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THE TEACHERS' COUNTY INSTITUTE

HOLD FIVE DAY SESSION IN LUBBOCK HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.
COMPLETE THEIR WORK TUESDAY

SPLENDID ATTENDANCE AND INSTITUTE GOOD

Over Forty Teachers From Lubbock And Rural Schools Attend And Participate in the Session—The Most Successful Session Ever Held

The Lubbock County Institute met on December 16, at the Lubbock High School building. The house was called to order by Judge Haynes. Professor M. L. Marcus delivered an excellent discourse on "Hygiene in the Home and School." This was one of the most practical talks ever given to the teachers, and would have benefited every parent in the schools. He emphasized the importance of teachers watching over the children's physical condition. Prof. Marcus gave a number of concrete illustrations showing how a child from an unsanitary home may scatter disease among many pupils from well-kept homes. He asked that we see that our school be a clearing house.

He showed how the children come into school, unfit for work from the use of poor candies, etc. He illustrated the use of diamond dyes in candies, by showing wool, which he had "died" with dissolved candy. Time limits me to tell you all the good things he gave us.

Miss Brown was present, but as her time was limited, she asked to be excused from her part on the program. Mesdames Hopkins and Summers, assisted by Miss Huff as pianist, rendered beautiful solos, which were greatly appreciated by all those present.

Judge Schenck delivered the Welcome address in a most pleasing way. Mr. Summers responded with spicy illustrations of American wit. The teachers greatly appreciate the interest manifested by Judge Robinson in his attendance at our institute, and always enjoy his talks.

Adjourned until afternoon session.

Thursday—Afternoon
Opening exercises, conducted by Supt. Enrollment of teachers. Registration, showing 49. All instructors were present and the subjects assigned for the afternoon were successfully discussed.

Adjourned.

Friday—Forenoon
Opened by singing, "Joy to the World!" Mr. Faulkner handled "Rural Schools" in a most pleasing manner. The point, of whether or not women should be appointed on school boards, was decided in her favor, or of at least one woman being placed on said board.

Miss Tempe Wallace read a paper on "Teachers' Duties Outside of School Hours." This was one of the best prepared and best rendered numbers on the entire program.

After a lesson on grammar was conducted, Mrs. Kilgore read an excellent paper on "Pupils' Duty Outside of School Hours." Prof. Lee Clark, an assistant to Supt. Bralley, visited us and delivered that State Superintendent's greetings, and gave us a delightful address. We certainly appreciated his coming, and shall study the summary he gave, and qualify ourselves to help in the great issues he mentioned.

Adjourned till afternoon.

Friday—Afternoon
Opened with solo by Mrs. King. Miss Huff as accompanist. "This was a real treat, and the teachers thank these ladies for their great favor.

Miss Dunscomb's paper on Phonics was fine, both in theory and practice. The Lubbock City Teachers arranged a surprise for the visiting teachers. This was a most delightful affair. After serving hot chocolate and wafers, Mr. Atkinson was appointed as toastmaster. Mr. P. F. Brown responded in a charming toast to the visiting teachers. Mr. Summers gave a toast to Lubbock City Teachers, in which he advised the young gentlemen teachers to consider the loneliness of their bliss since the married ladies teachers, stand in favor with Lubbock City School Board.

Miss Willie Briggs gave a toast to our worthy County Judge, and in her usual sparkling manner, she captivated all present.

The teachers thank Judge Haynes

MOORE-ROUSE NUPTIALS

Miss Eleanor Rouse, of this city, and Mr. Hayden Moore, of Fort Worth, were quietly married on December 22nd, 1913, in the presence of a few intimate friends and immediate relatives, at the home of the bride's parents on South Singar St. The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. Chase, pastor of the South Side Christian church.

The home was appropriately adorned with plants and radiant, fragrant floral decorations. The bride was exquisitely attired in a handsome traveling suit, and wore a bouquet of beautiful flowers. The groom was tastefully and conventionally dressed.

After the marriage, a number of delicious courses were served.

The bride is the lovely daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Rouse, of this place, and is a graduate of Baylor University. She is admired as an

ideal of elegance and beauty, and is very popular in social circles. The groom is also a graduate of the same college. He is at present principal of Bryan's School for Boys, at Fort Worth, and is a young man of versatile and varied accomplishments.

The happy couple left immediately for Fort Worth, where they will make their home.

These present besides the bride's parents were: Misses Von Rosenberg, Brown, Wilkinson, Rucker and Robertson; Mesdames Cate, Bledsoe and Chase; Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Wilson; Messrs. Lester, Lewis and Klett.

Mrs. Ova Carter, who has been at Denton the past few months, passed through here the first of the week, en route to her home in Crosbyton.

Mrs. Latspeich, of Crosbyton, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jordan, this week.

THE COWBOYS' CHRISTMAS BALL

About 25 years ago, when the writer was publishing a weekly newspaper in the town of Anson, Jones county, Texas, one of his most valued and intimate friends was Lary Chittenden, the poet ranchman of Texas. Almost inseparable, much of our time was spent together, and many were the inspirations for poems we successfully chased down in that neck of the woods.

Learning that a special edition of the paper was contemplated, Lary, with his characteristic liberality and enterprise, volunteered a poem for the occasion, and the result was a production that will live forever—"The Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

The Cowboys' Christmas Ball

Way out in Western Texas, where the Clear Fork's waters flow,
Where the cattle are "a-browzin'" and the Spanish ponies grow;
Where the northers "come a-whisin'" from beyond the Neutral strip;
And the prairie dogs are sneezin' as if they had "the grip";
Where the coyotes come a-howlin' round the ranches after dark,
And the mockingbirds are singin' to the lovely "madder lark";
Where the "possum and the badger, and the rattlesnakes abound,
And the monstrous stars are sinkin' o'er a wilderness profound;
Where the lonesome, tawny prairies melt into airy streams,
While the Double Mountains slumber in heavenly kinds of dreams;
Where the antelope is grazin' and the lonely plovers call—
It was there that I attended "The Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

The town was Anson City—old Jones' county seat,
Where they raise Soft Angus cattle, and wavin' whiskered wheat;
Where the air is cold and balmy, and dry and full of health,
And the prairie is explodin' with agricultural wealth;
Where the print the Texas Western, that Hee McEachin supplies
With news and yarns up most amazin' size;
Where Frank Smith "pulls the badger" on unknown tenderteet,
And "Spuracy's" triumphant and mighty hard to beat;
Where lives that good old hunter, John Millsap, from Lamar,
Who "used to be Sheriff, back East, in Paris, sah";
Twas there, I say, at Anson, with the lively "Widder Wall,"
That I went to that reception—"The Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

The boys had left the ranches and come to town in piles,
The ladies—"kinder scatterin'"—had gathered in for miles;
And yet the place was crowded, as I remember well,
Twas got for the occasion at "The Morning Star Hotel."
The music was a fiddle, and a lively tambourine,
And a "viol, come imported" by the stage from Abilene;
The room was togged out gorgeous—with mistletoe and shawls,
And candles flickered frolics around the airy walls,
The "wimmin'" folks looked lovely, the boys look'd kinder treed,
Till their leader commenced yellin', "Whoa! fellers, let's stampede!"
And the music started, sighin' an' a-scallin' through the hall,
As a kind of introduction to "The Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

The leader was a feller that came from Swenson's ranch,
They called him "Windy Billy," from "Little Deadman's Branch,"
His rig was kinder keeferless—big spurs and high-heeled boots—
He had a reputation that comes when fellers shoots.
His voice was like a bugle upon the mountain's height,
His feet were animated, an' a mighty movin' sight;
When he commenced to holler, "New fellers, 'doo your pen!
Lock horns to all them heifers, an' rustle 'em like men;
Saloot yer lovely critters; new swing and let 'em go,
Climb the grapevine 'round 'em—all hands do-de-do!
You mavericks, fine the 'round-up—jest skip her waterfall"—
Hun! hit was gettin' active, "The Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

The boys were tolerable skittish, the ladies powerful neat
That old bass viol's music just got there with both feet;
That wailin', frisky fiddle, I never shall forget,
And Windy kept a-singin'—I think I hear him yet—
"O-X-es, chase your squirrels, an' cut 'em to one side,
Spur Treadwell to the center, with Cross-P Charley's bride;
Doo Hollis down the middle, an' twine the ladies' chain,
Varn Andrews pen the fillies in Big-T Diamond's train.
All pull yer freight together; new swallow torie and change,
Big Boston, lead the trail herd through the Little Pitchfork's range.
Purr 'round yer gentle pussies; new rope 'em! Balance all!"
Huh! hit wuz gettin' active—"The Cowboys' Christmas Ball!"

The dust riz fast an' furious, we all just galloped 'round,
Till the scenery got so giddy that Z-Bar Dick was downed.
We buckled to our partners and tole 'em to hold on,
Then shook our hoofs like lightning until the early dawn;
Don't tell me 'bout cotillions, or Germans—no, siree!
That whirl at Anson City just takes the cake with me.
Give me a frontier breakdown, backed up by Windy Bill—
McAlester ain't nowhar! when Windy leads the show,
I've seen 'em both in harness, and so I orter know—
Oh, Bill, I shant forgit yer, and I'll oftentimes recall,
That lively gaited sworray—"The Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

Lary Chittenden, the gifted author, has become recognized as one of America's modern poetic geniuses and his poems have run into many editions. Hampered by the agricultural development which rapidly encroached on the Chittenden ranch, he became dissatisfied with his West Texas surroundings a few years ago and has since made his home on the Island of Bermuda. He makes occasional forays back to the old ranch, however, and always receives the glad hand from the thousands of friends and acquaintances, who delight to honor him for what he so truly is—one of the noblest specimens of God's handiwork.—El Paso Times.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

AVALANCHE WISHES ITS THOUSANDS OF READERS THE HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS OF THEIR LIVES

CONDITIONS SEEM FAVORABLE IN LUBBOCK COUNTRY

Few People Here Who Are Not Able to Enjoy the Christmas Occasion on Account of Poverty. Christmas Trees Tonight at Several Churches

"A Merry Christmas!" This we hear on every side, and the Avalanche joins in, in wishing its thousands of readers and friends a most pleasant Christmas time. We greet you one day ahead of time this week, in order that the men who have worked so faithfully the past year, and some of them several years, publishing the Avalanche, which we can justly feel proud of, may have a day off for rest and enjoy Xmas with their families and other relatives or friends who might have the happy privilege of being in our city on this occasion.

