The Childress Index

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ANOTHER HIGHWAY HEADED THIS WAY

The newest highway to Childress is from Sweetwater, Texas, and is known as "The Great Plains Highway." This highway will connect at Childress with Colorado-to-Gulf, the Indian Trail, the Ozark Trail and the Denver-to-Dallas highway.

Mr. E. J. Hernan, representative of the Texas Good Roads Association, will be in Childress January 13, eight o'clock in the evening to meet with the Commercial Club of this city. The newest highway will pass through Paducah.

Childress is the logical location for a junction of all western highways and is the most convenient town to reach. Childress' attractive hotels and garages has also been of great value to draw these highways here.

The Childress Commercial Club is planning to have Mr. Hernan go through with the Childress delegation to the Canadian meeting of the Denver-to-Dallas highway, which meets at Canadian, January 19th.

RESIDENCE BURNS.

Tuesday noon the residence of H. W. Theaten was badly damaged by fire. Mrs. Theaten was preparing the noon day meal and was cooking with an oil stove. It is thought one of the cooking vessels boiled over, causing the flames to set fire to the wallpaper.

The fire department made a quick run and soon had a line of hose to the house and within twenty minutes the flames were under control.

Practically all the household effects were removed and very little damage was incurred in the removal. The building was damaged to about one-third its value or about $500. Insurance was carried.

NO LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

Last week the Fort Worth Star-Telegram came out in a front page announcement and stated that after January 1, 1917, liquor advertisements would not be solicited. This means that as soon as their present liquor advertising contracts expire they will not be renewed. The Dallas News discontinued liquor advertising several years ago and it did no injury to the paper, in fact it made the Dallas News a better paper and more appreciated in the homes of the people. The Star-Telegram is to be congratulated.

America's output of lumber since 1850 would make a solid board wall 10 inches thick, 100 feet wide, from the earth to the moon.

BIG BRICK GARAGE.

Jim Land Will Commence Erection of Modern Brick Garage Building Soon.

Jim Land, local agent for the Ford Automobile Company, will begin the erection of a modern garage building soon. Mr. Land has a location on a Main street corner.

The garage will be 50x100 feet and will be built of brick. The building will be up-to-date and a credit to the city. The plans for the building are supplied by the Ford Company, and are said to be drawn with the view of of making the arrangements perfect. The plans call for a truss roof but the building may be changed in this respect.

Mr. Land has contracted for a large number of Ford cars for the coming year and in addition has bought several thousand pounds of parts. The garage will be erected especially to care for Ford cars but the mechanics are privileged to work on other cars and Mr. Land will have storage room to let. A modern inside washing platform will be installed.

NEW BRICK FOR KIRKLAND.

J. A. Harp of Kirkland, has let a contract with Oliver Latson of this city, for the erection of a two-story brick business house. The building will be erected on a corner lot.

Kirkland is growing rapidly and other buildings of a substantial character are expected to be erected during the coming year.

The Index is pleased to see our sister city grow and hopes before the year 1917 closes that Kirkland will number her citizens above the thousand mark.

A COUNTRY HOME.

O. W. Thomas, local building contractor, stated to our reporter Tuesday that he was at work on a fine country home for N. B. Perryman. The residence is being built on the old Hurt Mundy place, six miles northeast of Childress.

Mr. Perryman recently lost the farm home by fire and the building to replace it is much better. The house contains five rooms on the first floor and one extra large room on the second floor. The residence will be completed shortly.

WILL BUILD A HOME.

Claude Terrell, manager for Perkins-Watkins, stated to The Index reporter that he would begin the erection of a modern cottage early this spring. Mr. Terrell has several locations in view but at this time has not purchased lots.

Try boosting for Childress during 1917. It is more pleasant than using the "hammer."

NEW BRICK DEPOT, MAYBE, THIS YEAR!

REPORT IN CIRCULATION THAT PLANS ARE BEING MADE FOR CHILDRESS.

Dame Rumor says that Childress is to have a new railway station.

The building budget for 1917 by the Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Company, includes a fine two-story brick depot for Childress, so rumor says, and the station will be built on the same site as the present station is situated.

The depot will be of brick, and finished with marble. The building and platform will extend from Main street to Second street, west. On the first or ground floor will be the ticket office, waiting room and baggage rooms. Also rooms for the railway eating house and for the trainmen.

The second floor will be occupied by the division superintendent and road master and the dispatcher's office.

The building will be one of the most modern ever erected by the Fort Worth & Denver Railway Company.

All of the above is strictly rumor but it is rumored so strongly that The Index can almost assure our townspeople that it is a fact.

Childress has been in need of a modern station for many years but at the same time the city has not been prepared for such a building. With the completion of the sewer system Childress will be in line for many more improvements.

Childress folks have always been good friends of the Denver Road and there is no town or county which the road touches that is more fair with the company. Childress is the last county seat town of importance to receive recognition with a good depot and the long wait that the people have endured will be more than compensated.

Great is the Denver Road!

About 216,037 canaries, 7,080 partridges, 15,841 pheasants, 5,345 miscellaneous game birds, and 25,747 non-game birds were imported in 1914 under federal permit.

GAS! CITY MAY GET FACTORY PRODUCT

CHILDRESS MAY BE FAVORED WITH MANUFACTURED GAS BY HOME PLANT.

The name of the local electric and ice company has been changed from the Texas Southern Company to Texas Gas & Electric Company.

There is a reason for this change and it is going to be pleasing news to the women of Childress. Under the charter of the old company they could not install gas systems. Now they can and it is rumored that Childress may soon have a system supplying manufactured gas. Gas can be made cheaper here than at Dallas or Fort Worth and for that reason the manufactured gas can be sold at figures that will permit every family and business house in Childress to use the most modern fuel.

The Index trusts that Childress will be the first town to be favored with a gas system.

NO ADVANCE ON THE INDEX.

The editor has been asked several times recently if we intended to raise the subscription price of The Index. We intend to reduce the subscription list, thereby giving us less white paper to buy with the money received from our pay subscribers, thus enabling us to keep the price at one dollar per year. During the month of January the management expects to remove a number of names from the list unless the expired dates are advanced or intention given that the pay will be forthcoming.

WHO'LL BE THE TAIL-ENDER?

Several Panhandle county seat towns have announced that paving is to be contracted for during the early part of 1917. If Childress holds up to her usual record will she be the tail-ender of the procession?

Local lumber merchants report that their business is picking up and that there will be considerable building in the next few months.

THAT NEW RAILROAD?

Will Give Several New Connections Into Plains Country of Panhandle.

Newspaper reports say:

"Active construction work on the Lubbock and Great Northern, 127 mile line from Lubbock to Hollis, Okla., which will be the connecting link between the "North Plains" and "South Plains" countries of Northwest Texas has been started and is expected to go through to completion without further delay. As the promoters assert that they have raised $3,500,000 for the building of the railroad no delay on account of financial difficulties are anticipated. As the road traverses an almost level country the cost of construction is expected to be held down to a minimum figure.

"The new road will connect with the Wellington branch of the Wichita Falls & Northwestern at Hollis and will also make a connection with the Fort Worth & Denver in the vicinity of Childress, giving this city a much more direct line into the growing South Plains region. At present, Lubbock can only be reached from Wichita Falls by a long detour by way of Amarillo or Abilene. The line will be equally valuable for the south end of the line, giving that region direct access through North Texas and Oklahoma with the markets of the North and East."

PIPE ORGAN PLANS HERE.

O. H. Sawers, secretary of the pipe organ committee of the First Baptist church, received the plans of the pipe organ Tuesday. The organ is to be completed and ready for use in the First Baptist church by April 15th.

The organ will be operated by an electric blower, has twenty-four stops, 183 pipes in the great organ, 232 pipes in the swell organ and 30 pipes in the pedal organ. There are three key boards.

The organ will be one of the finest in the Panhandle and the first pipe organ for Childress.

JUDGE GROSS ON PROGRAM.

At the Denver-Dallas Highway Association meeting to be held at Canadian, Texas, January 19th, Hon. W. G. Gross of this city, is on the program for an address. Mr. Gross is the newly elected judge of Childress county but the duties of the office are not new to him. Judge Gross is a believer of good roads and has some excellent ideas of how roads should be made good and to take care of good roads. He will be able to entertain his hearers.

FIRST GRAVE WAS AMOS PANKNEY'S

Twenty-nine years ago, or to be exact, on Christmas day of 1887, the first body was buried in the Childress cemetery. The body was that of Amos Pankney, age 32 years.

On Christmas eve Pankney stayed with Charlie Stewart at the old East Camp dugout of the Shoe Nail ranch, located on the farm now owned by J. W. Whitehead, eight miles northeast of Childress. Pankney and Stewart had not been getting along and after breakfast a quarrel was started by Stewart accusing Pankney's brother of stealing a pair of Stewart's pants.

Stewart came outside the dugout and Pankney was on his horse ready to leave. Pankney pulled-down on Stewart with a .44-calibre Winchester and "cussed him out." Pankney rode off and Stewart got his Winchester, a short barrel saddle gun. Pankney looked back and Stewart shouted to him that he wouldn't shoot him in the back. Pankney jumped from his horse with his gun in hand. Stewart fired and the bullet struck the horse. Stewart fired again and the bullet struck Pankney in the hip, severing the artery. Pankney lived until Christmas morning and was buried that afternoon.

There was no cemetery at that time and the men of Childress, rather the cowboys of the Shoe Nail ranch, made his grave. It was dug in the south central part of the cemetery under a big mesquite tree.

Stewart was never indicted for the killing and died a few years later with tuberculosis, and was buried in the Childress cemetery. His home was in the old building now occupied by Joe Black, near the steam laundry plant. The building at that time was on the corner lot to the rear of the Norris hardware store.

