The Childress Index

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BUSINESS HOUSES NOW IN DEMAND

Childress is in need of more small brick building houses located as near the business section of the city as possible. This paper has heard at least a dozen men say that they would like to rent a small brick building and the majority of the men are willing to pay rent as high as $40 per month.

The Index knows of one business man in Childress who has been in business here for five years who was compelled to sacrificed his big stock of merchandise and sell his home because he could not secure a suitable location. This man told us Monday that he traveled about considerable during the past month and had found no town that suited him as well as Childress and that he would stay here and work on a salary basis until some one would build him a place to reopen his business.

Citizens, this condition should not be. Childress will lose some good little business men if the condition is not bettered and at once. The little business man is the main-stay of a community and when he is compelled to move for the fact that he cannot find a place to do business it looks to the people like selfish interests are in control of the city, and if this should become noised about Childress will suffer.

There are several vacant business lots on Main and Second streets that can be purchased for about a thousand dollars and twenty-five hundred to three thousand dollars will erect a modern brick store building of less than seventy-five feet in length. These buildings will rent for forty dollars a month in advance, which means the investment will yield about ten per cent after insurance and taxes are paid. The buildings and real estate will grow in value each year.

There is a great amount of non-resident vacant real estate on both business streets and it might prove of value to Childress for the tax boards to carefully consider the value of the lots and boost the values to where some use will be made of them.

S. P. McMinn, Mrs. McMinn, and Miss Reba will leave Saturday for New York City. Mr. McMinn says he intends to buy the prettiest line of dry goods and notions ever brought to Childress and is going early so that the new goods will be here rather in advance of the season. They will also visit other markets in the New England states.

NEW BRICK GARAGE.

Jack Lancaster of the Highway Garage, informs The Index that they have closed a lease with local parties for the erection of a modern brick garage building. The building will be on Second street opposite the Rhea market.

Mr. Lancaster says the building will be constructed according to their plans. The front portion of the building will be of plate glass and in front will be the office and supply rooms. A waiting room will be made for ladies.

The garage portion will be built so that all cars will head in toward the front and left at an angle so that the cars can be run out in case of fire. Special spaces will be provided for the storage of cars. The work shop will be separated from the main floor by solid brick walls. A separate room will also be provided for the electric department and the washing of cars. Water connections will be made direct to the mains and plumbing installed.

Childress has been in need of a modern garage building and since the "ice is to be broken" the chances are that other brick garages will be constructed. Keep the good work going on.

SELLS TWO SHORTHORN BULLS.

Will P. Jones reports the sale of two registered Shorthorn bulls which were shipped to the Ferris Ranch in Haskell county last week. These were good bulls and are to be used on this ranch, which makes a specialty of high grade Shorthorn calves, which are raised and fed out on the ranch.

These people own a large ranch and farm and have been using registered Shorthorn bulls for a number of years. They raise their own feed on one of their large farm and have found this method of handling their calves very profitable.

This is along the lines that we have been advocating for some time, and which some of our prosperous farmers have adopted and all who have tried this out have found it profitable.

HULSEY CASE REVERSED.

The suit against Milam & Doolen by the heirs of the Hulsey estate has been reversed and remanded for new trial by the Court of Civil Appeals at Amarillo. This case was tried at the May term of district court at Childress and the Hulsey heirs were given a verdict of $4,800. It will now have to be tried anew. Hon. Jos. H. Aynesworth represents Milam & Doolen.

Work is to be resumed on the Elks' Club building within a few days. A quanity of material is here and work will go steadily forward.

AUCTION OF SWINE SETS A NEW RECORD

The auction sale of registered bred gilts and sows by members of the Texas Swine Breeders' Association held at Childress Thursday was well attended and the auction was the greatest swine sale ever held in the South. The average price was the highest of any swine sale ever held in the South and it is said to be the third highest average of any sale ever held in America. The assertion was made by a swine breeder of national reputation.

A Duroc gilt, bred by W. H. Alexander of Childress and bought by Will P. Jones of Childress, was the highest price gilt ever sold at an auction in the South. The bid on the gilt was $..05, which was also the top of the Duroc bids.

The sow owned by Lon Alexander of Childress, topped the sales. She was a Poland China and a perfect animal of that breed. She was sold to C. C. Adams of Childress for $212.50. There has never been a sow that sold for such a price at auction in Texas.

The Lilliard Farm of Seguin, took the second honors in the Duroc bidding when one of their sows sold for $170. W. H. Alexander came close to the honors when another gilt bred by the Alexander farm sold for $165 to out-of-town parties.

The sales in full are given below, with the breeder and buyer:

Duroc Jersey.

W. H's. Climax, bred by W. H. Alexander of Childress, to Will P. Jones of Childress; bid $205.

Artist Model, bred by W. H. Alexander of Childress, to Prewitt & Armstrong of Happy; bid $165.

Sensation's Violet, bred by Lillard, to S. H. Walkup of Kirkland; bid $170.

Sensation's Pride, bred by Lillard, to Prewitt & Armstrong of Happy, bid $100.

Col's Profit Lady, bred by Lillard, to D. L. Kutch of Wellington; bid $100.

Red Fox Defenderess, bred by Lillard, to Jno. H. Adams of Eldorado, Oklahoma; bid $37.50.

Defenders Orioness 10th, bred by Lillard, to Chas. E. Givens of Childress; bid $40.

Defenders Virginia, bred by Lillard, to Add V. Cruse of Cleveland; bid $65.

Model Chiefess of L. F., bred by Lillard, to A. W. Long Jr. of Childress; bid $52.50.

Chief's Mabel 10th, bred by Lillard, to O. H. Smith of Childress; bid $40.

Defender Chiefess of L.F., bred by Lillard, to Add V. Cruse of Cleveland; bid $65.

Defender Chiefess of L. F. 2nd, bred by Lillard, to Add V. Cruse of Cleveland; bid $45.

Defender's Jaunita, bred by Lillard, to Chas. E. Givens of Childress; bid $30.

Select Waitress, bred by Will P. Jones of Childress, to W. H. Alexander of Childress. bid $130.

Select Senora 2nd, bred by Will P. Jones of Childress, to S. H. Walkup of Kirkland; bid $55.

J's Profit Lady, bred by Will P. Jones of Childress, to J. E. Middleton of Childress; bid $65.

Princess Leota, bred by McLain of Anna, to F. M. Clarke of Hedley; bid $167.50.

Flower Girl, bred by McLain, to R. E. McCoy of Childress; bid $170.

Rose Bud Beauty, bred by McLain, to M. S. McKimmey of Childress; bid $95.

