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Commission Orders Two More Trains for South Plains Roads

Press dispatches Monday contained the information that the Texas Railroad Commission had ordered the Santa Fe to establish additional train service between Sweetwater and Amarillo over the South Plains lines, the new order to become effective April 1st. The present service, the commission holds, is inadequate, the result of the great development of the Plains country.

The present service consists of the main line train between Sweetwater, Slaton and Clovis on a California and Galveston schedule. This service from Sweetwater to Slaton is a night train, and from Slaton to Sweetwater is an afternoon train. The Amarillo train is made up at Slaton and depar s for Amarillo at 6.45 a. m., and the train from Amarillo arrives in Slaton at noon and consolidates with the east bound main line passenger.

Petitions for the new train service were sent to the commission from several towns along the road, Snyder being particularly active in the matter. The adding of the two new trains will mean much extra work for the Slaton Division. Commenting on the change the Amarillo News says:

A Rapidly Growing Section

"The South Plains country over which the Santa Fe operates is said by cognizant traveling men to be the most rapidly growing in the state. The railroad yards of many of the smaller places are congested with lumber and "zulus"—immigrant outfits—all of which are mute evidences of a growth that is rapid. Until the Santa Fe built the Coleman Cut-off all travel from the Sweetwater country to the west was brought thru Canyon. The service at that time was ample for the then sparsely settled country and the trains were operated during the day.

"The Santa Fe "Cut-off" has been the greatest developer that Western Texas has ever had. In a moment of time, as it were, the wilderness of that region was thrown into commercial life by the exhausts from the iron horse. With accessibility to a virgin country a fact, immigrants have rushed in until prosperous cities have sprung up overnight.

"The new train service when inaugurated will be a boon to people residing in towns along the Santa Fe in that section and doubtless will benefit immensely the merchants and jobbers of Amarillo, and it will at least bring communities closer together."

A special session of the Yeomen Homestead of Slaton is announced for the meeting on Thursday night, March 29th. Three of the head officials from Des Moines, Iowa, will be present and a class of thirty-five candidates will be adopted. A special big time is being prepared and a big supper will be served. An urgent invitation is extended to all Yeomen to attend and make this the biggest Yeomen night ever observed in Slaton.

The forty-third annual Sunday School Convention of Texas will be held in Dallas on the week beginning March 26th, and Sunday School workers of every denomination will be in attendance. The program calls for a great array of noted experts, World, State and Denominational. Railroads have granted special rates and all Sunday Schools should be represented at the convention.

Candidates for Slaton Post Office Are Out Getting Endorsements

The contest for the appointment as postmaster at Slaton to succeed Mrs. Annie Higbee, whose term expires in about ten weeks, has started. Several candidates appeared at the first sign that the open season for postmaster was on. Mrs. Higbee is a candidate to succeed herself and has been very industrious in seeking endorsements. W. E. Olive is also a candidate and has been very active in seeking endorsements. All other candidates have withdrawn from the contest and at this time the field is left to the two.

Would Run Excursion to the Agricultural Experiment Farm

Mr. R. O. Tackett, county farm demonstrator, made a suggestion while in the Slatonite office one day last week that we are glad to second, and that is that we form an excursion one day next summer for a visit to the experimental farm about twelve miles north of Slaton. The idea would be for the business men and farmers all to go in a body and see what is being done in the way of experimental work to develop the best crops for the South Plains. The experimental farm is doing a splendid work but nobody knows anything about it because they do not visit the farm. The trip will be a source of education and pleasure for all, and we want to keep that excursion in mind.

Regarding the Midland Railroad

There is much newspaper talk now to the effect that the Santa Fe may purchase the Midland and Northwestern now in process of being promoted out of Midland. Regarding the deal, the Andrews Times gives these conclusions:

"That the Santa Fe system is contemplating the purchase of the Midland and Northwestern interests is no news to us. Seminole folks have also been suspecting such a move. The question of importance now is: Will the Santa Fe build the connecting link between the two roads or will they stop at Blythe where they own 200,000 acres of land? It is a well known fact that the C ranch interests now control the operations of the Midland and Northwestern, and naturally they want the road to extend out of Midland far enough to reach their property. A large per cent of Midland's bonus is payable when trains are operating twenty-five miles out of Midland, or to the C ranch. With these facts in view we cannot help believing that the Santa Fe will terminate at Blythe and induce the "privately owned enterprise" to terminate at the C ranch. However we hope Seminole will not be left "holding the bag" like Andrews. But indications seem to point to that conclusion."

Banking Notice

Beginning Monday, March 19th, the banks will close at 5 o'clock sharp every day except pay days.

Keep this in mind and regulate your business accordingly.

First State Bank.
Slaton State Bank.

The city election is held Tuesday, April 3d. Thru an error the Slatonite had the date in in one place last week as April 10th.

The Close of Each Banking Day Marks a New Period in Growth of the SLATON STATE BANK.

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We need only say for this department that we are showing for this event the very latest models in

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Stetson, Star and Beaver Hats
Corliss Coon, Silver and Dalfield Shirts

Souvenirs will be given at this opening on Saturday. We are preparing for every lady in this town on these two dates whether you come to buy or not. You will greatly appreciate viewing the many new and pretty ideas embodied in the apparel this year. This store will be specially decorated for this occasion. You owe us a visit: Pay it during this event.

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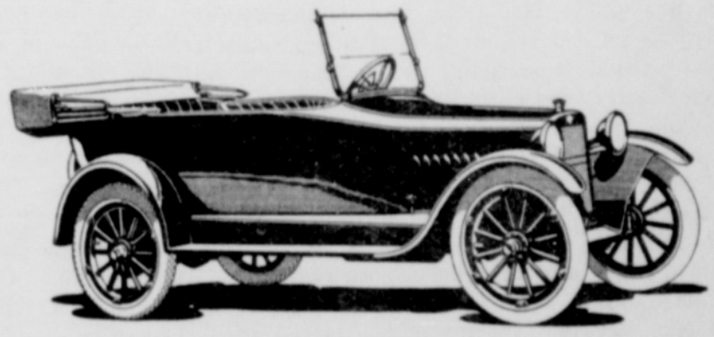
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Alabama Negro Finds Method to Overcome the Boll Weevil

According to reports from Alabama, a negro in that state has discovered a method of combatting the boll weevil, and has succeeded in raising cotton which is not bothered in the slightest by the pest. If these reports are true, then the negro's method deserves investigation and a thorough test as to its efficiency. The Montgomery advertiser describes the method as follows:

"John McDuffie, a negro six miles east of the city, has worked out a novel and seemingly certain means of eradicating the boll weevil. He had 250 acres of the finest cotton in the country and not a single weevil was found in it. On being asked how he killed them he said he did not kill them but prevented them from coming to his cotton. Mc Duffie is an intelligent man and orginated the method of running them away himself. If it is true, as he claimed, he has found the long sought method of preventing the waste of millions of dollars in the south thru the ravages of the pest.