The second body to be buried in the Childress cemetery was that of Uncle Frim Nesbitt of Old Kirkland. Uncle Frim was an uncle of our townsman, J. B. Nesbitt. Four or five bodies were removed from the prairie near Old Kirkland and re-interred here. Two bodies were also removed from near Henry, three miles west of Childress.

A. N. Blair had two children buried on the edge of the canyon this side of the cemetery. Mr. Blair afterwards reburied them in the present cemetery.

Be a Better Road Booster.

Aynesworth Offers Way To Better Local Roads

Generally speaking the county is "broke" or "busted" as it is usually called, but an analysis of our road fund would not be out of place. We have a valuation of five and one-half million dollars at the rate of 25-cents upon each one hundred dollars valuation making a tax of about $13,500 per year from the tax and this amount could be augmented about $2,700 per year more by voting a special five cents tax now authorized, giving us a total of sixteen thousand dollars per year to maintain our roads, bridges, build others, pay off interest, bonds etc. We also have another fund not amounting to so much but then it helps some, all fines and forfeitures go to the road and bridge fund, also, there is the per capita tax of five dollars or five days per year work from each party within the road limit, and a reasonable guess is that there are some eight hundred of them in the county, making possibly $4000 per year from that source alone.

In regard to the five cents tax that is authorized yet to be voted there could be issued $30,000 in five per cent bonds and with the valuation we now have the taxes arising from that sum or levy would take care of, in other words with a five cent tax in addition to what we have now for road purposes, we could issue and in due time redeem all the bonds to the amount of $30,000, which would, if properly applied build into the city from all of the cardinal points good and substantial roads, and with the funds we now have applied to the cross roads a system of substantial county and community roads would be built in Childress county.

With five cent additional tax levied the man who pays upon property of five hundred dollars the additional tax would be 25-cents, the man with one thousand dollars valuation would be 50-cents and upon a ten thousand dollar valuation the additional tax would be $5.00, and I dare say that the man who pays upon a property valuation of $10,000 would be a regular user of the public highways at least once a week the year through with a farm wagon and doubtless if he is not already an owner of an auto he would purchase one with the advent of good roads, and one can readily see wherein he would reap many times the small sum expended upon the public roads if he really were such user as I have figured him out to be.

The Federal government is appropriating millions of dollars to be applied wherever the people are willing to build good roads and have the cash to put in with the central government.

The state government is agitating a State Highway Commission to generally take charge of this important work, practically all automobile owners have long since recognized the great necessity of having good highways upon which they can travel and are ready and willing to have assessed against them a yearly tax to be applied upon the roads, the very life and existence of the rural community that seeks to do much for itself and the families composing it depends upon the roads to and from it to the places of trade and business.

The great auto and overland routes that come this way, and the prospects of securing some of the great transcontinental highways in the near future should awake us to the great importance of what is before us and what can be done at such little costs when taken as a whole. The benefits to the individual citizen are in direct proportion to the great good that it would do the town and county to have these great highways which must be founded upon local roads and routes built by the County, and the building of one good road, well maintained, is the impetus and incentive to build the next one.

Ancient Rome in the height of her civilization made a net work of roads over her empire, and there are today the foundations of roads in the British Isles laid during the reign of the great Caesar. The first great work that is really beneficial to the rural community, that reaches out and brings the country to town, and takes the town to the country, is the perfecting of a system of permanent highways. To produce without being able to market means the stagnation of business—all that the farmer is engaged in, yet in this day it is some times hard to work to get the men who will be most benefitted to take an active part in this great work of road building.

As long as our commissioners court is representative it will act only upon the desires and wishes of the people and if the people wish to express themselves upon any question they will have to take a business hold upon it, if better road funds are needed and the people want it, let them speak out, if more taxes are desired, and a bond issue needed let the people speak and say just what they want. No man liveth unto himself even in this day, and it is as true today as when spoken thousands of years ago, that the individual, the community and the country as a whole shall reap direct proportion to what it sows.

JOS. H. AYNESWORTH.



ATTENTION!

The modern soldier fights with modern weapons, and the business man, who is constantly on the FIRING LINE, cannot hope for success unless he also goes into battle fully and modernly equipped.

A BANK ACCOUNT is ALWAYS at ATTENTION; a Protection in times of PEACE—a STRENGTH in times of WAR. :-: :-:

The First State Bank

LON ALEXANDER, President — C. W. MITCHELL, Cashier
G. F. SPRINGER, Vice-President — F. E. WOODRUFF, Asst. Cashier

REPAIRS!

NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO GET AT THEM.

That shelf you promised the wife. The play room in the attic—made of wall board. Proper repairs add to the VALUE of your property as well as its convenience. List down the items and let us tell you how little the material will cost you.

WE HAVE THE GOODS. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS PAY US A CALL

We have always got just what you want when you want it and we guarantee to you that both the QUALITY and PRICE will be to your liking. :-: :-: :-: :-: :-:

John E. Quarles Co.

QUARLES SELLS QUALITY LUMBER.



The Salaried Man

The salaried man, who makes it a plan to save a regular amount each and every week, is in a great many cases, the owner of his own business, in a few years. Opportunity does not find him without capital.

The salaried man who does not save his money is, in many instances, without a steady job, or money enough to tide him over in time of trouble or sickness.

This bank will help you to save. You may start with as small a sum as a dollar. Your money will be safe, and at your command. :-: :-: :-: :-:

The City National Bank
Childress, - - Texas

We want You for a Customer
During 1917

Phone 26 **LON ALEXANDER DRUG CO.** Phone 49

A RAILROAD TO THE SANTA FE.

A railroad to the north, say to Canadian, Texas, would give Childress an outlet to Kansas City and Oklahoma City wholesale and cattle markets. It would mean the local merchants could get better prices, thereby selling to the consumer for less and the farmer would get more for livestock as the markets to the north are better than southern livestock markets, where no competition prevails. The road would enhance property values fifteen per cent and build up the northern section of this county. The road would be worth a million dollars to Childress and Childress county.

Men in Sherburne county, Minnesota, have formed a chuckhole club. The obligation is the filling of one chuckhole on the county's roads. Practcially every day automobile loads of clubmen start for the country armed with picks and shovels to pay their club dues.

During 1915 the total road and bridge expenditures in the United States amounted to about $282,000,000, of which probably not over $15,000,000 represented the value of the statute and convict labor.

Don't forget the Swine Breeders' meeting to be held this month.

SOME CIGARETTES!

A few days ago our reporter was in Lon Alexander's drug store and a check was being made of the invoices for cigarettes purchased during 1916. The total number sold through the Alexander drug store amounted to 594,900—over a half-million coffin nails. Mr. Alexander says the manufactured cigarettes have injured the cigar sales and especially of tobaccos for handmade cigarettes.

Floydada has been granted a rate by the Texas Utilities Company, the plant of which supplies current for that city of five cents per kilowatt for street lighting purposes. Lubbock has let a contract for the building of a municipal plant to light the streets and offer power service for five cents. Engineers who prepared the plans informed the city officials that the plant would pay for itself in thirty months.

Childress is going to need another lake before many years. During 1917 would be a good time to select a dam site.

Out of 400 Kansas school pupils, at Bells Plains, Kansas, only seven have ever seen a saloon or intoxicated person.

Some money-saving advertisements in this issue. Read every line.

LaGRANDE THEATRE



TODAY—"**EXTRAVAGANCE,**" Metro creation. Starring their foremost star Mme. Petrova.

THURSDAY—**America's sweetheart, Little** Mary Pickford in "**HULDA of HOL LAND.**" Bring your children along, it's a treat.

FRIDAY—"**THE CHATTEL,**" a wonderful Vitagraph feature, starring that world-wide known actor, E. H. Sothern.

SATURDAY—"**THE RETURN OF EVE,**" featuring Edna Mayo.

COMING MONDAY—A Tabloid of 12 high class actors, **ONLY 3 DAYS.**

COMING—"**GOD'S COUNTRY and the WOMAN,**" **JANUARY 12th and 13th. JANUARY 15th–16th–17th, Randolph & Raymond Vaudeville.**

Remember, "God's Country and the Woman," the best play of the season.

Rathjen's Giant Poland Chinas
A SPECIAL FOR DECEMBER

Am offering a giant two-year-old herd boar for sale. If you want one that is the largest and smothest, buy this monster. He is sure to be the largest hog in the Panhandle at maturity. He sired the 1st prize 6 months boar and sow pigs shown at Amarillo this fall. Guaranteed in every way. **PRICE $100.00.**

Also a fine bunch of September pigs ready to ship. These are well marked and growing nicely, and weigh from 60 to 75 pounds. Their sire is BIG ORANGE, Panhandle State Fair Champion, now at the head of Lon Alexander's herd. **$20.00 each delivered to your station.**

Frank Rathjen,
Wheeler, = = = Texas

SWINE BREEDERS' PROGRAM.

The Texas Swine Breeders' Association will meet at Childress on Wednesday and Thursday, January 17th and 18th. The meeting will be attended by nearly a thousand men who are interested in swine breeding.

On the second day an auction will be held. The catalog shows there will be a number of fine sows offered and each is a registered animal. All breeds will be sold.

It is going to tax Childress to entertain the association but plans are being made to take care of every visitor in a proper manner. The Commercial club is looking after the details of the entertainment.

A number of swine breeders of national reputation will be in attendance. Local breeders will have on exhibition their best individuals. It is said that Childress county has more registered swine than any county in the state of Texas or the entire South.

Come to the meeting.

Wednesday, January 17th.

Words of Welcome—J. W. Mitchell, President Childress Commercial Club, Childress.

Response—L. C. Estus, Groesbeck.

