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CHILDRESS WILL SEND DELEGATES TO RAIL HEARING

THIS CITY IS OPPOSED TO THE PLAN TO MERGE WITH SANTA FE

The Interstate Commerce Commission will hold a meeting in Fort Worth, Monday, April 23, in regard to the grouping of railroads in Texas. The plan as outlined by the Interstate Commerce Commission is to place the Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Company under Santa Fe ownership.

The business men of Fort Worth are bitterly opposed to this plan of grouping and the officials of the Denver Road and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy are also opposed to the merger. Hale Holden, president of the latter road is fighting for his company to retain control of the Colorado & Southern, the Denver Road and connections between Fort Worth and Galveston and Houston and New Orleans. Mr. Holden has pointed out that these roads are essential to the success of the Burlington System and a means of affording prompt freight service to the shippers of the West and Northwest and the Gulf States.

It is reported that only two towns on the Denver Road favor Santa Fe ownership of the Denver Road. Wichita Falls is one of them. There is no opposition to Santa Fe ownership so far as service is concerned but Panhandle-Plains towns contend that with Santa Fe ownership that the road will monopolize the railroads of the Panhandle section and no railroad expansion can be expected, as there would be no competion, so to speak.

Childress wants the Burlington System to manage the Fort Worth & Denver City Railway. Ever since Burlington officials have been in charge of the Denver Road the country has shown marked progress. The opening of direct routes to the Gulf and the Pacific Northwest has meant much to this section, and as the yield of cotton continues to increase the need of a Pacific Northwest will be felt. The Burlington now handles hundreds of bales of cotton that go to the Pacific for shipment to Japan. Japanese bidders have created a better market, for in Japan cotton can be manufactured cheaper than in England, and the Japanese are willing to pay a better price for the preferred staples.

Childress is also very much interested in a North and South railroad and is in hopes that the Santa Fe might be prevailed to build the road. Our business men feel that should the Santa Fe secure control of the Denver Road that there would be no chance for a railroad. The Santa Fe is one of the greatest railroads in the world, yet, if there is no competition, the officials could not be expected to expand the system when profits would be small. New railroads never make money until the country traversed becomes populated.

Western Texas and the Panhandle needs railroads. We have an area as large as three or four Northern states and with but a few hundred miles of railroads. As oil is discovered, cotton lands opened for settlement and irrigation projects made realities, then more railroads will be needed and it is neither wise nor just to destroy the opportunity that is coming to Western Texas.

The Index trusts that no less than ten of Childress' leading busness men will go to Fort Worth and the Chamber of Commerce should procure all data possible. Our people are not fighting the Santa Fe because of dislike but for sound reasons that the Interstate Commerce Commission does not understand Western Texas, its area, its people and the small amount that has so far been developed. To tie this country to one railroad would be a damage that would exist until competition could be allowed.

Remember to make plans to go to Fort Worth. It is true that the merger plan may go into the congressional campaigns, but now is the time to act. Congress created the Esch-Cummins bill and Congress alone can repeal it.

ATTENDING FEDERATED CLUB MEETING IN QUANAH TODAY

Mesdames Jas. W. Mitchell Ernst Davis, W. E. Davis, C. W. Barnes, P. A. Caldwell, Jack Brown, Miss Carrie Mae Diggs and a number of other local club women are attending a meeting of the Federated Woman's Clubs in Quanah today.

The members of the uniform rank of the local Odd Fellows went to Chillicothe Wednesday night for the purpose of putting on the degree work. Those who were in the party report a very pleasant time.

PROMINENT MERCHANT OF TEXAS VISITS THIS CITY

Wm. Monnig Says Childress Splendid City and Expects to Maintain Business Interests Here.

Wm. Monnig Jr., general manager of the large department store of Wm. Monnig Dry Goods Co., Fort Worth, Texas, together with Chas. Kahn, credit manager of the same firm, spent Tuesday forenoon in Childress. Mr. Monnig is interested in the M. A. Harwood Co., the new dry goods store recently opened in this city.

This was the first visit of these gentlemen to Childress and to the store. They report that they were exceedingly well pleased with the business of the company, and that it was their intention to add to the stock until it was second to none in this section. As to Childress they stated that it was a much better town than they had expected to see. That the people were wide awake and rustling for business, which was the one thing needed to make a good town. When told of the improvements being made by the city they were of the opinion that with the completion of the work being done would place Childress at the head of the towns in this section.

Mr. Monnig stated that he would make frequent visits to Childress, and that on his next trip he hoped to be in not quite such a hurry as at this time. He wanted to make the acquaintance of the people and learn more about the country. He says that his interests here are not to be temporary, but that the store is permanent, and they expect to be with Childress always in the future.

The Index is pleased to make this announcement and trusts that on the next visit of Mr. Monnig that conditions will be such that he can be shown over the city and a part of the farming country, also the site of the proposed water works system.

DENVER ROAD EMPLOYES HERE WANT BURLINGTON OPERATION

Employes of the Fort Worth & Denver City Railway are very anxious for the Burlington System to remain in control of the road. A conductor said Thursday that if the Burlington controls the Denver Road and gets a connection at Pueblo with the direct California fruit movement that this road will do twice as much through business as ever done. The conductor also said that Colorado citizens are bitterly opposed to the merging the Colorado & Southern and Fort Worth & Denver properties with the Santa Fe. He claims Colorado citizens feel that if this is done there will be no more railroad building in that state for a decade or more.

KIRKLAND NEEDS LARGE SUPPLY OF GOOD WATER

BY PROPER EFFORTS MONEY SHOULD BE SECURED AND DAM CONSTRUCTED

Kirkland business men are seeking a place to build a dam and provide an adequate supply for their town and community. Years ago there was considerable water in what was known as Bishop Lake, about three miles west of Kirkland. This area seems to be the best place to build a dam as the drainage will come off grass land and free of mineral deposits.

This paper makes the suggestion that the business men of Kirkland invite Engineer R. G. Carraway to meet with them and secure his services to determine the best location. It is probable that a place can be found on some of the country roads and the county can give aid in building the dam.

This paper believes it the duty of the commissioners' court to build dams in every community in the country, so long as the dams are placed so that travel can go over them. The impounding of water prevents destruction of bottom lands and also increases the amount of evaporation, thus increasing rainfall.

SHERIFF CRANE GETS BIG STILL WHILE IN OPERATION

J. T. Abernathy, 48, and his son Frink, 20, were arrested Thursday morning while operating a 50-gallon still in the cedar brakes ten miles south of Childress. Sheriff Jim Crane, City Marshal Compton and Deputy Dunk Barkley made the raid, and as stated, the still was in operation.

Abernathy and son were brought to Childress and bond set at $2,000 in father's case and $1,000 for the boy. Neither have made bond and both are confined in the Childress jail.

ORPHANS' HOME TO BE OPENED BY PRESBYTERIANS

HOME IS ENDOWED AND HAS FINE PROPERTY AT AMARILLO

A new Presbyterian orphans' home will soon be opened at Amarillo. Through the influence of Dr. Thompsen and the Central Church at Amarillo, there came as a special gift to this Presbytery buildings and property valued at $50,000, to be controlled by the Presbytery and used to care for orphans, not only from Presbyterian homes, but for any and all children who need a home regardless of denominational affiliation. It was stated to the Presbytery that some $16,000 had already been offered as part of $50,000 to be used as endowment for the home. There is no doubt that fifty years hence there will be many prominent men and women who will call this home blessed for its care and protection given them when orphan children needing love and sympathy.

Attendance Was Large.

The attendance was the largest in the history of the Presbytery. Seventy were served at laymen's banquet, a majority of whom were officers in local churches of the Presbytery. The program was intensely interesting and helpful, giving new ideas and inspiration to many. The reports from the various congregations show that the local congregation of Childress made larger gains in membership and offerings than most of the other churches represented. It now has a decided lead over Vernon, Memphis, Plainview, and Hereford, and only two congregations, Amarillo and Wichita Falls made better reports, thus the local church here stands third in the Presbytery.

The delegates and visitors were profuse in their praise of the local congregation for the manner in which they were entertained. The following resolution was passed by rising vote:

"Whereas, the Presbytery of Amarillo was most cordially received by the congregation of the First Presbyterian church of Childress, and treated with abounding hospitality, and,

"Whereas, the ladies of the church prepared and served in the dining room of the church most satisfying meals to all members and visitors, and, "Whereas, the pastor host, Rev. Garland Shell, fulfilled his function with great kindness and thoughtful handling, be it resolved that we express to all the aforesaid and all others, including the Rotary Club, our most heartfelt and grateful thanks, praying God's blessing on them in overflowing fulness."

PENNY SALE IS FEATURED BY A LOCAL DRUG FIRM

In this issue appears a large advertisement for the Atkinson-Blair Drug Company store, announcing a penny sale. These sales are held twice each year and are proving a feature attraction.

The store offers only standard brands of products and often things that are usually not carried in a drug store. However, the Rexall stores are carrying a different assortment of things than are usually found in drug stores and to push the sale of these articles the one cent sale is featured.

The articles will be one sale Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and you buy any article at the regular selling price and for a penny another one will be given. Don't foreget the sale and remember the dates.

The Index gives the home news first and more of it, hence the reason it has more readers in Childress county than any other advertising medium.

METHODIST MEMBERS ENJOYED A SPLENDID SOCIAL MEETING

Future Meetings Planned So That Members Will Become Better Acquainted with Activities.

There was a most delightful meeting of Methodist folks at the church building Tuesday night. The purpose of the meeting was to get acquainted and make plans for future meetings. The orchestra led by Miss Maggie Knight furnished music for the evening, while two of the classes of the Sunday school, composed of girls, sang two or three songs. Rev. M. Phelan had charge of the exercises, and after explaining the why of the gathering called upon Will P. Jones to make a short talk as to what the board of Stewards was doing. Mr. Jones made a short talk, explaining the mode and manner of securing the funds necessary to conduct the affairs of the church. Judge John W. Davidson, superintendent of the Sunday school, made a short talk in which he commended the school, and asked for a better attendance. Mrs. J. M. Crawford, representing the Woman's Missionary Society, was called upon and made a short speech in which she explained the workings of the society, also announcing that the society was spreading the refreshments.

But the event of the evening came when the announcement was made for the guests to gather in line and march forward and secure their refreshments. This call was responded to with speed and soon each and every person had a dish of cream and a large piece of cake, which seemed to make the evening more enjoyable than ever.

The meeting was so successful that it was decidede to repeat at frequent intervals in the future.

ROTARY CLUB OF QUANAH IS TEMPORARILY ORGANIZED

Wednesday afternoon Jas. W. Mitchell, Jerry W. Debenport, Ernst Davis and Fred L. Haskett went to Quanah for the purpose of organizing a Rotary Club. Fred L. Haskett acted as special representative of District Governor John V. Singleton of Waxahachie. Fifteen members were secured at the first meeting in Quanah and the club is going to be one of the best ones in Texas.

The meeting was held in the Chamber of Commerce and Secretary Theisen was very instrumental in getting th leading citizens of Quanah interested. Harry Koch, editor of the Tribune-Chief, was elected organization officer and will be the club's first president. The club will lunch on Thursdays.