Rose Bud Beauty A., bred by McLain, to Michie & Austin of Childress; bid $90.

May Surprise, bred by McLain, to F. M. Clarke of Hedley; bid $105.

Select Surprise, bred by McLain, to Dr. H. D. Barnes of Childress; bid $57.50.

Grand Duchess 15th, bred by McLain, to A. W. Long Jr., of Childress; bid $40.

Grand Duchess 16th, bred by McLain, to Prewitt & Armstrong of Happy; bid $45.

Grand Duchess 17th, bred by McLain to J. E. Middleton of Childress; bid $57.50.

Grand Duchess 18th bred by McLain, to O. H. Smith of Childress; bid $40.50.

Grand Duchess 9th, bred by McLain, to Jno. H. Adams of Eldorado, Okla.; bid $47.50.

Grand Duchess 12th, bred by McLain, to Chas. E. Givens of Childress; bid $40.

Grand Duchess 13th, bred by McLain, to Michie & Austin of Childress; $37.50.

Grand Duchess 3rd, bred by McLain, to O. H. Smith of Childress; bid $52.50.

Texas Clover, bred by Chas. S. Uhl of Dallas, to Dr. H. D. Barnes of Childress; bid $67.50.

Red Clover, bred by Uhl, to Michie & Austin of Childress; bid $70.

Berkshires.

Charmer Delight, bred by Edwin Houston of Welfare, to M. A. Goodson of Childress; bid $62.50.

E. H. Delight, bred by Houston, to M. A. Goodson of Childress; bid $45.

E. H. Pride, bred by Houston, to D. L. McDonald of Hereford; bid $40.

E. H. Robin, bred by Houston, to D. L. McDonald of Hereford; bid $40.

Bessie Premiesess, by Lillard, to A. & M. College of College Station; bid $55.

Gilt Bessie Belle 16th by Lillard, to M. A. Goodson of Childress; bid $55.

Poland Chinas.

Miss Fancy, by Lon Alexander of Childress, to C. C. Adams of Childress; bid $212.50.

Smuggler's Best, by Alexander, to W. C. Loter of Kirkland; bid $130.

Big Josie 2nd, by Lewis Brothers of Childress, to T. P. Cochran of Childress; bid $145.$0.

Miss Big Hadey 2nd, by Lewis Bros., to E. I. Bradley of Memphis; bid $1..0.

Big Lady, by Lewis Brothers, to W. G. Mulkey of Quanah; bid $125.

There were about three hundred people at the sales ring and of this number perhaps a hundred were bidding. The bidding was spirited and the Childress buyers were after every good sow or gilt that was offered. Some offerings were not extra for the reason the auction was the first ever held and the some of the breeders did not put in fancy animals. Next year the breeders will realize the importance of the auction and will offer none but the best.

During the auction it was announced that there would be a futurity at the Childress county fair and that the sows and litters of the Duroc breed purchased at the sale would be eligible for the futurity. The Childress fair will give $50 and the National Duroc Association will give $150. This is divided into five monies for each of the three classes, boar, sow and litter of four. The futurity is extra from any other premium offered by the fair and the hogs that are eilgible here can be shown for the state or national futurity. Again has Childress put the swine industry of Texas on the map.

ANOTHER SHOOTIN' SCRAPE.

A few days ago W. L. Underwood in a conversation with The Index reporter told of another early shooting scrape near Childress. The shooting was nearly a year previous to the Pankrey killing, which was related in the columns a few issues past. The story as given by Mr. Underwood is real interesting as the wounded man was the first patient of Dr. J. H. Cristler, now residing in Dallas. Mr. Underwood said:

"It was in the spring of 1887 that one of the first shooting scrapes of this community was pulled off and it was brought about by a pistol practice among some cowboys. The parties involved were Tom Lewis and a fellow named Walker. They were at the old Mill Iron headquarters, known as the Sixty-two well farm, about twelve miles west of Childress.

"Lewis and Walker and a number of cowboys and the ranch cook were practicing shooting at prairie dogs and owls with their pistols and in some manner the cook's horse was shot. No one knew who did it but Lewis claimed Walker did it and Walker then accused Lewis. A quarrel was the result and as an ending a gun-play was made and Walker shot Lewis twice. One ball passed through Lewis' bowels and another ball struck Lewis in the right side of the face near the nose. Both balls went through the portions of the body struck. The ball that struck Lewis in the face came out near the ear. Walker used a 45-sixshooter.

"Dr. Cristler, then fresh from a medical college, was working with a surveying crowd nearby and he was called to dress the wounds. It was thought that Lewis could not live but Dr. Cristler remained with him and in a few hours he began to show improvement. Dr. Cristler would not leave and stayed with Lewis acting as both physician and nurse. Lewis' recovery was rapid and Dr. Cristler was given all the credit for saving his life.

"The night of the shooting Walker left the camp and joined a herd that were being driven to Montana. He was never heard of afterward and no attempt was made to arrest him. Lewis was from Gainesville and the last time I heard of him he was in the Wichita Falls country."

The Index is preparing a number of interesting happenings in the early days and during the next few months we expect to publish them. We are gathering the facts from our old citizens and will endeavor to write them as near correct as memory will permit. The first files of The Index were destroyed when the first editor's, J .S. Harrison, home was destroyed by fire. If any citizen has some story that he believes would be of interest at this time we will be pleased to call for an interview.

BELIEVES IN GOOD STOCK.

J. E. Middleton, west of the city, is a believer in blooded stock. He says that all his stock is pure bred, even down to his turkeys and chickens. He has the Buff Orpington chickens, and sells about three hundred dollars worth each year. His turkeys are Bronze and of the best strain. A good policy for the farmer!

A SAVING DEPARTMENT.

Cashier J. M. Crews of the Farmers & Mechanics State Bank, announces in this issue the establishment of a saving system bearing interest of four per cent on deposits.

The bank has been considering this move for some time but up to the present they did not believe the system would be profitable. Mr. Crews stated that they had a list of people who were sending money away from Childress because they could receive from two to three per cent. They did not want to see this money leave Childress and the only way to keep it here was to offer a good rate of interest on the deposits. The interest will be paid twice a year and the interest added to the account if the customer desires.

The deposits are protected, stated Cashier J. M. Crews, by all the assets of the bank. The state laws allow the savings account to be invested in national, state, county, city and district bonds, or first mortgage loans under strict conditions. The length of time of the bonds must not exceed ten years. On real estate only an amount not exceeding one-half the value of the property can be invested.