President's Address—Geo. P. Lillard, Seguin.

Our Method of Starting the Boy in the Hog Business—Will P. Jones, Childress.

Selecting the Breeding Herd—Dr. A. E. Flowers, Dallas.

Livestock Farming as a Business—Judge Bradley, Memphis.

Feeding the Show Herd Before and After the Show—G. F. McCracken, Decatur.

The Value of a High-Class Brood Sow—Edwin Houston, Welfare.

Care of the Brood Sow Before and After Farrowing—M. Hart, Grand View.

Peanut Meal for Hogs—L. B. Burke, College Station.

Afternoon Program, 1:30 O'Clock.

Raising Pigs Successfully—Mr. Groff, Geary, Okla.

The Peanut Hog—W. W. Evans, Agricultural Agent for M. K. & T. Ry.

Keeping the Soil Fertility at Home—Prof. D. N. Barrow, Progressive Farmer, Dallas.

Shipping Hogs—Tom Frazier, representative of Rhome-Farmer Com. Co., Fort Worth.

Hog Raising in Childress County—W. H. Alexander, Childress.

Boys and Girls Club Work—C. C. French, State Agent in Charge of Pig Club Work.

Feeding Damaged Grain at a Profit—J. T. Morrow, Arlington.

Parasitic Diseases of Hogs—Dr. R. P. Marsteller, College Station.

How to Get the Most Out of a Peanut Crop—R. L. Poe, Cisco.

The Value of Public Sales—Geo. R. Hooks, Progressive Farmer, Dallas.

Hog Cholera Lecture and Demonstration—Dr. Frank R. Jones, Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Fort Worth.

Thursday, January 18th.

Educational Value of Live Stock Farming—O. C. Payne, Farm and Ranch, Dallas.

Forage Crops For Hogs—Prof. Don T. Griswold, A. and M. College, College Station.

The Value of the Show Ring—Joe Haaga, Seguin.

Encourage the Boy—Col. Frank P. Holland, Farm and Ranch, Dallas.

The Value of a Choice Breding Boar—J. J. McLain, President of the National Duroc Jersey Record Assn., Anna, Texas.

Address—Col. Clarence Ousley, Director of Extension Service of A. and M. College, College Station.

Afternoon Program, 1:30 O'Clock.

The Future Outlook of the Swine Industry—Col. E. Z. Russell, Omaha, Nebraska.

Auction Sale of Registered Bred Sows of All Breeds. Hogs consigned by very best breeders in Texas.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

To all persons selling or offering milk for sale within the City of Childress you are hereby formally notified that I, as City Health Officer of the City of Childress, will take legal steps to prohibit any person from selling or offering for sale any milk within said city unless and until each and every cow from which said milk is produced shall have been inspected by a competent veterinary surgeon to be approved by me, and a certificate showing that such cows are healthly and free from tuberculosis is properly furnished me.

All persons are given thirty days in which to comply with this requirement.

J. H. JERNIGAN,
City Health Officer.

The local gins are still busy with the bollie crop. The market is off on this class of cotton.

WAR STOPPED MEERSCHAUM.

If he shade of the smoker's pipe were of as much moment as the hue of milady's spring costume the possible shortage in the meerschaum market might have attracted as much attention in America, since the beginning of the war, as has the interruption of our aniline dye trade with Germany, for the main source of the world's supply of this earthly mineral lies in the zone of hostilities.

Eski-sehr is a city of 20,000 people which lies 200 miles to the south of Constantinople, on the banks of the Pursak Su, in Asia Minor.

Meerschaum, which derives its name from the fact that particles of it were discovered floating on the Black Sea, giving rise to the belief that it was petriled sea foam, has been dug from the alluvial deposits in the plains near Eski-Sehr for a thousand years.

Here 400 Kurds and Persians, in groups of from three to fifteen, burrow through yard-wide holes to depths of from 20 to 200 feet. The lumps of mineral clay which they seek is commercially valuable in nodules as small as a hazelnut, while occasionally pieces as large as apples are found.

When the meerschaum is first brought to the surface it has a grayish or yellowish tinge and is so soft that it can be scraped with a knife. In the summer it is left to dry in the sun, but in the winter it is placed in ovens where it is subjected to a steady temperature day and night for nine days, when it becomes snow white and loses two-thirds of its weight.

After being rubbed with flannel and polished with wax it is wrapped in cotton and sent to Austria or America to be resoaked in water until it is so soft that it can be cut like cheese, after which it can be sawn into convenient pipe shape, elaborately carved if desired, and fitted with amber stems from Germany. Before the war the value of Eski-sehr's meerschaum exports was more than $1,300,000 annually.

RUBBER FOOTWEAR.

Some of the most interesting news ever given to the rubber trade in general is that contained in the announcement made by the Firestone Tire & RubberCompany that it has established complete facilities for the manufacture of rubber footwear.

Plans for this department have been under way for a long time, Company officials announced early this week, stated local representative G. H. Hamil, and with their maturity the new department is now in complete operation. Production of the new lines has already assumed generous proportions. Every item in the entire line has been thoroughly tested and is the result of months of careful planning.

Realizing, of course, the present extreme high cost of leather for soles, making its use almost prohibitive, the Firestone Company has been seeking for a ready substitute. The results of their research are seen in the new line of high quality fibre rubber soles and heels which are now being offered to shoe manufacturing trade

Firestone officials are well pleased over the sturdy quality that these many months of effort have placed in the new products and they express new lines will soon be recognized as among the best in the rubber footwear industry

S. S. Patrick, formerly with the Beacon Falls Shoe Company, Beacon Falls, Conn., has been named as manager of footwear sales. Harry D. Hamilton, formerly of the John H. Parker Company, Malden, Mass., will act as footwear sales representative. During the month of January, the complete line of footwear will be on display in Boston, for the benefit of visiting buyers. P. D. Hammond is superintendent of the footwear factory.

At present the factory is making men's heavy steam-cured footwear, including boots, miner's and farmer's pacs and artics and rubber soles and heels. One of the distinctive and exclusive features will be the red side wall and black tread of the boots and shoes, following out the well-known idea of this nature embodied in Firestone pneumatic tires.

Complete and most modern factories and factory machinery at Akron combined with the well-known Firestone quality should result in this new Firestone departure taking rank within a short time as one of the leading footwear concerns in the country.

BOARS FOR SALE.

Three Duroc boars ready for service. These boars are by Defender, and are the big type. Stretchy kind. Prices reasonable. W. H. ALEXANDER.

Telephone 284 for your 1917 job printing. We will get it out quick.

AMERICAN OIL SUPPLY.

Motorists need have no fear of their gasoline supply for some time to come, Dr. Oscar E. Bransky of the Standard Oil Company told the Society of Agricultural Engineers in session at Chicago. He said: "It was calculated that the estimated remaining supply of crude oil, visible and invisible, 7,629,000,000 barrels in all, would last 138 years longer at the 1916 rate of consumption of 55,000,000 barrels." Dr. Bransky estimated that Eastern oil fields are 75 per cent exhausted; mid-continent fields 50 per cent; Texas fields 80 per cent and the California fields 35 per cent exhausted.

Before you buy a cor see our new Briscoe, with the Half Million Dollar motor. FENNER & MONOGHAN.

MORE FINE POLAND CHINAS.

Lewis Brothres, local breeders of registered Poland China swine, received three gilts from Nebraska by Sunday morning's express. The gilts will farrow in March. Earl Lewis stated to a representative of The Index this week that they would have three registered gilts in the auction to be held at Childress during the State Swine Breeders meeting on the seventeenth of January. Lewis Bros., are offering three fine gilts at this sale.

LOANS ON LAND.

We can give extra good service on land loans. Can make loans at 8 per cent on five, seven or ten years time. NO LONG DELAYS. If you want quick service see us.

47tf. CRAWFORD & CRAWFORD.

MONOGRAM THEATRE

—WEDNESDAY—

"THE SHIELDING SHADOW"

Chapter 10. Featuring GRACE DARMOND, RALPH KELLARD and LEON BARY.

"ALICE IN SOCIETY"

Three reel L-KO Komedy featuring ALICE HOWELL.

—THURSDAY—

L. C. SHUMNWAY and EDITH LOHNSON in a Bison drama

"FOR LOVE AND GOLD"

Rex Two-reel society drama with CLARA MERSEREAU in

"THE MANTLE OF DECEIT"

Nestor—"SWEEDY THE JANITOR."

—FRIDAY

FRIDAY and SATURDAY—William Fox presents Theda Bara in her very best work of motion picture posing in "ROMEO and JULIET" (On account of a violation of Fox Feature Company this picture must be shown at the Monogram in instead of LaGrande as advertised.

—SATURDAY—

Gold Seal mountain two-reel drama with VOLA SMITH in

"THE CRY OF CONSCIENCE"

"THE EEL" an Imp two-reel drama with HARRY KEENAN.
Joker—"IN LOVE WITH A FIREMAN."

At the request of many patrons we have re-booked **"THE STRAIGHT WAY," a William Fox Feature in which VALESKA SURATT is at her best. It is the newest story of a woman's quest for happiness. See it. MONDAY, JANUARY 8th at THE MONOGRAM.**

—TUESDAY—

Red Feather—

"THE HERITAGE OF HATE"

A drama of ignoble revenge with ROBERTA WILSON.

Let Us Serve You During 1917

R.E.Dunn Grocery Co.
30 = PHONES = 122

Special Prices

In order to clean-up our 1916 stock we offer the following at actual cost:

12 Misses' Coats, ages 8 to 14.

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A few old styles in Ladies' Coat Suits that will be closed out at your choice for $5.00.

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In addition to the specials, we are showing a complete line of winter wearables at reasonable prices.