"The method is simple. Mc Duffie takes crude oil, tar and camphor gum. He puts these in a pot and boils them with oil in the mixture to make it liquid. He wets common croker sacks in the mixture, then sqeezes them as dry as he thinks necessary. He says if too much of the mixture is used it will kill the young cotton. The sacks are fastened by means of a drag stick to a plow beam Each week the crop is plowed and dragged over with these saturated sacks, both sides of the cotton getting touched lightly on one side and then when the plow returns it touches the other side.

"This method costs about 15c an acre, McDuffie says. He says he used this method with success and seemingly this negro has solved a problem that has confronted the best brains in the south for the past ten years."

Custody of Children Not Yet Settled

Last week Judge W. R. Spencer, acting on the petition of Ray Winter, issued a writ of habeas Corpus commanding Sheriff Robinson to take into his possession Ila and Lela May Winters, who were then in the custody of their mother, Mrs. Henry Styles, formerly Mrs. Winter. Mr. and Mrs. Styles were moving to New Mexico and were overtaken at or near Slaton They returned to Post to defend their custody of the children. Monday the case came on for hearing at the court house here before Judge Spencer, who immediately decided that he had no jurisdiction to try the issue as to the custody of the children and transferred the cause to Kent county before the district court there where the case will be heard on the 14th of March. Several witnesses were summoned and in attendance at the hearing here Monday, and the case is exciting quite a bit of local interest. While awaiting trial at Clairemont, the little girls are in the care of Mrs. J. S. Lindsay.—Post City Post.

The couple was stopped at Slaton by our officers. They going overland to New Mexico.

Ed Bigbee and Bert Nobles of Hamlin, Texas, were in Slaton several days during the past week meeting friends and transacting business. Mr. Bigbee is an old friend of E. P. Nix. He is a peace officer at Hamlin and looks just as big to a law offender as his name would indicate. There is about six feet six of him and he is big all over.

Grade for New Railroad Will Be Completed in Few Weeks

The Kelley & Bond grading outfit came in last week and took up their mile on the south side of the draw beginning at the south end of the trestle, and are moving dirt right along. On the north end of the trestle the Skinner grading crew has been at work four weeks and has moved about 18,000 of Skinner's contract on 37,000 yards of dirt.

The railroad company has decided to raise the grades another foot, which will make the grades 38 feet high at the abutments of the trestle.

Mr. Skinner will have to move 18,000 yards of dirt in the north end of the switch yards, where it crosses an edge of the draw.

Work all along the line is progressing satisfactorily and a few more weeks will finish the entire grade for the new road.—Brownfield Herald.

A jitney containing four Tahoka citizens, three drunk and one sober, headed for Brownfield last Friday afternoon, stopped at the Spurgeon mill and two of the boys proceeded to pull off a medium sized fight. In the scuffle one of the boys got an ugly cut over an eye, and then the combatants began trying to get a forty-some odd in the car, but the sober man beat them to it, stood them off, got the wounded man into the car and brought him to town for medical attention. Deputy Sheriff Jack Drinkard and the sober man then went out and got the other scrapper and landed him in jail. A local physician took four stitches over the wounded man's eye.—Brownfield Herald.

The Lubbock County National Farm Loan Association was formed at Lubbock last Friday with total loans aggregating $42,940, with L. O. Burford, president; F. N. Bryan, vice president, and M. T. Jacobs, secretary treasurer. Articles of Association have been filed with the National Land Bank at Houston.

GIRLS EXCEL IN SPELLING

Boys Take Second Place in Schools Where Competitive Examinations Have Been Held.

Complete tabulated returns of the state-wide spelling contests in which State Commissioner Finley was so much interested show that in the 10,500 schools where "bees" were held, the girls showed generally the greater proficiency in spelling, and that of the silver medals awarded to county champions only 30 per cent go to boys. The original plan was to give each of these county winners a free trip to the state fair at Syracuse, but the infantile paralysis scare interfered.

Why girls are better spellers than boys might make a good subject for a monograph. It is a pretty commonly accepted theory that a good speller is born, not made. Which means, perhaps, that visual memory is an inherited faculty, capable, it may be, of development, but only within a limit fixed by the brain of the pupil. Logic helps very little, almost none at all, till after study of Greek and Latin and French has forced attention on the origin of words. The boy or girl or man or woman who most rarely mis-spells a word is fortunate rather than admirable. The memory visualizes the printed form which reading has made familiar. And this was the secret of the way our grandmothers and grandfathers got a mastery over the old blue spelling book. Doubtless the pre-Froebel "Webster" book, like all other books used for the purpose, helped visualization by concentrating attention.

We are inclined to believe that the average school girl reads more than the average school boy. After school the boy's interests are outside interests. He is fishing or skating or playing ball. We would not have him otherwise for all the spelling in the world. After all, the learning of things is better than the learning of symbols, and words are nothing but symbols. They aid in writing and in speaking. But in the education that leads up to doing things one hour in mathematics or chemistry is worth more than a hundred hours of spelling.—Brooklyn Eagle.

QUAINT OLD ENGLISH CUSTOM

On St. Thomas' Day Custom Allowed Poor Children to Solicit Alms From the Rich.

In former times there were many quaint customs connected with St. Thomas' day, the twenty-first of December, but most of these have now died out. In "Merrie England" the children and young people of the humbler classes were licensed by custom to go begging at the homes of the well-to-do [illegible] the rich. This custom was called [illegible] a gooding" or "going a corni[illegible] and was usually accompanied by a general merrymaking and the singing of songs suited to the occasion. In some remote parts of England poor families are still permitted to make the rounds in quest of alms on St. Thomas' Day, but it has now become a deadly serious business, and not the gay affair of former times when youngsters went about singing:

Wassail, wassail, through the town, if you've got any apples throw them down;
Up with the stocking, down with the shoe, if you've got no apples money will do;
The jug is white and the ale is brown—this is the best house in town.

Charting the Army's Feet.

To a layman, the records of the inspections of the feet of the various militia regiments stationed on the border last summer are astonishing. For example, take the specific case of the Sixteenth Pennsylvania infantry. Out of 1,087 men inspected only 290 with sound feet were found. Four hundred and seventy-six men were wearing shoes from one to two complete sizes too small. The Sixteenth Pennsylvania sported 750 corns, 762 ingrowing nails, 613 bunions, to say nothing of such esoteric maladies as "exostoses," "pronation" and "hallux valgus," of which latter misery there were 590 well-developed cases. One wonders how the Sixteenth Pennsylvania got over the ground at all.—"The Feet of the Fighting Men," in the World's Work.

Contributed From All Countries.

From the southwestern United States every year now there are sent to market tons of dates. If it had not been for the bureau of plant industry and its explorers, the date today would not be an American product. Out of China have come cherries which took gratefully to our soil and climate; from the Altai mountains have come red currants; from the Orient somewhere has come the puckerless and seedless persimmon, and from other places of the far-off have come fruits and vegetables of good garden and table service, and shade trees for the comfort of men in sections of this country where no shade tree of American origin would take root.

Why Blotters Are Scarce.

Did you get that stack of blotters with the "ads" on the backs this year? Of course you didn't. It's the "high cost of blotters" now. Owing to the decreased production and the increased cost of paper stock, a Brooklyn paper and blotter concern predicted that blotters this year were going to be about as scarce as eggs.—Brooklyn Eagle.