The savings department will open for business February 10th. The final papers were sent to the State Banking Commissioner this week for his approval. The department should prove a money making one for the bank and at the same time will stimulate the saving habit among the smaller depositors.

JOE H. WARD CHOSEN.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Farmers & Mechanics State Bank, Joe H. Ward was elected assistant cashier, vice John P. Fleming resigned.

Mr. Ward has been with the bank for the past two years as bookkkeeper and his promotion was made on merit. Mr. Ward is a Childress boy. He came here with his parents nine years ago. He finished in the Childress High School and then attended a business college at Dallas. His father is A. D. Ward, passenger engineer running between Childress and Texline.

Mr. Ward is an active member of the First Methodist church and secretary of the Methodist Sunday School. He is a young man of sterling qualities and The Index predicts that he will continue to rise in the business world.

The names of H. L. Lamar, W. I. Daniels, Ross Trout, A. Brune, W. M. Glascack, J. D. Scroggins, J. D. Melton and J. W. Gillespie, all of Coleyville were handed in this week by a local merchant as new subcribers. Many thanks.

FARMERS FORM A LOAN ASSOCIATION

Tuesday afternoon a meeting was held by the farmers of this community to perfect the organization of a loan association to secure loans from the Federal Government.

There were quite a number in attendance and the meeting was called to order by Hon. Jos. H. Aynesworth, W. A. Bonds was made temporary secretary. Mr. Aynesworth stated the purpose of the meeting and also told of the benefits to be derived by the farmers in securing loans from the Federal Government.

After the address by Mr. Aynesworth a request was made that all who wanted loans to make their names known and the amount needed. Quite a number responded and the total loans wanted amounted to about $70,-000.

The following were chosen as the board of directors: W. H. Alexander, Joe Rhea, T. P. Cochran, J. W. Johnson, B. M. Carter, J. M. Collins, Frank Newberry, J. H. Andrews and Will P. Jones.

The directors chose as a name, The Childress National Farmers' Loan Association and elected Joe Rhea, president; W. H. Alexander, vice-president; Will P. Jones, secretary-treasurer. The loan committee is composed of three members, J. W. Johnson, B. M. Carter and J. H. Aynesworth.

The papers were completed and sent to Houston Tuesday night and it will not be long until the farmers will secure their loans.

WILL ENTERTAIN THE MEDICS.

Drs. Wolford, Michie and Odom returned last week from the Panhandle Medical Association meeting at Amarillo. Dr. Wolford informs this paper that the next meeting will be held at Childress, the date of which is early next fall. Childress will entertain the Panhandle Bankers' Association this summer and is now after a state meeting and is practically assured of getting the meeting. Good for the Childress doctors in landing this meeting and the local folks will make the medics glad they came to Childress.

Crude oil is bringing about t highest prices on record. Gasoline is bound to go much higher before long. Automobiling is costing more. Tires have already taken a big jump. No raise in the air as yet, but don't say anything about it or congress will put a tax on that luxury.

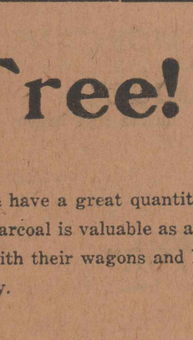
Free! Free!

We have a great quantity of charcoal on the site of our old yard. This charcoal is valuable as a hog feed and we invite the farmers to come with their wagons and haul off all they need. We are giving it away.

We have a large amount of kindling which we will sell cheap. If you are in need of kindling don't fail to buy NOW.

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L. WITHERSPOON, Manager

A CONVENIENCE



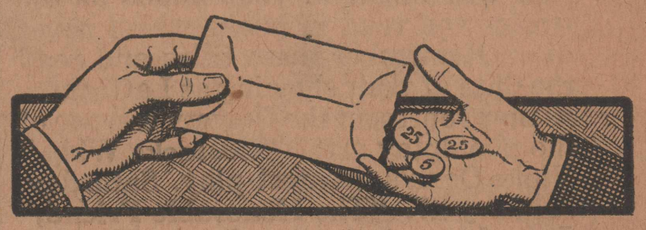
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CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

M. R. Patton is in jail on the charge of forgery. On January 18th he presented a check to the Farmers and Mechanics State bank made payable to J. M. King and signed by E. T. Dudley. Joe Ward, assistant cashier, knowing Patton cashed the check. Patton when endorsing the check first signed his name Patterson, but Mr. Ward called his attention to this when Patton rubbed out that name and wrote his own. Mr. Dudley is a well known farmer of the Carey neighborhood. Patton has been around Childress for some time, and of late has been employed around the LaGrande theatre. It is said the evidence is conclusive.

After living in the Lonie neighborhood for twenty-five years Lewis Smith has moved to Childress to make his home. This city life may go hard with him, but we are glad to see him in Childress.

JOHNSON BILL PASSES.

The Johnson bill to create the eighty-third judicial district has passed the senate, according to the press reports. The district is to contain Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth and Hall counties. Why not add Childress to the district? This would make it all the better, and then the people of Childress county would like to be cut from Wilbarger county, after a bondage of nearly thirty years.

The price records were made on the Fort Worth live stock market Tuesday, when $10.90 was paid for hogs, $13.40 for lambs and $6.25 for goats. Several cars of hogs sold at the above figure, two cars of lambs brought the price mentioned. Prices for live stock is higher now than for many years, and there is not much chance for lower figures.

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LaGrande Theatre

Will show such celebrated screen versions that will linger in your minds as the stories you read in books which never die. Remember these titles and read the date of their showing at LaGrande, as they represent the flowery essense of the photoplay art: **"Cossacks Whip,"** Viola Dana's greatest play, **Saturday, January 27. "The Honorable Friend,"** Japan's greatest actor, Sessue Hayakawa and wife, **Monday, January 29th. "The Victory of Conscience," Lou Tellegen, February 1st. "Law Decides," February 2–3.** Vitagraph's latest superproduction.

THURSDAY viz TOMORROW–Burlesque on **"CARMEN,"** enacted entirely by children who have been selected with care, and who play their parts to perfection.

TONIGHT—Dainty Mabel Taliafero in a Metro wonder-play, **"The Sunbeam."**

THURSDAY—Owen Moore and the latest addition to the Paramount stellear constellation, Marguerite Courtot in **"The Rolling Stone,"** also burlesque on **"Carmen."**

FRIDAY—Vitagraph Day–"Through the Wall," with the Houston girl, Nell Shipman.

SATURDAY — Edison's dramatic gem, "Cossacks Whip," starring the great child actress, Viola Dana.