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UNION OF METHODISTS SOUGHT.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 28.—The two commissions on corporal union of the Northern and Southern branches of the Methodist Episcopal Church met together here Saturday and adopted resolutions offered by the Rev. John F. Goucher, founder of Goucher College, to meet separately tonight and to reconvene for joint organization tomorrow.

The joint conference is expected to continue into next week and all sessions will be executive and secret. Bishop Earl Cranston of the Northern Church and Edwin D. Mouzon of the Southern Church have been foremost among advocates of union.

NOTICE, AUTO OWNERS.

Effective January 1st we will sell for cash only. By doing this we can give better service.

G. H. HAMIL, Auto Supplies.

Telephone your stationery orders to The Index. Phone 284.

Wilbarger county is also to be the scene of a good roads campaign early in 1917, it is learned. At the meeting of the Young Men's Business League at Vernon last week, a committee of nine was appointed to study the matter and report back at the time of the annual banquet of the organization. This committee will make recommendations as to the size of the bond issue. Were the proposed bond issues to cary in both Wichita and Wilbarger counties, a section of the Colorado-to-Gulf Highway about sixty miles in length would be permanently improved.

Childress county must have better roads and it will take more money than the county now derives by taxation to get them. The Index does not believe the people want a revision of tax values downward, but upward, and place the values of all parts of the county on an equal basis. We believe the next board of equalization will do this, regardless of the position of any member of the court.

WANT TO BE BANK DIRECTORS.

Washington, Dec. 28.—A large list of applicants is before members of the Federal Farm Loan Board for appointment as directors of the farm loan banks located recently. Among the Texas applicants are H. M. Gossett, Dallas; Judge S. A. Lindsay, Tyler; C. H. Morris, Winnsboro; Lieutenant Governor William P. Hobby, Beaumont; Homer D. Wade, Stamford; Colonel W. L. Saye, Comanche; Sidney Turner, San Antonio; J. T. Robinson, Austin.

The allies have turned down the German proposal for peace. The allies cannot give up at this moment but if peace is not declared soon chances are that the war will last for at least two years more. It is a fight to death and the country that has the greatest generals will be the one to win. The war has proven that modern death-dealing machinery is more effective than mulitudes of soldiers.

NOTICE

We beg to announce that beginning January 1, 1917, the name of this company will be changed to Texas Gas & Electric Company. No change will be made in the present management and organization of the company.

We take this opportunity of extending to our customers our best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year and of expressing the hope that, by a continuation of our efforts to give the best possible service in all departments, the present friendly relations with our customers may be maintained. To this end any suggestions for improvements in the service will be received with appreciation.

Texas Southern Electric Company
AT YOUR SERVICE

PURELY PERSONAL

S. P. Britt is in the city this week.

Geo. Helm of Newlin, was a cash caller Friday.

Arthur Hayes and wife visited relatives in Gainesville, last week.

Mrs. T. C. Wiseman and children returned from Vernon, Sunday.

Fred Estes of Memphis, was transacting business in Childress, Monday.

John H. P. Jones of Roswell, N. M., was visiting relatives in the city this week.

Sid Clarke of Olympus, was transacting business in Childress, Monday.

C. A. Williams returned Monday from a visit with his mother at Miles, Texas.

Chas. Stewart, foreman of the boilershops, was a Fort Worth visitor last week.

Jack Mann, superintendent of B. & B. of the Denver Road, was in Childress, Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Hendrix of Rosebud, Texas, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John J. Pigott.

W. A. Simmons is making his son, W. H. Simmons of Farwell, Texas, an extended visit.

Dr. J. W. Snyder has returned from a holiday visit with relatives at Brownwood, Texas.

Leslie Madison and son returned Sunday from a visit with relatives at Dallas and Cleburne.

Mrs. M. O. Hooker returned to Dodsonville, last week. She was the holiday guest of Mrs. James W. Mitchell.

Judge A. J. Fires transacted legal business in Amarillo, Tuesday. He is in Fort Worth today on legal matters.

Miss Lucile Hunt, sister of Mrs. R. E. Glaze, was her sister's guest during the holidays. Miss Hunt teaches at Claude.

Wm. Barnes, a former citizen of Childress, but now in charge of depot construction for the Denver Road, was in the city Sunday.

Mrs. Jack Killough and daughter returned to their home at Clarendon, Sunday. They spent the holidays here with relatives.

Misses Mary and Ethel Biggersaff, Dot Fletcher, Lola Bridges and Alda Mills will leave Thursday night for T. C. U. at Fort Worth.

Mrs. A. T. Bell and ittle son, of Arlington, Texas, spent the holidays in Childress with Mrs. Bell's parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. Preston.

Leo Preston and Mr. and Mrs. Hal Price made a motor trip to Winters, Texas, this week for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. David B. Diggs.

Miss Fay Greaver of Vernon, and Miss Francis Bacon of Frederick, Okla., were the guests of Miss Dot Fletcher during the holidays.

A. W. Richardson of Honey Grove, Texas, is here as the guest of his sister, Mrs. G. H. Hamil. Mr. Richardson may decide to locate in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilder of Hempstead, Texas, are the guests of Mrs. Wilder's sisters, Mmes. W. L. Kitchen and J. W. Allmond. They will return home this week.

E. E. Wood attended the State Ginners' meeting at Dallas last week. Mr. Wood was made a member of the committee to secure a revision of the state ginning law.

Jim Crane and Mel Dwight made a trip to the state penitentiary at Rusk last week with prisoners who were sentenced during the last term of district court. Sheriff Dwight also made a trip to Galveston to get a prisoner. The prisoner is charged with selling stolen cotton from J. A. Fox of Tell. The cotton was sold to Roy Campbell of this city.

Mrs. Lee Hollingsworth, nee Miss Daisy Williams, was operated upon at the Childress Sanitarium last Friday morning by Dr. Bacon Saunders of Fort Worth. The operation was of a serious nature and Mrs. Hollingsworth's condition was considered very serious at the time. It will be pleasing news to the many friends to know that she is now on the safe road to recovery.

MAY MAKE PAPER FROM COTTON STALKS IN TEXAS

An important conference was held Saturday in the state department of agriculture at Austin by Commissioner of Agriculture Davis, having for its purpose the proposed establishment of a paper manufacturing plant or mills in Texas, the paper to be made out of cotton stalks. Mr. J. A. Kemp of Wichita Falls was one of the attendants of the meeting.

It was decided to give possible aid and co-operation to the plans of the department of agriculture to induce the establishment of paper plants in Texas. It was estimated that after the Texas cotton crop has been gathered that there will be left in the fields about 15,000,000 tons of cotton stalks going to waste, which could be profitably utilized in the manufacture of paper. There are two patents, one held in Germany and the other an American patent, to manufacture paper out of cotton stalks.

WON BY ADVERTISING.

For the first time in the history of Oklahoma display advertising was bought by a party committee in all of the leading weekly papers. When things looked dubious for the Democrats in Oklahoma in their fight against the Socialist election amendments Eugene M. Kerr of the Muskogee Times, Democrat, planned and executed an advertising campaign against the amendments. He used forty inch copy in practically all of the daily papers in the state and ten inch copy in something like 240 weeklies.

Resolve to work for better roads in Childress county this year.

THE CLASS OF 1915.

The 1915 graduating class of the Childress High School had a most delightful reunion, when on Friday evening last it met at the home of Miss Frances Long, where many former class parties have been held. Among a few others there were vfteen of the twenty-six graduates to enjoy the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Long: Miss Ethel Biggerstaff of T. C. U., Miss Francis Long of C. I. A., Miss Cathryne Crawford of S M. U., Miss Arlie Dial and Messrs Clarence Baley and Dan Mowrey of the North Texas State Normal, Miss Dora Flack and Messrs Roy Barnes and Raymond Taylor of University of Texas, and Misses Willie Gross, Estelle Sherwood, Clara Baley, Agnes Jefferies, Minnie Kilgore, Ruby Hill, Mattie McCraw, Eugenia Tiffany and Mr. Harold Manzer, all of the the '15 Class, were present.

After all had registred, there was a piano solo by each person present—no one excepted. The classical duet by Mowrey and Barnes was the favorite. Then there was an old-time class meeting with Roy Barnes presiding. Then was sang "Auld Lang Syne," and many a pretty lass sighed as she thought of happy high school days. The next feature was a peanut race. Then, cheered by a score or more, Messrs. Barnes, Baley, Taylor and Wilkinson, the 1915 quartette, sang the "Bull Dog on the Bank," "A High Old Time in Dixie," and a medley.

The Leap Year Grab Box came next. The name of each boy present was written on a slip of paper, and all put in a hat. Then anxious and desperate maidens drew the names. Each girl had to write a proposal to the boy whose name she drew. It is needless to say that the boys received many hints and great inspiration from hearthese proposals, which were read by Miss Irma Lee. The proposal written by Miss Ethel Biggerstaff was declared the most original. It was a short poem of four lines addressed to C. E. B.

All hearts were made glad by the presence of Misses Lelda and Irma Lee. Punch was served, and the class adjournde, determined that the occasion must be repeated next year.

"A '15 GRADUATE."

A DELIGHTFUL RECEPTION.

One of the most delightful receptions of the week was that tendered to Rev. and Mrs. McDonald, by the members of the First Baptist church.

The reception was given at the attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. McMinn and during the afternoon and evening over one hundred guests called to pay their respects to Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, and to wish them a happy year's work in Childress during 1917.

Mrs. McMinn was assisted by several of the ladies of the church and during the reception delicious fruit punch was served. A number of piano and vocal selections were given, which were pleasing.