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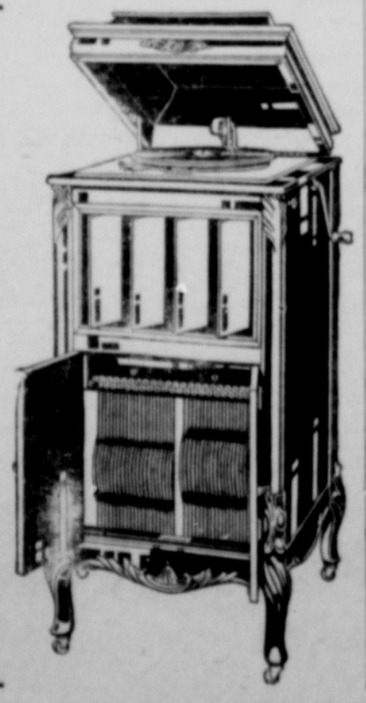
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Slaton, Lubbock County, Texas

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By L. P. LOOMIS
Owner, Editor, and Publisher

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Entered as second class mail matter at the post office at Slaton, Texas, on Sept. 15, 1911 under the act of March 3, 1897.

HOWD'E DO; HERE'S TO YOU MARVIN JONES!

The new re districting bill is quite an improvement over the former congressional districts, but gives West Texas no more representation than before. However, we are thankful for small favors. Locally, the change is acceptable because it takes us out of a goose neck addition to the El Paso district, the Mexican voting stronghold, and puts us in the Panhandle district. The Panhandle district is now the jumbo or big district of the state, being composed of fifty three counties. The east side of the district is composed of Hardeman, Foard, Knox and Haskell counties and the south side of Fisher, Scurry, Borden, Dawson and Gaines counties.

The eighteenth district is nearly three hundred miles long and nearly two hundred miles wide—quite a splendid common wealth in itself—and is composed of counties whose interests are mutual.

And in all probability after the next election Marvin Jones will be our next congressman. Well, we like Marvin Jones, the Panhandle political marvel.

The politicians of El Paso evidently considered that it was a good time for them to cut loose from a fellow by the name of Thos. L. Blanton, as their new congressional district does not include his county. Blanton is now in the seventeenth district. The El Paso district now includes all of southwest Texas with Andrews, Martin, Howard, Mitchell, Coke, Tom Green, Menard, Mason, Gillespie, Kerr, Bandera, Real, Edwards and Valverde forming the northern and eastern boundary counties of the district. This will undoubtly put Claud Hudspeth of El Paso in congress to represent the eighteenth district.

Members of the legislature are working on the passage of a pool hall law to take the place of the one declared unconstitutional by by the supreme court. The "pool hall" bill was almost entirely rewritten by amendments offered by Senator Johnson of Hall County. As amended the bill provides that it is unlawful to sell or drink anything in a pool hall except water; that pool halls close at 9.30 p. m.; that boys under 18 years of age be excluded and that no other games of chance be permitted. Senators Lattimore and Hudspeth tried to put the pool halls out of business by requiring an occupation tax of $1,000 a year on each table, but this was changed to $300 by Strickland's amendment. It is doubtful if the house concurs in all of the amendments adopted by the senate.

The lecture, "Dominant Personalities of the Great War," at the Reading Room Sunday night by Arthur E. Bestor of Chautauqua Lake, New York, was a rare treat for Slaton railroad folks. The lecture was an impartial discussion of the European war and it was well illustrated with stereopticon views. The entertainment was highly intellectual, and Doctor Bestor demonstrated that he has a scholarly knowledge of the features that enter into the war.

The present legislature has enacted a law prohibiting the killing of antelope for twenty five years. Goat meat will not be as popular on the family table as it formerly has been.

AMARILLO SEEMS JEALOUS OF SLATON CITY

Slaton has been and perhaps will always be the object of much jealousy from South Plains towns because of its prominence as the railroad center of this section. Every town expected to be made the railroad division, and the place that won the recognition became the object of enmity from all others. Slaton was accorded the honor of being the division and this advantage has brought to Slaton in five years a commercial development that other towns have been twenty years in achieving. The advantage of being a railroad division town is a foundation that will bring a continued growth and development for years to come; it is a portent of lucky omen, a payroll bank account that will make a city of any town. This has been tested time after time. The division towns are the ones that eventually forge ahead in any section, so it is perhaps natural that the green eyed monster of envy looks askance at Slaton.

But we have a new rival that we did not even remotely suspect. Amarillo is showing jealousy of Slaton, and the Daily News is her champion. In speaking of the South Plains train service the News referred to it several times as the Amarillo Sweetwater service, when there has been no such service on the map. The News editor should study time tables more diligently. The only service that Amarillo has with the South Plains is the Amarillo to Slaton service. The trains are made up at Amarillo and run to Slaton and stop, and the train for the north is made up at Slaton and run to Amarillo. All traffic and transfer from the main line trains to the Amarillo trains is made at Slaton.

It is an honor to Slaton to be the object of jealousy on the part of Amarillo.

The announcement by Post master General Burleson that after April 1st the appointments for postmaster would be subject to competitive examinations is generally accepted by the public as a means of putting postal service on a higher standard than it can ever reach thru the pie counter system that has been in vogue so many years. The public is becoming more and more convinced every year that postoffices and politics should be separated, and the postal system put under civil service and raised to a higher standard of efficiency and courtesy. There are hundreds and perhaps thousands of postmasters over the United States who could not make even a creditable showing in a civil service examination, and those who could not pass the examination should not wish to remain in office. If Burleson continues the policy it will mean that future postmasters appointed to fill vacancies will come from the ranks of assistant postmasters and postal clerks, as they are the ones who are familiar with the work and can pass the better examination.

The column of classified ads in the Slatonite is the place to locate just what you are looking for, or to use to locate something that you want. Use this column. We make advertising rates very liberal on classified locals.

One Texas commission company reports that it has shipped to eastern markets alone 80,000 pounds of rabbit this winter. Those easterners are getting so that they wish for the wild taste of the west.

Rotan has the black plague. The numerous negroes who subsist without visible means of support are crowding the sidewalks of that town.

Be a Slaton Advertiser.

HIGHEST NAVAL OFFICER



REAR ADMIRAL W. S. BENSON.
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SHIPBUILDERS TO RUSH WORK ON U. S. WARSHIPS

Big Firms Double Their Forces and Put Contracts for Navy Ahead of All Others.

Washington.—Construction of navy craft by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, the Fore River Shipbuilding company and the Electric Boat company will be speeded up to the limit of the plants. Work on two battleships at the plant of the Newport News company, at Secretary Daniels' suggestion, already is proceeding under doubled crews, and the offers of the other two companies to take similar steps met with the secretary's hearty approval.

At the Newport News plant it is estimated that the battleship Mississippi, recently launched, can be completed by midsummer instead of January 1, 1918, as called for in the contract. The keel of one of the four new battleships recently contracted for will be laid on the slip vacated by the Mississippi instead of a merchant vessel, as had been intended.