MONDAY—Paramount presents Japan's greatest actor, Sessue Hayakawa and wife, in **"The Honorable Friend."**

FEBRUARY 2–3—"Law Decides," Vita-graph super-creation. We invite the teachers, judges to see this picture.

Swine Breeders Pleased Best Meeting Ever Held

The annual midwinter meeting of the Texas Swine Breeders' Association convened here this morning for a two-day session for the first time in this section of the State. Considering the weather, the attendance was unusually good, there being about 250 present for the meeting, a large majority being local people.

County Judge W. G. Gross delivered the address of welcome and response was made by O. C. Payne of Dallas. Wednesday's program included the addresses of President George P. Lillard of Seguin, on the history and outlook of the association; Will P. Jones of Childress, on this county's method of starting the boy in the hog business; W. H. Alexander of Childress, on the rapid development of hog raising in Childress county; Secretary L. B. Burk of College Station on a series of experiments in feeding peanut meal to hogs in combination with various other feeds, and a general discussion of the "peanut pork" problem, participated in by hog raisers, commission men and representatives of the packers.

Other Interesting Addresses.

Other interesting addresses were delivered by Judge J. F. Bradley of Memphis, on live stock farming as a business; G. F. McCracken of Decatur, on feeding the show herd before and after the show; Edwin Houston of Welfare, on the value of a high-class brood sow; W. W. Evans of Dallas, on the peanut hog, and Frazier of Fort Worth, on shipping hogs.

Telegrams were received from Galveston and Arlington asking for the next midwinter meeting of the association. The selection of a place of meeting will not be made until the regular business meeting in October. W. H. Duffel of Claude, one of the pioneer swine breeders of the Panhandle, sent a letter expressing his regrets not being able to attend on account of illness. In recognition of his early and continuous efforts to introduce the breeding of more and better hogs, a vote of sympathy was extended him.

Banquet is Tendered.

The banquet was given at the Fagg Hotel and plates were laid for one hundred. The menu was excellent and during the banquet many responded to toasts. Don Warren of Childress was toastmaster and he had many humorous stories to relate. The banquet was served by the Childress Commercial Club and the visitors took every opportunity to thank the club for the invitation to meet at Childress.

Ousley is a Speaker.

Clarence Ousley of College Station, director of extension in A. & M. College, addressed the association at its forenoon session Thursday, on the opportunities for thrift in live stock raising, especially at present, when the production of food crops and live stock in the warring nations of Europe is seriouly curtailed. Other addresses were by O. C. Payne of Dallas on "The Educational Value of Live Stock Farming;" Joe Haaga of Seguin on "The Value of the Show Ring," and J. J. McLain of Anna on "The Value of a Choice Breeding Boar." Dr. Frank R. Jones of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, Fort Worth, delivered an address on "Prevention of Hog Cholera" and gave a demonstration on administering anti-hog cholera serum and virus. Swine were used from the Lon Alexander herd of registered Poland Chinas.

Shows Moving Picture.

As a follow-up on Mr. McLain's address, George R. Hooks of Dallas showed a moving picture taken on the farm of H. C. Lookabaugh of Watonga, Ok., with financial statements of sales to stockyard buyers showing the increased profits derived from the breeding and sale of pure-bred animals.

Resolutions were adopted indorsing the work of the Texas Industrial Congress; indorsing the work of the animal husbandry and veternary departments of the Texas A. & M. College and asking the present session of the Legislature to provide sufficient funds to further carry on the work of experimentation; indorsing the work of the extension service of the College, asking the president of the Swine Breeders' Association to secure a Texas man if possible as judge for the swine exhibits at the State Fair; indorsing a bill in the Legislature to provide for a competent veterinarian for each county in the State to assist in the work of hog cholera control; thanking the people of Childress and surrounding territory for the hospitable entertainment provided.

During the meeting the Duroc Jersey breeders met and elected Will P. Jones of this city as president the Texas Duroc Association and Mr. Jones was also given the honor of being made judge of the Duroc breed at the Dallas State Fair to be held next October.

Among the out-of-town visitors were:

W. E. Armstrong, Happy; W. E. Bray, Hedley; J. F. Bradley; Memphis; Earl Bradley, Memphis; A. Cunningham, Fort Worth; Frank M. Clarke, Hedley; J. W. Conway, Fort Worth; Dr. L. G. Combs, Memphis; W. W. Evans, Dallas; Walter C. Esry, Dallas; Tom Frazier, Fort Worth; J. Riley Green, Wolf City; J. S. Groom, Hedley; Geo. R. Hooks, Dallas; J. C. Hestand, Sherman; Edwin Houston, Welfare; Dr. Frank R. Jones, Fort Worth; Geo. P. Lilliard, Seguin, C. L. Loftin, Alvarado, J. J. McLain, Anna, G. F. McCrackin, Decatur; J. T. Mann, Dallas; T. Pryse Metcalf, Amarillo; F. F. Brazil, Acme; Harry A. Nelson, Miami; C. H. Newby, Acme; O. C. Payne, Dallas; R. E. Prewitt, Happy; Chas. S. Uhl, Dallas Texas. Jay Baker, Wichita Kans.; Arch Conner, Wichita, Kans; C. H. Gobel, Kansas, City Mo.; R. L. Hill, Columbia, Mo.; E. Z. Russell, Omaha, Neb.; W. A. Williams, Marlow, Okla.

TEXAS LIVE STOCK VALUES $452,118,000.

The value of Texas live stock as reported to the United States Department of Agriculture on Jan. 1 of this year amounted to $452,118,000, an increase of $13,948,000, compared with the figures for the beginning of 1916. Texas lost in value nearly $2,000,000 in horses, lost nearly $1,000,000 in cattle, gained $1,480,000 in mules, $7,000,000 in milch cows, $2,300,000 in sheep and $6,000,000 in swine. The State holds first place in the value of of cattle, notwithstanding the loss, takes first place in the values of mules, is third in horses, fifth in milch cows, seventh in swine and eighth in sheep.

The aggregate values for the state are as follows: Horses, 1,156,000 head, $90,168,000; mules, 760,000 head, $78,280,000; milch cows, 1,175,000 head, $64,038,000; other cattle, 5,482-000 head, $178,713,000; sheep, 2,328,-000 head, $10,243,000; swine, 3,229,000 head, $30,676,000; total $452,118,000, increase of $13,948,000.

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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.

Plans for the rebuilding of the sheds of the Quarles Lumber Co., have been made. Work is expected to be started early next week. Lumber being received now is being stored in the old yard of R. B. Nelson.