Manager G. S. Layton of the Monogram Theatre, returned from Dallas this morning. Mr. Layton stated he had rebooked Valeska Suratt in"The Straight Way" for Monday matinee and night. Mr. Layton also announced that he had made arrangement for the playing of several of the best pictures new before the public and it will pay the theatre-goers to watch their program, which is printed in The Index each week.

MEBANE COTTONSEED.

350 bushels of good planting seed for sale. Place your orders early to secure them. See

JOS. H. AYNESWORTH.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH U. S. A.

Beginning next Sunday at eleven o'clock, I will preach a series of sermons on on the Ten Commandments. The first sermon of the series will deal with the First Commandment, and on each succeeding Sunday another of the ten until we have gone through the list. If you are interested in the study of this Divine Law, come next Sunday and begin with us this weekly study. In the morning the doctrinal feature of the Commandment will be stressed and in the evening the practical being illusterated by a Bible character.

Next Sunday being the first of the the year we anticipate the attendance of all the members and friends of the church. Bring your children and all sit down and worship together. It will be a good time to join the church and to have your children baptized.

I sincerely hope that you have enjoyed the Holiday Season, and that you have your faces turned to the future and that this good year may be to you the one of greatest happiness and usefulness.

JOHN T. PRICE, Pastor.

THE T. C. U. GLEE CLUB.

The Glee Club of the Texas Christian University of Fort Worth, gave their program here Thursday evening at the Central Christian church. The church building was packed and many were turned away on that account. The entertainment met with approval of the Childress audience and all are in hopes the club will return next season.

Misses Mary and Ethel Biggerstaff gave breakfast to the members of the club at the home of their mother, Mrs. E. L. Biggerstaff. Miss Dot Fletcher entertained the club at luncheon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fletcher.

Scott's Drug Store is becoming a regular menagerie. One day last week there was on exhibition in the south show window a trio of quail and a pair of monkey-faced owls. The birds were caught in this county. In the window Saturday was a bob-cat kitten, about six months old. The kitten was captured near the Baylor Creek section house and is gentle. The cat attracted much attention and many people passed by the window to see it. Mr. Scott is thinking of starting a zoo. The Index believes a small zoo could be added to the fair grounds at no great expense.

The Excelsior brewery, one of the oldest breweries in St. Louis, will close January 1 on account of the progress of prohibition. Paul Schaus, manager of the brewery, stated that the brewery, which was founded more than half a century ago by Julius Winklemeyer, had made little money in the last two years and will be closed because prohibition "is inevitable and will come in six or eight years."

There were a number of social affairs during the holiday season and it has been impossible for this paper to secure reports of many of them. Childress people enjoyed a grand holiday season and all are in good spirits to enjoy the New Year.

Frank Taylor purchased Mrs. Taylor as a New Year's gift a Little-Six Buick from the Henry Hankins agency. It is a fine car and no doubt will be very much appreciated by Mrs. Taylor.

We will consume in this country this year almost 2,000,000,000 gallons of gasoline, which is the equivalent of a stream six feet wide and one foot deep, flowing at the rate of one mile an hour.

Many Thanks

We wish to thank the people of this city and community for the liberal patronage extended us during the year 1916. Our business was exceptionally good and when we consider the many years of serving the public we beleive they realize the worth of our store. May 1917 be a prosperous year to you and yours. . .

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For a number of months past the advertising manager has been looking for a reliable company to write advertisements for our patrons and to furnish the illustrations. Recently we located the firm and have contracted with Bonnett-Brown Sales Service Company to do this work. Twice monthly we will receive press sheets showing up-to-minute advertisements, some illustrated, some not. The Index will stand nearly half the expense with the advertiser on any advertisement he may desire. Our only requirement is, that the advertisement and illustrations are to be used exclusively by The Index. The Bonnett-Brown Service is in the Dallas News and Fort Worth Star-Telegram and other of the leading papers of Texas. You are assured of the best and quickest service and at a minimum of expense.

Should any merchant want an advertisement written or illustrated for a Special Sale please seek this service. It will be done right and attractive. The cost will be less than others ask. for we pay one-half the expense.

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John Bull is the nation that put the "bull" in bullets.

An oil-mill will mean a weekly payroll. Weekly pay rolls are town builders and Childress needs to grow.

Work has begun on the sewer system at Quanah. If the Childress contractors don't get busy Quanah will have their system paid for before this one is completed!

The next congress will be 214 democrats, 218 republican and a few prohibitionists, independents and progressives, the off-color crowd holding the balance of power. It is thought the democrats will control the organization of the house.

Oil prices are advancing and gasoline is advancing per gallon about as much as crude oil advances per barrel. The supply is estimated to last just 136 years and then the rich and poor will have to learn how to walk or drive old Dobbin.

Childress county should begin with the spring rains to build up the roads. The work can be started before the spring rains if a snow or rain falls during the winter months. The order should be posted that all cardinal roads will be worked and that the drags will be used after the rains.

From some source the news has leaked out that hte Denver Road is to build a new station at Childress. This city has needed a station for a number of years and is the last county-seat town of importance to get a depot in keeping with the town and community. The Index trusts that the rumor is correct and believes that it is.

We desire to in this manner express our best of good wishes to all of our brother editors for a prosperous New Year. We enjoy no feature of our labors as a newspaper man so much as we do the constant intimate association of the brother workers of the press through the exchange table. We have lost a few valued exchanges the past year on account of high cost of paper no doubt, and some of them we almost felt like sending the price for the weekly association. May you all live long and prosper.—Memphis Herald.

PROTECT CHILD LABOR FIRST.

Commissioner of Labor Woodman favors the proposed measure to be recommended by the State Federation of Labor to the next legislature, fixing a mimimum wage for all female employes of Texas. This is one of the preferential measures of the State Federation and will be urgently pushed by the legislative committee of the organiation. If the State Federation will work for equal sufferage it will do more to aid working women to get fair wages than any class legislation. Preferential legislation of any character is bad and is usually to the best interests of those whom it is not intended. The Index thinks it no crime for women to work but does believe that it is wrong to force wages to a point where men and boys will get the jobs and leave the women jobless and at mercy of street wolves. In this section of the state women receive high wages, in some instances as much and more than men employes. Defend the girls and boys who have to work, they are the greatest ones to reduce the pay-roll of greedy shop and store owners.

The Times today publishes the figures on the vote for the various Texas congressmen at the November election showing that in this, the thirteenth district, about twice as many people voted for congressmen as in other districts, on an average. A bunch of little East Texas counties with one-tenth the area and possibly one-third the population, of the thirteenth district, has as much representation in congress as the expanse of Northwest Texas and Panhandle country in the thirteenth district. Such a condition is contrary to every principle of democracy and to every rule of equity and the next legislature ought to remedy it, regardless of whose private political ambitions it upsets.—Wichita Falls Times.

In February the financial statement of the county must be published and The Index has been informed that the statement will be published as the law directs. We do not want the Court to think that we are trying to give advice but would like to make the suggestion that the report be published in full and not in a condensed form. The taxpayers would like to know how the moneys have been spent and the cost of so informing them will not be money ill-spent. Let Childress county begin the year of 1917 by giving the tax-payers full particulars of how the county's business is transacted.

One citizen complimented this paper on the article last week in which was enumerated the things that Childress had done in 1916 and the things to do this year. Our good citizen said that The Index had marked off too much. Good Citizen should remember that we seldom get as much as we ask for and for that reason we should ask for plenty.

HOUSTON GETS FARM LOAN BANK FOR DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Twelve cities of the United States which are to be located the federal farm loan banks were announced Friday by the farm loan board at Washington, and it is expected that within sixty days the new system will be in operation, ready to make the loans for which application already pouring in from every section of the country.

The banks will be opened in Springfield, Mass., Baltimore, Md., Columbia, S. C., New Orleans, La., Houston, Tex., St. Louis, Louisville, St. Paul, Minn., Omaha, Neb., Wichita, Kan., Sokane, Wash., and Berkeley, Calif.

Stock subscription books of the bank will be opened within the next ten days, probably aboutJanuary 5, to remain open for thirty days. It is expected however, that the government will have to supply most of the $9,000,000 capital under that section of the law which empowers the secretary of the treasury to make up the unsubscribed stock.

Temporary directors, five to each bank, will be named, probably within the next three weeks, by the board. As soon as the banks have been organized and borrows have subscribed to $200,000 of the stock of each bank, the temporary directors will surrender their authority to boards of nine directors each, six of whom will be named by the farmer borrowers and three by the farm loan board. The permanent directors will serve three years and receive per diem compnsation as in the case of federal bank directors.

Each borrower must subscribe to stock in the bank from which he borrows to the extent of five per cent of his loan and the original subscripers to the capital stock are required to surrender their holdings as they may be needed to meet this situation.

In designating locations for the banks, the board was guided chiefly by the needs of rural sections. This has resulted in placing only two of the twelve banks in New England and middle Atlantic states the chief centers of population. Three go to the South, five to the farming states of the middle West and two to the Pacific coast.

Another great act which the Democratic party is responsible.

PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

Cashier Crews of the F. & M. Bank, says advertising pays. Last week in this paper was featured a story of the find of a number of bones of a prehistoric animal, which looked like an elephant but much larger. The bones are on exhibit at the F. & M. Bank and every day last week the lobby of the bank was thronged with visitors to see the bones. Mr. Crews said people called at the bank whom had never called before and that he took advantage of their visit to talk banking with them.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT VOTE LARGEST IN STATE OF TEXAS

More Than Twice as Many Votes as In Some East and South Texas Texas Congressional Districts.

The thirteenth congressional district of Texas, which includes Northwest Texas and the Panhandle, is by far the most populous in the State, judging from the completed returns from the November election, showing a much larger vote polled for Marvin Jones, congressman-elect, than for any other of the Texas delegates save those elected at large.