The general condition of the Lubbock country is so favorable this year that we have very few families in our city who are deprived of the pleasures of the Christmas festivities on account of scant finances—and these few will be looked after by the several churches, where they can be located, and we hope not a family or individual will be missed in the mission of good cheer that committees from the several Sunday schools, secret societies, etc., will have out on Christmas day. Our people, as a whole, are very favorably surrounded; the yield of crops in this section has made the bank account of the farmer heavy on the side of the ledger that makes him smile. The good prices realized by the ranchmen for cattle, horses, mules and pigs has made them most cheerful this year. The merchant has had such magnificent Christmas sales that he smiles from behind the counter in such a pleasing way that he makes the newspaper man feel good, and we sometimes feel that we, too, are prosperous, and have a right to wear a smile.

As stated in our issue of last week, the several churches here will have Christmas trees in their tonight for the entertainment of the children, and they promise to be well laden with tokens of remembrance from relatives and friends, and hundreds of little fellows will be delighted at having once more seen Santa Claus. As we come to this season of celebrating, may we ask you, dear reader, to pause for a moment; think why and for what reason are we celebrating on December 25, 1913? The Texas Christian Advocate very appropriately uses this language in the last issue of that paper:

"Unto Us a Child is Born"
"This is the language of the prophecy, and it was spoken more than 700 years before Jesus Christ was born. The inspired seer saw Him, down through the distant centuries, as a fact already accomplished, and proceeds to speak of Him in the present tense. But to us Christ is not a prophecy—He is a fact, consummated, and His verity is established, not only by Scripture, but by 2,000 years of historic growth and development. He is not only a prophecy fulfilled, but He is history authenticated and recognized by the civilized world."

We are approaching the season that celebrates His birth, and this incident brings Him fresh to the thought of this age and generation. Millions will sing His praises and bow in adoration before His altar. And why not? His work as a factor in the progress of the race toward a better and happier goal, entitles Him to this pre-eminence. Not only this, but the fact that He is the Son of God and the Son of man gives His supreme Lordship among those who love virtue, believe in righteousness and practice vital ministries of helpfulness to humanity.

"We worship Him because He is the true Savior of mankind. In Him is the hope of an impoverished world, to Him the helpless, the downtrodden, the broken-hearted, the suffering and the sorrowing turn instinctively and call Him Friend, Brother, Deliverer. When He appeared among men

BIG SNOW AT LITTLEFIELD

Littlefield, Tex., Dec. 23.—It began snowing here Saturday night and it continued without ceasing for twenty-four hours. The ground is covered on the level about six inches. The weather has not been so cold and cattle will not suffer if it clears off at once. This is a "wet" snow, and will add much moisture to the splendor. When He appeared among men

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and finish with loose soil. Keep the soil thoroughly pulverized about the tree, and free from weeds during the growing season. Do not water through the summer time by pouring water on top of the ground, but dig trenches around the tree and fill with water every evening until the ground is thoroughly saturated be-

NOW HER FRIENDS HARDLY KNOW HER

But This Does Not Bother Mrs. Burton, Under the Circumstances.

Houston, Texas.—In an interesting letter from this city, Mrs. S. C. Burton writes as follows: "I think it is my duty to tell you what your medicine, Cardui, the woman's tonic, has done for me.

I was down sick with womanly trouble, and my mother advised several different treatments, but they didn't seem to do me any good. I lingered along for three or four months, and for three weeks, I was in bed, so sick I couldn't bear for any one to walk across the floor.

My husband advised me to try Cardui, the woman's tonic. I have taken two bottles of Cardui, and feeling fine, gained 15 pounds and do all of my housework. Friends hardly know me, I am so well."

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low the roots; then no more water will be needed for two weeks. Partial surface watering kills more trees than it saves. Water only during a drought, when trees show need of it.

For information on spraying, diseases of trees and plants, and all kindred subjects, write your state agricultural department, or state experiment station, or U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., for bulletins on these subjects. They will be furnished to you free of any charge and will give latest and best information. The national government, and most all the states, maintain a department devoted to horticultural interests, and their information on spraying, diseases of trees and plants, etc., is the best that can be had.

SIGNED WITH FINGERPRINTS

Unable to write their names, Neas Skumientia, aged 45, a wealthy Indian rancher of Rockford, Washington, and Louise Larese, an Indian girl of Wellpoint, left their finger prints at the office of County Auditor R. W. Butler, after which they departed with their eagerly sought marriage license. The finger prints were the first ever taken in a case of this kind at the Spokane county office, as witnesses usually merely make a mark with a pen.

The wedding party that proceeded from the office of the county auditor to St. Aloysius' Church where the ceremony was performed, was one of the happiest and most gorgeous for a pair that ever entered the court house doors. When informed that they could either leave their finger prints or make their marks on the records, the charming couple signified their intention of doing both.

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TURN THE PLAINS INTO FARMS

W. G. Murray Points to Changes Being Made in Lubbock County—Silos Going up—Wells oBred

W. G. Murray, a wide-awake young stockman who located on the Plains Country of Texas 13 years ago, in Lubbock county, sees plainly how the country is drifting into stock farming.

"From my home I can see nine silos scattered over the plains, all built this year," said Mr. Murray, as he went on to illustrate how the country is changing from a strictly range to stock farming. A rich soil and a fine climate, but lacking just a little in rainfall some seasons, describes our country. But aside from the silos, we have one other great enterprise at work. That is the boring of wells, and using the water for irrigation purposes. These wells are being bored everywhere; they are about 12 inches in diameter, and with a pump in them and an engine, it is vevry easy to get 1,800 gallons of pure water a minute.

"The depth of these wells vary from 25 to 80 feet; at these depths, according to elevation, the well will bring a supply of water that never fails and which cannot be affected by pumping day and night. One well will irrigate 80 acres of land a season, and with water when needed, there is no end to the amount of grain and feed that can be produced under this system. Alfalfa, wheat and oats, kafir corn and all kinds of forage feeds can be raised. Of course, we have seasons when irrigation is not necessary, when the rainfall is sufficient. With all these advantages, we are bound to very soon be in a position where we can raise cattle and finish them right on the same land.

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TO INCOME TAX-PAYERS

Those Subject to Tax Should See to it that They Have Their Reports Filed

Under the Act of Congress approved October 3, 1913, every individual having an annual income in excess of \$5,000 is required to render to the Collectors of Internal Revenue, on or before March 1, of each year, a report giving a statement of his income received from all sources during the calendar year preceding. Failure to file this annual return within the time prescribed subjects the offender to severe penalties, and all individuals having an annual income subject to taxation under this law should immediately notify A. S. Walker, Collector of Internal Revenue, Austin, Texas, giving their name and address and the nature of the business in which they are engaged, in order that they may be supplied with form of return, rulings and necessary instructions.

The collector has a list of all corporations subject to this tax, and they will be supplied with blank forms for report as soon as possible after December 31. The attention of corporations is directed to the fact that the Corporation Tax Act of 1909, under which they have been making annual reports to the Internal Revenue Department, has been repealed and is superseded by the Income Tax Law. However, the manner and time of rendition and payment of tax are practically the same as under the old law. Partnerships are not required to render returns, but the members composing the firm, if they have an income subject to tax, are required to render return and therein account for all income or profits arising from the partnership.

Special attention is called to the fact that the failure to secure Income Tax blanks will not relieve the taxpayer from the penalties imposed for delinquency in filing return. The report of the year 1913 may be filed at any time between January 1, and March 1, 1914. Assessments will be made as soon as possible after the returns are filed with the collector, and the tax assessed is due and payable June 30, 1914.

RULING ON LAND PURCHASE

Delayed Applications Held Valid Under the Late Preference Right Act

Austin, Tex., Dec. 20.—In an opinion to Commissioner J. T. Robinson of the General Land Office this afternoon, Attorney General Looney held that the applications of persons to repurchase lands under the preference right act of the last legislature, which were mailed before the expiration of 90 days, but did not reach the Land Office until after the 90 days had expired, were eligible to repurchase the land.

This ruling is based on the extraordinary floods that have prevailed and demoralized railroad traffic, in the absence of which the mails bearing applications would have reached the Land Office before the expiration of the 90-day period.

It is pointed out that the applicants for the land who did mail their applications had used ordinary prudence and diligence, and that they were not guilty of contributory negligence in waiting until a few days before the expiration of the 90 days before mailing their applications.

And even if they were guilty, the opinion declares, the unexpected floods—and not the delay of applicants—were the approximate cause of the failure of the applications to reach the Land Office within the time fixed by law.

Sealed bids for construction of the Taylor County Court House were opened Friday at Abilene, and the contract was awarded to A. J. Rogers of Henrietta, for \$117,900. The plumbing and heating contract was let to Hill Brothers of Waco, for \$12,000.

A MOST WONDERFUL YEAR

The Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, has truly had a most eventful year. A successful reunion from 10,000 former students, a T. C. C. day on the Dallas Fair program and a special train of seven coaches for students from Tyler. A new building, giving almost 50,000 square feet of floor space, 2,000 enrollments for the year. A greater demand for our students than we can supply, and the successful launching of our course of Business Administration and Finance. We have had many enrollments and splendid work was done in this new department. Business men congratulate us on our being the first institution in the South to put in this much needed course, covering the following subjects: Money and Credit, Corporation Finance, Taxation and Public Finance, Private Secretaryship, Salesmanship, Advertising, Commercial Geography, Commercial History, Higher Accounting, Economics, Parliamentary Law and Managerialship. There is continually being created a greater demand for higher trained business men and women. The state of Texas now requires that all counties of 40,000 population and over employ an auditor, at a salary of \$2,400 per year. Wholesale houses and banks of any size require their business to be audited once a year. The U. S. government has inaugurated a department of auditing in their Civil Service Department that pays a handsome salary. Men at the head of large corporations are wanting private secretaries and men of exceptional ability. The mastering of Law and Medicine hold out no such inducements as is held out to one who completes our course of Business Administration and Finance.

With such an eventful year just closing, it will be a big undertaking for us to do better work and accomplish more in 1914, but we have the energy and are determined to do it. Enroll with us and watch us grow. The inspiration a student gets while here is worth the cost of his course. Write for our free catalog, state the course you are most interested in and begin to better shape up your own future. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

EXPECT BIG CROPS IN 1914

L. T. Lester was a business caller at Hereford Saturday, and made a trip out to his Dear Smith ranch. He is enthusiastic over the condition the splendid rains have left the ground, and believe a record-breaking crop will be raised in the Panhandle next year.—Canyon News.



CHRISTMAS TIME IS A RED LETTER EVENT

Putting up a new house, barn or other building is another red letter event and it may occur only once in a life time, so you simply can't afford to make a mistake by using "bum" material.

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DIVORCE LAW IS NO GOOD

No Penalty is Fixed—Hence The Authorities Have No Power to Enforce it

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram is authority for the following: "The new law preventing persons divorced on the ground of cruelty from remarrying within one year, probably has been observed in Texas, but the authorities have no power to enforce it, it has been discovered. Men and women who have obtained divorces on that ground in Tarrant county could have married again at any time afterward, or may now do so, without any fear of the law."