Judge Frank Freeman is now keeping books for the Atkinson Drug Co. The transferring of the accounts of this firm is quite a job.

A POOR SHOW.

Mutt and Jeff's Wedding, the attraction Saturday night was quite a disappointment to Manager Crown. Mr. Crown stated that he made some investgation about the show and was informed that it was good. Manager Crown says he will be a little more particular in the future and see that such shows will not stop at Childress. The show was not worthy of one-half the price asked for admission, and was below par of the average fifteen and twenty-five cents vaudeville.

Olney Jordan has purchased the residence of John P. Fleming near the High School and moved into the new home Tuesday. This is one of the prettiest homes in the city and the location is ideal.

BUYS A GOOD BILL.

N. L. Kiker, last week, purchased a registered roan Shorthorn bull from Will P. Jones, to use on his bunch of grade cows in Garden Valley. Mr. Kiker, last year bought a grade bull but sees where he made his mistake, and is correcting it by this purchase. It pays to use good blood.

NOTICE.

All accounts and notes due the Kitchen Grocery Store are now in my hands for collection, and unless satisfactory arrangements have been made must be paid at once. This means all.
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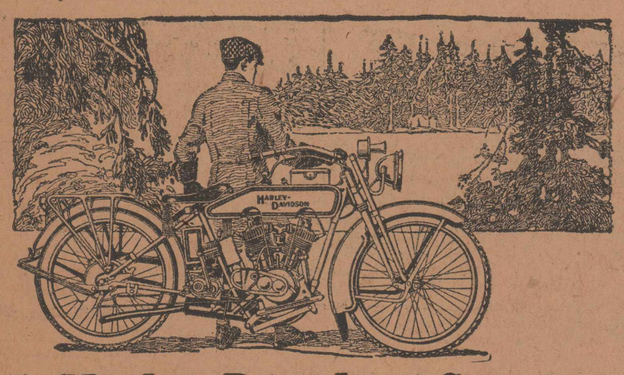
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All join in wishing the bride and groom happiness and prosperity.

A GUEST.

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Mrs. H. L. Kelley very delightfully entertained the Kensington Embroidery Club Friday afternoon, January 19th.

The afternoon was spent very pleasantly with conversation and fancy work, after which a beautifully appointed cafeteria luncheon was served.

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J. M. Scott was arrested Monday night on the charge of deserting his family. He is now in jail and the public is looking after the family of wife and nine children. He was arrested while attending a dance in the north part of town.

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The Dam Question Again Judge Hathaway's Views

A few days ago the editor was in conversation with Judge M. A. Hathaway relative to local municipal improvements. Judge Hathaway was at one time Mayor of Paris, Texas, and his election was made by the progressive element of that city. Judge Hathaway says Childress is now in the same condition as Paris was at the time of his election. Judge Hathaway started Paris off in the way of permanent improvements and for a number of years Paris has held the distinction of being the prettiest city in Texas.

In discussing the building of the sewer system Judge Hathaway said:

"You asked me about the sewer system? I think that one of the first best things the city government has ever done; it is absolutely necessary that we have sewerage, so as to maintain good health.

"But the question of sewerage brings up the question of public water; we all know, without any technical advise, that we do not have water sufficient for domestic and sewerage purposes, then the question arises, how are we to get the water? I noticed that it is being suggested that a mud dam can be built, somewhere north of town that will impound a large body of water. That is a proper thing, if a large body of water can be maintained, but I have observed many mud tanks in the state during my experience in life, one of which I was a member of the city council, when it was established. My observation is, that all mud tanks in the course of a very few years fill up with mud, so much so that there is no room for water, hence we have a shallow mud hole and very little water.

"My observation in this country is that Baylor Creek is a running stream, the year round, in the dryest times you will find water flowing in some places, in others you will find the bed of the creek dry, at the same time the water is below the sand.

"Now I offer it as my suggestion, that we find a place on Baylor Creek where the walls on both sides are solid stone, and build a horse stone dam, going down to bed rock. In the dam put in a mud gate so that in high water it can be opened and the mud will flow through, in that way keep it from filling up, then the natural flow of the stream will keep, or tend to keep the dam full of water.

"Baylor Creek has a large water shed, and during nearly every summer I have been in this country there has been a rain almost every week somewhere on that water shed, so that there would be at almost all times a good supply of fresh rain water run into the lake formed by the dam.

"A reservoir could be established on the hill near the dam to be kept filled by the pump at the dam and from that reservoir the water would come to town by its own gravity with a very much stronger pressure than we now have.

"In my opinion any mud lake is a temporary makeshift, while a dam in Baylor Creek would be permanent until this town outgrows the life of the present inhabitants.

"Where will we get the money to build this dam and make the proper connections? I do not know, but where there is a necessity to the proper ingenuity for the way will be found the money necessary to build the mud lake on the north and make the connections, will build a stone dam in Baylor Creek and make the connections.

"If our taxes were assessed according to the constitution and laws of the state, that is according to the actual value of the property, there would be plenty of room for all the necessary bonds and the raising of the money.

"I favor doing something that is permanent and absolutely valuable, it can be done if the city council will go at it with a view of doing so, and not be scared of their shadows."

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THE UPLIFT OF HOG RAISING.

A man not being a farmer or hog grower is no reason why he should not be entertained and instructed by attending such meetings as the one just held in Childress by the Texas Swine Breeders.

If he does not feel directly or indirectly interested in hogs he must, to some extent, be interested in the welfare of his fellowman, and as the "proper study of mankind is man," it follows that something should be learned from the aggregate and concrete collection of brains and ideas as evidenced in the talks and discussions brought out by the program.

To a listener the following was brought out clearly and forcibly: That the raising of fine hogs is elevating to the human race, industrially, mentally and morally.

It was shown by one of the speakers, who had four sons, that the game of breeding fine hogs and fitting them for the show ring kept the quartet pretty busy most of the time and the old gentleman was frequetly constrained to take a hand in this game in spite of protests of his good wife and the advancing years that are so rapidly and surely heightening that noble brow of his. The business seems to make everybody work, not excepting father. It is a strong incentive toward faithful and intellegent labor.

The fact was also shown that the mental faculties must not be spared if one is to succeed, for correct breeding is the first step in the production of a valuable hog. It requires a most comprehensive knowledge of the strains of blood in the animals to be chosen from and a keen observation as to the individual characteristics of the pair mated and the probable effect of the combination of the two. This problem with its many sides and angles is only the beginning, but is, perhaps, the most complex proposition of all and must be well sustained with the best of care for the sow during the period of gestation, covering her food, drink, housing and general environment as well as the proper care of the pigs after birth. All of which calls for activity in generous proportions.