This condition is due to the rapid increase in poplation in Northwest Texas and the Panhandle since 1900, when the last congressional redistricting bill was passed. It may be taken as indicating the urgent need for another redistricting measure.

Marvin Jones received more than twice as many votes as some congressmen in the south and east Texas districts. Incidentally, the proportion of republican and socialist votes in this district was smaller than in most of the Texas districts.

Next to the thirteenth district comes the sixteenth which with the thirteenth takes in practically all of West Texas. The figures by districts follow:

First—Total vote, 19,829; Eugene Black's majority, 16,525; republican vote, 2182; socialist, 1122.

Second—Total vote, 19,684; Martin Dies' majority, 13,228; republican vote 1266; socialist 1462.

Third—Total vote, 17,183; James Young's majority, 13,155; republican vote, none; socialist 2014.

Fourth—Total vote, 21,288; Sam Rayburn's majority, 13,282; republican vote, 2043; socialist, 1460.

Fifth—Total vote, 28,272; Hatton Summers' majority, 25,949; republican vote, 2879; socialist, 444.

Sixth—Total vote, 12,636; Rufus Hardy's majority, 11,456; republican vote, none; socialist, 590.

Seventh—Total vote, 13,050; A. W. Gregg's majority, 8792; republican vote, 1561; socoalist, 568.

Eighth—Total vote, 23,098; J. H. Eagle's majority 14,862; republican vote 3276; socialist 842.

Ninth—Total vote, 21,548; J. J. Mansfield's majority, 16,453; republican vote, 4149; socialist, 946.

Tenth—Total vote, 18,139; J. P. Buchanan's majority, 13,329; republican vote, 2405; socialist, none.

Eleventh—Total vote, 17,355; Tom Connally's majority, 12,035; republican vote, 1143; socialist, 1517.

Twelfth—Total vote, 23,535; James C. Wilson's majority, 17,715; republican vote, 1843; socialist, 1517.

Thirteenth—Total vote, 39,657; Marvin Jones' majority, 27,709; republican vote, 3125; socialist, 2469.

Fourteenth—Total vote, 28,219; James L. Slayden's majority, 16,651; republican vote, 5784; socialist, none.

Fifteenth—Total vote, 21,039; John Garner's majority, 10,773; republican vote, 5561; socialst, 572.

Sixteenth—Total vote, 35,383; T. L. Blanton's majority, 24,617; republican vote, 2507; socialist, 2826.

It will be seen that in a large number of the Texas districts, the socialist vote exceeded that of the republicans.

Marvin Jones and T. L. Blanton, the two West Texas congressmen, it is said, represent the two most populous congressional districts in the country. Figures on districts in other states are now available.—Wichita Falls Times

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$15,000 Stock of High Grade Merchandise to be Sacrificed on the Cut Price Altar

Our first season in business in Childress has just closed, and the phenomenal business we have done is highly gratifying.

Now, before we start our second season and before our buyer leaves for New York to buy Spring Goods, we are going to turn every item of winter merchandise into cash, regardless of the price it takes to do it.

In view of the constantly increasing prices of merchandise and the fact that most of the winter is still before us, every economical man and woman should come now and take advantage of this, the greatest money saving event that Childress has ever known.

There are hundreds of bargains, though only a few can be mentioned in the limited space of this page.

Real Shoe Bargains

For All the Family

You may come here during this sale and select shoes for every member of the family at a saving of 25 to 50 per cent. Our stock is large and offers a wide choice of styles and qualities.

Extra Special Offer

$4.00 Men's Shoes $1.00

During this sale we will clean up a lot of Men's and Boy's Shoes at **$1.00** the pair, which formerly sold for $2.00 to $4.00. Men's shoes are mostly in large sizes, boy's styles are mostly small sizes. Patents, Gunmetals and Vici Kid; to close quick; pair

$1.00

Men's and Boys' Hats

Extra Bargains 50c

Lot of Men's Derbies, Men's and Boy's Soft Hats; regular $1.50 to $3.00 values to close out broken sizes and odd lots; choice

50c

Ladies' Wool Skirts

Choice of lot $1.39

The greatest Skirt bargain you were ever offered. Made of all wool materials and formerly worth two to four times this price. Not the newest styles, but suitable for general wear; choice to close

$1.39

Embroidery Reduced

Three big lots of embroidery edges and insertions have been greatly reduced for this sale.

Lot No. 1–consists of 7½c to 10c values; now, yard **5c.**

Lot No. 2–consists of 8½c to 12½c values now, yard **7c.**

Lot No. 3–consists of 12½c to 35c values, now, yard **9c.**

Silk and Wool

Dress Goods Reduced

Come now and choose from our large stock of fine Silk and Woolen Dress Goods at the most radical reductions we have ever offered on such materials.

Five Extra

Big Bargains

Yard wide Bleached Domestic; 15 yards for **$1.00.**

Best grade heavy quality Amoskeag Outing Flannel; yard **9c.**

Best 12½c quality Dress Gingham; many pretty patterns; sale price; yard **11c.**

Men's blue or blue and white stripe overalls; pair **90c.**

Men's 65c heavy blue work shirts **49c.**

Misses' Long Coats

$3.00 values for $1.69

Now is the time to buy Misses' Long Coats for school wear. A big lot will be on sale at choice **$1.69,** which formerly sold up to $3.50. Come early–the assortment is limited,

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Short Coats 98c

Big lot of Women's and Misses' Short Coats; good and warm, nice for general wear; made of fine woolen materials; Choice to close

98c

Close-out Men's Suits

Choice of Stock $5.00

We only have a few Men's Suits left and they are mostly in small sizes. The entire lot will be placed on sale Saturday at choice

$5.00

Youth's Suits $3.50

Lot of Youth's Long Pant Suits in sizes 14, 15 and 16, formerly sold for $5.00 and $7.50; special to close; suit

$3.50

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We have gone through our piece goods stock and culled out all short ends. These have been measured, marked at remarkable savings and piled on the remnant counter for quick disposal. Be sure and visit this counter.

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NEW WIRELESS TORPEDO.

Will Hit Inch Rod Three Miles Away Ten Times Out of Fifteen. An American Invents Control.

The new wireless-controlled boat built at City Island, N. Y., for John Hays Hammond Jr. and the United States Government is fifty-three feet long and equipped with 400-horse-power gasoline engines. It is named the H-4, and is capable of a speed of twenty-four knots per hour. Recently speaking of his work, Mr. Hammond stated: "A wireless station of special design is located at a point where it will be indestructible or out range of the fire of the enemy. Then that is connected by land wires to a number of observers situated in concrete turrents along the coast. Each of these observers is enabled through his wire connection to control one torpedo (or vessel). A dozen or more torpedoes may be controlled simultaneously from one station, but each observer will control one. Under the system which we have worked out for some years at Gloucester the accuracy of control is such that we are enabled to strike a bamboo rod one inch in diameter, standing upright, ten out of fifteen times at a distance of three and one-half miles

A good road is needed between Childress and Paducah, and the river should be bridged. Each week tourists are in Childress who wish to go south via Paducah. Of course it is the duty of a motorist to point out the best road and few seldom advise going via Paducah. Paducah and Childress are both losers and for that reason this paper would like to see more co-operation between the citizens of Childress and Paducah. Let's become real neighbors, like Childress, Hollis and Wellington!

SCHOOL TAX DEFEATED.

It develops that the school tax amendment was lost in the general election of last November. First reports that it had carried were negatived by the official returns totaled by thestate canvassing board. The amendment, according to the returns, 122,040 votes, with 129,139 against it, or a majority of 7,099 in opposition. The amendment proposed to change the state constitution that school districts could vote increased amounts for public schools. It is said the opposition vote was strongest in the counties having the greatest percentage of illiterate. The Panhadle section of the state was highly in favor of the proposed change. Just another good law that was defeated by whisky loving interests and Mexican voters.

INSURES 40,000 EMPLOYES.

The insurance which the Union Pacific Railway system recently announced it had placed on the lives of its employes covers 40,000 persons and amounts to $30,000,000, it was stated Saturday by the officals of the Equitable Life Insurance Company, which wrote the contract, effective New Year's day.

The Index is a real live newspaper. It works for you and is trying to develop Childress and Childress county. It will give you something to boast of if you are a reader of the "Old Reliable." Subcribe today.

A light shower fell Saturday night which settled the dust and made Sunday afternoon a fine time for motoring. Many took advantage of the opportunity.

County court is in session this week. The term continues until about the middle of January.

RAILROAD PROSPERITY SEEN.

Record-Breaking Traffic and Earnings in 1916. Much New Mileage Predicted For the Future.

Although the year 1916 was one of the record-breaking traffic and earnings, new mileage built was the lowest, with the exception of 1915, since the Civil War, according to a review of the railroad year, which was printed in Saturday'sedition of the Railway Age Gazette. In 1916, 1098 miles of new road was constructed, compared with 933 the preceeding year. The second track mileage of the year was 356 or 44 miles less than in 1915. In Canada only 290 miles of new track were laid, compared with 718 in 1915 and 978 in 1914.

New mileage projected in the United States is 727, that being surveyed 2,126 and that being actually built 1060 miles.

New rolling stock orders increased. The order calls for 170,000 freight cars, 2,349 passenger coaches and 2,923 locomotives. The freight cars ordered out-number those of the preceeding year by 63,000. Freight sold abroad increased 100 per cent and locomotives nearly 400 per cent.

There was a small reduction in the railroad mileage in receivers' hands—sixty-three railways with a mileage of 34,559. At the beginning of the year this mileage was 38,661. The outlook for greater prosperty for the railroads and affiliated industries and for a larger expansion of railway facilities during the next few years seems promising, concluded the review.

A LITTLE "GET-UP" IS NEEDED.