TIMELY SHOWERS COVER WEST PORTION OF CHILDRESS COUNTY

Childress county from a point about three miles east of Childress received a fair crop rain Tuesday afternoon and early Wednesday morning. Again Thursday a light rain covered the entire county. Since Tuesday evening until Thursday night the weather has been cloudy and the moisture, measuring about .60 of an inch, has done a wonderful amount of good. Thousands of acres of feed have been planted and in the section receiving the heaviest fall will come up and get a good start.

The weather remains cloudy and prospects are bright for more rain, which according to the moon, should fall about next Monday or Tuesday. No water was caught in any of the lakes.

ROTARY DISTRICT GOVERNOR TO VISIT CHILDRESS SOON

John V. Singleton of Waxahachie, district governor for the Thirteenth district of Rotary International, will visit the Childress club on Tuesday evening, April 24th. It is expected that visitors will be here from neighboring clubs. A banquet will be served at the Presbyterian church. The evening meeting will take place at the regular luncheon, which is held on Wednesdays.

POULTRY RAISERS ASK TO MEET IN CHILDRESS NEXT THURSDAY

County Agent Hunter has suggested to The Index that a meeting of poultrymen be held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce on Thursday afternoon, April 19th, for the purpose of planning for the marketing of the surplus eggs of Childress county. Mr. Hunter states that at this season of the year the egg market is hard because of the fact that the farmers and others do not take proper care of the eggs. He suggests that the poultryman should not sell any but infertile eggs at this season of the year, or at least not after the first of May. Fertile eggs will become unfit for use in three or four days during the hot weather while the infertile egg will keep for some time and still be good. The buyers do not want fertile eggs at that season and will take cold storage eggs in preference.

More Information at Meeting.

It is for this reason that Mr. Hunter wants a meeting of the poultrymen of the county. He wants to arrange for the chicken raisers to take the roosters from the flocks and to produce and offer for sale only infertile eggs. It will create a market for all the eggs Childress county farmers can produce, and the price will be much better. More information will be given in the Tuesday issue.

REPORT SUBMITTED TO ROTARY CLUB SHOWS CHILDRESS COUNTY CAN VOTE BIG ROAD BOND ISSUE

CHILDRESS COUNTY HAS LESS THAN $60,000 INDEBTEDNESS AND VALUES REACH MORE THAN $7,000,000 WHICH WILL PERMIT VOTING BIG BOND ISSUE.

Wednesday's luncheon of the Rotary Club was attended by nearly all members and in addition there were some thirty guests, men who were attending the Presbytery. The program was largely in the hands of the visitors, three of whom made excellent talks.

The committee appointed to secure figures regarding the county's financial data made its reports. Hugh Black was chairman and gave the following figures:

Total values	$7,303,615
Real values	4,702,484
Outstanding bonds, wr'ants	71,000
Money in sinking fund	15,000

In figuring the amount of bonds that can be issued only real values can be used but in figuring the tax rate the total values are used.

Childress county, the figures show, has an indebtedness of only $71,000 and there is in the sinking fund ready to reduce that amount over $15,000, therefore the county's total indebtedness is only $55,000.

For roads bonds the county can issue one-fourth the amount of the real values. This would allow an issue of $1,825,903, from which must be deducted the bonds outstanding, perhaps being permissable to deduct the sinking fund.

This amount of money is not needed for the fact that the State and Federal governments will give aid to as much as the county will vote. In other words if a system of hard surfaced roads should cost $1,500,000 this county will pay one-half the amount.

It is said by some who have studied the road situation that fifty miles of hard surfaced roads can be made to go across Childress county east to west, to Tell and to the Red River bridge. Estimating that the cost for the best type of hard roads, which is brick laid on a concrete base, at $35,000 a mile the project would cost $1,750,000. Of this amount the county would be required to spend $875,000. Bonds bearing 5 per cent interest and serial bonds of fifty years duration issued, the cost for the first year would be $61,250. To secure this money a rate for the first year would be 85 cents on the hundred dollars valuation, but it would not be necessary to make the rate that high for with fifty miles of paved roads the county would require less money for upkeep of the present system, in fact the present rate assessed for road work could be reduced at least one-half.

Some may doubt the statement made above. An analysis of the county rate follows:

Jury fund	10c
Road and Bridge fund	25c
General fund	25c
Public Building fund	20c
Special Road Tax	5c
Total rate	85c

As the county does not need the money derived from the public building fund it is practically all transferred to the road fund, and with the special road tax of 5 cents, making a total of 50 cents on the hundred dollars valuation that goes for working dirt roads. Deducting the amount used out of the public building fund for that purpose, which is not more than 5 cents, the roads of Childress county use half of the money collected as taxes.

Therefore, with fifty miles of hard surfaced roads the county road tax can be reduced at least 25 cents, which deducted from the 85 cents necessary for a bond issue in the amount needed, would leave the actual rate for the bonds at 60 cents for the first year and a gradual reduction thereafter.

This paper has endeavored to be conservative in its figures and to give further enlightment as to the amount that would cover the cost of building fifty miles of paved roads, it should be taken into consideration that the road from Childress to the Red River bridge, a distance of 10½ miles, was built under Federal supervision at a cost of $80,000, and to hard surface it could be done at a saving of this amount.

These figures show the poor policy that is now being followed in Childress county as regards the upkeep of roads. We are spending enough money for the construction of a million dollar system of hard roads, and doing it every year with no roads in the county that can be classed as good as a medium road.

Some may maintain taxes are working a hardship upon the property owners. The truth is the property owners are working a hardship upon themselves in the way they compel the county officials to spend their money. So long as Childress county officials are compelled to maintain a system of roads as we now have just that long will our road tax money be wasted. The officials are in no wise to be blamed.

BULL DOGS WILL PLAY CHILDRESS HIGH TUESDAY

GAME PROMISES TO BE ONE OF THE BEST THAT WILL BE PLAYED HERE

After two postponements, one on account of the death of a faculty member and the other on account of a conflicting schedule, the contest between the Clarendon College Bull Dogs and the local high school has been definitely scheduled for Tuesday, April 17th, at Fair Park in Childress.

The Bull Dogs have just divided a series with the Central Teachers' College, of Edmond, Okla., and seem to be in much better condition than earlier in the season. Lefty Close seems to be the most dependable moundsman for the collegians.

The locals are scheduled to play in Crowell. Crowell claims to have one of the best teams in West Texas and may give the Childress lads a hard run for their money. Gibby Bellah will probably do the hurling today and Teddy Jefferies will be tuned up for the round with the Bull Dogs.

When the locals line up against the college the batting order will probably not be changed from what it has been during the last three or four games. Wolford seems to be a fixture behind the bat. He is fast, a fair hitter and has lots of life. Experience should make a very capable catcher out of him. The infield seems to have settled as follows: Pryor at first; Merritt at second; B. Kinsey at short; and Shook at third. Kite will be used at second if it becomes necessary to use Merritt at short or third. The outfield with H. Kinsey, Caradine and Cooper, will probably not be changed for the remainder of the season.

The rain west of Childress assures plenty of moisture to bring up all early feed crops and an aid to wheat.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAY FOR BENEFIT ATHLETIC FUND

Wednesday evening, May 18th at LaGrande Theatre the High School will present a play entitled, "The Lone Star" for the benefit of the Athletic Association. Miss Plummer and Mr. Long have charge of the presentation and have selected an efficient personnel for the different characters. In this paper Tuesday will be a complete outline of the play and the cast of characters.

One of the most attractive features of the entertainment is the fact that the High School orchestra will furnish the music, with special numbers between acts. The local school is proud of the orchestra, which is undoubtedly one of the best in Texas schools.

WINDS IN CHILDRESS COUNTY BLOW AWAY $40,000 YEARLY

Childress county collects about $62,000 county taxes and of this amount about $35,000 is spent on the dirt roads each year. In addition to this money some $5,000 is received as automobile taxes, which goes to the road fund. Now comes the gasoline tax, which will amount to at least $1,000. Next year not less than $42,000 will be available for the dirt roads, and worst of all, the money is spent and lost each year. Paved roads will save that enormous loss of tax money.

GATE CITY GOLF CLUB IS BEING REVIVED HERE

Clyde Davidson and J. B. Hanna have been at work this week re-organizing the old Gate City Golf Club. A number of members were received and it is expected the links will be put in good condition within a few weeks.

LOCAL CLUB WILL CONDUCT A MAY DAY PROGRAMME

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT CLUB TO PUT ON PROGRAMME AT LAGRANDE THEATRE

The Woman's Department Club are preparing to put on a May Day Festival on Saturday, May 5th, at the LaGrande Theatre at 3 o'clock. The proceeds are to go to furnish and equip the rest room that the club is going to build on the lots donated by the county commissioners' court, just south of the courthouse. They will use the $600 to pay for part of the building. It is planned to erect a Stucco building with modern conveniences to cost a little over $1,200 complete.

The May Festival will be a beautiful little play in which our young people will take part and which features the crowning of the May Queen.

To choose the May Queen each commissioner's precinct will be asked to pick a candidate and these four will be voted for until the close of the contest. Each vote will be one cent and the four highest will be the May Queen and three maids of honor.

Letters have been sent to the schools in the county asking them to vote on their candidates and bring in the name and get their tickets to vote from Miss Mable Hare at the courthouse as soon as possible, not later than Friday of next week. They can have ballot boxes in convenient places, if they don't want to vote in Childress and phone or mail in their report once or twice a week.

There will be ballot boxes and votes can be cast at any of the drug stores in Childress.

Reports will be made in each issue of the local papers and a bulletin board will be kept down town.

The club hopes that each precinct will have a candidate and that they will support her for the honor of being Queen of the Festival. Every cent that is made will be spent on the rest room which will be a home in town for every woman in the county. Let us all get busy and show our appreciation of the gift of the lots, by putting a nice rest room on it at once.

LAKE CHILDRESS DAM READY TO IMPOUND FLOOD WATERS

Engineer R. G. Carraway reports that all material was removed Wednesday from in front of the dam at Lake Childress and all is now in readiness for a big rain. The steam shovel is at work on the extreme western side and not enough water can be impounded to cover it. The dam will now impound about ten feet of water above the first valve on the intake well, which means that abut twenty-five feet of water can be impounded.

Engineer Carraway estimates that should a heavy rain fall that enough water can be saved to supply the city and railroad shops for about twelve months.

CASE OF MALICIOUS MISCHIEF

A. B. Carter reports a case of malicious mischief that occurred at his home Wednesday night. After the slight rain of Tuesday morning he had a painter to paint the front of his residence, as he wanted the paint put on before the sand should again blow. The paint was put on and on retiring Wednesday night he was feeling good over the results. But Thursday morning he had another thought coming, as he found that some one had taken a hand full of dust and mud and thrown on the side of the house at the front door. He says he has no idea who would do such an act and is of the opinion that some boy, without knowing the house was freshly painted, threw the mud. Another coat of paint will be required to cover up the damage.