The moral uplift of the business was strongly made evident by the discussion for and against buying breeding stock by mail. It seems that the preponderance of opinion was that there were many reputable breeders to whom the amateur in the work might safely and profitably send his money, depending on the integrity and intelligence of such breeder to select and send the animal needed or return the price.

This is cultivating the highest type of honesty in business method and is a factor in the creation of honest men, "the noblest work of God." These worthy attributes of man are inculcated by the raising of fine hogs, once the most despised of all domestic animals. Nothing can be well done for the benefit of mankind that can fail to be uplifting.

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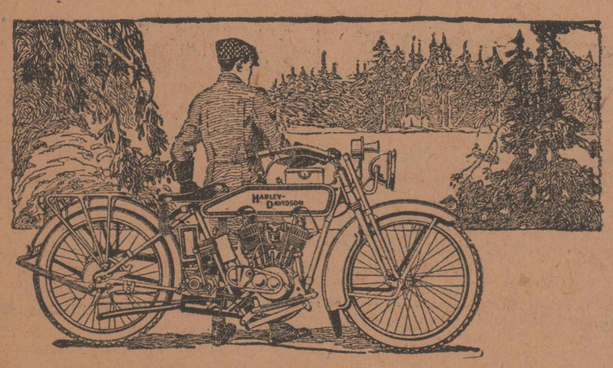
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Those present were: Messrs. Ed. and Henry Griffin and families, Mr. Will Young and family, Misses Stella and Jewel Young, Mrs. George, sister of the groom, Mr. Sam Young, Mr. Langston and family, Mrs. Hardy Hassel, the bride's sister, of Childress, Mr. J. T. Cochran and family, Mrs. Mary Sarles, Mr. Jack Crawford of Arlie, Mr. John Calicote of Loco, Misses Esther Ticer, Gladys Mitchell, Lillie Gilpin, Edyth Edwards and Belle Hall. After dinner we were entertained with some splendid music by Misses Ethel Ticer andGladys Mitchell.

All join in wishing the bride and groom happiness and prosperity.

A GUEST.

MRS. KELLEY ENTERTAINS.

Mrs. H. L. Kelley very delightfully entertained the Kensington Embroidery Club Friday afternoon, January 19th.

The afternoon was spent very pleasantly with conversation and fancy work, after which a beautifully appointed cafeteria luncheon was served.

The guests were: Mrs. M. C. Buck, Mrs. Dick Shields, Mrs. J. H. Jernigan, Mrs. O. D. Anding, Mrs. Chas M. Barnes, Mrs. G. B. Ford, Mrs. F. B. Bryan, Mrs. Tom Huggins, Mrs. Walker Green, Mrs. N. C. Nelson, Mrs. J. W. Davidson and Mrs. Herbert S. Gray.

The club will meet on Feb. 1st with Mrs. J. H. Jernigan.

J. M. Scott was arrested Monday night on the charge of deserting his family. He is now in jail and the public is looking after the family of wife and nine children. He was arrested while attending a dance in the north part of town.

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The Dam Question Again
Judge Hathaway's Views

A few days ago the editor was in conversation with Judge M. A. Hathaway relative to local municipal improvements. Judge Hathaway was at one time Mayor of Paris, Texas, and his election was made by the progressive element of that city. Judge Hathaway says Childress is now in the same condition as Paris was at the time of his election. Judge Hathaway started Paris off in the way of permanent improvements and for a number of years Paris has held the distinction of being the prettiest city in Texas.

In discussing the building of the sewer system Judge Hathaway said:

"You asked me about the sewer system? I think that one of the first best things the city government has ever done; it is absolutely necessary that we have sewerage, so as to maintain good health.

"But the question of sewerage brings up the question of public water; we all know, without any technical advise, that we do not have water sufficient for domestic and sewerage purposes, then the question arises, how are we to get the water? I noticed that it is being suggested that a mud dam can be built, somewhere north of town that will impound a large body of water. That is a proper thing, if a large body of water can be maintained, but I have observed many mud tanks in the state during my experience in life, one of which I was a member of the city council, when it was established. My observation is, that all mud tanks in the course of a very few years fill up with mud, so much so that there is no room for water, hence we have a shallow mud hole and very little water.

"My observation in this country is that Baylor Creek is a running stream, the year round, in the dryest times you will find water flowing in some places, in others you will find the bed of the creek dry, at the same time the water is below the sand.

"Now I offer it as my suggestion, that we find a place on Baylor Creek where the walls on both sides are solid stone, and build a horse stone dam, going down to bed rock. In the dam put in a mud gate so that in high water it can be opened and the mud will flow through, in that way keep it from filling up, then the natural flow of the stream will keep, or tend to keep the dam full of water.

"Baylor Creek has a large water shed, and during nearly every summer I have been in this country there has been a rain almost every week somewhere on that water shed, so that there would be at almost all times a good supply of fresh rain water run into the lake formed by the dam.

"A reservoir could be established on the hill near the dam to be kept filled by the pump at the dam and from that reservoir the water would come to town by its own gravity with a very much stronger pressure than we now have.

"In my opinion any mud lake is a temporary makeshift, while a dam in Baylor Creek would be permanent until this town outgrows the life of the present inhabitants.

"Where will we get the money to build this dam and make the proper connections? I do not know, but where there is a necessity to the proper ingenuity for the way will be found the money necessary to build the mud lake on the north and make the connections, will build a stone dam in Baylor Creek and make the connections.

"If our taxes were assessed according to the constitution and laws of the state, that is according to the actual value of the property, there would be plenty of room for all the necessary bonds and the raising of the money.

"I favor doing something that is permanent and absolutely valuable, it can be done if the city council will go at it with a view of doing so, and not be scared of their shadows."

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THE UPLIFT OF HOG RAISING.

A man not being a farmer or hog grower is no reason why he should not be entertained and instructed by attending such meetings as the one just held in Childress by the Texas Swine Breeders.

If he does not feel directly or indirectly interested in hogs he must, to some extent, be interested in the welfare of his fellowman, and as the "proper study of mankind is man," it follows that something should be learned from the aggregate and concrete collection of brains and ideas as evidenced in the talks and discussions brought out by the program.

To a listener the following was brought out clearly and forcibly: That the raising of fine hogs is elevating to the human race, industrially, mentally and morally.