The Ozark Trail might be pulled this way instead of around Amarillo and the Pecos Valley, if the Indian Trail route is proven to be a good one. The same highway would answer for both from Childress to Floydada. The Ozark Trail extends from St. Louis, Mo., to El Paso. The route from Lawton south has not been definitely determined. Amarillo is making a strong fight to have it come their way.—Floydada Hesperian.

If the South Plains towns and the people of Motley county will work in harmony with Childress the Indian and Ozark Trails can be routed to the south from Lawton. The southern route is the by far the shortest and best and it will take no great amount of money to build a fine highway. It will be necessary to bridge Pease river at the edge of Motley and Hall county and this can be done by those people asking the legislature for a special bridge district to embrace a portion of Childress, Motley, Cottle and Hall counties. The people of the proposed district are in favor of the district being created and The Index sees no reason why Senator Johnson and Hon. W. D. Cope cannot get the bill passed the coming session of the legislature.

The fire department has responded to three fire alarms since last issue. A slaughtering house belonging to Robt. Moore and a boarding car at the stock pens were destroyed. Both fires were nearly a mile beyond the city limits.

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

For every section where fruits grow there are certain varieties that never or rarely fail to bear. This is especially true of peaches. For over forty years we have been observing, selecting and testing hundreds—yes thousands—of varieties for the different sections of the South-western part of the United States. No matter where you live, we really believe we can send you more varieties of extra value on your land than can be found anywhere else. Better to buy one Leona than to have two Elbertas given to you. Our Smith Peach has never failed to bear. It is sweet.

The Haupt berry, a cross between a blackberry and a dewberry, is wonder. For quantity quality and dollars we put it against the world. Other berries cheap.

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I want to thank my friends for their business they favored me with of 1500 pounds on January 1st and I will always be found with the top prices.

Remember, in the Pate building, phone 93. tf

U. C. V. NOTICE.

Camp Joseph E. Johnston will meet in regular session Saturday, January 6th, at 2 o'clock at the Court House. Come prepared to pay your dues for 1917.

R. L. CURD, Sec.

The Index is prepared to do your new year's supply of printing.

HOGWALLOW NEWS.

Fit Smith says the greatest disappointment he knows of is to pick an owl.

The Mail Carrier's horse was run over and badly skinned up by the buggy it was hitched to Wednesday.

The red mule belonging to Sim Flinders has fattened up so much that the stable will have to be enlarged.

Miss Fruzie Allsop looked pleasant at Atlas Peck at church last Sunday, but it is believed the smile was only skin deep.

Tobe Moseley has set a lot of mink traps on Gander Creek, and is furnishing the Postmaster with ear muffs this winter.

The Mail Carrier's horse got frightened at the Postmaster Tuesday morning and ran away. The Mail Carrier will apologize when he gets back.

Ellick Hellwanger is making rapid strides in his attempt to win the hand of Miss Gondola Henstep, as he reports he moved his chair two feet nearer her on last Saturday night.

Dock Hocks, our enterprising blacksmith, went to the postoffice the other day without first washing his hands and accidentally cancelled several stamps the postmaster had on sale.

The Old Miser, who lives near the persimmon tree on Musket Ridge, is preparing to dig up his money Sunday and count it. He believes it will be safe to do this while everybody is at church.

Jefferson Hocks, who has been deaf in both ears since the sawmill boiler blew up while he was repairing it, is now getting better, and says he can plainly hear thunder by standing up close to it.

The Hogwallow Improvement Society will meet at the Hog Ford moonshine still Friday night to appoint a committee to look after the revenue officers that are expected to visit here next week.

The Blind Man from the Calf Ribs community ha joined the Excelsior Fiddling Band and was sworn in Saturday night. Hereafter when the band goes to serenade a dangerous person the blind man will be made to lead the way.

Christopher Columbus has been made famous this week at the Wild Onion shool house by Prof. Sap Spradlen, who has delivered several talks in his favor to the scholars. Nothing much is known of Columbus gained from histories and other books.

Ellick Hellwanger has lowered his eyebrows in anticipation of a fight he expects to have the next time he meets Sidney Hocks in a narrow place in the road. The Depity Constable will probably stay at home until it is over, as he is a law-abiding citizen and hates to see anybody break the law.

Luke Mathewsla shot at a fine owl in the Gimlet creek bottoms a few days ago, but just as the gun went off the owl closed his eyes and squatted down, allowing the shot to go over its head. Luke, not to be outdone, says he then aimed low, but the wise bird this time raised up a little and allowed the shot to pass under it.

Frisby Hancock claims to have a gun, with the longest range of any in this vicinity. Tuesday he shot at a hawk sitting on a hay stack pole and wounded a cow over near Rye Straw, five miles away. He did this as a test of the long distance his gun could shoot, and before firing it he marked all the shot so that he could recognize them.

G. B. Ford went up with a client last week to Dalhart and sold him 400 acres of Plains land, returning Friday night.

The ladies of the Baptist chuch will serve dinner Saturday, January 13th, at the Kitchen building.

Order of Eastern Star meets in regular session Monday night.

ARLIE ITEMS.

Bob Collins and family are moving near Holliyan.

Rev. King is having a new house built near Arlie.

Rube Crowley and sister visited at Memphis last week.

Miss Jinmmie Wyrick is visiting Mrs. Durfry this week.

Mrs. Cuma Blagg and Miss Dena Savage visited the Arlie school last Friday.

Monday morning the compulsory school law went into effect in the Arlie district.

Aman Knight and his brother Ross left Sunday to visit their mother at Wichita Falls.

Rev. J. L. King, the pastor of the Arlie church, filled his regular appointment Sunday night.

Mr. Powell and family, who have been visiting some of their relatives, have returned home.

Miss Eva Gunstream was the hostess to a crowd of friends at a New Year's dinner Sunday.

Rev. King visited the school and made a good New Year's talk, which was appreciated by all.

Miss Monnie Arnn of Wellington, was down here the first of the week visiting friends and relatives.

Carp Baulch has moved to his new home near Arlie. We are very glad to have Mr. Baulch as a citizen.

Elliss Savage and Mrs. Cumi Blagg and Misses Ura Lawrence and Evie Savage went to Hollis on a business trip Saturday.

Several of Arlie's young people were present at a party at Mr. John West's last Saturday night. All reported a splendid time.

A crowd of the young people of this community enjoyed themselves very much at a party given at Mr. Wyrick's Christmas night.

Mr. Reynolds, an old-timer, who has been sick several months, died last Friday night and was buried at the Arlie cemetery Saturday evening.

The following enjoyed themselves at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Gunstream Sunday at a turkey dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Golf Gunstream, Mr. and Mrs. Oris Gunstream, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Jefferies, Mr. Rube Crawley, Misses Vda Crawley, Nelle Stout, Mora Smith and Viena Kirtley.

It is reported that H. H. Holtzclaw of Wise county, will be the new farm demonstrator for Childress county. Mr. Holtzclaw is one of the most promnent demonstrators in Texas and is a college graduate. Childress county farmers will be fortunate in securing his services.

Saturday, at the Kitchen building, the Epworth League will serve chili, sandwitches, pie, milk and candy. Serving will begin at 11:30 o'clock and continue until 8:30 that evening.

The ladies of the Episcopal church will serve a Brunswick stew during both days of the State Swine Breeders' meeting in the Kitchen building.

Eighty acres close to town, a new house. Price $40 per acre with cash payment of $600, ballance on easy terms. The property is all clear of debt. Would consider a small piece of town property as much as half value. Can give possession any time.

G. B. FORD.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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STOCK—Two fresh cows, horse and some hogs. See me at Hamil's Auto Supply Station. W. H. COLE. 9p

ROOMS—Two furnished rooms, close in. Telephone 131. 8pd

BOARS—Poland China, pure bred. Have some Big Types and some half-breeds. Prices right. See T. P. COCHRAN. 9pd

A NEW HALF-DOLLAR.

The new silver half dollar was put in circulation yesterday, and the new silver quarters will be issued two weeks later. The new coins are being issued from Washington and the various subtreasuries.

Twelve million dollars is a conservative estimate of the value of the Texas peanut crop for 1916, according to investigators of the agricultural committee of the Texas Bankers' association, conducting the "safe farming and high-priced cotton campaign," under direction of William G. Breg of Dallas.

HOGS WANTED!

We are in the market for all kind of hogs. See us before selling. 8p

PARKER & PEDEN.

Now Well

"Thedford's Black-Draught is the best all-round medicine I ever used," writes J. A. Steelman, of Pattonville, Texas. "I suffered terribly with liver troubles, and could get no relief. The doctors said I had consumption. I could not work at all. Finally I tried

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LESLIE'S EIGHT DAY SALE!

Commencing Friday, January 5th

Closing Sat., January 13th

We are going to sacrifice our stock of Dry Goods for eight days only.

This merchandise was bought early and we are going to sell Dry Goods cheaper than any merchant can buy them wholesale.

It will pay you to buy Dry Goods now and carry them over until next winter at our reduced prices. We don't put on a Sale often, but when we do there is something doing. You will find the following prices are from 25 to 50 per cent cheaper than elswhere. Remember the sale commences Friday, January 5th, closes Saturday, January 13th.

