city the art square.

McCall Patterns. You need good patterns for the new style garments. Buy the best on the market—McCall's—and the easiest to use. We have all sizes and all styles. S. B. Street & Co.

Miss Edith Simmons of St. Louis, Mo., is here for a few weeks' visit with her mother, Mrs. C. C. Mayes and family. Miss Simmons is spending her vacation in the south. She is a graduate of the McKinley High School and Hosman Hall of St. Louis.

Misses Lillian Pate, Virginia Egan, Nannie Thomason, Bess James, Bertie Davis and Mary Cope, teachers in the Graham High School have all returned to their homes for the summer vacation. Each of them, as well as Mrs. Lucy K. Isaacs, who resides here, has been re-elected as teacher for the next school year.

Rev. J. Hall Bowman is taking the month of June this year instead of July as his vacation month. During the month, by appointment of Bishops McCoy and Lambreth and the Executive Committee of the Southern Methodist University, Bro. Bowman will represent that institution in New Mexico and Arizona. Bro. Bowman left for El Paso Monday.

Class Entertained.

The "Earnest Workers," Class No. 5 of the Presbyterian Sunday school, were entertained last Thursday evening at the home of their teacher, Mrs. R. G. Hallam. Games, indoors and out, were enjoyed, after which ice cream and cake were served to a number of the class and a few invited guests.

Farmers Union Gin Has New Manager.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Farmers Union Gin company last Saturday in Graham, the board elected W. E. Crim as manager for their gin at this place. Mr. Crim has been public weigher in Graham for several years, is thoroughly conversant with the cotton and gin business, and we feel sure the gin company could not have selected a better man to manage their property and look after their interests here.

Mrs. John B. Wood Gives Medal.

Last Christmas Mrs. John B. Wood offered a gold medal to her pupil in music who made the best record in practice by the close of the term. This gold medal was won by and presented to Lillie Schuster on Wednesday of last week, the winner having practiced in all 205 hours within the five months which is a remarkable record. There were twelve contestants and Miss Schuster led them all by a wide margin.

LES HIBOUX

The Auction Bridge Club met with Mrs. Fred Arnold Friday afternoon. There were three tables of Bridge and one of Rook.

Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. E. S. Graham and Miss Dorothy Graham cut for high score prize and Mrs. E. S. Graham was the winner of a pretty picture. In the cut prize Mrs. Stovall won some dainty handkerchiefs.

The hostess served delicious ice shербert and white cake with marshmallow icing.

Those present were: Mesdames Fowler, Hutchison, Gay, Norman, Stovall, B. Street, E. S. Graham, Criswell, Misses Bladen Garrett, Aline Johnson, Bessie James, Dorothy Graham. Invited guests were Mrs. Horace Tidwell, Mayzelle Morrison, and Nell Graham.

Baptist Missionary Society.

The Baptist Missionary Society met with Mrs. Philips on last Thursday, May 20, 1915. As each member arrived the hostess ushered them into the dining room where iced tea and wafers were served.

Fifteen members answered roll call with a scripture verse containing "cleanse."

Mrs. Stewart led a very interesting lesson on Africa. Song—Pass Me Not. Prayer—Mrs. Miller. Song—Jesus Paid It All. Scripture Lesson—Fifth chapter of Romans.

Missionary Continent—Mrs. McLendon. Missionary Problems—Mrs. Boswell. Africa Today—Mrs. R. F. Short.

Current Events—Mrs. Joe Wootton. Quotation—Mrs. Miller. Sitting Down on the Bible—Mrs. Short. Prayer—Mrs. Short.

Christian Church.

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Communion at 11:00 a. m. Sermon at 11:15 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

Come and be with us at these services. Receive a blessing and give one to someone. Your presence is always welcomed with us.

Christian Endeavor, 7:30 p. m.

Theme: "The call of the foreign missions; Prayer, Men, Money."—Hag. 2:4-9.

Leader—Will Johnson. Gaining through sacrifice.—2nd Cor. 8:7-9, Jess Fore.

A call from another nation—Acts, 16:6-10, Mary Wallace. Talk—Does God, whose work this is, ask for prayers, my pocket book or for me? Mr. H. L. Tidwell.

Hebrews 11:6.—Irene Reed. Isa. 7:2-3, Mrs. H. L. Tidwell. If you are not a member of the Endeavor, come and help us in our work by joining and working with us.

Presbyterian Church

The public is cordially invited to hear Rev. C. M. Hutton of Fort Worth at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and night. Help the Sunday school children reach their goal by being with them at 9:45.

Gaines B. Hall, Pastor.

Priscilla Club.

The Priscilla Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. W. D. Norman. A large number of members were present. Guests were Mesdames W. E. Crim and Geo. Baynes. The next meeting will be Sept. 14th with Mrs. J. E. Norris.

Crabb's School of Music Gives Final Recital.

Last Saturday evening, May 22, marked the close of the term of Crabb's School of Music and the event was celebrated by a very enjoyable feast of music at the High School auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. Crabb have established a splendid reputation here within the last few years by their efficient and painstaking efforts, and the musical life of Graham has been appreciably elevated. The program was rendered as published which included the following numbers, all of which were executed admirably:

"Kamennoi Ostrow" by Miss Grace Bowen, "Queen of the Fairies" by Mildred Martin and Mary Wallace, "The Maiden's Prayer" by Lois Morrison, "Birds of the Forest" by John Morrison and Mr. Crabb, "Valse de Salon" by Mary Hudson, "La Sonnambula" by Mary Wallace, "Valse in E" by Eloise Morrison, "Alice" by Lena Stoffers, "Ballade in G" by Berenice Miller, "Polonaise" by Edith Birdwell, and a Saxophone Duet by Fred Hudson and Mr. Crabb. All of these compositions are classics.

Peyton Phillips gave the only reading on the program, "The Boy's Story" which was thoroughly enjoyed. Perhaps the most interesting

event on this occasion was the awarding of medals which was done by Supt. B. W. King in a most happy manner. Four medals had been offered at the beginning of the term and the competition was keen and close. The scale medal, which is considered the highest honor in the school of music, was won by Miss Berenice Miller, who, together with Misses Eloise Morrison and Adele Jeffery, will complete the prescribed course in music next year. The medal for excellence in writing music was won by Pauline Pickard, who is now only in her second year in music. The theory medal was determined by a record of "headmarks" which proved to be a tie between two contestants, each of whom, Bessie Mayes and Ione Short, were presented with these high marks of attainment. The medal which is called "the sweepstake," from the fact that the contest is open to all the pupils of every grade, was captured by Evelyn McLendon. This prize is won by a high record for exceptional honors, for punctuality, and the standing in literary studies is also taken into consideration.

The success of the program was enhanced by the work of Fred Hudson and Jno. Morrison of the High School Band, which organization is very commendable and highly appreciated by the town at large.

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