RETURNED FROM REUNION

B. A. Merrick returned Thursday morning from New Orleans, where he had been a day or so to attend the Confederate reunion. Mr. Merrick states that he was not feeling well after reaching New Orleans and as the weather conditions were very bad he thought it best to come home. He regreted to leave his comrades down there, but he says they were making a good go of things when he left and feels sure they will get home alright.

In conversation with a farmer a few days ago he stated he had always made Irish potatoes in this section when he used plenty of cottonseed meal as a fertilizer. This man is of the opinion that there is not enough of the plant food in the soil here to make a crop without fertilizing the ground. Would like to have a few farmers to try out this plan and give results.

It is said that the railroad company now has a six month's supply of water in Lake Keeler. Lake Scott has considerable water but that pumping plant has been closed. When Lake Childress is formed it is believed that the railroad officials can be induced not to pump from Lake Scott and make it a pleasure lake, only to be used in cases of emergency.

Of course if you want nice, clean job printing you must come to The Index Shop.

HOUSING IMPORTANT FACTOR IN SPREAD OF TUBERCULOSIS

Housing is one of the important factors in the spread of tuberculosis, states D. E. Breed of the Texas Public Health Association. Poor housing is not confined to the large cities as is the popular belief but every town has some sections where the housing is far from sanitary.

Housing enters into the tuberculosis problem in three ways:

1.—The house itself may be infected, that is the germ of the disease may be in the walls, the floor or furnishings.

2.—The general sanitary conditions of the house may be such as to lower the resistence of those residing there.

3.—The house may contain a careless consumptive who may directly infect other members of the household.

By renovating the consumptive to a county or state sanatorium one danger of the spread of disease can be abolished. A law passed during the 33rd Legislature made it possible for every county to have its own sanatorium.

Great as is the influence of the infected house and of the consumptive in the home, it is believed that housing affects the incidence of tuberculosis mostly by lowering the resistence of those living in unsanitary homes.

Much can be done to stop the spread of tuberculosis if only sanitary homes, shops, offices and public buildings are allowed to be constructed. All buildings should be constructed so as to allow plenty of sunshine and fresh air.

RANGE CONDITION IS BETTER

Jack Smith, manager of the Smith ranch north of the Red River, reports very good rains over their range, which will cause grass to grow rapidly. Mr. Smith says that cattle have wintered as good as could be desired and that there is going to be plenty of early grass and weeds.

POEM BY UNCLE JOHN

SHELTER

I know you remember the childhood hour, when April called from her bluegrass dell,—I know you haven't forgot the shower that gave no warnin' as it fell. . . . And I'm sure you recall the childish glee that suddenly changed to keen regret when Daddy called out, to you an' me, "Come in —you children—out of the wet!"

And—we obeyed, as we knowed we must,—but we whimpered a lot, as children do,—we held no dread of the April gust, that pelted right down, from skies so blue. . . . For children love the patterin' rain, that lays the dust, an' cools the sweat,—You have to remind 'em, time and again, afore they'll come in, out of the wet!

"'Twas ever thus" of the human kind, when venturesome sperits dared the rain,—our appetites has allers been blind, till they fetched us down, on the bed of pain. . . . So, I hark back to Daddy's command, which impressed me, so's I can't ferget,—and I can't help callin' the heedless band, —"Come in—you children—out of the wet!"

CITY PLANNING TO CLEAN MAINS FOR FILTERED WATER

COST WILL RUN CLOSE TO $10,000 BUT MUST BE DONE THIS SUMMER

A representative of a New York concern will be in Childress within a few days to prepare an estimate of cost to clean the cast iron water mains. It is believed the mains can be thoroughly cleaned for about $10,000.

The New York concern manufactures cast iron boxes and the mains are cut and these boxes placed permanently in the mains. After a box is placed a large steel-bristle brush is inserted in the main and the pressure turned on. The brush is propelled through the main and the mud is forced from the opening of another box. In this manner the mains are perfectly cleaned. The installation of boxes is the cost of the first job and once installed the mains can be cleaned for a nominal sum.

Mayor Jas. W. Mitchell says the mains will not be cleaned until after there is enough water in Lake Childress to keep the pumps running for several months. Once filtered water is available the mains can be kept clean of mud, which creates a very unpleasant odor.

MACHINISTS WERE HOSTS TO FELLOW WORKMEN MONDAY

The Machinists branch of the Shop Association were hosts to the rest of their fellow workmen and families at the Bybee Hall on Monday evening, April 10th.

Music for the dancing was furnished by the Shackleford Orchestra. Ice cream and cakes from Simmon Confectionery were served by the committee and a very enjoyable evening was reported by all present.

The committee in charge, Messrs. Cavener and Sigler report that seeing that every one enjoyed themselves so well that there will be more doing in the near future. The time and date will be announced in The Index.

The rains have been of sufficient quantity to bring up all feed crops and make grass grow. Childress county is starting off in fine condition for a bumper crop year.

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MUCH INTEREST IS BEING SHOWN IN ATHLETIC EVENTS

COUNTY CONTESTS HAVE ENCOURAGED STUDENTS IN ATHLETIC WORK

County meet contests of the University of Texas Interscholastic League's annual elimination series to determine high school literacy and athletic champions of the state have just been completed, and the names of winners will be duly certified to the district directors general, and the district directors of athletics. Districts meets will be held on April 13 and 14, and on April 20 and 21, between the county meet winners, and the thirteenth annual Interscholastic meet will be held in Austin, May 3 to 5th, to determine the state champioins in each event between district winners.

After the completion of the district meets, the certified list of winners will be filed with the state office of the League by the district directors. Identification certificates will then be issued to entitle the winners and members of their immediate family and faculty representatives to the special railroad rate of one and one-half fare, which has been already authorized. The special rate tickets have as time limits, May 1 to 8.

From a small beginning in 1910, when the Interscholastic League was organized in Abilene, as a division of the Extension Department of the University of Texas, the league now includes county organizations in 223 counties of Texas. The league settles more school championships than any other similar organization in the country, and because of the number of square miles covered by Texas, determines winners over a greater area than any other similar organization. The league meet is strictly an invitation affair, and only the high school declaimers, debaters, track men, and tennis players who have proved their rank by winning over all other contenders in their district are eligible for competition.

Perhaps the most outstanding feature of the league's annual meet is the fact that so many rebates are made to the contestants who come to Austin, covering practically 72 per cent of the individual representative's expenses. The rebates are granted to all schools 100 miles or more from Austin, and last year $9,000 was rebated back to the contestants. Because of the general interest taken throughout the state, 2,500 people are expected at the league meet in Austin this year.

APPLICATION BLANKS FOR TRAINING CAMPS AVAILABLE

Dr. Roy E. Barr, commander of the local Legion Post, has received application blanks for the Citizens' Military Training Camps. The Index also has a supply of the blanks and all Childress county boys or young men who desire to go to one of the camps this summer should make application at once.

The Government pays railroad transportation to and from the camps, furnishes clothing and food and pays the regular army salary. Childress applicants will be sent to Fort Sill, adjoining Lawton, Okla., and the camp opens July 28 and closes August 26th. The age limit is from 17 to 24.

D. S. M. IS AWARDED MAJOR A. W. BLOOR

Alfred W. Bloor of Austin, now a Major in the United States Army and on duty at the Army War College at Washington, has been awarded a Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility as Colonel commanding the 142nd Infantry of the Thirty-Sixth Division, composed of Texas and Oklahoma National Guard units.

INSTALLING A WATER PUMP

Drilling has been suspended on the Givens' well for a few days until a water pump can be installed. Mike Healy is here personally superintending the work. Mike has been bringing in some of the big gushers in the Smackover field in Arkansas.

In its larger aspects forestry is not merely a land problem, but an agricultural problem, says Col. William B. Greeley in the annual report of the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Not only should lands best suited to forests be used for forests but these forests should be intensively managed, as farms are intensively managed.

Federal agricultural experiment stations in Alaska and the insular possessions, Hawaii, Porto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands, are studying approximately 150 different problems relating to the agriculture of the regions in which they are located, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Counties employing an agricultural extension agent call for approximately twice as many bulletins from their State agricultural college as do counties having no agent, a study made in Kansas shows, according to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Dances 27 Hours



Alma Cummings, of San Antonio, Tex., wore the soles off her slippers, but she danced to a world record by keeping going for 27 hours and 3 minutes. Five partners were exhausted in her New York performance. British and French dancers started the craze after records.

SEYMOUR IS PUSHING A GREAT IRRIGATION SYSTEM

The people of Seymour, Baylor county, are now working on a scheme to secure a large irrigation plant for that county. It is proposed to build a dam across the Brazos River a few miles west of Seymour, which will form a large reservoir the water from which would irrigate more than one hundred thousand acres of land. It is claimed that the Seymour project would be 60 feet higher than the Wichita Falls project now in the making, and without much cost the surplus water could be taken from the Brazos river to the Wichita Falls plant. The state engineers are to make a survey of the Seymour project, and if they pronounce it a feasible one the matter will be called to the attention of the State and National governments, in which aid will be sought to put the project through.

This is a great plan and is only one of the numerous projects that could be builded through the State. It will be many years before all of these projects will be built, but many years from now the people of this section of Texas will be wondering how the people of this day managed to make a living under present conditions.

RULING AFFECTS POWERS OF TEXAS CORPORATIONS

A Texas corporation has no power either to subscribe or purchase shares of stock in another corporation unless such power is expressly conferred upon it by its charter or statute, or unless such purchase and ownership of stock is necessary to carry out the purpose of the corporation, the Attorney General's Department has ruled in an opinion given District Attorney Cox at Dallas.

A DOCTOR DOCTORED

A live-wire salesman rushed up to the home of a doctor in a small village late one night and asked him to come at once to a distant town.

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Upon their arrival the salesman asked, "Huw Much is your fee, doctor?"

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NEW CEMETERY IS NOW PLANNED TO BE OPENED SOON

ORGANIZATION PLANS TO BUY LAND WEST OF CHILDRESS AND BEAUTIFY PLOT

This paper has received information that plans are on foot for the organization of another cemetery association for Childress. It is said land will be purchased two miles out from the city and located so that a water line can be laid and connected with the pump line from Lake Childress. Three or four sites are available and if the association is formed the cemetery will be plated and beautified before any lots are sold.

It is said the association will restrict the sale of lots and that the price will not be less than $25 a lot. The plan is for erection of a chapel in the center of the grounds and all streets will lead from this building, permitting many avenues for exit. The blocks will be curbed and all graves will have to be marked in a permanent manner, also the association will not permit mounds to be formed over the graves. In digging a grave the sod will be removed and saved. All loose dirt will be carted away and sod replaced. As plenty of water will be available for irrigation it is believed that burmuda grass can be made to cover the entire cemetery. Along the border of the cemetery trees that will grow to great size will be planted while inside the ground trees of an ornamental variety will be used.

The association expects to create a fund from the sale of lots that will be held in trust and the interest will be used for the purpose of upkeep in after years.

Edmund L. Wheeler, formerly postmaster at Paducah, was sentenced to a year and a day in the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. Wheeler was tried before Judge Atwell at Wichita Falls, Tuesday. Wheeler was charged with appropriating $1,607 of the postal funds for his own use.