Staple Dry Goods

Best Grade Calico, this Sale per yard 5c
AA Bleached Domestic, worth 15c yd., this sale .. 7½c
40 inch Brown Domestic, worth 12½c, this sale .. 7½c
36 inch Brown Sea Island Domestic, worth 12½c, this sale 7½c
36 inch Percales, fast colors, worth 15c, this sale ... 10c
20c Heavy Flannelette for Kimonas, worth 20c this sale 12½c
15c Quality Ginghams, this sale 10c
15c Shirting Ginghams, this sale 10c
15c Grade Heavy Cotton Flannel, this sale 10c

Ladies' House Dresses

We have about 50 worth $1.25 to $2.00, this sale they will go at 85c

Ladies' Coats and Coat Suits

Ladies' $20.00 Coats, this sale $10.00
Ladies' $15.00 Coats, this s..ale 8.25
Ladies' $10.00 Coats, this sale 5.00
Ladies' $8.50 Coats, this sale 4.25

Ladies' $27.50 Coat Suits, this sale 17.50
Ladies' $20.00 Coat Suits, this sale 14.00
Ladies' $18.00 Coat Suits, this sale 9.95
Ladies' $15.00 Coat Suits, this sale 7.95

Men's Suits

We have about 75 Suits left. These suits are new, worth from $15.00 to $25.00. Come and pick the lot at $12.50

Boys' Suits

Boy's $8.00 Suits, this sale $5.00
Boy's $7.50 Blue Serge Suits, this sale 4.75
Boy's $6.00 Suits, this sale 4.50
Boy's $5.00 Suits, this sale 3.95

Men's Overcoats

Men's $18.50 Overcoats, this sale $10.95
Men's $15.00 Overcoats, this sale 9.95
Men's $12.50 Overcoats, this sale 6.25
Men's $10.00 Macknaw Coats, this sale 5.95
Men's $7.50 Macknaw Coats, this sale 4.95
Boy's $6.00 Macknaw Coats, this sale 3.95

Blankets

We have about 75 pair extra large size Woolnap Blankets, worth $4.00 per pair, this sale $2.75

Comforts

Worth $2.25, this sale $1.50

Men's Gloves

Men's Work Gloves that are worth $1.75, this sale $1.25
Men's Work Gloves that are worth $1.50, this sale 95c

Men's Dress Gloves, worth $2.00, this sale $1.45
Men's Dress Gloves, worth $1.75, this sale 1.35
Men's Dress Gloves, worth $1.50, this sale 1.25
Men's Dress Gloves, worth $1.25, this sale ..... .95

We will sell you a good Canvas Glove this sale, a pr... 5c

Men's Hats

Men's $4.00 Star Hats, this sale $2.75
Men's $3.50 Star Hats, this sale 2.45
Men's $3.00 Star Hats, this sale 2.20
Men's $2.00 Star Hats, this sale 1.45

Men's Fur Caps we sold at $2.00, sale price $1.25

Men's Pants

Men's $5.00 Pants, this sale $3.45
Men's $4.50 Pants, this sale 3.20
Men's $4.00 Pants, this sale 2.65
Men's $3.50 Pants, this sale 2.25
Men's $3.00 Pants, this sale 1.95
Men's $2.00 Pants, this sale 1.45

Overalls

The best Overalls made. They are worth $1.25 wholesale, our price during this sale 95c

Ladies' Underwear

Ladies' $1.25 Unionsuits, this sale 90c
Ladies' 65c Vests and Pants, this sale 45c

Boys' and Girls' Underwear

Boy's Unionsuits, worth 75c, this sale 43c
Girls' Unionsuits, worth 75c, this sale 43c

Men's Underwear

Men's $1.25 Grade Unionsuits, this sale 88c

Men's Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, worth 65c, this sale 42c

Men's Shirts

We handle the Ferguson-McKinney make. Everyone guaranteed.

$2.00 Quality, this sale $1.35
$1.75 Quality, this sale 1.25
$1.50 Quality, this sale 1.15
$1.25 Quality, this sale ..... .95
$1.00 Quality, this sale ..... .85

We will sell you the best work shirt made, worth 75c, this sale 45c

Children's Sweaters

Children's Wool Sweaters, worth $1.50, this Sale 88c

Men's Shoes

Men's $5.00 Packard Shoes, worth today $6.50, this sale $4.50
Men's $4.50 Packard Shoes, worth today $5.50, this sale $4.10
Men's $4.00 Packard Shoes, worth today $5.00, this sale $3.60

Ladies' Shoes

Ladies' $5.00 Shoes, this sale $3.75
Ladies' $4.00 Shoes, this sale 3.25
Ladies' $3.50 Shoes, this sale 2.75
Ladies' $3.00 Shoes, this sale 2.25

BIG REDUCTION IN CHILDREN'S SHOES

Table Linen

We have about 6 bolts Table Linen, 72 inches wide. A bargain at 75c, this sale 48c

Hosiery

Ladies' 50c Fibre Silk Hose, this sale 29c
Ladies' 60c Luxite Silk Hose, made by Holeproof Company, this sale 50c
Ladies' 25c Hose, this sale 18c
Ladies' 15c Hose, this sale 8 1-3c

Men's 25c Hose, this sale 20c
Men's 15c Hose, this sale 8 1-3c

Children's 25c Hose, this sale 18c
Children's 15c Hose, this sale 11c

We have a big line of the Fay Hose for children, they sell at 35c and 40c, we are going to sell them this sale at 25c

Remember this sale will last only eight days. We havn't space to quote prices on everything. There will be nothing held back. This sale will be strictly cash. Absolutely no goods charged during this sale.

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Childress, Texas

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2nd Week....2c	2nd Week....4c	2nd Week....10c	2nd Week....20c	3rd Week....50c	2nd Week....$1.00	2nd Week....$5.00	$10
3rd Week....3c	3rd Week....6c	3rd Week....15c	3rd Week....30c	1st Week....50c	3rd Week....$1.00	3rd Week....$5.00	OR
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Every parent knows this is good sense.

Come in and enter every one of your family in our Christmas Banking Club.

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RAIL CONFERENCE IS ABRUPTLY BROKEN OFF!

Conferences between representatives of the railroads and the four brotherhoods of railway employees, at which were discussed the possibilities of a settlement of the eigh-hour controversy, were discontinued very abruptly Saturday when it became apparent an agreement could not be reached. The conference was being held in New York City.

It was anounced by both sides that there would be no more meetings until after the United States Supreme Court hands down its decision on the constitutionality of the Adamson act.

The break came, it was learned, when the railroad representatives refused to concede the demands of the brotherhood chiefs for an agreement looking toward the enforcement of the new wage schedule fixed by the Adamson law, which went into effect Monday, January 1st.

The brotherhood chiefs hold, it was said, that their men had the right to begin drawing wages according to the scale provided by the Admanson law immediately after the law became effective, irrespective of the suits made by the railroads to test its validity.

Railroads Issue Statement.

A statement issued by Elisha Lee, chairman of the conference committee of railway managers, said:

"The railroads will await the decision of the Supreme Court in the Adamson law text case. By agreement with the Department of Justice at Washington, the railroads will keep a record from Jan. 1 of the wages of all employes affected by the Adamson law in order that if the law is upheld by the court, the employes will receive the extra pay due them. The rights of the employes in the interval will thus be amply protected.

"The statement has been made in the press that the conference committee has been aiding in preparing a bill to be suported by the railroads and the employes alike and to be offered as a substitute for the legislation proposed by the administration, to hold strikes in abeyance until after an investigation by a public body. The national conference committee has not been a party to such a program."

The railroad managers held it would be folly for them, in view of the award made last week by a board of arbitration in the case of the swithchmen's union, to pay the 50,000 switchmen who are members of the brotherhoods at the rate of ten hours pay for an eight-hour day when the award grants only nine hours' pay for eight hours work.

TO REMOVE COPPER CABLE.

The Fort Worth & Denver railway company will remove the big copper cable running from their power plant to the pumping station at Lake Scott. The cable was strung in 1901 and was to convey electric current to the big pumps at Lake Scott station. During years gone by the pumps of a steam type have been installed and there is no need of the cable. An official said on account of the high price of copper the cable will bring more now than when purchased.

I have sold an interest in my plumbing shop to G. R. Kilpatrick of Clarendon, a plumber of fifteen years experience in plumbing and heating works. Give us a trial, we deliver the goods. Phone 551.

W. H. GRAY,
G. R. KILPATRICK.

WEARING AWAY OF COINS.

Is Due to Perspiration, Says an English Authority.

According to an investigation recently made by a British official the chief cause for the wearing away of coins is not the mechanical rubbing due to long-continued use, but is produced by the fatty acids contained in the perspiration, conveyed to coins by the fingers of the persons handling them. These acids slowly corrode the baser metals, particularly copper, with which the precious metal of the money pieces are alloyed. The corrosion, according to this authority, gives the coins a pitted or spongy surface, which easily rubs off, exposing new portions of the alloy, says Popular Mechanics.

THE FUEL SUPPLY.

Fuel not very many years hence will be an item in the farmer's cost of living. Whether you burn coal or wood you are likely to pay more for fuel in coming years than you now pay.

You may live near a forest and pay very little for wood now, but the day is coming when fire wood will be a very expensive item in the farmer's account. To be sure you may not live that long, but the farm you are tilling will be used, for all the available land in this country will some time be required to produce the food the people of this country require.

Why not start a little forest on your farm and prepare for the fuel supply? If you live some distance from timbered country the forest will soon be about as profitable as any other portion of your farm.

Plant a few black locust, catalpa, bois d'arc or other quick-growing trees to supply your farm with timber and fuel.

RULING ON ATTENDANCE LAW.

Sixty, eighty or one hundred-day periods, as the case may be, that children of certain ages are required to attend public schools in Texas, begin upon the day fixed by the law for the beginning of schools or upon such date as may be fixed by the district school trustees and run for sixty, eighty or one hundred consecutive days, was the ruling made recently by the Attorney General's department. It also was held the parent or guardian of the child has no authority to select certain days within the term aggregating the compussory educational period. The compulsory period goes into effect in Childress county Monday, January 15th, and arrests will be made if the law is not obeyed.

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