Representatives of the Fore River and Electric Boat companies called on Mr. Daniels, offering to rush work on destroyers and submarines for which they have contracts, setting aside other private work to that end. They were told to go ahead at full speed. The plan is to get the vessels launched as soon as possible, freeing stocks for the new set of destroyers and submarines to be authorized in the pending navy bill.

NAVY MARKSMEN ACCURATE

American Gunners Never Showed as Great Proficiency as They Have in Recent Trials.

Data made public recently by the navy department show that at no other time in its history has the marksmanship of the United States navy been so good as it is at present. The new superdreadnaught Nevada gave an example of the general shooting efficiency of the Atlantic fleet. In recent target practice this ship fired 56 shots from her 14-inch guns, and the target, at varying ranges, was smashed 43 times, a record that is believed to equal, if not surpass, any record with similar guns in any other navy.

The following table shows at a glance what the gunners of the Atlantic fleet did with the big guns in the recent target practice:

Vessel.	Shots.	Hits.	P. C. of Hits
14-INCH—45-CALIBER.			
Nevada	56	43	76.1
New York	60	41	68.1
Oklahoma	66	36	64.1
Pennsylvania	56	36	64.1
Texas	59	48	81.4
12-INCH—50-CALIBER.			
Arkansas	65	44	67.1
Wyoming	72	60	83.1
12-INCH—45-CALIBER.			
Delaware	59	45	70.1
Florida	58	54	93.1
Kansas	21	19	90.1
Michigan	46	32	69.4
Minnesota	23	14	60.9
New Hampshire	23	17	73.1
South Carolina	46	38	82.1
Utah	58	50	86.1
Vermont	21	12	57.1
8-INCH—45-CALIBER.			
Kansas	48	37	77.1
Minnesota	44	28	63.1
New Hampshire	46	29	63.1
Vermont	44	28	63.1
7-INCH—45-CALIBER.			
Kansas	75	36	48.1
Minnesota	89	41	46.1
New Hampshire	83	60	72.1
Vermont	80	39	48.1
5-INCH—50-CALIBER.			
Arkansas	161	94	58.1
Delaware	110	56	50.1
Florida	124	70	56.1
Nevada	158	86	54.4
New York	168	130	77.4
Oklahoma	168	98	58.1
Pennsylvania	174	119	68.4
Texas	167	106	63.4
Utah	115	56	48.1
Wyoming	164	96	58.1

Industrial Canvass Complete.

Both the war and navy departments have available the report of the committee on national defense, headed by Herbert Coffin, which made a thorough canvass of the industrial facilities of the country with a view to their utilization and mobilization in time of war. It became known only recently that the government was making a careful inventory of munition-making machinery in the hands of manufacturers throughout the country. Whether this report has been completed at this time cannot be said.

Don't Read

KAZAN

If you ever in your life did a mean thing to a dog, for it will not improve your opinion of yourself. But, if you care at all for the one animal in brute creation capable of absolutely unselfish devotion, do read the story. It will call out all the sympathy and love your nature holds. The picture of Kazan fighting alone through the arctic blizzard, dragging an unconscious woman and baby on the heavy sledge behind him, is one that will stay with you for a while.

KAZAN

is the title of our new serial and the first installment will appear in an early issue

Of This Paper

She Paid.

On Sunday grandma took Baby Jane, aged three, to church. When they took up the collection Jane put her two pennies in the box. Grandma was looking for her purse, when baby said, "Dat's all right, grandma, I'se paid for two."—Cleveland Leader.

Daily Thought.

Noble disappointment and noble self-denial are not to be admired, not even to be pardoned, if they bring bitterness. Gentleness and cheerfulness, these come before all morality; they are the perfect duties.—R. L. S.



Hog Raisers Can Lower the Cost of Pork Production

Big profits can not be expected from hogs that cost too much to fatten. Unless a hog's digestion is good he can not earn you a penny as too much high priced grain passes through its system undigested and is wasted.

Can You Afford to Waste High Priced Grain Feed?

Under ordinary feeding conditions, an animal will fail to digest about 45 per cent of its grain food—nearly one-half will pass through its system and be wasted. You can improve the digestion and assimilation of farm animals through the use of

INTERNATIONAL STOCK FOOD TONIC

You can save from 20 to 33 per cent of their grain feed. It improves digestion and assimilation, purifies the blood, strengthens the entire system, and keeps the animal in good health and condition.

Good For All Kinds of Live Stock

It will help to fatten hogs, beef cattle and sheep quickly, will improve the milk flow of cows, and will help horses to do more work at a big saving in grain feed.

Packages 25c, 50c, $1.00. 25 Lb. Pails, $3.50.

FOR SALE BY

SLATON RED CROSS PHARMACY

I will pay cash

For anything that you have for sale in the way of second hand furniture, stoves, wagons, hacks, harness, junk, hides and furs.

Highest Prices Paid for Poultry and Eggs

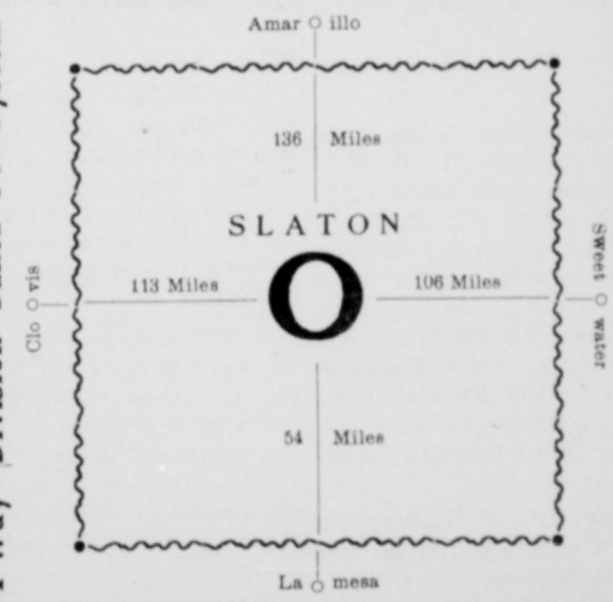
Call and see me. On Northeast Corner of Square.

T. W. COVINGTON
Slaton, Texas

Read the First Chapter of "KAZAN" next week

Founded and Owned by the Pecos & Northern Texas Ry. Company

4-Way Division Santa Fe System



SLATON

LOCATION

SLATON is in the southeast corner of Lubbock County, in the center of the South Plains of central west Texas. Is on the new main Trans-Continental Line of the SantaFe. Connects with North Texas Lines of that system at Canyon, Texas; with South Texas lines of the Santa Fe at Coleman, Texas; and with New Mexico and Pacific lines of the same system at Texico, N. M. SLATON is the junction of the Lamesa road, Santa Fe System.

Advantages and Improvements

The Railway Company has Division Terminal Facilities at this point, constructed mostly of reinforced concrete material and including a Round House, a Power House, Machine and Blacksmith Shops, Coal Chute, a Sand House, Water Plant, Ice House, etc. Also have a Fred Harvey Eating House, and a Reading Room for Santa Fe employees. Have extensive yard tracks for handling a heavy trans-continental business, both freight and passenger, between the Gulf and Atlantic Coast and the Pacific Coast territories, and on branch lines to Tahoka, Lamesa and other towns.