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EFFECT OF WEATHER ON CROPS OF CORN, OATS AND COTTON

Definite relations exist between weather conditions and the yields of various important crops. Studies have been conducted by the Weather Bureau, United States Department of Agriculture, to determine the influence of the weather on the yield of potatoes, corn, oats, and cotton. The effort has been to show the kind of weather that has the greatest influence in varying the yield of a crop, as well as the most critical period of growth. There is a possibility, many believe, that the yield of several important crops may be predicted considerably before harvesting time from a knowledge of anticedent weather conditions. The weather must be taken into account up to about harvest date for oats, but the probable yield for corn can be determined by the end of July and of cotton at the end of June in the eastern part of the belt.

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Friday, April 13, 1923.

The spring rains have started.

Grass is growing and turning the whole country green.

Good roads are the making of any community. Go where you will, find good roads and the people are enterprising and contented.

Today is Friday, the 13th. This event has happened little more than a hundred times during the past hundred years but will occur twice this year.

After the rains of Wednesday and Thursday, Friday morning opened bright and clear. The sun is shining warm, which will make plant life spring up and grow rapidly. The prospects for Childress county are as good as one could wish for.

When the moonshiners of western Pennsylvania rebelled against the liquor tax laws, President Washington sent 15,000 soldiers and the insurrection was suppressed in short order. That was an inspiring example for the present generation to follow in dealing with liquor smuggling.

Lee J. Roundtree, editor of the Bryan Eagle, is being mentioned for the nomination for Lieutenant Governor next year. Mr. Roundtree has been in the public eye of Texas for many years. He is well known as a newspaper man and has been a member of the State Legislature three or four terms. His qualifications are such that he would fill the office with credit to himself and the position.

The regular session of the Legislature appropriated all the money the State had, or will likely have for several months, therefore the great question that will come before the special session which meets Monday is to make laws which will fill the treasury before the regular tax-paying time. Little men will not be able to do this, so the wise men of the Legislature will have to take charge and make laws that will accomplish the ends desired.

The progressive citizens of Clay county have voted a bond issue of $575,000 for the purpose of building hard surfaced roads in that county. An injunction was sought to prevent the issuance of the bonds, but at the trial of the case at Henrietta the judge set aside the injunction. It is very likely the case will go to the higher courts, as Clay county has much of its lands in ranches in large bodies and these owners do not want to see good roads, much less help pay for them.

Newspaper reports are to the effect that President Harding does not like the publicity that is being given his proposed speaking trip through the western part of the United States in June and July. It is said that he did not propose to make a political trip, but the trip is being made for the purpose of looking into conditions and to get in touch with the public sentiment of the country. It is even intimated that he might not make the trip because of the fact that the leaders of the Republicans were endeavoring o make political capital out of it. Well, the poor leaders must have something to put a little more pep in the party following.

The Index has received information that is considered reliable to the effect that at the extra session of the Legislature, which meets Monday, that Governor Neff will request that the recent organization of the One Hundredth Judicial District be repealed. This no doubt has been brought about by the almost unanimous apposition that has developed in the new district. But one paper has favored the new district, and only a few lawyers in the district have been in favor of the change. There is no doubt but that the members of the Legislature from this section of the State have received ample proof that the making of two districts was against the wishes of the voters and that the voters would have something to say when the next election comes around.

Jerry Debenpodt, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, says he is going to look after more visits to the work at Lake Childress. In the future when there are visitors in Childress who are being entertained by the citizens or by the Chamber of Commerce their round of visits will include a visit to the proposed lake. This is a good idea, as Childress has a good advertisement to sell and nothing should be permitted to interfere with the selling of that one thing, that Childress is preparing for water in such quantities that no man, in the future, can say ought against the town along this line. As we who have lived in Childress from ten to thirty years know the great talk against the town has been its want of water, but with the completion of the work now under way that want will be supplied for thirty or forty years to come.

HIGHWAY DEVELOPMENT

Highway development is more and more claiming the attention of our most successful business men and the farmers. It has not been many years since the highway booster was regarded with more or less tolerance and apology just as the town drunkard was in former times. But with the advent of the motor as an important means of transportation serious business men began to recognize in our highways a very important part of any well-balanced development program.

Now highway boosting is no longer a pastime for the commercial secretary or the well-intentioned but misguided idealist. Every man who wants to see his county go forward is for better highways. It has come to be a rare thing for a community to defeat a bond issue for good roads. Ten years ago the passage of a bond issue for paving the country roads was a thing to attract wide attention.

Wilbarger county has made a splendid start toward a system of hard surfaced highways radiating from the county seat as the center. But we need more highways and better highways and the work should be continued until every section of the country is penetrated by hard-surfaced roads. Local interest in highways centers largely in their utility to the people of the county in which they are constructed, but the matter of traffic between cities and states is likewise important.

State and Federal highway authorities are giving attention to roads that start somewhere and go somewhere nowadays. The goal is a great national system of connected highways into all parts of the country. Wilbarger county is fortunately situated in this regard. Important transcontinental motor trails pass this way. But this advantage carries with it certain obligations. To retain the great hiihways which now traverse the country we must work harmoniously and whole heartedly with the agencies of the State and Federal governments.

State control of highways is coming to Texas in the near future, and the more roads we build before that time arrives the more certainly our status will be fixed so far as transcontinental highways are concerned. Highways passing through the county "that start somewhere and go somewhere" serve a double purpose. Their utility for local use need not be impaired by making them a part of the great national system of highways. The advantage in prompt action is that we can adapt the highways to our local needs before the local authority is supplanted by State authority as it most certainly will be in the next few years.—Vernon Record.

A merchant advertises for business for the reason he has a bargain to offer the purchaser. The bargain may be in price or quality or both. The Index is the best advertising medium for Childress merchants because it has more readers in this trade territory and renders a better news service. That is worthy of consideration. Don't forget this paper when you want to reach the people about your business.

Any information that will assist or enable the Childress county farmer to produce better crops, especially during the dry years, is of great importance to our people. For that reason The Index would be more than pleased to report any information of that kind.

A number of Quanah business men are expected here next Wednesday to attend the Rotary Club luncheon. After the luncheon the visitors will be taken out to the Lake Childress dam and shown what Childress is doing to have a permanent water supply.

Mr. Thomas A. Edison is reported in the press as having said: "America is a sober nation. All this talk about the trouble of prohibition enforcement comes from the cities. The country is law abiding. And what a fine thing it is!"

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With the beginning of the cropping season do not forget a piece of ground for the Childress State Fair. Try to raise something that can go on the exhibit tables.

E. H. Steed of east of town, was a visitor Thursday. He says he has some early feed planted, and with a little more moisture he feels sure it will make.

About 86 per cent of the lumber used in Alaska is cut from the national forests, according to the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

The Oklahoma governor has cut six million dollars from the appropriation bills as passed by the Legislature of that State.

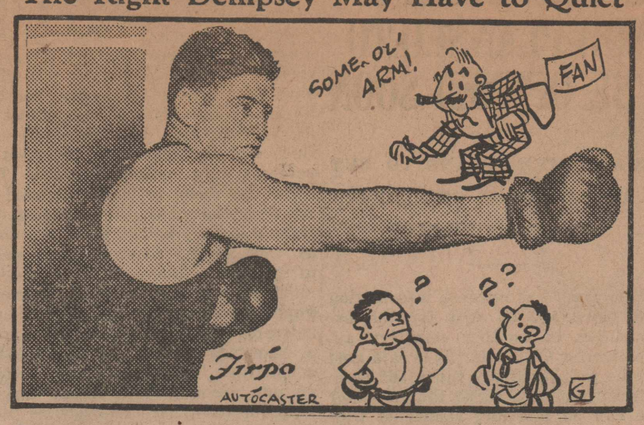
South and West Texas had heavy rains the fore part of the week, but along the Denver Road the fall was rather light.

The United States Steel Corporation has advanced the wages of the unskilled men 11 per cent, effective April 16th.

While District Court is to meet in May the docket is very small, being no important cases at all.

The Index contains the home news.

The Right Dempsey May Have to Quiet



When Luis Angel Firpo, Argentine Tiger Mna, knocked Bill Brennan cold in twelve rounds (the same number it took Dempsey) at New York last week, South America made its first serious bid to fistic titles. This big dark man without a smile weighs 210 pounds and proved his fighting heart when he took all Brennan could shoot at him and still had a mighty knockout wallop left. If Firpo comes through a summer campaign with a record with his defeat of Brennan, a match with Dempsey for the title will likely be staged in the fall—if not in America, then at Buenos Ayres, S. A.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Childress county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the county of Childress, if there be a newspaper published in said county, but if not, in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof you summons Blanche Ashcraft whose residence is unknown to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, in and for the county of Childress at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the county of Childress at the Court House thereof in Childress, Texas on the first Monday in May, 1923, the same being the 7th day of May 1923. The number of said cause being 1269 then and there to answer the petition of Jas. D. Ashcraft, plaintiff, filed in said court on the 5th day of April A. D. 1923 against the said Blanche Ashcraft, defendant, and alleging in substance as follows:

That on Sept. 18, 1913, at Great Falls, Montana, plaintiff was lawfully married to the defendant then a single woman and a widow. Blanche Hopwood, and that he and his said wife lived together as husband and wife from the time of their said marriage, until on or about Nov. 10, 1918, and your petitioner further further shows it was his constant and steady object to render his wife comfortable and happy, and to supply her every need and want, and support her in a decent and respectful manner, which he did to the best of his ability, that he was at all times affectionate and kind to his wife during their coverture aforesaid, and that she never had the least cause to suspect this Plaintiff of being derelict in regard to any of his marriage obligations, and that unexpectedly to your Petitioner, and without his consent, and without any cause or provocation known to Plaintiff, his wife, Blanche Ashcraft, on or about Nov. 10, 1918, left the bed and board of Plaintiff with the avowed intention of abandonment. Plaintiff further shows that he has repeatedly requested said wife to return to the bed and board of Plaintiff, but that she has refused to do so, and does now so refuse to do the same.

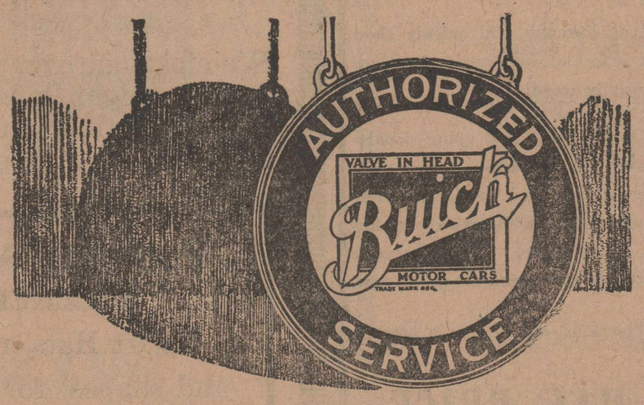
Wherefore, Plaintiff prays the Court that Defendant be cited to appear and answer this petition, and for judgment dissolving the marriage relations between Plaintiff and Defendant for costs of suit, and such other and further relief, special and general in law and in equity, to which he may be entitled, etc.