"There is no penalty fixed for violations of the law."

PENSION MONEY READY

Austin, Texas, Dec. 16.—Treasurer J. M. Edwards today issued a call for pensions, amounting approximately \$50,000, and covering all pensions issued up to and including Warrant No. 7,900. Pensions to the number of 4,763 are covered in the call, making about three-fifths of the pension warrants that were issued during the quarter ending Nov. 30, subject to the calls of the Treasury Department. The deficiency in the general revenue is now about \$1,600,000.

TRANSFERRED TO LUBBOCK

R. Alsbrook, who has been depot agent here for some months, informs the Herald that he would be transferred to Lubbock in the near future. He could not say who would be checked-in in his place. Tulla is sorry to lose Mr. Alsbrook, but Lubbock will be gainer.—Tulla Herald.

Mr. Alsbrook was checked in here Wednesday of last week. The Avalanche welcomes him to our city.

SAFE BLOWER HAS TRIAL

Plainview, Texas, Dec. 18.—E. W. Stewart has been arrested here on a charge of having blown open and robbed the safe in the postoffice at Kress, a small village 13 miles north of Plainview, Thursday night, and has been taken to Tulla, where an examining trial is now in progress. Stewart recently came from Roswell, New Mexico, and was at work on the A. B. Rosser farm near here. About \$100 in cash was secured by the robbery.

TO RESTORE RANK OF CAPTAIN

Washington, Dec. 17.—Representative W. R. Smith today introduced a bill to restore rank as Captain in the army, for the purpose of retirement to Dr. William P. Woodall of Big Springs, Texas. Through a mistake, Dr. Woodall was merely honorably discharged from the army instead of retired.

WE HAVE ENJOYED A SPLENDID CHRISTMAS TRADE

We thank you most kindly for it, and hope that Christmas of 1913 may be the merriest of any you have ever spent. Remember to call and see us when in need of anything in the way of Drugs and Druggist Sundries. We will be pleased to serve you.

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Downing & Hill

Teague—The work of piping natural gas from the Mexia fields to this city is completed, and a number of Teague industries are using the product as fuel.

Denton—Authorities of the Experiment Station at this place have announced that they will plant 50 acres

to Sudan grass this season. This action was prompted by the successful production of this crop last year.

J. W. Ellison and son were here Monday from Slide. J. W. says they sure had a fine snow.

R. B. Shaw was here Monday from his stock farm near Abernathy.

BAPTIST CONVENTION ADJOURNS

Evangelists for Various Districts Are Selected—Raising of \$485,000 is Urged by Committee

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 18.—The Board of Directors of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, which adjourned here yesterday, disposed of much work during the last day's session.

A report of the Committee on Benevolence was adopted, recommending that the church affiliated with the general convention raise \$485,000 during the coming year for the various convention purposes.

General evangelists for the state were selected as follows: S. F. Baucum, Greenville district; R. W. Merrill, Abilene district; W. H. Johnson, Handley district; J. M. Harden, Plainview district; R. T. Hanks, Brownwood district; J. T. Bell, San Antonio district; J. H. Smith, Jacksonville district; L. Watson, Houston district, and W. R. Brown, district to be assigned by the Executive Committee of the Board.

The schedule of needful funds, submitted by the Committee on Benevolence, was, as follows:

State missions, \$160,000; foreign missions, \$100,000; home missions, \$80,000; sanitariums, (charity fund) \$30,000; ministerial education, \$25,000; old ministers' relief fund, \$15,000; cottage home work, \$10,000. Total, \$485,000.

The time suggested for taking of these collections was January and February, sanitariums and ministerial education; March and April, home and foreign missions; May, June and July, associational missions, old ministers' relief, cottage home work and other benevolences; August and September, education board; October and November, state missions.

Rev. S. S. Russell, pastor of an Oak Cliff church that is identified with the Baptist Missionary Associa-

tion of Texas, an organization not cooperating with the general convention, obtained recognition and expressed the hope that the two organizations might bury their differences and that a greater fraternalism and co-operation might come.

ABERNATHY BEEF CANNERS

Among the large shipments received from one individual today was a consignment of 200 head of cows, the culls from the ranch, brought in by Hedges & Benson, of Abernathy, Texas. They sold well, quality considered, \$450. Kansas City Correspondent.

Leslie Holman returned home this week from Lubbock and the Plains country, where he had been for some time.—Texas Spur.

Brownwood—This city can soon claim the distinction of having one of the best opera houses in South Texas. A contract was let some time since for the erection of a new opera house, to cost approximately \$40,000 when completed.

Cleburne—Former residents from many Texas cities and other states attended the "home coming" week here recently. The event will probably be repeated on a larger scale next year.



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DIRECTORY

CHURCHES

Church notices of every denomination will be run in this column, free, as standing announcements only.

Baptist Church

Sunday Bible School, 9:45 a. m., E. L. Klett, Superintendent. Preaching, 11:30 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. L. T. Grumbles, Pastor, Sunbeam Road, 2:30 p. m. Mrs. R. B. Haynes, Director. Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 8:00 p. m. B. W. M. W., Monday, 11:30 p. m. Mrs. Grumble, President.

First Presbyterian Church

Preaching by the Pastor on the first and third Sabbaths in each month, at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Sabbath School every Sabbath, at 9:45 a. m.—S. C. Wilson, Supt. S. S.; J. P. Word, Pastor.

Methodist Church

Preaching every Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and evening at 8:00 p. m. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. every Sunday. Prayer meeting and Sunday School Workers' meeting every Wednesday evening, at 7:15. Everybody is cordially invited to attend each service. Strangers are urged to come and get acquainted.—Rev. W. M. Lane, Pastor; Jas. L. Dow, S. S. Supt.

Cumberland Church

Services on the first and third Sundays, as follows: Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday School each Sunday at 10:00 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday nights, at 7:00 o'clock.—G. O. Hubbert, Pastor.

Nazarene Church

Preaching the first and fourth Sundays of each month, at 11:00 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Sunday School each Sunday, at 10:00 a. m. Prayer service second and fourth Sunday, at 11:00 a. m. The public is cordially invited to attend each service.

Church of Christ

Bible class every Sunday at 10:00 a. m. Communion service at 11:00 a. m. Preaching second Sunday at 8:00 p. m. and third Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., by Elder L. G. Sanders. All are cordially invited.

South Side Christian Church

There will be regular services at the South Side Christian Church in Lubbock, each Sunday, at 11:00 a. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., every Lord's Day in each month. The public generally are invited to attend all the services.—J. E. Chase, Pastor.

Congressman 16th District—W. R. Smith, Washington, D. C.
State Senator—W. A. Johnson, Memphis, Texas.
Representative 122nd District—T. M. Bartley, Tahoka, Texas.

District Court

Convenes in May and November of each year, six weeks term; W. H. Spencer, Lubbock, Texas, Judge 72nd Judicial District; G. E. Lochhart, Tahoka, Texas, Attorney 72nd Judicial District.

County Court

Regular terms, February, April, August and November. Criminal docket taken up, first Monday in each month, E. R. Haynes, County Judge; R. A. Sowder, County Attorney.

Justice Court

Meets the first Saturday in each month, J. D. Caldwell, Justice of the Peace.

Commissioners' Court

Regular terms, February, May, October and December. Special meetings every second Monday.

County Officers

County Judge—E. R. Haynes.
County Attorney—R. A. Sowder.
Sheriff and Tax Collector—W. H. Flynn.

Deputy Clerk—Luther McCrammen.
Tax Assessor—H. K. Porter.
County Treasurer—R. H. Wilson.
County Surveyor—H. G. Guinn.

County Commissioners

Precinct No. 1—R. A. Barelay.
Precinct No. 2—C. A. Joplin.
Precinct No. 3—L. O. Burford.
Precinct No. 4—J. M. Wright.

Justices of the Peace

Precinct No. 1—J. D. Caldwell.
Precinct No. 2—C. V. Young.

City Officials

Mayor—Frank E. Wheelock.
Secretary-Treasurer—W. M. Shaw.
Aldermen—B. O. McWhorter, L. W. H. Terry, Raleigh Martin, W. K. Dickinson, W. A. Bacon.

Boost Lubbock—send the Avalanche to your friends.

H. M. Holbrook, of Crosbyton, is a new subscriber to the Avalanche, beginning with this issue.

SHEPPARD URGES PROHIBITION

Texas Presents Resolution in United States Senate for Amendment to the Constitution

Washington, Dec. 12.—Two thousand delegates from the prohibition ranks in various states marched upon the capitol and presented their appeal to Senator Sheppard of Texas and Representative Hobson of Alabama, for an amendment to the federal constitution for national prohibition.

After a parade through the city, the delegates assembled on the east steps of the capitol, where speeches were made by their leaders, the principal address by E. W. Carrington, of Westville, Okla. Senator Sheppard and Representative Hobson replied, and then the delegates flocked into the galleries of the two houses.

Representative Hobson will introduce a resolution in the house tomorrow afternoon and will make a speech then, if he can obtain consent, but Senator Sheppard offered his resolution in the Senate this afternoon and proceeded to make an hour's speech on the subject. The galleries were filled with advocates of national prohibition and the enthusiasm evinced by them at times over the points in Senator Sheppard's resolution made it necessary for the vice-president to admonish the galleries several times against applause in the senate.

"One of the fundamental duties of the American people," said Senator Sheppard, in opening his speech, "is the extermination of the traffic in intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes. Experience has demonstrated that the only safe way to handle this traffic is to destroy it. In the United States, it has reached such proportions that the nation must join in the struggle against it. It is a menace to the integrity and progress of this republic. The fact that alcohol undermines the brain and paralyzes the will of man, planting in him and his posterity the seeds of physical degeneracy, the seeds of disease, the seeds of poverty, the seeds of crime—makes it a peril to the very existence of free government."

Mrs. R. C. Lewis, Miss Beulah Knott, of Dallas, and little Miss Louise Lewis, expect to leave Sunday for Seymour, to spend the holidays with Mrs. Lewis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Shult. Amarillo Daily News.

J. W. Losey will read the Avalanche—Lubbock County's biggest and best newspaper for a year, beginning with this issue.

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Apply at once the wonderful old reliable DE PORTER'S ANTISEPTIC HEALING OIL, a great dressing that relieves pain and heals the same time. No aches and pains.