It was shown by one of the speakers, who had four sons, that the game of breeding fine hogs and fitting them for the show ring kept the quartet pretty busy most of the time and the old gentleman was frequetly constrained to take a hand in this game in spite of protests of his good wife and the advancing years that are so rapidly and surely heightening that noble brow of his. The business seems to make everybody work, not excepting father. It is a strong incentive toward faithful and intellegent labor.

The fact was also shown that the mental faculties must not be spared if one is to succeed, for correct breeding is the first step in the production of a valuable hog. It requires a most comprehensive knowledge of the strains of blood in the animals to be chosen from and a keen observation as to the individual characteristics of the pair mated and the probable effect of the combination of the two. This problem with its many sides and angles is only the beginning, but is, perhaps, the most complex proposition of all and must be well sustained with the best of care for the sow during the period of gestation, covering her food, drink, housing and general environment as well as the proper care of the pigs after birth. All of which calls for activity in generous proportions.

The moral uplift of the business was strongly made evident by the discussion for and against buying breeding stock by mail. It seems that the preponderance of opinion was that there were many reputable breeders to whom the amateur in the work might safely and profitably send his money, depending on the integrity and intelligence of such breeder to select and send the animal needed or return the price.

This is cultivating the highest type of honesty in business method and is a factor in the creation of honest men, "the noblest work of God." These worthy attributes of man are inculcated by the raising of fine hogs, once the most despised of all domestic animals. Nothing can be well done for the benefit of mankind that can fail to be uplifting.

A Visitor.

SELLING MOTOR CYCLES.

A. A. Sparkman, local representative of the Harley-Davidson Motor Cycle Company, repotrs the sale of two new machines, one at Childress and the other at Wellington. One of the machines has a side car and is completely equipped with electrical conveniences. This car will be the first of the kind ever sold in this territory. Mr. Sparkman says he has several sales in prospect and expects to close them soon. If interested in motor cycles read the large advertisement in this issue.

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The streets were in a horrible condition last week and every good citizen apologized to the visiting swine men and stated at the same time, "we are going to pave the streets this summer."

Childress received more publicity from the swine meeting than she has ever received before. Childress can ntertain most any state meeting and should endeavor to secure as many meetings as possible.

The Austin American says that Hon. W. D. Cope is some talker. We new that up this way, and he never tires of talking, and mostly gains his point. Mr. Cope is taking a leading part in the business of the lower house of the legislature.

President Wilson has let it be known that he will veto the omnibus public building measure as passed by the lower house of Congress. That is all right, as the Congressmen can point to their constituents what they did for them. Some Texas towns will be disappointed with the results.

The visitors to the swine breeders meeting stated that Childress shows improvement and that the lower Panhandle section looks upon Childress as the metropolis and the town which all others must copy after. It makes a fellow feel good to think his town is the bell-wether of the flock. Great is Childress!

Northwest Texas is to have a government fish hatchery, as the result of a measure introduced and pushed by Congressman Stephens of this district. The intention of Mr. Stephens was to have the hatchery located in the Palo Duro canyon, near the town of Canyon. A good location and convenient to all the Panhandle country.

United States troops are to be taken from Mexico at once, in fact a part of them are on the march at this time. The coming of the troops to the United States will relieve the greater part of the State Militia, which will be sent home and mustered out. But with this the Mexican question is a long way from being settled and it is quite likely that United States troops will have to go into Mexico at no distant day for the purpose of settling the troubles down there.

It is reported, and generally believed, that Hon. W. A. Johnson, state senator from this district, will not be a candidate for re-election, as he is now serving his second term. Senator Johnson has filled the position with honor and has had the backing of his constituents in nearly all his positions upon state questions, while local issues may have caused some differences. It is a responsible position and one that is hard to fill, even to the man's own satisfaction, and no doubt he will be glad to relinquish the position at the end of the present term.

TO VOTE ON SUBMISSION.

The lower house of the Texas Legislature will vote on the submission question on Thursday of this week, according to an agreement made between the pro and anti leaders in the house. It is thought that the question will carry by one or two votes more than the necessary two-thirds. Later the question will come up in the senate, and there it is very doubtful, as there are eleven anti senators. It may be that one of them will vote for submission, but if so he has not let that fact become known at this time. It is agreed that if the state votes on prohibition next summer the result will be close, with the chances favoring the pros.

FUQUA FOR THE SENATE.

While yet early to be thinking about the election in 1918, yet it may not be out of the way to mention the state senatorship from the Panhandle. That is to come up next and it behooves the people of the Panhandle to select a strong man for the position, as some very important legislation will come up during the term of the next senator. Among the matters of importance to the Panhandle, and West Texas, is the redistricting the state into legislative, senatorial and congressional districts under the census of 1920. To see that this section of the state is rightly represented will be the hardest task any senator from here can have to do, and to get just recognition it will require a strong man at Austin. The Index believes that Mr. W. H. Fuqua of Amarillo, is the man for the position. He has been a citizen of the Panhandle for twenty-five years, and in that time has taken a most prominent part in the upbuilding of the country. He is a banker, a cattleman and a business man, knowing the needs of this section of the state as well as any man, and with the reputation he holds over the state is in a position to get results as a member of the legislature. He is a strong man and if a member of the state senate his word would have weight on all matters concerning this section. The Index does not know that Mr. Fuqua would accept the position, but if he can be persuaded to permit his name to be used he would be doing a great service for the people of the Panhandle and the state of Texas.

THE NEED OF A PUBLICITY LAW.

An effort will be made by the Texas Press Association to have the present legislature pass an adequate publicity law, one that will meet the demands of a growing state to take the place of the present makeshift which was passed possibly fifty years ago, when there was not an average of one newspaper to each county in Texas. The passage of such a law as proposed is one of the crying needs of the times for several reasons. Legal notices that are now posted on bulletin boards should be published in newspapers where people will read them. Every act of the county commissioners should be published as paid advertising, and every dollar of the public's money should be accounted for through the public prints and paid for. Such a law would be a good thing in more than one way. It would inform the tax payers as to the disposition of their money and at the same time make county officials more careful in the expenditure of public funds, as well as put an effective check on official grafting. Here in Angelina county about every two years the district judge appoints a finance committee to audit the books of the various county officers. The work usually requires 2 or 3 weeks, at an expense to the tax payers of several hundred dollars. Their report is finally made and pigeon holed, and not one citizen in a hundred ever knows what the report contains. They pay for the auditing, and should know what they are paying for—but they don't. The city of Lufkin recently employed an auditor at an expense of several hundred dollars to audit the books of the city. We are told on the quiet that this auditor saved the city more than the amount paid him, but what do the tax payers know about it? Not one line of that report has ever been made public, and the people who paid the auditor are as much in the dark as to his findings as is the Emperor of China. They are entitled to a full fair and impartial report of the auditor, no matter what official, if any, it involves in the wrong transactings; but at present there is no law requiring such a report to be made, and the chances are that it will never be published and the tax payers of Lufkin will never know what they have paid for. With an adequate publicity law such reports would be made public as soon as made, and if official wrongdoing existed the tax payers would know where to place the blame. The legislature now in session can do the state and the people a great service by the passage of reasonable and just publicity law.—Lufkin News.