BUSINESS SECTION AND RESIDENCES BUILT

3000 feet of business streets are graded and macadamized and several residence streets are graded; there are 30 business buildings of brick and reinforced concrete, with others to follow; 700 residences under construction and completed.

SURROUNDED BY A FINE, PRODUCTIVE LAND

A fine agricultural country surrounds the town, with soil dark chocolate color, sandy loam, producing Kaffir Corn, Milo Maize, Cotton, Wheat, Oats, Indian Corn, garden crops and fruit. An inexhaustible supply of pure free stone water from wells 40 to 90 feet deep.

P. and N. T. Railway Company, Owners

THE COMPANY OFFERS for sale a limited number of business lots remaining at original low list prices and residence lots at exceedingly low prices. For further information address either

J. C. Stewart
Local Townsite Agent

R. J. Murray
Local Townsite Agent

H. T. McGee
Local Townsite Agent

Mrs. F. Graves Spring Millinery Opening



....WILL BE....

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

9 o'Clock a. m. to 5 p. m. **St. Patrick's Day**

On this occasion will be subject to inspection one of the largest and most stylish aggregations of Millinery ever exhibited on the Plains. Style and quality considered, prices are astonishingly reasonable. In this Millinery Display will be found creations for the most fastidious as well as the moderate dresser.

Any mother buying Millinery worth $5.00 or more on the Opening Day will be presented with a Gold Ring for the baby if it is under three years old.



Each lady visitor will be given an Historic Souvenir as a memento of the occasion. Every one is extended a cordial invitation to this greatest of all Millinery Openings. You will be greeted with the warmest welcome.

There will be subject to your inspection the latest in Sport Coats, ready made Dresses, Skirts, Waists—in fact every article in a first class Ladies Ready to Wear and Dry Goods Store. Finest and largest line of Hosiery in the city.

A Grand Little Six Cylinder Car for Slaton

The monarchs of the motor world have been startled by the appearance of a new contestant for the crown as king of the roads. In a few months the Saxon Six has shown such splen did performance that it has jumped to seventh place in point of factory output, and the Saxon factory has to tax its capacity to meet the orders from dealers for Saxon cars.

When we decided to place a line of cars in our store for the people of the South Plains we went to the motor driving public for a verdict on a car that the public needs. The car we were looking for was a car with a light motor that wouldn't shake to pieces and yet had power enough to pull the hills without hesitat ing, and was economical in oper ation. We wanted a car heavy enough to be easy riding and yet light enough to get over the road quickly, and was sold at a price the people could afford to own. Our attention was soon directed to the Saxon Six, and every owner was a booster. One day a friend drove into Slaton and made the statement that he was just back from California and that he had made the entire trip overland. On inquiry we learned that his car was a Saxon Six and that he had made the long trip without a mishap and without a cent of repairs to the car. We decided that that was the kind of car that we wanted for Slaton, and as every car owner's state ment was along the line of our friend's regarding the economy and performance of the Saxon Six, we accepted the agency.

The man who drives knows a good car when he examines it, and every vital feature to the life of a car is found in the entire ensemble of the Saxon Six. Some cars have one good point and a dozen weak ones. Not so with the Saxon Six. Read these specifications and judge about this car:

First, of course, is the motor, a Continental, which everybody knows, and is probably as near perfect as has ever been attained. This motor needs no recommen dation.

Feeding the Continental motor is a Stromberg carburetor of the latest design, insuring the most perfect vaporization of low test gasoline. There is none better than the Stromberg.

Remy ignition insures a hot, even spark combined with the lowest consumption of battery current. Remy ignition stands at the top.

The safety insurance of the driver is in the axles. Both front and rear axles in the Saxon Six are Timken, the best steel made. Everybody knows Tim ken axles and bearings. The bearings thruout this car are Timken roller bearings.

The drive gear is the Helical Bevel, made by Timken, and it is conceded by engineers to be the most efficient and surely the most quiet type of drive gear known.

The Fedders radiator with its thermo syphon system of water circulation gives a dependable and superior cooling system.

The extra heavy frame, which is to the automobile as the foun dation is to a house, insures de pendability over the longest road. Other features are the Wagner two-unit starting and lighting system, silent, sure and en during, and on high priced cars only; the Saxon dry plate clutch with Raybestos lining, and the vanadium steel cantilever springs, which makes the best spring suspension known and which minimizes any rebound.

These are a few features about this grand little six cylinder car. And it makes twenty three miles on a gallon of gasoline. And with all these high class features it sells for only $950.00, the best buy in the motor world today. Come and see this car for your self and ask for a demonstration.

Forrest Hardware.

Shoe Repairing

I have opened a shoe shop in the Covington Second Hand Store and can handle your shoe repair ing promptly. Have a complete line of machinery and the best leather on the market, and am an experienced workman in all branches of leather repair work. Your patronage solicited.

F. A. Erdman.

Political Announcement

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of mayor and solicit your vote and your support.

Any information you wish in regard to the financial condition of the city I will be pleased to furnish you. L. P. Loomis.

We will be pleased to fill your lumber bill. Come and talk it over.—A. C. Houston Lumber Company.



YOU CAN BUY A SUIT Anywhere for TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS

But the Question is:

WHAT KIND OF A SUIT?

The quality of fabric that goes into our clothes at THIS PRICE is all you need as evidence that your money buys the BEST when you select an

INTERNATIONAL OR LAMM

Made-to-Measure and to Please Suit

We have a splendid array of Spring Samples for you to choose from and invite you to call and look them over.

DeLong

THE MERCHANT TAILOR

BUSINESS MEN AND THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

By F. A. Whiteley.

Why should the business man be a Sunday School worker?

1. Because the Sunday School helps all kinds of legitimate business.

(a) The Sunday School man does not waste his money on gambling and whiskey, but spends it for the needs of his family in food and clothes and in the making of a home. The man who buys liquor or gambles helps none and is a distinct draw back to necessary business. The grocer, the dry goods merchant, the butcher, the shoemaker—all these have to listen to the sad story of the man who wastes his earnings, and then extend the time of credit while the saloon man and the gambler get the money.

(b) A good Sunday School is a great advertisement for any town. Most people want to live near a good Sunday School, even if they do not attend. It is much better advertising than a ball park, a skating rink, a dance hall or a saloon.

(c) The Sunday School is a friend to every legitimate busi ness. It teaches men to take proper rest, sleep, and the read ing of the best books. Which teachings cause a man to form the best habits; and in this way the Sunday School proves its friendship.

2. Because in the Sunday School we have a systematic study of the sayings and doings of the Master on all right busi ness principles. Every man ought to conduct his business on absolutely right and righteous principles. And how can he unless he goes to God's book and learns?

WAITS IN SILENT GRIEF FOR NEWS OF LOVED ONES

Plight of Bereaved Englishman in New York Brings Home to Watchers —Tragedy of New Warfare.