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WHELOCK DRESS SHOP

The Plainview Nursery

Plainview Nursery can furnish Christmas trees in Cedars or Arborvitae, from 3 to 6 feet high. Also a full line of large Shade and Fruit Trees and Shrubbery. Send order direct to Nursery or see W. T. Boone, local agent, Lubbock. : : : :

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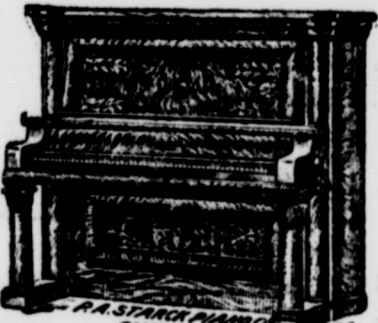
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LUBBOCK, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1913.

TEXAS POSTOFFICES RAISED

Washington, Dec. 20.—The following fourth-class postoffices in Texas will become Presidential offices on Jan. 1: Buckholts, Campbell, carbon, Chapel Hill, Frisco, Quitman, Sunset, Valley View and Willis, with salaries at \$1,100; also Normangee, with a salary at \$1,200.

Ross W. Davis of Kansas City will read the Avalanche for a year from this issue.

Lowe Johnson, of Hopkinsville, Ky., is a new subscriber to the South Plains' big weekly—the Avalanche, beginning this week.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Have no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 22 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable.
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Several of the Avalanche piano contestants are getting extraordinarily busy, and, as a result, the subscription list of the paper is growing rapidly—the Avalanche will be just that much better an advertising medium, and if your ad. is not found in its columns, many people will not know you are really here.

The Avalanche Stork Reporter overlooked mentioning the arrival of a fine girl at the home of Rev. and Mrs. L. T. Grumbles, about two weeks ago.

Miss Buelah Hester, of McKinney, Tex., authorizes us to send the Avalanche to her this week for 12 months.

Governor Colquitt has offered \$150 reward for the arrest and conviction of the unknown murderer of William Williams at Rusk, on November 21.

The cold killed many sparrows here.

SPLENDID SNOW FALL

Saturday Night Brought First Fall of Snow This Winter—Continued Falling on Sunday

Last Saturday night brought with it a covering of snow and Sunday the fall continued throughout the day, and in all at least six inches of snow fell. Much of it melted as it fell, and it was considered a very "wet" snow. At this writing, Wednesday, there is still much snow on the ground and that we will have snow for Christmas is a "sure shot."

We have heard from many different places and they all report more or less snow fall, so that we are led to believe that the fall has been very general all over the Plains and Panhandle country.

Figures are furnished from the following nearby places:

Lubbock, 6 inches; Lockney, 5 inches; Floydada, 6 inches; Tulia 5 inches; Silverton, 5 inches, and a heavy snow-fall at Canyon; Plainview has 5 inches, which can be accepted as the general snow-fall over the South Plains.

THE EMPTY STOCKING

An empty stocking is the dreariest tragedy of all motherhood. There is no picture more appealing, no emotion that carries a deeper pang, and no sensation as sorrowful in human life as a Christmas stocking limp and dejected. Explaining an empty Christmas stocking is the most pitiful task Christianity ever assigned to a mother; and to be forgotten by Santa Claus is the most dreadful day in the life of a child.

Christmas is built around the love of a mother for her babe, and where want and hunger huddle and skulk in the shadow of a home and the children lie in a cold bed and dream Christmas dreams that never come true,—it is there that the betrayal of the Christmas tradition becomes the greatest disaster in child-life.

The gift of the Bethlehem stable sent a thrill of delight through the veins of mankind and taught us new lessons of unselfish love. We feel this Christian sensation warming our hearts when we touch a drum, a sled or a trumpet and hear the gleeful shouts of happy children as they explore the well-filled Christmas stocking.

The Crosbyton Review was five years old last week. It's still under the same management and is a credit to Crosbyton.

BIG BARGAINS HERE

The big Holiday trade has not by any means taken away the big bargains offered in seasonable goods at this store and you will find splendid values in Gent's Furnishings at this store.

I make a specialty of Men's ready-to-wears and keep a close look-out for bargains in everything that men wear and by close buying can offer you **REAL BARGAINS**. See my good stock of Winter Underwear, **SWEATERS, VESTS, GLOVER, Etc.** Here you get great values.

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TEACHERS' COUNTY INSTITUTE

(Continued from Page 1.)

nature. Miss Daisy Smith, in her paper on "How Should Legal Holidays be Observed?" gave us several modern and progressive ideas as to how this should be done. Judge Haynes made some nice comments on same.

Adjournment.

Tuesday—Afternoon

By pushing the subjects during the morning for the benefit of the teachers who wished to leave on the train, left only one subject and a short business session for the afternoon.

Mr. Faulkner discussed his last lesson on "Rural Schools," emphasizing the advantages of teaching industrial and manual training in our schools.

Mrs. Burford, the President of the County Federation of Women's Clubs, on invitation, gave an instructive talk.

On the benefits derived from the organization of Mothers' Clubs, and insisted that the teachers prepare themselves to take the lead in such clubs.

The Committee on Resolutions reported, as follows:

Resolutions

Be It Resolved, By the Teachers of Lubbock County, in Institute Assembly:

First, That we express our thanks to the people of Lubbock for the genuine courtesy shown to the teachers of the Institute.

Second, That we are grateful to Prof. M. L. Marcus, of the Canyon Normal School, and Dr. O. F. Peebler of Lubbock, and Prof. Lee Clark of the State Department of Education, and Judges W. F. Schenck and J. R. Robinson, of the Lubbock bar, for their excellent addresses.

Third, That we thank the music teachers of Lubbock for the entertainment rendered the teachers of the Institute.

Fourth, That we thank the Board of Trustees of the Lubbock City schools for the use of the school building.

Fifth, That the teachers of Lubbock county would look favorably on a law for compulsory education.

Sixth, That we hereby indorse the administration of Judge E. R. Haynes; that we feel that he has made us an efficient and impartial officer; that we gladly submit the school interests of Lubbock county

to his leadership.

W. R. SUMMERS,
H. P. WEBB,
TEMPE E. WALLACE,
Committee.

Be It Further Resolved: That the visiting school teachers express our thanks to the Lubbock City school teachers for their courtesy, entertainment and sympathy while in their midst.

TEMPE E. WALLACE,
W. R. SUMMERS,
Committee.

The following were the instructors and subjects taught:

J. K. WebsterPsychology
H. P. WebbArithmetic
P. N. Faulkner
.....Fought's American Rural School
Mrs. J. E. ClineGrammar

We feel that the committee made a wise selection of normal instructors, as each was thoroughly prepared to deal with his subjects.

This has been one of the most delightful and beneficial institutes we have ever attended, and the teachers wish to thank all "out-side" friends, who in any way added to the success of the term, especially do we thank the Mothers' Club for complimentary tickets to the sacred concert, which was a real treat. We have enjoyed the association of these days and have made many sincere friendships and shall look forward to our next annual meeting with pleasant anticipation.

The teachers attending the Institute were: E. R. Haynes, Lubbock; H. P. Webb, Lubbock; J. S. Grant, Slide; Marie O'Dowd, Lubbock; Jim Storm, Lubbock; Hilda Richter, Abernathy; Mattie Roy, Lubbock; Ed Thorp, Meadow; Daisy Smith, Abernathy; Mrs. W. S. Norton, Lubbock; M. L. Walker, Lubbock; Maude Wallace, Slaton; Pearl Dunscomb, Slaton; W. R. Summers, Lubbock; Myrtle Patterson, Slaton; Lula Jones, Lubbock; Sadie Jones, Lubbock; G. N. Atkinson, Lubbock; Grace Rucker, Lubbock; Deane Lowe, Lubbock; Lona Owens, Lubbock; Hallie Dickerson, Slaton; Frankie Vermillion, Slaton; Adele Warson, Lubbock; W. T. Bowers, Lubbock; Frances Jackson, Lubbock; Mrs. Belle Kilgore, Lubbock; Miss Willie Briggs, Slaton; Johnie Collins, Lubbock; Mrs. F. V. Brown, Lubbock; Mary V. Beard, Lubbock; Tempe Wallace, Lubbock; Willie Wallace, Lubbock; Lena Stalcup, Lubbock; Mrs. J. E. Cline, Lubbock; Mrs. E. R. Haynes, Lubbock;

Miss Lena Fisher, Lubbock; Miss Naoma Elliott, Lubbock; Miss Josephine Heavenhill, Shalower; P. F. Brown, Lubbock; J. K. Wester, Lubbock; Mrs. J. K. Wester, Lubbock; and P. V. Faulkner, Slaton.

TO THE VOTERS OF LUBBOCK AND ATTACHED COUNTIES:

In this week's paper I am announcing for County and District Clerk. I feel like most of you know me, but there are a few who do not. I want to meet you and get acquainted. I came to this county in 1890, have worked for the good and upbuilding of this county ever since. I have lived in Plainview and in Austin for a short time, but my time and money were spent in advertising this country. This office is a gift of the people and is for the public. If you can and will give me your support I will greatly appreciate it. If elected, I will do my best to serve the people.

FRANK BOWLES.

Plainview has just had a very successful poultry show. There should be a general awakening of the poultry raisers in the Lubbock Country, and we should have a fine show here next fall when we have our annual County Fair. Begin NOW to plan for that event.

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given, that on January 15th, 1914, the Trustees of the Lubbock Independent School District will receive bids from parties desiring to become Treasurer and Depository of the funds of the Lubbock Independent School District.

Those desiring to make application, please hand same to James L. Dow, Secretary of the Board.

GEO. R. BEAN, President,
JAS. L. DOW, Secretary,
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Keep an account with us, and let us assist you in a way that will be to your benefit.

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LUBBOCK, TEXAS

Announcements

Your name will be carried from the date you authorize it placed in this column until the July primary, and if you are the nominee, it will be continued until the general election, at the following rates:

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Commissioners 7.50
Justices of the Peace 5.00

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For Tax Assessor:
S. C. SPIKES.
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For County and District Clerk:
SAM T. DAVIS.
FRANK BOWLES.

WHITEHEAD BUYS DRAFT MARES

Raising of Draft Horses to Become Profitable—Slaton People Attend Court and Teachers' Institute

A. E. Whitehead returned the first of the week, from Colorado, where he had been buying heavy draft mares for the South Plains markets.

A number of Slaton people were called to Lubbock this week as witnesses in the case of Hossie Nix vs. the Western Telephone Company, for damages sustained by the explosion of a lamp. The case was continued until the next term of court by mutual agreement of attorneys of both sides, on account of the serious illness of the wife of W. S. Bramlett of Dallas, one of the attorneys for defendant company.

The Misses Dickerman, Vermillion, Robertson and Dunscomb; Mrs. Wallace and Supt. Faulkner, of the Slaton schools, went to Lubbock on the local, Thursday morning, to attend the County Teachers' Institute which will be in session until next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. S. H. Adams and daughters went to Sweetwater yesterday, to visit relatives for a few days.—Slatonite.