Herein Fail Not, but have you then and there before said Court this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, in Childress, Texas, this 5th day of April A. D. 1923.

Attest J. M. ALEXANDER,
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JACK—I have a large Mammoth Jack and a Percheon stallion that will stand this season on the Perry place, one-half mile south of Cottonwood school house. Terms $12.50 to insure colt. J. R. LEGATE. 40p

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MANY INITIATED INTO MYSTERIES SECURITY LODGE

HUNDRED AND EIGHTY NEW MEMBERS JOINED LOCAL LODGE TUESDAY NIGHT

J. M. Kirkpatrick of Topeka, Kan., arrived in the city on the evening train Tuesday for the purpose of conducting an initiation of candidates in the Blooming Rose Camp of Childress.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was met by a delegation at the train and escorted to the Mecca Cafe, where a banquet had been spread in his honor. There were a number of guests at this occasion. After the banquet the participants repaired to the courthouse, where the class was to be initiated.

Both of the local lodges took part in the work, as there were 180 candidates for initiation. The work was accompanied by moving pictures of the scenes of the initiation, something that was entirely new to a large part of the members. The gathering was a most pleasant one for all, and it is said that the possible ill feelings that have been existing between the lodges have been healed by the joint meetings, and that from now on the lodge will work in unsion.

Mr. Kirkpatrick left on the night train for Dallas, where he is to initiate a large class. He expects to pay Childress another visit within a couple of months, as the work here is large enough to demand a part of his time.

CHILDRESS BOYS IN VERNON AS ATHLETIC CONTESTANTS

While the number of contestants from Childress in the district meet at Vernon today and tomorrow will be less than is usually sent, the meet who will make up the track squad are counted on to win their part of the points. Red Andrews has had experience in the distance races and is in shape to repeat last year's performance in winning the mile. Mont Wolford will work in the dashes, Cooksey, in the broad jump, Bellah will handle the weights, Atkinson, Smith, Newberry and others, will be entered in the middle distance events.

Practically all track and field events scheduled for Saturday afternoon. Debates and declamation contests will take up most of the time Friday and Friday night.

OLD LANDMARK DESTROYED

A small frame residence belonging to Mrs. A. West, who does not reside here, was destroyed by fire Tuseday night, being a total loss. The house was occupied by W. M. Creamer and the household goods were insured. Loss of house about $800. There was $600 insurance on the household goods, it is reported. The residence was located on North Main, a block north of the courthouse and was erected about 1892, being one of the landmarks of the city.

Ralph Hull, a striking employe of the Santa Fe railway at Amarillo, was convicted in the District Court at that place Wednesday on the charge of attempt to murder. The assault was made last July during the strike, the victim being L. T. Martin. The case was tried before a jury. The Amarillo paper states that it is doubtful if an appeal will be made.

Mayor Mitchell plans to seine the City Lake this afternoon and take the larger bass and crappie and place them in Lake Chldress. There is considerable water in the latter lake and it is believed now the proper time to stock the lake.

A postmaster's examination has been ordered for Paducah.

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KIRKLAND MERCHANT IS TO FURNISH PLANTING SEED FREE

L. T. Hunter, county demonstration agent, met with the demonstration agent of Hardeman county at Kirkland, Wednesday, for the purpose of making arrangements for furnishing seed to the club boys and girls of that section. There are two or three school districts there which take in parts of Childress and Cottle county, also Childress and Hardeman counties, and the purpose of the meeting was to arrange the work for those districts that lie in two counties, as it was necessary that the work be uniform and under one management. The plans were worked out and the club boys will be looked after in the right way.

C. W. Furr, a prominent merchant of Kirkland, agreed to furnish free of all charges all seed that would be required by the various clubs. The club members will save to call upon Mr. Furr with the proper credentials when they will be supplied with the seed required or wanted. This was a liberal donation on the part of Mr. Furr, showing that the merchants of the country realize the great good that will come to the boys and girls when given proper encouragement.

Agent Hunter says he expects to see some good work done in that section this year, as the club members are starting with a surplus of enthusiasm to carry them through the work.

GIVENS' WELL IS DRILLING AND CASING FOLLOWS HOLE

The Givens' well is now drilling at 1,700-feet and the 10-inch casing is following close above the bottom of the hole. A shut-down was necessary this week to repair a water pump but the day tower was on the job Thursday. Prospects are bright for a real oil well and scouts who have made visits to the well state that progress is very fast in drilling. Some believe the well will touch a gas sand, which would be worth as much as a coal mine.

Childress and vicinity was visited by a nice little shower Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning. The fall was almost half an inch. The reports are to the effect the rain reached to the west as far as Clarendon. but not very far east. A report from some one stated the rain extended as far as Crosbyton on the southwest. The conditions are such that more rain will fall during the week.

Owing to the large number of persons desiring state teachers' examinations in May, the State Superintendent has decided to hold an examination on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5th. Those wishing to take the examination should register with the county superintendent by April 20. If there are no registrations, the examining board will not be convened.

During the past fiscal year $5,068,527.42 of national forest revenue was paid into the Federal Treasury, according to the annual report of the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. These receipts are from the use of timber, forage, and land, including water-power sites.

Tom Rice and Milt Goode were refused bond at Seminole, Texas for the murder of H. L. Roberson and A. D. Allison, cattle inspectors. The examining trial brought out very damaging testimony against the two men.

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HEIFER CALVES TO BE SPAYED BY A LOCAL RANCHMAN

CREWS SAYS THIS METHOD IS SURE MEANS OF REDUCING RANGE CATTLE

Chas. E. Crews, manager of Crews Brothers ranch, stated Thursday morning that they are preparing to have five hundred head of heifers spayed just as soon as a man can be secured to do the work.

"Southwestern cattlemen are going to spay all heifers for the next three years," stated Mr. Crews. "By spaying the heifers and selling off the old cows production of cattle will be lowered until a cow or steer will be worth some money. The cattleman must have more money for his animals and it seems that the only way to get the money is to reduce the number of animals.

"We expect to spay all heifers for the next three years and will sell our old cows. A spayed heifer will make as good beef as a steer and there is little difference in their weight at the same age," said Mr. Crews.

The various cattlemen's associations are advising that heifers be spayed and reduce the number of range animals. By this method it is believed range cattle can be reduced in number at least fifty per cent in three years.

Have you bought that new Spring suit? We have made-to-measure clothing. Elite Tailor Shop. Telephone 126. 37tfc

CHILDRESS BANK DEPOSITS OVER MILLION DOLLARS

The banks statements as published in The Index on Tuesday of this week show the banks to be in very good condition. The loans are not over heavy, while the rediscounts are not large, one bank not having any. The deposits are holding up very much better than was to be expected for this time of the year. The deposits in the three banks foot up $1,053,780.27. Taking into consideration that the town and community has not fully recovered from the railway strike that was started last July, also that the crops of Childress county were almost a total failure, the deposits are much lower than would have been expected.

The Childress banks are entering the summer months in very good condition and if conditions in a farming way should continue to improve the banks will have more money in a few months than at present.

SPECIAL SALE OF DRESS

Levine's Fashion Shop will hold a special sale of ladies' and misses' dress Monday. Manager Levine stated that these special Monday sales are going to be regular events in the future, and the women desiring some out of the ordinary quality at a low price should avail themselves of the bargains. Read the advertisement on page three and note wonderful bargains offered.

DOG POISON IS RECEIVED

The Chamber of Commerce has received 600 pounds of prairie dog poison that is for sale to local farmers. This is the last shipment that will be received this year and those wanting it will be served as they call at the secretary's office.

FARMERS, ATTENTION!

I will be in the market each Friday and Saturday for the purchase of hogs for market. On Saturday I will pay 7 cents per pound for hogs. Bring in your fat hogs and get the money for them. Ship every Saturday.

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IMPROVING DRUG STORE

Atkinson-Blair Drug Co., is having a part of the furniture re-arranged so as to make a parlor for the serving of drinks and cream. When completed they will have a nice cozy place.

NO STOCK WATER CAUGHT

The rain Thursday morning put lots of moisture in the ground, but was not heavy enough to make stock water.

The Index contains the home news.

Which Is Larger the Sun or a Cent

The sun is the largest but you can hold the cent so close to your eye that you'll lose sight of the sun. Don't let a cheap price or a big can baking powder make you lose sight of quality.

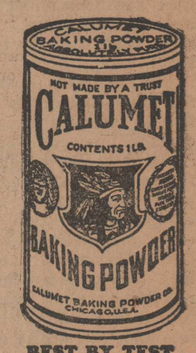
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CITY BUILDING IS NOT WORK FOR A FEW LIVE-WIRES

WHOLE CITIZENSHIP SHOULD BE WILLING TO PUSH HOME TOWN TO TOP ROUND

City building is not the function of political parties, nor of any faction or clique, but is the business of the whole citizenship. Each individual is a stockholder in the community where he lives and the value of his stock varies directly in proportion to the diligence with which he performs his duties as a citizen. The payment of taxes, voting in elections, and things of that nature are but minor parts of those duties. In their entirety they can not be discharged in a moment nor should they ever be let quite out of mind. A policy may be decided upon instantaneously but to put in effect requires hours of patient labor and of earnest thought. Often the present ought to be sacrificed for the sake of the future, and here self-denial and inflexible courage are necessery. Men of vision must blaze the way for others to follow.

City building is therefore a task for which Rotary Clubs are peculiarly fitted. "Service above self" does not demand immediate benefits but enables us to lay adequate foundations for future achievement. Our reward will come from the consciousness of a righteous struggle, waged energetically and destined for ultimate success. Fellowship and the Golden Rule lead us down the way of broad-mindedness along which we can link forces with our compatriots, appreciate and sympathize with their points of view, and co-operate with them or utilize their strength.

There is nothing mystical about city building. Supply food in quantity and growth will invariably follow. Paved streets, elaborate public buildings, palatial residences—these are merely evidences of existing wealth. highly desirable in themselves but not essential contributory elements to growth. They are a city's clothing, not it's food; and in their clothing cities like individuals may frequently exceed the resources of their purse.

It has been said that the mind when it fully realizes the necessity for a thing and desires it strongly enough can devise a way for accomplishing it. The task is two-fold: First, to ascertain what method is most suited for developing those natural resources we have been given, and second, to enlist the enthusiastic co-operation of all our fellow citizens in applying that method. The community mind must be aroused to the necessity of supplying a community food which will not merely sustain life but which will invigorate our civil body and whet our ambition to a cutting edge.

This is no mean undertaking but one which any patriotic group would be proud to accomplish.

CHILDRESS ROTARIANS WILL PUT ON PROGRAM AT VERNON

Governor John V. Singleton has notified Jas. A. Allen, secretary of Rotary Club of Childress, that the local club is expected to put on a program at Vernon on Tuesday, May eighth.

On Wednesday, May 16th, the Vernon club will come to Childress and put on a program. It is expected that the Electra club will have members present at the Vernon meeting. At the luncheon held in Childress a number of members of the newly organized club at Quanah are expected to attend.