New York.—It took the silent grief of John M. Little, Englishman, to bring keenly home to the officials and clerks of the Anchor line offices the loss of the California, one of the liners sunk as a result of Germany's new submarine campaign.

Modestly, almost diffidently, Little, a spare, slight man, asked for news of his wife and four children, steerage passengers. The latest cable, he was told, reported his wife and one child missing—the others had been saved.

"But the wife and baby," he pleaded. "Can't you give me a word of hope?"

No one dared reply. Tears welled from Little's eyes and rolled unre strainedly down his cheeks. The bus tling activity stopped and heads were bowed.

Straightening himself with an effort Little squared his shoulders and walked away, the tears still stream ing down his face.

Not a word was uttered as the work of the busy office was resumed.



Railroad Uses Cactus.

Cattle guards made of cactus planted in beds across the tracks have proved to be successful on a railroad in Ari zona.

Big Sum for Improvements.

Pennsylvania railroad system is spending $6,000,000 for automatic sig nals in addition to $18,000,000 already invested in the system.

Great Poets.

There have, of course, been many fine poets, writers of beautiful senti ments in beautiful numbers; but the supremely great poets may be counted on the fingers of the two hands. Eng land and Scotland lead the world in great poets, having, perhaps, a half dozen, while the other countries can show hardly more than one each, and some of them not even one.

HOW OUR FIGHTING SHIPS ACTUALLY STAND TODAY.

The following table shows the United States warships completed and which are ready for service or will be with a few days' overhauling:

	In commission	Reserve Com.	Out of Com.	Total.
Battleships, first line	11	1	0	12
Battleships, second line	3	20	3	26
Armored cruisers	3	6	1	10
First class cruisers	1	4	0	5
Torpedo boat destroyers	28	11	1	50
Submarines	28	..	..	58

The super-dreadnaughts New Mexico, Mississippi and Idaho, each of 32,000 tons, are now about 60 per cent completed. Work has been started on the super-dread naughts Tennessee and California, both of 32,300 tons.

The first line battleships include these super-dreadnaughts: Pennsylvania, Arizona, Arkansas, Nevada, New York, Oklahoma, Texas and Wyoming—8.

Of the twenty-three second line battleships in full or reserve commission all could quickly be made ready for active service.

LOCAL GOSSIP

Ad day is Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Acker were up from Brownfield last Friday visiting Mrs. Acker's brother, W. E. Smart.

FOR SALE.—A scholarship in the Tyler Commercial College We can save you money on a business course.—Slatonite.

Fred Tudor last week sold his pool hall equipment that had been stored in the planing mill for three or four years. The fixtures were purchased by a Lubbock firm and were taken away from this city.

LODGES.

I. O. O. F.

Slaton Lodge No. 861 I. O. O. F. meets every Tuesday at 7.30 p. m. Visiting brothers cordially welcome. J. W. Short, N. G. L. P. Loomis, Secy.

A. F. AND A. M.

Slaton Lodge A. F. and A. M. meets every Thursday night on or before each full moon, at 7.30 o'clock. A. E. Howerton, W. M.; J. W. Richey, Secy.

O. E. S.

Slaton Chapter No. 585 O. E. S. meets the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month, in the Masonic Hall. Mrs. Lula Butler, Worthy Matron; Mrs. Janet B. Lee, Secretary.

WOODMEN.

Slaton Camp No. 2871 W. O. W. meets 1st and 3rd Friday nights in the month at the MacRea Hall. W. E. Olive, C. C. B. C. Morgan, Clerk.

WOODMEN CIRCLE.

Slaton Grove Woodmen Circle No. 1320 meets every other Thursday at 2.30 o'clock in the MacRea hall. Visitors cordially welcomed. Mrs. Almira Hannan, Guardian. Mrs. Nellie Wade, Clerk.

The Brotherhood of American Yeomen meets every second and fourth Fridays at 8.00 p. m., at the hall. C. W. Olive, Correspondent.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

SANTA FE.

California and Gulf Coast Trains. Limited, daily.

No. 921 (west bound) from Galveston arrives in Slaton at ..... 4.25 a. m.
Departs for all points west to California ..... 4.35 a. m.

No. 922 (south bound) from California arrives in Slaton at ..... 12.10 p. m.
Departs for central Texas and Galveston ..... 12.35 p. m.

Slaton-Amarillo Trains, Eastern and Northern Points, daily.

No. 903 leaves Slaton for Amarillo at ..... 6.40 a. m.

No. 904 from Amarillo arrives in Slaton at ..... 11.55 a. m.

Slaton-Lamesa Local. Daily Except Sunday.

No. 908 from Lamesa arrives in Slaton at ..... 11.15 a. m.

No. 907 departs from Slaton for Lamesa at ..... 2.00 p. m.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST CHURCH.

T. C. Willett, Pastor.

Preaching services every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m., and at 7.30 p. m.

Sunday School every Sunday at 9.45 a. m. L. P. Loomis, Superintendent.

Womans' Missionary Society meets every Monday at 3 p. m.

Union Prayer Meeting every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock at the Methodist church. Everyone welcome.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

F. A. Whiteley, Pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m. J. G. Maybin, Supt.

Prayer meeting Wednesday nights.

Preaching services every Sunda yat 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

Ladies Aid Society meets every Wednesday at 3 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

The Church of Christ meets every Lord's Day at 2.30 o'clock for communion. Preaching every Fourth Lord's Day in each month at the Methodist Church at 3 o'clock p. m. by Elder Liff Sanders.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

At the Movie Theater.

Sunday School at 10 . m. followed by Communion Services.

J. S. Boone, Supt.

Slaton grows every day.

See York, the tailor, for ear corn and maize.

IF YOU ARE NOT ashamed of your company phone No. 20—that's the Slatonite—and tell us about it.

A special shipment of dresses is en route by express for this New Spring Style Show. Where? Phone 100.

Loans made on farms and ranches. First vendor lien notes purchased.—L. T. Martin, Lubbock, Texas.

EDISON DIAMOND POINT phonograph in fine condition and 150 records for sale very cheap. —G. L. Sledge.

Loans made on farms and ranches. First vendor lien notes purchased.—L. T. Martin, Lubbock, Texas.

Miss Iva M. Buie arrived in Slaton last week from Canyon to take a position as stenographer to Attorney R. A. Baldwin.

BLACKSMITHING—I have a blacksmith shop at my farm just west of the Santa Fe wells and can do your work. Call and see me.—J. G. Maybin.

DRESSMAKING—I will do any kind of sewing at reasonable prices and will appreciate your patronage.—Mrs. A. R. Hill on Grand Avenue, South Slaton.

Car reservations are being made for cattle shipments from the Slaton station this spring. The Slaton Division will be taxed to capacity to handle the live stock during the month in which the cattle are moved.

D. E. Jordan of Paducah, Tex., was in Slaton Monday calling on the Forrest Hardware, Saxon Six dealers. He was on his way home from a visit to his brother, P. E. Jordan, at Portales, N. M. D. E. is a Saxon Six enthusiast.