Learn Name Listing.—Our booklet entitled, "Name Listing and How to Apply It," will be ready for delivery by Jan. 14, 1914. Price 50 cents, which will tell you how to gather names and how you can make from \$10 to \$100 monthly during your spare time.—Texas Name Listing Association, P. O. Box 41, Dallas, Texas. 25-1t

Mrs. M. J. Stuphen, of Ballinger, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jordan this week.

L. M. Kokernott, at Shrinor, Texas, will read the Avalanche for a year.

Mrs. R. W. Heim has been quite sick this week.

Church Notes

MISSIONARY AUXILIARY NOTES

The first regular monthly meeting of the year shall be devoted to the consideration of plans and financial pledges for the new year, and the installation of officers—so reads part of Article 6, of the constitution, for Auxiliaries. Let us keep this in mind, and at our January meeting, pray about and talk over our pledge for the ensuing year, and let us not be satisfied to do only so much as in the previous year, but let us make an advance, pledge a larger amount to carry on the great work entrusted to the women of our church, and then—live up to that pledge.

sions, with a total of 2,027 native church organizations and 177,724 Protestant church members. And, in addition to the areas unreached, there are the Moslems, numbering millions. It is said that the Moslem population of China is certainly equal to the entire population of Algeria or Scotland or Ireland; that in all probability, it is equal to that of Morocco, and numbers not less than the total population of Persia.

Bishop Lambuth and party of missionaries have sailed from Antwerp for the field of our new African mission in the Batetela county. In the party are Dr. and Mrs. John H. Stockwell, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bush, A. H. Setzer and wife, and Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Mumpower. They expected to reach the Presbyterian mission at Luofo about December 15, and the end of their journey near the middle of January.

Native Presbyterian Christians in Korea maintain missions among the Japanese, and are now asking that definite territory be assigned them for work among the Chinese—Visitor.

PUB. SUPT.

Coming—A carload of kindling, at Bowman Lumber Yard. 25-2t

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

I wish to extend greetings to all my customers and wish for you a Merry Christmas. The past year has been a very satisfactory one to us, and you are responsible for our success to a great degree. Hence I feel I owe you my sincere thanks for what you have made it possible for me to accomplish during the past year.

I wish to state that my equipments for serving you during next year will be much better than ever before. My stock will be larger, more varied and such that I will be able to supply your demands more prompt than in years gone by. I shall appreciate a continuance of your very liberal patronage and assure you that I shall at all times strive to render satisfactory service in dealing with you in every department of my store. Again wishing you much pleasure during the festive season, and a prosperous New Year, I am

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We are located on the North side of the Square in the building known as the Bullock & Company Land office, and we have a full line of PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES, BRUSHES and PAINTER'S SUPPLIES. Our stock is all Standard grades and of the best qualities—It's fresh and up-to-date.

We will be glad to contract for Painting and Paper Hanging. Work guaranteed to give satisfaction.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

We wish you all a Merry Christmas, and thank you for your liberal patronage during the past year. Our Holiday trade has been all we could wish but our stock of High-Class Groceries is yet complete and after one day of Christmas vacation we will be ready to take your order for all kinds of good eats and fill your orders promptly and carefully. We solicit your patronage through the New Year 1914. Call and see us for everything in Groceries.

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LUBBOCK, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1913.

COSTS TO RUN NEWSPAPERS

Some people seem to think that a newspaper man ought to be satisfied with just merely a living.

Well, we will agree that a living is very nice, and we're thankful for a living, but we are just like all other people, and want to save up a little money, as the old saying is, "for a rainy day."

One who has had no experience in the newspaper business, has no idea of the expense attached to them.

The first expense is the plant, of which the smallest a printer can turn out a medium size paper on, ranges from \$1,000 to \$1,500. The next expense is getting a stock of stationery, which ranges from \$50 to \$100. The expense of making up and running of a paper each week, runs as follows: Taking The Echo for an example, there is something like 14 galley's of type in the paper, and it takes the average compositor four days to set the type, two days to throw it in, making six days in all. A man to do this costs \$12.50 a week. Then you have to have an ad. and job man which will cost, say, \$15, which is the lowest price. Then

you have to have a news reporter, which will cost \$10 a week. House rent and other expenses will cost around \$10, this making a total of \$17.50 expenses per week. The income will average \$25 weekly—where do you stand at the end of the month? Everyone who can read and write can tell at a glance that we land "in the hole!" So, Mr. Merchant, instead of cutting down your ad. raise it, if anything. Roaring Springs Echo.

The Echo has hit upon a subject that few patrons of a newspaper ever consider. The average reader seems to have an idea that there is no expense attached to the operation of a newspaper plant, while if they had to look face to face with the financial end of the business, they would realize very forcibly that there is quite an item of expense attached to every issue. The Avalanche, in as small a town as Lubbock, about 3,500 population, has a payroll of over \$400 each month, besides other expenses; yet it is expected by some—not very many in Lubbock—that we ought to run a big lot of free advertising in our paper each week. It takes money to run a

newspaper, and lots of it, and if people want a good newspaper, they cannot send their printing out of town and put their ads on the wire fences and bill-boards. Advertising, job printing and subscriptions are the newspapers' stock in trade, and it is for sale at so much per. in order that the man who has his money invested may have a living and keep going.

J. F. Vance was among those in from Shallowater Saturday, and he renewed his subscription to Lubbock's big weekly—the Avalanche.

Mr. Trent does horseshoeing scientifically. He is at A. S. Hopper & Company's. Phone—256. 21-1f

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING.

Will Bring Twenty Million Dollars Worth of Toys.

Santa Claus is going to bring the children of the United States an assortment of toys valued at \$20,000,000 this Christmas, and nearly a million dollars worth will be distributed among Texas kiddies. Assuming that this amount will be apportioned, each child's allotment will amount to one dollar. These statements are based upon facts and figures contained in a recent report issued by the Federal Department of Commerce relating to the importation, production and exportation of toys in the United States, and the prices used represent wholesale value. According to this bulletin the theory that our Christmas playthings come from Greenland has been exploded as it is shown that more than one-half the toys consumed in this country, or approximately \$11,000,000 worth, are manufactured in the United States, while the remainder is imported principally from Germany.

There are 236 toy factories in continental United States, but none of them are located in Texas, and consequently our annual expenditure for Christmas trifles leaves the State.

Since Santa Claus made his last visit a year ago, the toy factories of the United States have been running full time preparing for his next annual tour. These establishments have employed 6,072 persons, who have earned \$3,000,000 in salaries and wages and whose unceasing labors will brighten the lives of 20 million good little boys and girls when they wake on Christmas morning.

The consumption of this class of merchandise in the United States has grown with remarkable rapidity. Importations in 1893 were less than 2 million dollars; in 1903 they had grown to four and one-half million, and for the calendar year of 1913 it seems likely that they will reach the enormous sum of nine million dollars. While the domestic manufacture of toys has increased materially in recent years, the yearly factory output is no nearer the annual demand than it was twenty years ago, and as a result the imports, production and consumption show approximately the same percentage of gain during this time. Exports of toys from the United States are comparatively small when the manufacture and importations are considered. The exports amount to less than a million dollars annually and have somewhat declined in recent years.

THE COLORADO COAL STRIKE

Has made it almost impossible to get coal out of the Colorado mines and therefore the country is being flooded with inferior grades of coal from other places. At a considerable additional expense to us and great effort on our part we have been able to procure enough SUNLIGHT COAL to supply the demand till the first of January which we will sell at the same price that others are selling ordinary coal for.

Buy Now is Our Advice

While you can get our good coal. You know how well pleased those who have been using Sunlight Coal are. Nobody sells Sunlight Coal but us.

—PHONE—

319 Ames & Co. 319



FINANCING RAILROADS

The Fundamental Elements in Securities.

BY JULIUS KRUTTSCHNITT, Executive Head of Southern Pacific.

THE financing of a railroad is a function which the people, through their servants, the Railroad Commissioners and the Legislators, have never attempted, but it is a most important problem, especially to sections of a State where new railroads are needed. The placing of securities has been left entirely with the promoter and owner of railroads.

The immediate determination of what earnings the railroads shall be permitted to receive and what burdens it shall have put on it is in the hands of the other servants of the public—the Legislators and the Commissioners.

Managing a railroad is quite different from managing a government where the money is raised by taxation. When the expenditures, for good reasons or otherwise, increase, taxes can be equally increased. The railroads, while servants of the public, cannot raise money with such ease and facility. The railroads must keep their expenditures within their incomes because while they have some control over their expenditures they have almost no control over their incomes, their rates being fixed by public authorities.

There is not a railway manager in the country today who is not fearful that under the press of increasing demands the transportation systems of the country will, in a few years, break down, unless the railroads are allowed to earn larger funds wherewith to build it up. There are vast sections of the country, especially in the West, where more railroads are needed and they cannot be built unless the railways raise new capital.

People invest money in order to make money, and they are skeptical as to whether they can make money by investing in concerns that are dealt with stringently and unfairly. Railroad securities must be made more attractive to invite investments, and in order that they may be made more attractive, the roads must be allowed earnings that will enable them to meet the increased capital charges.

SPECIAL OFFER DURING DEC.

1 doz. best Cabinet Photos, \$2.50;
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F. M. Edwards will read the Avalanche for a year hence, having authorized us to send it to him this week.

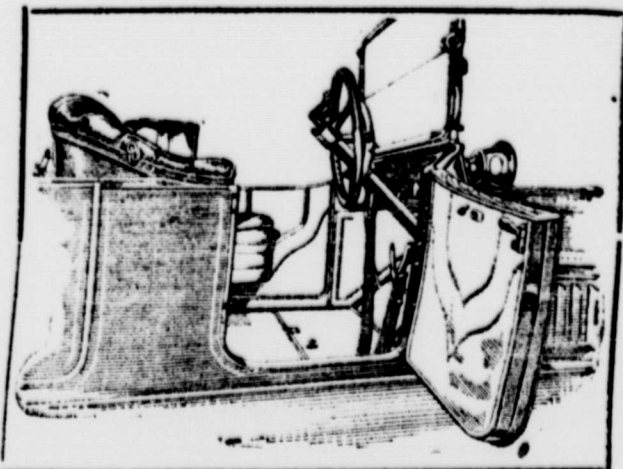
Even though you are busy—Come to Lubbock.



We invite a careful comparison of the Cadillac with any high-class car.

Will be pleased to have prospective purchasers call on, or write us when you are ready for a demonstration.

About January 10th, Mr. Joe Hilton will be in charge of the Cadillac sales at Lubbock, where he will take pleasure in showing the public the merits of this world-famed car, and also in looking after the interests of Cadillac owners.