Bring that old broken gun along, too. We fix them. General Repair Shop, rock building north of Land's garage. 39tf

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No. 309

Official Statement of the financial condition of

THE FIRST STATE BANK

at Kirkland, Texas, at the close of business on the 3rd day of April, 1923, published in The Childress Index, a newspaper printed and published at Childress, Texas, on the 13th day of April, 1923.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	$110,896.51
Loans, real estate	4,000.00
Overdrafts	247.73
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	1,600.00
Real Estate (banking house)	3,500.00
Other Real Estate	11,554.66
Furniture and fixtures	3,866.62
Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand	26,349.50
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,946.09
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	5,106.39
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange	NONE
Total	$170,057.50

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	2,500.0
Undivided profits, net	4,404.00
Individual deposits, subject to check	91,075.83
Cashier's Checks	721.09
Bills payable and Rediscounts	21,356.58
Total	$170,057.50

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Childress.

We, C. W. Furr as president, and W. W. Williamson as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

C. W. FURR, President
W. W. WILLIAMSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of April, 1923.

W. L. RUSSELL, Notary Public,
Childress County, Texas

CORRECT—ATTEST:
W. St. CLAIR, J. F. CARTER, C. W. FURR, A. L. HARP, Directors.

$40,000,000 ANNUAL LOSS TO CORN CROPS BY EARWORM

An annual loss of over $40,000,000 to the corn crop of the United States is caused by the corn earworm. This is an average of 2 per cent for the entire acreage, but the loss is considerably higher in some sections, especially in the Southern States, making the corn earworm of particular importance in this region.

Every corn grower is familiar with the corn earworm, but few realize the full extent of the loss it occasions to the field-corn crop of this country, which no doubt is somewhat responsible for the apparent unconcern with which it is generally regarded. The corn earworm also works on cotton, where it is known as the bullworm, on tobacco, and on early tomatoes, vetch, and a variety of other plants.

Each grower of corn, according to the United States Department of Agriculture, with little extra cost or effort, may reduce his loss from earworm ravages by at least one-half through cultural practices alone. If a variety of corn well suited to local conditions, but having a long, tight husk, is selected for planting, the number of worms able to reach the kernals of the ear through the silk channel will be considerably reduced. If this variety is planted so as to have it silk at the most favorable time—that is, when the moths which lay the eggs, and prefer to lay them on the silk, are the least abundant—the subsequent damage will be less.

Spraying or dusting of the whole corn plant on a large scale is costly and ineffective. A fair degree of control may be obtained by dusting the silks with a mixture of half arsenate of lead and half finely ground sulphur, but this is also expensive and impractical, except for market gardners growing sweet corn or for those specially desiring corn for seed or for show purposes.

Tuesday night's rain extended about three miles east of Childress. From the Rhyne farm on to Quanah only a sprinkle fell. At the Couch and Carter farms water stood in the lister rows, also some water ran into the surface lakes.

Wheat between Childress and Quanah does not look very promising and the only fields that appear real green are just to the east of Childress. Between Kirkland and Quanah some of the fields are being prepared for cotton.

If you want that suit pressed best send it to the Elite Tailor Shop. Telephone 126 and we will call for it and deliver same day. 37tfc

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Mainspring broke on the talking machine? Why worry with it. Take it to the General Repair Shop. 39tf

ENGINE MAKER IN FAVOR WORKMEN SET THEIR HOURS

PRESIDENT VAUCLAIN OF THE BALDWIN WORKS MAKES AN ADDRESS AT HOUSTON

Samuel M. Vauclain, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, Tuesday addressed 700 business men at Houston, defending the "open shop," and attacking Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor as an enemy of progress. Mr. Vauclain said:

"As for this so-called open shop movement," he said, "I have had an open shop all my life and will have one as long as I live. My shop opens at 7 o'clock every morning, and I am there to see that it is open. I see that my employes are there, my clerks and foremen.

"I believe in labor unions, but I believe in only one and that is the one with the Constitution that was written in 1776; the one that provides that a man may work where he pleases, for whom he pleases and when he pleases. The workmen in my shop work 10 hours each day and can work longer if they care. My night men are there 13 hours and they, too, can work longer. Work is the cure for industrial ills."

"Gompers is making threats as to what dire mishaps will befall President Harding in the event he declares for the open shop," he continued. "Who is he, to make such statements, and what has he done and what is he doing to build up industries?

"Now is the time to stop this propaganda and agitation and come back to life. I see ahead a great crisis and if it is not met certain lines of business will fall. Get out here and stir up your voters. Keep political demogogues out of office. Let's have less legislation and there will be less law breaking. Let us look after our own affairs and during the next five years we will have prosperity the likes of which we have never had before."

The Index contains the home news.

NOTICE

Those members of the Security Benefit Association No. 2245 who have been paying their dues to Mrs. H. A. Henderson are hereby notified that the books are at the T. L. Welch hardware store, where dues will be collected and receipts given. Hardy Caddell, president; Mrs. M. E. Higginbotham, financier.

PITTMAN JERSEY DAIRY HAS PURCHASED WRIGHT DAIRY

W. D. Wright has sold his herd of dairy cows to Dr. S. A. Pittman and milk customers in Childress are now being served entirely by the Pittman Jersey Dairy. The dairy business is a hard one to make pay and there is no need for more than one dairy in Childress. One firm can make money out of the business and at the same time build up a herd of fine cows and use all modern means of sanitation in handling milk. This paper bespeaks success to Dr. Pittman and trusts that he will be able to build a dairy here as good as can be found in the state.

The editors of this paper are endeavoring to get all the local news and it is necessary to condense most of the articles as much as possible. In this paper the readers will find home news on every page, something that will not be found in most country newspapers, especially twice-a-week newspapers.

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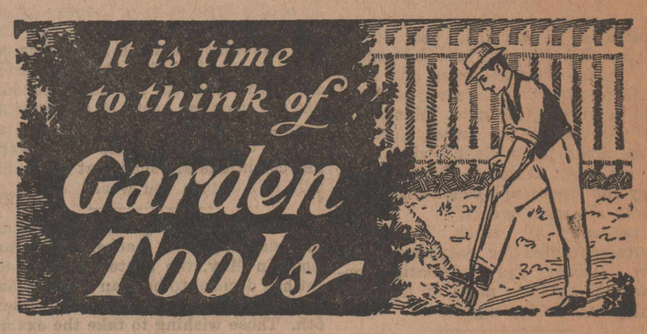


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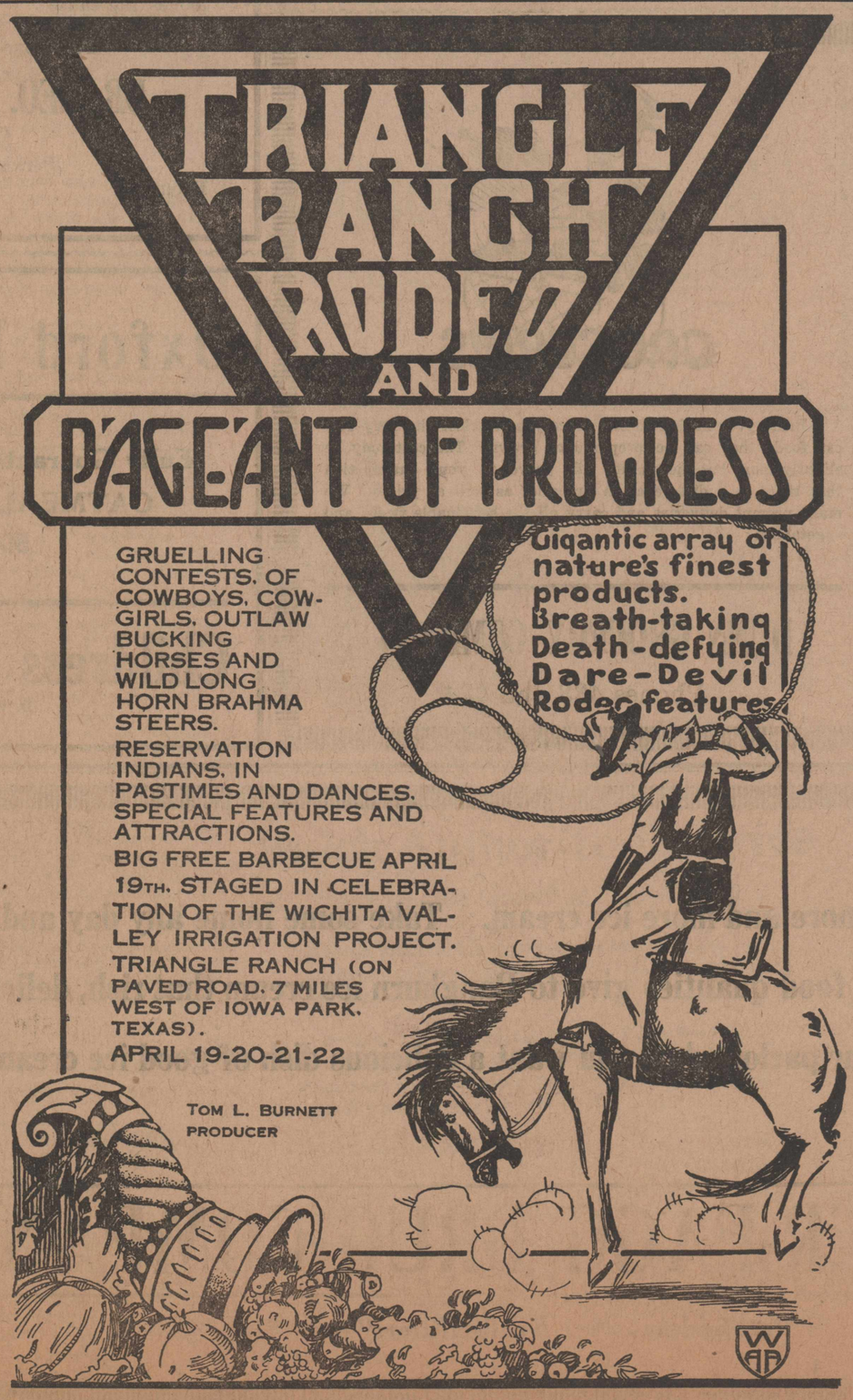
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CHURCH OF CHRIST AT KIRKLAND TO START A MEETING

PEOPLE SEEK WATER SUPPLY AND BUILDING OF BIG DAM IS NOW PROPOSED

Elder Thos. E. Milholland of Vernon, will begin a series of services at the Church of Christ in Kirkland, beginning Saturday night, April 14th and continuing for several days.

Elder Milholland is one of the best preachers in Texas and will have a fine sermon each service. The members of the Kirkland church were anxious to secure a strong minister for the first series of services to be held in the new $12,000 brick house of worship.

An invitation is extended people of all faiths to attend the services and a special invitation is given members of like faith in Childress county to come and hear Elder Milholland.

Electra Woman Dies.