To the Public

I will have my office located temporarily at my residence just north of the old Richey Lumber Company location.

My specialties are: being extraordinarily easy and careful with nervous patients, and being thoro in my work. Unless I can please you I don't care for the business, and if I have to murder a person to do the work I don't care for the work.

B. F. Gregory.

STANDPATISM HAS PASSED

The day of whiskers and standpatism in the United States has passed. The young men have stayed in the background and taken advice from their forbears until the moss has grown on the soles of their feet, but their patience has reached the limit and their elders move so deliberately that the country has grown away from them. One by one the old time customs in the national congress have to be eradicated in order for the law makers to keep up with the progressiveness of the nation, and the people rejoice to learn that filibustering is now in history only.

After more than 100 years under rules permitting debate limited only by the physical endurance of the senators and the provisions of the constitution, the senate last week, by a vote of seventy six to three, put power in the hands of two thirds of its members in the future to limit discussion and to say when a vote shall be taken on a pending measure.

The right of an organized filibuster as recognized in the senate is dead.

In brief, the new rule provides that on petition of sixteen senators to close debate on a pending measure the senate by a two-thirds vote may limit debate thereafter to one hour to each senator. It included provisions to prevent dilatory tactics and the introduction after cloiture is ordered of amendments not germane to the pending bilk

They are coming to Slaton.

Luther Witt has a position in the Slaton Drug Store.

Mrs. G. E. Lockhart of Tahoka was in Slaton Thursday shopping.

The Southland people have been doing some splendid work on the public road between that town and Slaton.

J. H. Moore, county judge, and R. O. Tacket, county agricultural demonstrator, were in Slaton Wednesday on a visit to the city schools.

Replace Nuts Carefully.

A little more care on the part of junior repairmen, amateurs and apprentices, in the replacing of nuts and bolts of motor-car parts, will eliminate much damage and the trouble caused thereby. For instance, one often starts a nut on a thread and finds that it goes on with difficulty. The unskilled amateur or apprentice immediately takes up a wrench and seeks therewith to overcome the difficulty. The result is that the nut is given a few turns more with comparative ease, then it stops and cannot be turned farther without considerable effort. If the nut happens to really be a loose fit it may be screwed up tight; and the unknowing workman will be satisfied that the nut is drawn up tight and pass on to the next job; later when the car is in service, this nut whose threads have been destroyed may loosen up and come off with disastrous results, no doubt.

Had Heard It Before.

Billy, dressed in his best and perched in grandfather's big chair, surveyed the guests seated about the room. During a lull in the conversation a man said: "Well, Billy, you are a pretty fine boy." Billy answered, "Yes, they say I am."

Kazan

A Tale of a Dog

BANK STATEMENT.

No. 754

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of

The First State Bank

at Slaton, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 5th day of March, 1917, published in the Slaton Slatonite, a newspaper printed and published at Slaton, State of Texas, on the 16th day of March, 1917.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	$ 74,503.80
Loans, real estate	6,777.50
Overdrafts	1,462.82
Real estate (banking house)	3,600.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,400.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	59,832.27
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	30,108.30
Cash Collections	872.48
Cash Items	936.90
Currency	8,661.00
Specie	2,511.85
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	890.79
Other Resources as Follows:	
Assessment in Guaranty Fund	217.90
Total	$191,775.61

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	$ 25,000.00
Surplus Fund	1,500.00
Undivided Profits, net	2,803.76
Individual Deposits, subject to check	153,927.32
Time Certificates of Deposit	4,075.00
Cashier's Checks	4,379.53
Total	$191,775.61

State of Texas, County of Lubbock:

We, J. S. Edwards as president, and J. H. Brewer as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. S. Edwards, President.
J. H. Brewer, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of March, A. D. 1917.

(Seal) W. E. Olive, Notary Public, Lubbock County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:
E. Shopbell,
C. C. Hoffman,
J. H. Brewer,
Directors.

Re-Capitulation

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	$ 82,744.12
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Interest in Guaranty Fund	1,108.69
Cash and Due from Banks	102,922.80
Total	$191,775.61

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$28,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	4,393.76
Deposits	162,381.85
Total	$191,775.61

The Woman Who Knows Our Groceries Always Extends a Hearty Welcome to An Order from This Store



She knows how fresh and clean they come from this grocery and how fine they taste on the table. Why don't you know them, too? They will cost you a little less than you now pay for groceries, and the quality will be unsurpassed.

We have RED RUST PROOF OATS
Bran, Corn Chop, Shorts

We will pay you HIGHEST MARKET PRICE for Butter and Eggs

PHONE No. 5

DOWELL BROS. CASH GROCERY

Arizona Mightiest of All Fighting Vessels.

The Arizona, the newest addition to the United States battleship division, not only is the biggest of Uncle Sam's sea fighters, but no other naval power has a fighting vessel that can reach it in size.

It is larger by 200 tons that the Pennsylvania, the flagship of Admiral Mayo, of which it is a sister ship.

It will be a damaging foe for an enemy to meet. Its twelve 14-inch guns fire a broadside of 20,000 pounds of steel, which can be directed accurately at a mark 15 miles distant. The broadside is 6,000 pounds more than the combined broadsides of the Kansas, Vermont and New Hampshire, ships that have been placed in the reserve fleet.

The displacement of the Arizona is 31,600 tons. It is propelled by oil-burning engines, which drive it at a speed averaging 20 knots an hour.

Nickel's Possibilities.

A scientist says there is enough high explosive in a nickel, chemically treated, to blow off a man's head. But it wouldn't be a nickel any longer. A nickel as it is enables a man to blow himself off as often as he comes in possession of it.—Houston Post.

Brief Bliss.

Mother—"Why didn't you prevent him from kissing you? Why didn't you call me? (Reflectively) But I suppose it was all over too soon." Daughter (with a far-away look)—"Yes, mamma, it was all over too soon."—Boston Transcript.

BANK STATEMENT.

No. 1068

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of

The Slaton State Bank

at Slaton, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 5th day of March, 1917 published in the Slaton Slatonite, a newspaper printed and published at Slaton, State of Texas, on the 16th day of March, 1917.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	$ 86,780.03
Loans, real estate	4,050.00
Overdrafts	107.82
Real Estate (banking house)	3,300.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,000.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	33,682.81
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	12,947.15
Cash Items	768.14
Currency	6,830.00
Specie	1,451.20
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	750.00
Total	$152,667.15

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	$ 25,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	3,146.46
Individual Deposits, subject to check, net	98,105.73
Time Certificates of Deposit	22,291.07
Cashier's Checks	4,133.89
Total	$152,667.15

State of Texas, County of Lubbock:

We, A. L. Robertson as vice president, and J. G. Wadsworth as asst. cashier, of said bank each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

A. L. Robertson, Vice President.
J. G. Wadsworth, Asst. Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of March, A. D. 1917.

H. T. McGee, Notary Public.
(Seal) Lubbock County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:
E. N. Twaddle,
J. H. Paul,
A. L. Robertson,
Directors.

Re-Capitulation.