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Even though you have purchased most of your Christmas gifts, you will find many articles in our large and well assorted stock that would be appreciated at any time during the holiday season. We have many articles suitable for gifts, but we mention:

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Discounts on all ready-to-wear. Larger than ever.

15 per cent off on all Men's and Boy's suits and Overcoats.

15 per cent off on all Ladies' Skirts.

15 per cent off on all Ladies' Coats.

20 to 25 per cent off on all Ladies' Suits.

If you have not supplied yourself with that Suit, Cloak or Overcoat, now is your opportunity.

WE CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION TO OUR VOTING TICKETS IN THE AVALANCHE PIANO CONTEST

With each Cash purchase of one dollar's worth, we give a ticket good for 25 votes. No tickets will be given for goods remaining charged longer than 30 days and no tickets will be given until the goods are paid for. These tickets are not free, and are given to increase our Cash business, and to extend the circulation of the Great South Plains weekly—The Avalanche.

Please note the following regular prices, and bear in mind there is from 15 to 25 per cent off these prices. Also that we send all out of town orders by mail, delivered with the satisfying guarantee of your money back if you want it.

Boy's Suits—\$2.50, 3.50, 4.00, 5.00, 7.50 to 10.00.

See them and carefully compare prices with any others.

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Ladies Suits—\$10.00, 12.50, 15.00, 17.50 to 25.00.

15 to 25 per cent off regular prices—See them before you buy.

Thanking you for your liberal patronage, and wishing you the usual compliments of the season, we are,

Faithfully Yours,

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DOUBLE LICENSE TO WED

In Wisconsin Male Person Must Have Health Certificate as Well as a Marriage License to Wed

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 19.—On and after Jan. 1, 1914, men who wish to marry in this state must present certificate of health, signed by reputable physicians.

The eugenic law, passed at the last session of the legislature, goes into effect on that day, and not even the cleverest lawyers have been able to find any way of avoiding it. It also provides that any person going to another state to marry cannot return to Wisconsin within a period of one year unless he presents a physician's certificate. Intent to defraud is punishable with imprisonment of from one to 20 years.

There already has been much discussion of the new law by physicians, clergymen and social workers. Many approve it, while others assert that it will work no good. The medical profession, however, appear generally to regard the statute with favor.

The law provides that any physician issuing a false certificate shall be deprived of his license to practice, and any person disclosing the result of an examination by a physician shall be charged with a felony, and upon conviction shall be sentenced to from one to five years in the penitentiary. The law sets forth that the cost for medical examination shall be \$3, to be paid by the applicant.

Following are some opinions expressed by leading clergymen and physicians of Milwaukee:

"The statute," said Dr. Williams Becker, a prominent physician, "which compels male candidates for matrimony to present a certificate of physical and mental health, theoretically would be conducive to the betterment of mankind, if both sexes were equally subjected to the law."

"Viewed in the light of a civil contract, both parties entering into the agreement should share equally, in all responsibilities, as well as in all privileges of the same. With the man in possession of a certified halo, but in doubt as to the woman's mental and physical state, the woman is lowered to the plane of a quasi chattel."

"A considerable per cent of the women bent on marriage are mentally and physically tainted. Is the woman's aptitude for marriage less important than that of the man?"

"Evasion Too Easy"

This was the opinion of Rev. H. C. Beale, of the Congregational Church:

"I have grave doubts as to whether this particular law will be of any great advantage. The matter is too vague and the possibility of evasion too great. Besides, it comes perilously near to the line which separates individual freedom from social control."

"There is likely to be much adverse criticism of such a law," said Dr. Neill Wentworth Carrell, "and I would not be surprised to hear of its early repeal. The man who is clean will resent a physical examination; the man who is unclean will evade the issue."

"The law in itself is a good one and probably has the support of the entire medical profession, as well as the thinking people of other professions."

Apply to Women Later

"That the law may be changed to include woman is inevitable. The woman infected by a previous marriage may be a disease carrier and a disease transmitter without her knowledge. What men are ignorant of the possibility of them infecting their mates?"

Dr. William Cronin said: "I believe it is a wise and salutary law. If rigidly enforced, it will go far toward preventing the propagation of serious diseases of the blood and other local diseases that are a source of so much misery and suffering, and the cause of so many unhappy marriages."

"Witness the result of the recent marriage of a certain dethroned monarch and a German princess. The newspapers heralded the shameful fact to the world."

"The law recently passed by the legislature, whereby any man desiring to marry must present a certificate signed by a reputable physician, showing he is physically qualified to enter the marriage relation, will for a time bewilder some people, and it will be some time before all will understand its import," said Rev. Perry Miller, Supt. Wisconsin Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church. "But the law is so sensible and practicable, and, we may say, so necessary to the good of all concerned, that we will be willing to put up with some inconvenience. The only fault I have with the law is that it does not include both parties to the marriage contract."

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SHOULD OWN WIRE LINES

U. S. Postmaster General Burleson Urges Federal Ownership of Telegraph and Telephone Lines

Government ownership of both telegraph and telephone lines is urged by Postmaster General Albert Sidney Burleson, in his annual report made public last Friday. This followed recent conferences on the subject between the Postmaster General and President Wilson, and reports that the President was about to make Federal ownership of the two utilities an administration policy are current. Mr. Burleson points to the successful inauguration and extension of the parcel post system as a guaranty that the postoffice department is capable of handling further country-wide business of great magnitude and importance.

Another prominent feature of the postmaster general's report is his assertion that there is a surplus in his department for the year ended June 30, 1913, estimated at \$3,811,906.78, and he argues that this is the first real surplus since 1883.

In regard to taking over the telegraph and telephone systems, Mr. Burleson says in part:

"A study of the constitutional purposes of the postal establishment, leads to the conviction that the postoffice department should have control over all means of communication of intelligence. The first telegraph line in this country was maintained and operated as part of the postal service, and it is to be regretted that congress saw fit to relinquish this facility to private enterprise. The monopolistic nature of the telegraph business makes it of vital importance to the people that it be conducted by unselfish interests and this can be accomplished only through government ownership."

"Every argument in favor of the government ownership of telegraph lines may be advanced with equal logic and force in favor of the government ownership of telephone lines. It has been competently decided that a telephone message and a telegram are the same within the meaning of the laws governing the telegraph service, and therefore it is believed that the statute enabling the government to acquire, upon payment of an appraised valuation, the telegraph lines of the country will enable the government to acquire the telephonic network of the country."

The receipts for the year were \$266,619,325.65, an increase of more than 8 per cent over the preceding year, as compared with a corresponding increase of 4 per cent reported a twelve-month ago. The larger increase he attributes to the parcel post system started January 1, 1912. He praises the parcel post work of the postoffice, declaring that about 300,000,000 pieces were handled during the first six months of operation.

"Parcel post reaches everywhere, whereas private express extends operation only to profitable territory," he says, "twenty millions of rural residents now have house to house delivery and collection of parcels, a service formerly to be had only in cities and towns."

Mr. Burleson goes into the matter of the railroads complaining of unpaid for handling mail matter in some detail. He argues that the railroads have received large benefits from the governments, state and national; that they are in law, post roads, that they are performing a



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Women who are nervous and find it hard to get on with their daily work, gain strength and natural energy by taking Scott's Emulsion after meals because it is essentially nourishment—not a drug that stimulates or excites the system—there is pure, rich medical nourishment in every drop which nature appropriates to enrich the blood and rebuild the latent forces of the body.

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Avoid substitutes called "imitations," "extracts" or "artificial emulsions"—they are not cod liver oil.

Insist on the genuine Scott's
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government function in carrying mail and that the government is not carrying on the postoffice business for profit, that the carriage of the mails by the railroads contributes to their prosperity in other lines and that for all these reasons railroads should carry mails for less than they charge for like commercial business.

He attacks the second-class mail privilege, saying:

"The mailing of newspapers and periodicals as second class matter at the cent-a-pound rate, and free in the county of publication, during the fiscal year 1913, was greater than during any previous year, and for the first time in the history of the postal service exceeded a billion pounds. Although second class matter constituted approximately 62 per cent of the aggregate weight of the domestic revenue producing mail, it produced only 4.98 per cent of the postage derived from such mail."

Postmaster General Burleson's declaration for the principle of government ownership of telegraphs and telephones, as outlined in his annual report made public, undoubtedly will be followed by a democratic caucus in the house in January, which will decide how the project is to be made an administrative policy. President Wilson has been giving the project careful study, and administration supporters say he has not pressed it upon congress at this time because of the enormous expense involved. A preliminary move will be congressional authorization to the postmaster general to make a report on the feasibility of acquiring the lines.

Representative Lewis, who was foremost among the congressional leaders who worked out the parcel post, had prepared a bill on the new subject, but will give way to an administration measure backed by Chairman Mann of the Post's commission.

JUSTICEBURG HAS BIG FIRE

General Merchandise House and Hotel Reduced to Ashes—Some Accidents at Post

Last Monday morning, a destructive fire occurred at Justiceburg. The general merchandise store of C. C. and L. A. Pirie was burned to the ground, with very little saved. At the same time the Justiceburg Hotel was burned, together with a large part of the furnishings. The total loss will probably reach \$200,000. No insurance was carried so far as we can learn. This is a severe blow to the town of Justiceburg, but it is said that the buildings will be rebuilt at once.

Grady Bardwell happened to the misfortune of getting his leg broke, Saturday, while riding a horse which slipped and fell on him near Justiceburg. Dr. Collins was summoned as soon as possible and reset the broken bone. Grady was getting along nicely at last accounts.

Uncle Frank Wilkes accidentally stuck a stick in his eye one day last week, which has been causing him considerable pain, but it is hoped that his sight will not be permanently affected.

J. W. Russell and Mr. Miller, two prominent cattlemen of Scurry county, were here from Snyder, Saturday, looking at some cattle—Post City Post.

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Farm with four room house, barn and out-buildings; good orchard; plenty of good water; one and one-half miles from the town of Shalower and good school.

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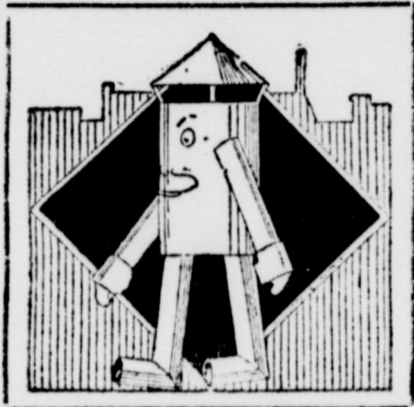
A Merry Christmas:

I extend to all my customers a hearty "Merry Christmas", and wish for you all many happy returns of the season. Remember that after Santa Claus is gone and forgotten for a time that I will still be here and ready to fill your orders for Groceries and Racket goods.