Mrs. C. C. Bailey, 27, died Monday night, April 9th, at the home of Dr. W. S. Hardin. Mrs. Bailey resided in Electra and had been brought to Dr. Hardin's home for treatment. Interment was made in the Kirkland cemetery Tuesday afternoon. Deceased was born in Coryell county and later moved to Callahan county. In this county she married C. C. Bailey. The bushand and a little son and daughter survive, in addition to a number of other relatives. Among those present at her death were Mrs. J. D. Maddox of Atwell, Texas, father and mother of Electra and a brother and sister who reside in Harrington, Kan. Mrs. Bailey was a loving mother and a devoted christian woman. The funeral service was conducted by Elder C. H. Kennedy, minister of the Church of Christ at Memphis.

A Big Dam Needed.

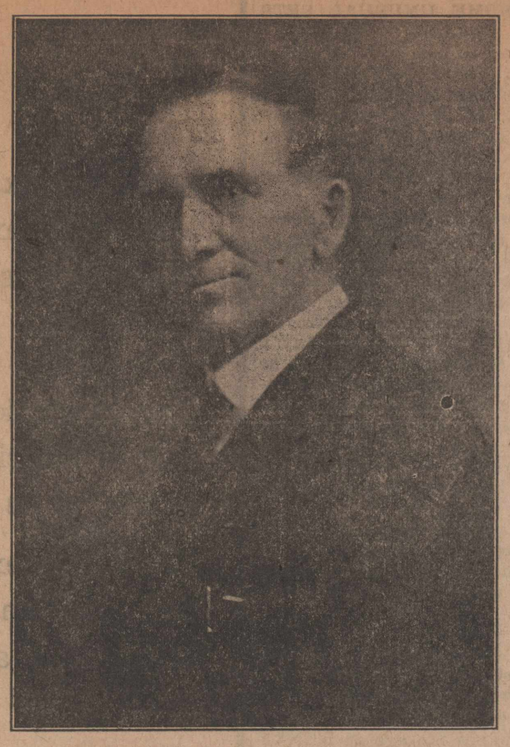
There is talk among some of our leading citizens about building a large dam for a water supply. It is believed that the dam should be large enough to impound at least a two years' supply and located as near Kirkland as possible. Kirkland is reaching a large population and has property that is too valuable to leave to the mercy of flames, and some day the cost will be paid unless the dam is built.

We all remember the past and of having several cars of drinking water shipped in at a heavy expense. During the past few months no less than $600 has been paid out in freight bills for water, not counting what it cost to deliver to the home. There are no lakes in our community and the only solution is to build a dam, that will impound sufficient water to last through the dry season.

This work could be done by donation, if a suitable location could be secured, and each man do so many days labor and be credited to for the use of so much water, and those not helping would pay for the water they use. The lake could be stocked with fish and made a resort for our people, although it would not be advisable to permit bathing. If a suitable dam site can be found within two or three miles a local company could be organized to build a pumping plant and pipe line. This question should be acted upon at once, as it means better health, pretty homes and a reduction in the fire insurance rate.

Local News Notes.

C. A. Galbraith is the representative of this paper in Kirkland and will appreciate all favors shown in the way of news information, advertising or printing orders. Prompt service will be given and a special effort made to give publicity to the events of Kirkland and community. Don't forget that Mr. Galbraith can be found at the Galbraith Dry Goods Company store and will use the telephone in sending news or printing orders to The Index.



ELDER THOS E. MILHOLLAND

Supt. C. A. Cryer, T. E. Williamson, Jess Williamson and Tomie Williamson attended the Hardeman County Inter-Scholastic League contest at Quanah, Saturday Tomie tried his skill at vaulting and lead the Hardeman county boys by two feet and five inches, making a vault of eleven feet and six inches.

C. A. Cryer, athletic director of the District 3, states that more interest is being manifested in the district year than ever before. Every county is being represented in all events. The meet will be held in Vernon, today and Saturday, in which Kirkland expects to take off some of the honors.

Eighty-six votes were polled in the Kirkland Independent School district election Saturday and the following were elected trustees: T. E. Williamson, A. Lee Harp, W. O. Cobb and John Dennington. The three holdovers are W. P. Close, E. Holliman and T. P. Terrell.

J. D. Carter, the State fire insurance inspector, was in Kirkland Saturday inspecting the business district. He states that Kirkland business men were keeping their stores in excellent condition, something that is not done in many of the smaller towns.

The school board met in special session Tuesday night for the purpose of swearing in the new members of the board. After the new trustees were sworn in the board was organized. A. Lee Harp was chosen president and John Dennington secretary.

The Baptists closed a very successful revival Sunday night. A number of conversions and several additions to the church. The Rev. C. E. Lancaster of Chillicothe, did the preaching while the Rev. R. B. Morgan of Memphis, was the song leader.

Dr. W. S. Hardin and family desire to extend thanks to the people of Kirkland for the favors shown the family during the sickness and death of Mrs. Bailey. The favors are highly appreciated and will long be remembered.

A. O. Howard, one of Kirkland's most promising young men, has secured the agency for the Rawleigh Company for Childress county. Knowing his ability as a business man we predict for him success.

There are numerous reports in the papers about mad dogs and while none have been found in Kirkland yet there are entirely too many stray dogs. The dogs should be killed unless the owners keep them at home.

Rev. R. B. Morgan will fill his regular appointment Sunday morning at the Baptist church, but will hold no services at night on account of the meeting being in progress at the Church of Christ.

J. C. Richardson is making a big improvement on his home in the south part of town and is spending about $2,500, adding five large rooms which will make a nine-room house when compleed.

There will be an old-time singing at Mountain View school house, Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6th. Every one interested in good singing are urged to attend.

R. I. Cook and family of Brownsfield, Texas, stopped here this week for a visit with old friends. The family are enroute to Fort Worth.

Kirkland is sending twelve contestants to the District meet at Vernon, and are accompanied by all the teachers of the Kirkland school.

Miss Mona Biggs nad Miss Richardson, who are attending school at Quanah, were visiting home folks Saturday and Sunday.

J. T. and J. W. Adam left Tuesday morning for Meridian, Texas to be at the bedside of their mother, who is very low.

Edward Markham and family, who now reside in Vernon, came in Friday for a short visit with old friends.

A large crowd of Kirkland people are going to the District meet at Vernon to root for the Kirkland boys.

W. J. Sides has been quite sick for the past few days with the flu but is now improving.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. King are the proud parents of a fine girl, arriving Tuesday morning.

Rev. Grogan of Quanah, attended church services here Saturday and Sunday.

Mmes. C. W. Furr and O. L. Thomas were shopping in Childress Tuesday.

T. E. Williamson was transacting business in Childress, Wednesday.

C. R. Bentley transacted business in the county capital Tuesday.

County Agent L. T. Hunter spent Wednesday in this community.

P. A. Harp and wife were in Childress on business Tuesday.

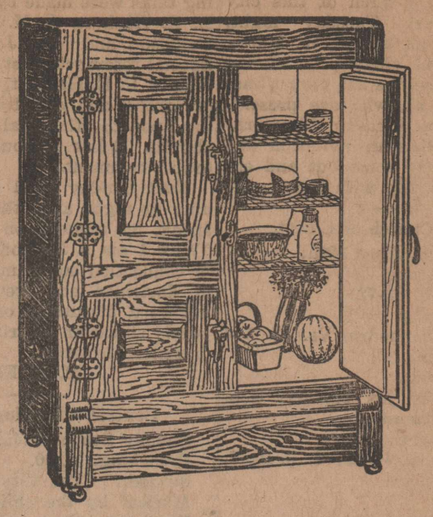
Friday is a legal holiday at the Kirkland school.

Kirkland was visited Thursday with a light rain.

A. W. Bishop spent Wednesday in Vernon.

The dam at Lake Childress is far enough completed that ten feet of water can be held above the intake pipe. With that much water Childress would not suffer for some time.

CLEANLINESS



Alaska Refrigerators, with their immaculate porcelain linings and the constant current of fresh, pure air throughout them, are models of cleanliness and sanitation. The seamless porcelain linings have rounded corners for easy cleaning. The full opening across the bottom, with no partition between small and large compaftments, means less wall space to clean, and more room in which to work.

The ice rack is made easily removable for cleaning. So are the shelves of woven wire. The trap at the end of the drain pipe is made so that it can easily be cleaned.

Refrigerators which are not porcelain lined have durable linings of white enamel, very sanitary, and easily cleaned by wiping off with a damp cloth.

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—For this sale we have selected articles that are used every day in every home and it will be profitable for you to visit the store, but let us advise that you come early.

—These sales are held so that the people will become better acquainted with us. We have our bargain tables filled with the best quality merchandise and after this sale you can buy any article we have to offer from our regular stock. No scheme in this sale, just an advertising plan of the highest merit in which the customer profits most. Don't forget the date, April 16-17-18.

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LOCAL CHURCH NOTES

Singing at Nazarene Church.

The Nazarene Church of this city has singing every Tuesday night, with W. H. Davis and J. W. Noran as leaders. The singing is of the best and the evenings are very pleasantly spent by all who are present. W. G. Heath was a caller this morning and stated that an invitation was extended to all to come out and enjoy Tuesday evening with them.

Southside Church of Christ.

Prayer meeting, April 18th:
Leader—A. Brune.
Subject, Mk. 14:53-72.
Prayer and song.
Trial before Senhedrin Vs. 53-65—Hardy Krigbaum.
Prayer and song.
Joseph sold by his brother, Gen. 37—Chesley Pittman.
Song and prayer.
Peter's denial vs. 66-72—T. B. Huff.
Invitation Song.
Benediction.

Presbyterian Church.

May we be as faithful and conscientious in getting to Sunday school on time as we are in business! Remember there is a class for every one, special departments with interesting and helpful programs suited to the age and needs of all.

"The Spirit of Christ" is subject of morning message. The text, "If we have not the spirit of Christ we are none of His." The background for the message is a part of the sermon of the prophet Malachi as found in chapters one and three. The evening service will be at 7:45.

A welcome that is hearty and without prejudice.

GARLAND SHELL, Pastor.

Intermediate B. Y. P. U. No. 2.

Songs.
Prayer.
Katherine Stahl, group captain No. two.
Subject: "Presidents and Secretaries."
Introduction—Katherine Stahl.
A famous phrase—Bernard Kinsey.
W. B. Johnson in South Carolina—Raymond Lusk.
My favorite president—Mr. Calthorp.
Secretary James B. Taylor—Gatewood Newberry.
My Favorite Secretary—Nell Hudson.
Our Other Foreign Mission Secretaries—Opal Joe Powell.

Senior B. Y. P. U.

Special meeting: Our Pledge and How to Keep it.
Leader—Ina Williams.
The B. Y. P. U. Pledge—Earl Swain.
Loyalty to Christ and the New Testament—Vera S. Calthorp.
Loyalty in all things—D. A. Branscum.
Loyalty to the training service—Bertha Morris.
Loyalty to privileges and opportunities—Robert Taylor.
The pledge and standard of excellence—Fay Atchley.
How to keep the pledge—Clarence Baley.
Note: Get extra material on your topic from page 53.

Intermedite B. Y. P. U. No. 1.