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$ 25,000.00
Undivided Profits	3,146.46
Deposits	124,520.69
Total	$152,667.15

RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 90,830.03
Overdrafts	107.82
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	5,300.00
Guaranty Fund	750.00
Cash and Exchange	55,679.30
Total	$152,667.15

SLATON PLANING MILL

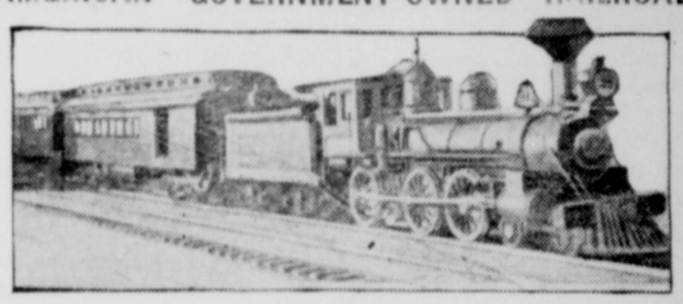
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North Side of the Square

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Type of passenger equipment in use on the railroad built and operated by the United States government in Idaho. This railroad, which is 22 miles long, is employed in transporting passengers and freight between Barberton and the great irrigation dam under construction across the Boise canyon at Arrowrock. It is operated by the reclamation service, as indicated by the initials "U. S. R. S." on the locomotive tender.—Popular Mechanics.

Slaton Property

I have just had listed with me

Several of the Best East Front Lots in Slaton

One Fine 20-Acre Tract with good improvements

Several Half-Blocks

Several Five Acre Tracks

Any of these properties is worth the money asked
Consult me when you wish to buy

Harry T. McGee



Make a More Beautiful Garden With

PAKRO SEEDTAPE FOR BETTER GARDENS

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IF THERE IS ANY ONE in town or in the country who has a small improved farm for sale please give me the right to sell it. I have the best chances to find a buyer.—Francis Joseph Reisdorf.

TO TRADE—Truck farm of forty acres for Slaton property. Three miles of railroad, well located, no encumbrance.—S. Selmon. Call at Slatonite office.

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W. S. Michael of Cisco, Texas, was in Slaton last week visiting his old friend, M. F. Cannon, and prospecting. Mr. Michael is a contractor.

Dr. B. F. Gregory, a dentist of Enid, Okla., located in Slaton last week and will soon be at home here with his family. He will open an office and be here permanently.

It will pay you to wait till our Style Event before buying your dress sport coat, coat suit or hat. You just can't help going wild about the new numbers we will show.—Robertson's.

In planting trees this spring kindly remember that the tree line has been established eight feet from the property line, and all trees should be placed accordingly so that the trees will present a symmetrical appearance.

Howard Pratt, round house machinist, left Monday for Amarillo to visit relatives for a few days and to recuperate from a near attack of the grippe. Andy Forsland of the Amarillo shops arrived here Tuesday to take Mr. Pratt's place during his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Talley left in their automobile the first of the week for Central Texas, where they visited for a few days. They will move soon to their suburban property in West Slaton. Mr. Talley is building a commodious home on the suburban tract. The building is 28x40 feet.

It seems that our former Lubbock county citizen, L. D. Webster, who shot and killed a Dr. E. W. Emory at San Antonio a few weeks ago, is not meeting with the usual luck the gunman has in Texas. He has been refused bail by the trial court and the court of criminal appeals has affirmed the trial court in its action. The cause of the shooting has not been given in the newspapers.

The Rev. F. A. Whiteley returned home from Dallas last Saturday, bringing with him a sweet little baby girl, an orphan child, twenty days old, which Mr. and Mrs. Whiteley have adopted as their own. They have named the little one Ruth. Mr. Whiteley stated that on the train during the entire trip the baby was an object of much curiosity and solicitous care, and that he had to refuse the requests of several women who also wished to adopt it.

Mr. John Brazell, a young business man of Slaton, and Miss Lottye Carsey of Amarillo quietly slipped away from their friends at their homes and came to Lockney Tuesday evening accompanied by their friends, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Odom of Slaton, and were married at the home of I. N. Dillard, the father of Mrs. Odom, Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, the Rev. Sweeney pronouncing the words that made them husband and wife. Only a few friends witnessed the ceremony.—Lockney Beacon.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Price on Thursday, March 8th.

J. H. Brewer purchased twenty lots in South Slaton a few days ago from L. L. Powers of Kansas.

The annual meeting of the Panhandle Teachers' Association will be held at Canyon on March 30th and 31st.

WHEN YOU have any dressmaking to be done see Pearl Wood at Joe Montgomery's in East Slaton.

Mrs. B. F. Gregory and her children went to Fort Worth Saturday to visit relatives for several days.

Positively outdoing anything previously attempted in this town. You expect it, and you will get it.—Robertson's.

Mrs. L. A. Haynes of Abernathy is in Slaton at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Ollie J. Allen, at the Imboden residence.

We extended you credit while you needed coal. We will appreciate your prompt payment of your coal bills.—A. C. Houston Lumber Company.

A large number of Woodmen went to Lubbock Monday night to attend a big rally given by the camp of that town. They all report a big time and royal entertainment.

Mrs. Mather Carr of Petersburg is in Slaton vsiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. P. Imboden, whose son is very low. Her mother, Mrs. Ollie J. Allen, is also seriously ill.

Mrs. Dallas Capps was operated on at her home in Slaton Monday by Drs. Clayton and Wall. She stood the operation well and is doing nicely, with indications of an early recovery.

Men, we are going to expect you, too, at this event. You have not been forgotten at all. We are going to have lots of good looking mannish clothes to show you—items that will appeal to you as "just right."—Robertson's.

Mrs. Thelma Oliver, an employe of the Slaton Harvey House, returned to this city Monday from Topeka, Kans., where she had been in the Santa Fe hospital for several weeks receiving treatment for eye and throat trouble.

W. E. Smart sold the Sanitary Grocery last week to H. W. Ragsdale of Greenville, Texas, who will move here with his family. Mr. Smart will devote his time to other interests. J. S. Lanham will remain in active charge of the store under Mr. Ragsdale's ownership.

PLANNING to build? Call and ask for one of our big books of house plans. They will help you.—A. C. Houston Lumber Company.

Home Economics Club

An unusually interesting meeting of the Home Economic and Civic Improvement Club was held Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Shankle as hostess. A lively and entertaining program on civic work was rendered.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Johnnie Robertson March 22. Following is the program:

Porch Boxes—Mrs. Brewer.

Lawn Grasses—Mrs. Green.

Vines Best suited for Summer House and Porch—Mrs. Joe Smith.

What Shall I Plant in My Back Yard?—Mrs. Forrest.

Color Scheme and Plant Size Arrangement in Bed Planting—Mrs. Blundell.

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Discovery of Cold Light.

Considerable progress toward realizing one of the dreams of physicists and chemists—cold light—has been made by Prof. W. D. Bancroft of the University of Pennsylvania. The firefly has been his example. He has worked out the idea by burning mercury electrolytically under water in a solution of bromide potassium. The result is a brilliant orange light, with scarcely any heat. The experiment has been demonstrated before the Chemical society and received wide indorsement.

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