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All you have to do to secure a gift is to send us the names of four property owners of your district and a 25 cent fee, to apply on postage and recording. You will not be out another cent, we mail deed as soon as names are received.

Our object is, listing land in your locality for Northern buyers and to add to our Panama Exposition list of names which we are compiling. Won't you help us? The lot is a dear and valuable present and it is yours for the asking. Send while you think. Address

NOTE: Let us tell you an easy way to earn a round-trip pass to the Panama Exposition.

UNITED OIL AND LAND CO.,
PECOS, TEXAS

Boost Lubbock—send the Avalanche Old Coryell county votes 'er 'dry' again, with 100 votes to spare.

day, Dec. 31.

Remember, the \$10.00 in gold to be given to the contestant having the highest number of votes on Dec. 31, is a Special Prize. It will in no way affect the standing of the winner of the contest.

A few contestants thought that the winning of the \$10.00 in gold would affect the votes for the Piano. It will not. All votes found in the box on Dec. 31 will be included in the final count, which will decide the winners of the piano and other valuable prizes.

Remember that each subscription you receive—either new, renewal or back—will get a certain number of votes with each year and those votes with an extra bonus also.

All votes, to be counted, must be in by 7:30 o'clock, p. m., Dec. 31.

The following names have been suggested to act as an Awarding Committee and count the ballots, and if no objections are offered, they will constitute the committee:

JNO. W. BAKER,
GEO. W. BRIGGS,
CLAUDE BURRUS.

Get Busy and vote for your choice. This contest will be conducted squarely, and no partiality will be shown to anyone. DO IT NOW and help someone reap the benefit of the liberal offer made by the Avalanche.

The following have been nominated, thus far. It isn't too late to get in the game yet:

Mrs. T. A. Atkinson.
Mrs. W. R. Summers.
Mrs. W. H. Flynn.
Coots Jordan.
Mary Rose Parkinson.
Arvis Frazier.
Margaret Atkinson.
Johnie Roy.
Emilee Brooks.
Mattie Clark.
Bessie Rush.
Alice Williamson.
Glenna Burns.
Mildred Moore.
Maudie Caldwell.
Gertrude Mathews.
Mrs. Ed Vandin.
Miss Laura Mallard.
Birtha Bullock.
Mrs. Pierson, Abernathy.
Mrs. E. R. Davis.
Miss Wilda Watren.
Margaret Atkin.

SPECIAL BONUS OFFER

Good Till Date of First Count—\$10 In Gold to Contestant Having the Largest Number Votes Dec. 31.

The big Prize Voting Contest is attracting more attention every day, so, as incentive to all contestants, we have decided to give the following special votes:

For every seventh new subscription, 4,000 extra votes, making a total of 8,200. These subscriptions need not be for one party for seven years, or for seven different people for one year, but must be new for seven years, and must be handed in all at one time.

For every seven renewal subscriptions, 3,000 extra, making a total of 6,500. These may be for seven different people, or all for one, but must be all renewals and must be handed in all at once.

The above Special Offer will hold good until the first count on Dec. 31, at which time votes will be counted by the judges, who will award the TEN DOLLARS IN GOLD to the contestant who receives the largest number of votes up to the first count. The ballot box will close promptly at 7:30 p. m. on Wednesday.

NOMINATING BLANK

Popular Vote Contest

1913

I hereby nominate or suggest the name of

Address

As a lady worthy to become a candidate in your Popular Voting Contest, I present this name with the distinct understanding and agreement that the editor shall not divulge my name. This does not obligate me in any way whatever.

Signed

Address

FOR COUNTY CLERK

In the proper column in this issue of the Avalanche will be found the announcement of Sam T. Davis, who enters the race for the office of County and District Clerk for Lubbock and attached counties.

Sam T. is one of our barbers, has been in Lubbock for several years and has, through good business and "stickability" acquired a nice home and one of the best shops in the city. He is well qualified to fill the

office as Clerk, and we are sure that if the people of Lubbock and attached counties deem it proper to place him in that responsible position, they will never have occasion for regret.

Mr. Davis will be pleased to have you consider well his claims before casting your vote for County and District Clerk in the July primary.

For Weakness and Loss of Appetite
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. A true tonic and sure Appetizer. For adults and children. 50c.

WHENEVER YOU NEED A GENERAL TONIC - TAKE GROVE'S

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is Equally Valuable as a General Tonic because it Acts on the Liver, Drives Out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. For Grown People and Children.

You know what you are taking when you take Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic as the formula is printed on every label showing that it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It is as strong as the strongest bitter tonic and is in Tasteless Form. It has no equal for Malaria, Chills and Fever, Weakness, general debility and loss of appetite. Gives life and vigor to Nursing Mothers and Pale, Sickly Children. Removes Bilioussness without purging. Relieves nervous depression and low spirits. Arouses the liver to action and purifies the blood. A True Tonic and Sure Appetizer. A Complete Strengthenner. No family should be without it. Guaranteed by your Druggist. We mean it. 50c.

SENTENCE IS 65 YEARS

Walter Belcher Must Serve 65 Years Of Prison Life For Taking the Life of His Father

Under a penitentiary sentence of 65 years for the murder of his father, Walter Belcher, of Quanah, was in the Tarrant County jail yesterday, a "hold-over" en route to the penitentiary, to begin his sentence.

Belcher and six other convicts were in charge of Penitentiary Transfer Agent Captain J. V. Cunningham, a former sheriff of Taylor county, who will leave Wednesday morning with them for the penitentiary.

Belcher was charged with killing his father, a ranchman near Quanah, about two years ago. Belcher's body was found shot and beaten, several miles from home, buried in a shallow ravine.

Father and son left home one morning with a wagon and team, and when found, the boy was in Oklahoma, where he had sold the outfit. He denied any knowledge of the whereabouts of his father and was convicted on circumstantial evidence.

Even though you are busy—Come to Lubbock.

Citizens of Sweetwater voted in favor of a commission form of government last Saturday, resulting in 223 to 85. Geo. T. Wilson was elected mayor, Thomas Trammel and R. H. Fitzgerald commissioners. Separate amendments for election of secretary and police chief were carried.

RHEUMATISM SUFFERERS SHOULD USE

5 DROPS

The Best Remedy For all forms of Rheumatism

LUMBAGO, SCIATICA, GOUT, NEURALGIA, AND KIDNEY TROUBLES.

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STOP THE PAIN Gives Quick Relief No Other Remedy Like It

SAMPLE "5-DROPS" FREE ON REQUEST Swanson Rheumatic Cure Co., 100-102 W. Lake St., CHICAGO

PURE KETTLE RENDERED LARD

10 Lbs. for \$1.25

5 Lbs. for .65

CASH MEAT MARKET

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MODERN FARMERS AND BUSINESS MEN

Carry a check book and pay out money by check. There's never any dispute over the payment of a bill; you always have a receipted statement. It's the only up-to-date method.

DID YOU EVER THINK

you had paid a bill twice, or had a misunderstanding about the payment of a bill. Avoid all controversies by opening an account with us and using your check book.

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CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, \$120,000.00
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I. L. Hunt, Cashier
C. A. Burrus, Asst. Cash.

Fresh and Cured Meat and Vegetables

A big assortment of choice meat of all kinds. We can to furnish you anything that can be found in markets in the larger cities. We have one of the best equipped shops to be found in west Texas. Strict attention has been given to the sanitary features of this market and we believe that a visit to our market will thoroughly convince you that you need not fear to buy from us on that account. We have on hand choice fresh and cured meats, fish, oysters and vegetables.

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SANITARY MEAT MARKET

SOUTH SIDE SQUARE

BRICKER & WILSON, PROPS.

LUBBOCK, TEXAS

Several Hundred Dollars in Prizes

TO BE DISTRIBUTED BY

The Lubbock Avalanche

===In Its Grand Piano Voting Contest.===

The Capital Prize Which
Will be Given by

The Avalanche
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Elegant \$400

Obermeyer & Sons

PIANO

Like Cut Shown Here.



Several of the Merchants
of Lubbock have contributed
valuable prizes and
will give "Avalanche"

Vote Coupons

With \$1.00 Cash Purch-
ases.

Ask For Coupons

Rules and Regulations Governing Contest are as Follows:

1. ANNOUNCEMENT. — This Piano and Popular Ladies' Voting Contest will be conducted fairly and honestly on business principles, strictly with justice and fairness to all concerned. With the above principles, it will be an assured success.
2. PRIZES. — The capital prize will be an Obermeyer & Sons Piano. Also other valuable prizes to the amount of many dollars which are announced herewith.
3. CANDIDATES. — Young ladies in this and adjoining towns are eligible to enter this contest, and the party receiving the largest number of votes shall receive the beautiful \$400.00 Obermeyer & Sons Piano and other premiums will be distributed in accordance with the contestants' standing at the final count.
4. TIE IN VOTES. — Should any of the contestants tie in votes, The Publishers Music Company will award a similar prize according to standing at the final count.
5. VOTES CLASSED. — Votes will be issued in the following denominations:

New Subscriptions, 600 votes	\$ 1.00
Renewals, 500 votes	1.00
Renewals, more than one year, 600 votes	1.00
Back Subscriptions, 400 votes	1.00
5 years New Subscriptions, 5,000 votes	5.00
10 years New Subscriptions, 12,500 votes	10.00
20 years New Subscriptions, 30,000 votes	20.00

INSTRUCTIONS. — Results as to standing of votes will be issued after 30 days. No votes accepted at less than regular price of paper concerned in this contest. No one connected with this paper will be allowed to become a candidate in this contest or work for contestants.

Votes after being voted cannot be transferred to another. Be sure to know whom you are going to vote for before coming to the ballot box, as the editors or anyone will positively not give any information on the subject. The key to the government ballot box shall be in possession of the awarding committee during the contest. For the first 30 days the paper will run 25-vote coupon

which can be voted free for any lady contestant.

Contest to run not less than 90 days. Closing of contest will be announced 25 days in advance of closing. The right to postpone date of closing is reserved if sufficient cause should occur.

The contest shall close on a day which will be announced later. 10 days prior to closing contest, the judges will carefully lock or seal ballot box and take same to the Citizens National Bank, where the same will be in place where voting can be done during business hours and locked in a vault at night until close of contest, when the judges will take charge and count same and announce the young ladies winning in their turn.

The last ten days all voting must be done in a sealed box at the bank. If you do not wish anyone to know whom you are voting for, place your cash for subscriptions together with your coupons in a sealed envelop which will be furnished you and put same in ballot box. This will give everyone a fair and square deal.