Song 122.
Prayer.
Business and records.
Subject: "Presidents and secretaries."
Leader—Alton Landrum.
Introduction—Leader.
A Famous Phrase—Janet Norris.
W. A. Johnson in South Carolina—Eugene Smith.
My favorite President—Donald Cole.
Secretary James B. Taylor—Zava Atchley.
My Favorite Secretary—Mrs. Hensley.
Our other foreign mission secretaries—Lola Williams.
Song 203.
Prayer.

Junior Congregation.

The following program will be rendered at the Central Christian church, Sunday, April 15th:
Topic: "What Comes From Hard Work"
Leader—Melvina Nave.
Song: "Work, For the Night is Coming."
Gain in Skill, Acts 9:22—Glenn Stiner.
In Reward, Prov. 10:4—Virginia Callaway.
In Joy, Eccl. 3:22—Louise Reese.
In Economy, Prov. 13:4-11—Fay Jones.
Help for Others, I Tim. 5:8—James Norman.
Uprightness, I Thess. 4:11-12—Elizabeth Callaway.
Prayer.
Bible lesson, Matt. 25:14-24.
Talk: "Work"—Virginia Blair.
Don't Give Up—W. M. Lewis.
Strength Developed by Work—Fannie Mashburn.
Recitation: "Luck"—Ruth Sanford.
Making to Success—Emory Lewis.
A Prayer—Roberta Wolford.
Conversation—How We Gain From Hard Work.
Business.
Benediction.

First Methodist Church.

Those who missed our social meeting Tuesday night deprived themselves of something interesting and unusual. There was a good crowd, notwithstanding threatening weather. The music by the Department Club Orchestra was splendid, as was also the special songs. The delicious and abundant refreshments served by the women made a fitting climax to the enjoyment of the occasion. Interesting talks were made by Will P. Jones, L. E. Haskett, J. M. Russell, J. W. Davidson and Mrs. J. M. Crawford. Special reference must be made to the talk of L. E. Haskett, which was full of strong and effective points bearing upon the financial support of the church. It has pronounced much favorable comment.

Next Sunday at 11 a.m., and probably at night also, the pastor will speak, by request, on the subject: "Why I am a Methodist," discussing in connection some important history of doctrines and creeds. This will not be a discussion of external or purely sectarian doctrines, but of fundamental doctrines.

M. PHELAN, Pastor.

Central Christian Church.

Sunday School, 9:45.
Preaching, 11:00.
Subject: "The City of God."
Musical by the children, 7:30.
Don't miss these services, they will be a real treat for you.

G. W. DAVIS, Pastor.

MRS. G. W. SPARKMAN DIES AT HOME WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Minnie P. Sparkman, age 39 years, wife of G. W. Sparkman, died at the family residence Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, after an illness of about two weeks. Mrs. Sparkman was operated upon for appendicitis about two weeks ago, and at first it was thought she would recover, but it was not to be. She was taken home two or three days before her death.

Mrs. Sparkman was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Nichols, and had made her home in Childress county for many years. She was united in marriage with G. W. Sparkman some five or six years ago. There were no children by the marriage. The funeral services were conducted from the First Baptist church, after the funeral sermon had been preached by Rev. Geo. A. Curlee.

PURELY PERSONAL

Will P. Jones was a Kirkland visitor Wednesday.

J. M. Crews transacted business in Wichita Falls Thursday.

Mrs. J. L. Roach returned Wednesday morning from a visit in Fort Worth.

W. H. Newberry was up from Fort Worth this week for a visit with his family.

Mrs. G. B. Tiffany and daughter, Miss Eugenia, are spending the week in Amarillo.

Dr. and Mrs. Lear Jones will go to Fort Worth, Sunday night to attend a meeting of the State Dental Society.

Will Hale of Memphis, spent Thursday in Childress. He reports a slow rain in Hall county that will be of some benefit to the farmers.

Will P. Jones left Thursday night for Plainview to attend the meeting of the Panhandle Swine Assocation. Mr. Jones is on the program for a talk.

C. M. Barnes is visiting his family in this city. He has been selling life insurance in Knox City for the past three months, and reports business good.

Claude Terrell returned this morning from Rochester, Minn., where he accompanied Mrs. Terrell, who is in the Mayo Brothers Sanitarium. He reports Mrs. Terrell is doing nicely and will be able to return home in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Trimmons of Hanover, Ill., returned home this morning. They have been visiting with Mrs. Trimmons father, C. N. Pilcher, and her uncle, E. C. Pilcher. They were traveling through in a car from Oregon.

Dwight Gasway, manager of the Wm. Cameron Lumber Co., left this morning for Altus, Okla., where the district meeting of the Cameron managers is to be held Saturday. This is a regular feature of the Cameron work, as they are of the opinion that with the meeting of the various managers the problems of all can be worked out better than by one alone. This district embraces this section of Texas and the western part of Oklahoma.

The Senior expected to leave for Plainview Thursday afternoon, but on account of the rain the visit was postponed. Hopes to make the trip at an early date.

LOCAL SOCIAL NOTES

Mrs. N. C. Nelson is entertaining two tables of bridge this afternoon in honor of Mrs. H. A. Schluter of Dallas.

Mrs Delbert Hankins Entertains.

Mrs. Delbert Hankins entertained with three tables of bridge last Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Floyd Pigott won high score. A delicious ice course was served.

Entertains Sunday School Class.

Mrs. Pat Caradine very delightfully entertained the members of her Sunday school class on Monday of this week. The hostess served a delicious ice course to Mmes. Biggerstaff, Wolford, Mills, Reese, Nisbett, Herring, G. C. Sparkman, Westmoreland Hal Price and A. A. Sparkman.

Maids and Matrons.

The Maids and Matrons were entertained Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. L. G. Raney, with a delightful forty-two party. There were seven tables present. A delicious salad course was served to the members and the following guests: Misses Stuckey, Myrabelle and Lucille Shaw, Mesdames. Barnes, Ford, Housch, Dorsey, Walker, Allmond, Preston, Gross, Daugherty, Johnson, Wade and Hankins. Miss Lucille Shaw carried off high score.

Two Table Bridge Club.

The Two Table Bridge Club was entertained Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Ernst Davis. A delicious two-course luncheon was served with little parasols given as favors. The tables were decorated with peach blossoms and the parasols carried out the pink and green color scheme. Mrs. D. Hollingsworth won high score. The guest prize was given to Mrs. Harry Davis. Guests of the club were: Mesdames Abington and Harry Davis of Wichita Falls.

Mrs. Hawkins Entertains.

Mrs. Robert Hawkins entertained with a delightful forty-two party Friday night. There were ten tables present. The house was beautifully decorated with pot plants, and the score cards were tied with pink and jonquil ribbons. Delicious refreshments of pink and jonquil ice cream with angel food cake, were served. The out of town guests were: Mmes. Herbert Gray and Harry Davis, of Wichita Falls, and Mrs. John Denning, of Archer City.

Mrs Nave Entertains.

A delightful bridge party was given at the Nave Hotel Thursday afternoon when Mrs Nave entertained in honor of Mrs. Locke Alexander of Matador. Mrs. Floyd Pigott won high score. Following the game, a delicious two-course luncheon was served in the dining room of the Nave. Pink and white carnations were given as favors. Those jnpoying Mrs. Nave's hospitality were as follows: Mesdames Phipps, Ernest Butcher, Ozie Taylor, Toxie Pittman, John Payne, George Robertson, Floyd Pigott Charles McKinney, Tom Roberson, Bradford, Frank Blair, Jack Golightly, Roy Barr, Oda Franklin, Ben Hardison, and Mrs. Locke Alexander of Matador and Miss Anna Belle Baley.

THE WRONG WAY TO IMPRESS OUR VISITORS

Mr. G. K. Chesterton recently took part in a debate on the motion that "Prohibition is anti-Christian and anti-Social." Mr. Chesterton took the affirmative and Mr. George Wilson and Mr. Leif Jones the negative. The audience is said to have voted that the negative had the better of the argument.

An interesting part of Mr. Chesterton's statement was that he had been given wine and cocktails in large quantities in nearly every private house that he went to in America; that he saw secrecy, hypocrisy, and treason against the law. The people who were hosts to Mr. Chesterton on his visit and who gave him wine and cocktails should realize the contempt Mr. Chesterton felt for their behavior. His characterization of their conduct as secrecy, hypocrisy and treason against the law is fully justified.

The farmers living east of town about three miles are having a rabbit drive today. Quite a number of town men are attending.

NOTICE

I have only a few pairs of Canary birds left, for quick sale will sell for five dollars a pair. MRS. PRESSON, Western Union Office. 1tp

MAE MURRAY PLANNED SOME UNUSUAL SETS

In addition to enacting the stellar role in her latest Tiffany production, "Jazzmania," presented by Robert Z. Leonard through Metro at the Monogram and Lagrande Theatres, Monday and Tuesday, Mae Murray took an active part in designing the unusual settings for the picture.

Miss Murray's interest in interior decorating has led to her taking an active hand in designing the artistic backgrounds which have been so favorably commented upon in her recent photoplays, distributed by Metro.

"Jazzmania" gives Miss Murray a wide range for her artistic ideas. The action of the picture takes place partly in a tiny kingdom in Europe, and thus novelties in setting and costume were to be expected. The scene shifts to New York for part of the time, and here, too, lavish settings are seen.

As a general thing, we would rather make a quick guess at a lady's age than make a formal survey to determine it.

A large crowd attended LaGrande Theatre last night. The picture is a good one and will be repeated tonight.

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Program
MONOGRAM and LAGRANDE THEATRES

TODAY
"ALL THE BROTHERS WERE VALIANT"
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Comedy "Before the Public," with Snub Pollard.
Two Reels

TONIGHT—LAGRANDE
"WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE WOMEN?"
With Montague Love, Barbara Castleton and Huntley Gordon.

SATURDAY—MONOGRAM
JACK HOXIE in
"THE DESERT BRIDEGROOM"
Comedy, "The Barnyard" with Larry Semon.

SATURDAY—LAGRANDE
"ANNA ASENDS"
With Alice Brady and David Powell.
Comedy, "The Son of a Sheik."
Two reels.

MONDAY and TUESDAY
MAE MURRAY in
"JAZZMANIA"
About a girl who put "Jazz" into the National Anthem.

TUESDAY—MONOGRAM
GRACE DARMOND in
"THE MIDNIGHT GUEST.
Also "Oh, Sister," Comedy.

WEDNESDAY
JOHN GILBERT in
"THE TRUXTIN KING"
Also "The Colored Bud," Comedy.

NEXT THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
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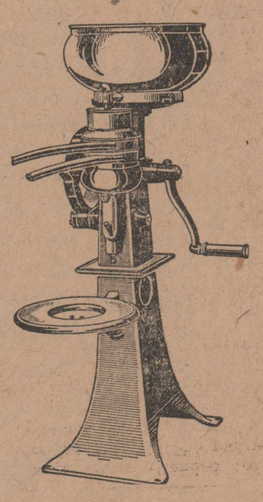
METHUSALEH SAYS:

Consider the squirrel. Oh my son and be wise. For when the sun shines, then doth he gather the fruit of the nut trees. But when the trees cease to bear fruit and snow covers the ground, then doth the squirrel feast on the nuts he hath stored against the cold days.

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