VALUE \$5.00 SET OF SILVERWARE Donated by THE WESTERN WINDMILL COMPANY Windmills, Hardware, Implements, Etc. We give a 25 vote coupon free with each \$1.00 cash purchase. ASK FOR THEM.	VALUE \$4.50 PAIR OF SHOES Donated by I. A. WHITELEY Shoes and Gents Furnishings I give a 25 vote coupon free with every \$1.00 cash purchase. ASK FOR COUPONS.	VALUE \$7.50 SET OF DISHES, 38 PIECES Donated by MARTIN & WOLCOTT Staple and Fancy Groceries We give a 25 vote coupon free with every \$1.00 cash purchase. ASK FOR COUPONS
VALUE \$10.00 ROCKER Donated by W. E. ROBINSON Furniture I give a 25 vote coupon free with every \$1.00 cash purchase. ASK FOR COUPONS	VALUE \$5.00 BRACELET Donated by RED CROSS PHARMACY Drugs, Jewelry, Etc., We give a 25 vote coupon free with every \$1.00 cash purchase. ASK FOR COUPONS.	VALUE \$10.00 PRIZE TO BE ANNOUNCED Donated by JOHN P. LEWIS & COMPANY Dry Goods, Clothing and Shoes We give a 25 vote coupon free with every \$1.00 cash purchase. ASK FOR COUPONS.

Call For and Save Your Tickets Beginning TO-
DAY for some young lady will appreciate them.

Avalanche Publishing Co.

Testimonial From High Authority

Famous For Her Cakes Recommends

CALUMET BAKING POWDER

Some little time ago I made a careful study and investigation of the baking powder subject and I feel fully repaid. I am firmly convinced from the results I have received that there is no baking powder to equal Calumet for wholesomeness and economy, and I also recommend Calumet Baking Powder for its never failing results.

December 4, 1913. Mrs. Betty Lyle Wilson.

Calumet also received the Highest Awards at the World's Pure Food Exposition, Chicago and Paris, France, 1912.

Buy a can of Calumet Baking Powder at once, and use it in your Holiday Baking, making your Christmas Cakes as good as the President's.

Mrs. Wilson of Nashville, Tenn., is famed the world over for her wonderfully delicious cakes. They are shipped to all parts of the Globe for special affairs where the best of Cakes are demanded.

This year, as in former years, Mrs. Wilson enjoys the distinction of making the President's Christmas Cake, using Calumet Baking Powder.

Mrs. Wilson's Baking Motto is: "To have complete success with no failures, care should be used in selection of Baking Powder."

Chamber of Commerce Column

Geo. W. Briggs, Secretary.

We helped persuade two men that Lubbock was a good country in which to live, last week. One will move here, and the other will send his son to live upon a farm near here.

Real estate men say that there are but few houses to rent, but that there will be more in the spring when those who have moved here for school, return to their ranches.

I receive one or more letters every week, asking if there are good houses for rent, and I am compelled to say that there are few if any—that we hope there will be more next spring. This does not satisfy those who wish to move here this winter. The time has come when Lubbock must provide more houses for rent. We are growing steadily, and the fact that there are not houses for rent shows it, but we cannot stand still and congratulate ourselves on this fact, because if people can't get homes here, they will move elsewhere.

A Suggestion: Why cannot some of our organizations start a movement for a "Rest Room"? It strikes us that it is needed here. On Saturdays, and even other business days, there are scores of people come to trade, and there is no place for the women to rest or spend a little leisure time. How about it, some of you lady's organizations?

The time has come when Lubbock will wish that she had a better park system; and when that realization comes, property will be so high that it will be more difficult to get it. Why not begin planning now?

Good farmers succeed in Lubbock—the curbstone farmer fails everywhere.

Build roads, and you will build Lubbock.

Distance is nothing to the man who wants to trade—if the road is smooth.

What's the use in being a good trading center, if people can't get here?

The farmer and the merchant each have goods to exchange—give them the best opportunity to make the deal.

Some men want a good road near their property, but want it on the other fellow's land.

There are men who will never be satisfied with the country in which they live until they enter another world, and they may be disappointed.

Many people are boosters of themselves.

If Lubbock is not a place good enough in which to live, help make it better, or move out.

We believe in Lubbock, and we are saying so in many ways every day. How about you?

Read the following from the Texas Farm and Ranch:

"Strangers passing our homes may never see us or have occasion to know our financial standing, but they form a very definite conception of our character by the trees, shrubs and flowers that beautify our homes."

Satisfying Environment

"Is your community everything that you wish it? Is your school efficient in building and equipment, and its work satisfactory? Is your church doing its fullest measure for the moral welfare of your family and your neighbors? Have you as good roads as you want? Are the streets and sidewalks, and other conveniences of your town, all that your needs and comfort demand? In other words, does your community afford you and yours ideal environment in which to live?"

"Communities are made by individuals and families of more or less common ideals and common inter-

COMING, THURSDAY, JANUARY 8TH.

At The Lyric Theatre

PRICES: 25-35 and 50c.

The Le Barge Musical Co.

The programs presented by the Le Barge Musical Company are versatile to a degree. Mr. Le Barge is a master on so many instruments, while Miss Zimmer's piano playing and singing alone would make a splendid evening's concert. There is a great novelty in their program while at the same time only the best class of music is used. Mr. Le Barge is known to every teacher of note and to every advanced player, both in this country and abroad, for these people have used some of his Several Methods, or have used some of his original selections and arrangements for the mandolin, banjo or guitar.

Mr. Le Barge's music is published by the following New York publishing houses: Leo Feist, Roger Bros., Sol Bloom, Shapiro, Bernstein & Von Tilzer, Remick, and Weinberg; and by the following Boston publishing houses: White-Smith Pub. Co. and Jean White. Some of his music is brought out by the Walschmer Musical Co., of Indianapolis; B. F. Banes, Philadelphia; Wm. Draper Toronto; J. D. Broder, San Francisco. He is a musician of international reputation.

Added to the musical program, there will be a character impersonations, humorous songs, sentimental songs, duets, piano monologues and magic, a program rich in variety and high-class in every particular.

LYRIC

Program for the coming week, beginning Thursday:

The Van Warden Jewels, No. 1.
The Van Warden Jewels, No. 2.
The Flirt.

FRIDAY

The Ghost, No. 1.
The Ghost, No. 2.
Wine.

SATURDAY

The End of Black Bart.
A Peaceful Victory.
The Wedding Write-Up.

MONDAY

Romance of Erin, No. 1.
Romance of Erin, No. 2.
The Making of a Woman.

TUESDAY

A Knight Errant.
Beauty in a Sea Shell.
A Healthy Neighborhood.

WEDNESDAY

The Reaping, No. 1.
The Reaping, No. 2.
Two Old Tars.

COMING JANUARY 17TH

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THE GREAT DRAMATIC SENSATION

"THE THIEF"

BY HENRI BERNSTEIN

As played for 10 months at the Lyceum Theatre, New York City

WITH

HELENE GUILBERT

AND A FINE CAST.

NOTICE

I have bought the Crystal Cafe and am now in charge of same, and invite my friends and the public in general to call and see me. I shall endeavor to serve the best meals possible, well cooked and served in the very best manner.

24-11 JIM RODGERS.

Rev. and Mrs. B. V. Dickinson are departing this week in Littlefield.

Lucian H. Davis is a new addition to our rapidly growing subscription list, beginning this week.

Classified Ads.

FOR SALE—A Bargain—Four-room dwelling, four large lots well situated, close to school building. See Jno P. Lewis. 24-11

LOST—My hair and whiskers at the Commercial Barber Shop. They get them off easy there. 24-11

FOUND—The following articles have been found and brought to this office, can be recovered by the owners, by proper identification and payment of the proportionate part of this ad: One pair nose-clip spectacles; a child's gold bracelet. 24-11

FOR SALE—A complete small Electric Light Plant, with capacity of 100 lights, consisting of Gasoline Engine, Dynamo, a switchboard, et cetera. Used only a few months in the Adair Hospital at Chardon. In good condition and a bargain, as the hospital wishes to dispose of it in order to apply proceeds on an X-ray outfit. For further particulars, address—Whitfield Carhart, Secretary, Adair Hospital, Paloduro, Texas. 24-11

FOR SALE—Hogs, any age or size, lean or fat. See or phone—M. C. Crummen. 24-11

FOR RENT—One, two or three nice rooms.—Mrs. McKinley. 24-11

FOR SALE—20 2-year-old (past) heifers and 15 calves.—Smith Shaw, 15 miles north of Lubbock. 24-21

LOST—Pair of Spectacles. Finder return to H. G. Guinn, and receive reward. 25-21

WANTED—White-Face Cows. State price and location.—Box 5, Lubbock, Texas. 25-11p

MONEY TO LOAN

A million dollars to loan on school or patented land in Lubbock, Lynn, Terry, Yoakum, Hale, Lamb, Hockley and Cochran counties. Short time only required to secure money. 25-11 JNO. F. ROBINSON.



THE FARMER'S FIRST AID IN SICKNESS.

WHEN there is sickness or an accident on the farm, haste in calling the doctor is vital. Life may rest on minutes—Don't wait until sickness occurs, and THEN wish you had a telephone. Order it NOW from our nearest manager, or write, THE SOUTHWESTERN TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CO. DALLAS TEXAS

LUNCH AT ALL HOURS

We have a lunch counter in our store at which we will serve lunches at any hour of the day. HOT COFFEE, HOT TEA, HOT CHOCOLATE, TOMATO BULLION, SANDWICHES, Etc. We make a specialty of lunches for traveling people. Come in and eat a lunch with us. Remember our store is full of good Groceries for your Christmas dinner. Plenty Fireworks for the boys.

HUNT GROCERY COMPANY

PHONE 24

OR

PHONE 75

For Six Days, or Until January 1st.

We give you some preinventory prices. While our Holiday business has been all we could expect, we still have much merchandise that we must sell.

Ladies' One-Piece Dresses

18.00 to 20.00 Dresses at	12.50
15.00 Dresses at	10.00
12.50 Dresses at	7.50
10.00 Dresses at	6.50
9.00 Dresses at	6.00

33 1-3 Per Cent Discount

A few, very desirable Coat Suits which we offer at 1-3 off regular price. Our sale on Ladies' Coats leads us to believe our values the greatest ever offered in Lubbock, but we still have a few to offer.

25.00 Coats at	18.00
18.00 Coats at	12.50
15.00 Coats at	10.00
12.50 Coats at	9.00
10.00 Coats at	7.50

Men's Suits

\$5.00 off regular price of any Kuppenheimer Suit.

25.00 Fallers Suit now	18.00
20.00 Fallers Suit now	15.00
18.00 Fallers Suit now	14.00
15.00 Fallers Suit now	12.00
12.50 Fallers Suit now	10.00

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