LOCAL COMPANIES PLAN TO COMPETE WITH LAND BANKS.

From many sections of the country come reports that loan companies of the East are preparing to compete with the Federal Land Banks, when the latter are put into operation. In Nebraska it is stated the companies are now offering loans for twenty years, at a lower rate of interest than heretofore. The Governor of that state has asked the legislature to pass a measure whereby the commission from loan agents shall not exceed two per cent on loans less than $3000, while for loans over that amount would be at the rate of 1½c per cent.

One possible outcome of the entrance of the Government as a competitor is that it may drive local money leaders to loaning upon second mortgages. It is claimed that with the use of good judgment in making these loans they will be almost as safe as first mortgages now because the land can be taken under a second mortgage foreclosure without the necessity of paying off the first mortgage and that this fact will make it easier to dispose of the land thus taken.

CHILDRESS RANKS THIRD.

Childress is the third town in Northwest Texas in point of postoffice receipts and school enrollment. Vernon a few months ago adopted the commission form for the city government claiming they had more than five thousand people. Childress is at least twenty-five per cent larger than Vernon and the next census will prove the fact. The intention is to adopt the commission form of government for this city.—Childress Index.

The above paragraph was in this week's edition of the Childress Index. Vernon is willing to wait until the next census to tell whether Childress is twenty-five per cent larger. It is good to note too that Vernon led the way for that city in adopting the commission form of government.—Vernon Record.

SWINE GROWERS AT CHILDRESS.

Those attending the State Swine Growers Meeting which was in session at Childress last week from this county are as follows: H. S. Black, W. A. Cook, J. R. Beach, C. E. Dysart, D. L. Kutch, J. F. Jones, Dr. R. T. Lee and County Agent L. T. Hunter. Mr. Hunter says the meeting was indeed a success and that those who are devoting time and money to raising good hogs who did not attend, missed a rare treat indeed.—Wellington Leader.

SNOW BENEFITS WHEAT.

The snow of last week was of considerable benefit to wheat, so the farmers say. The snow was on the ground five days, and during that time the weather was warm and as a result the wheat while thus protected was growing. The moisture derived from the snow will keep the wheat in good shape for some time.

HOGS WANTED!

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The Repairing of Harricot Castle

By ELINOR MARSH

Ned Maloney in conventional evening dress was strolling through the apartments of Mrs. Winterton, who was giving a reception to the noble Earl of Harricot, his lordship having recently come over from England. Ned was making his way toward the hostess, who stood receiving her guests, Lord Harricot standing beside her. Suddenly Ned stopped and stared at the Britisher.

Had Ned a twin brother and was that brother the honored guest of the evening? Perhaps the likeness was heightened by the similarity of dress, for there is no variation in men's evening apparel. Perhaps the fact that neither wore any hair on his face also had some bearing on the resemblance.

Ned retreated a short distance and gave himself up to thought. It was no secret that Lord Harricot had come over in search of a wife who would have the means to build up Harricot castle, which, having been built in the year A. D. 1290, was sadly in need of repairs. Indeed, the object of his lordship's visit to America had been privately given by Mrs. Winterton to a few of the wealthiest girls with a view to facilitating the success of his undertaking, for it was to be understood that any marriage that might take place would be one of convenience.

Ned had seen and admired a certain lady and had worshiped her in secret. What put it into his head to pass himself off as Lord Harricot to this Miss Geraldine Mortimer he could never quite explain. Nevertheless the idea somehow got lodged there and took root. Miss Mortimer was in very moderate circumstances, which did not fill the bill at all. On the other hand, Ned was rich.

Ned refrained from greeting the hostess, as he was bound to do, and left the house, so that the resemblance between himself and the noble lord was not noticed. The next day he called on his friend, Mrs. Amy Lee, and imparted his scheme. Mrs. Lee, who was a natural seeker after interesting situations, finally promised to introduce him to Miss Mortimer as Lord Harricot.

Miss Mortimer had caught a glimpse of his lordship at the opera, and he had met her gaze admiringly. She was therefore not surprised when she was informed that he had asked for an introduction to her. Nevertheless, having heard a report of the object of his visit to America and supposing that she would be expected to repair Harricot castle, which she was unable to do, she hesitated as to granting permission for the introduction. But there is always an expectation with a woman that she may be loved for herself. At any rate, Miss Mortimer finally consented.

During the short period of Ned Maloney's devotion to Geraldine Mortimer as Lord Harricot the imposture was constantly on the eve of being discovered. Several times he supposed that it was all up with him. But his good fortune stood by him, and when he was ready to confess the trick he was not even suspected.

Ned made short work of his wooing. Indeed, he dare not make long work of it. One day, being encouraged, he proposed, pretending that he had understood Miss Mortimer to be wealthy, and giving her to understand that his proposal carried with it an agreement on her part not only to settle half a million on her husband, but settle another half million on the home of his ancestors.

Miss Mortimer had been wondering whether Harricot's attentions came from love or whether he had been misinformed as to her pecuniary status. When her mind was relieved she was greatly disappointed. The trouble was that she had lost her heart to him. Tears stood in her eyes as she confessed that she was without the means to purchase his lordship.

Then Ned, being convinced that she loved him, confessed that he was not a lord at all, that he was an ordinary American citizen, and that if she would accept him with love in a cottage, which is another name for poverty, his proposition held good.

Miss Mortimer must have been very much in love to forgive the deception, especially since Ned had no plausible reason for having made it. But she did forgive him and was very much delighted that after all she need not give up the man she loved because she had not the means to put stone and mortar into an old pile, the glory of which had departed when it was captured by the house of Lancaster during the War of the Roses. Ned pleased her first with his expressions of love, which were sincere, and, second, told her that he could not lavish wealth upon her, which was insincere.

However, he did not try to keep up this deception as to his finances, and one morning drove her to a palatial house in the center of spacious grounds and informed her that it was Harricot castle and needed no repairs, since it was just finished. As to the title, they would be obliged to get on without it.

Miss Mortimer was very happy.

As for the real Lord Mortimer, he married the daughter of a multimillionaire. She repaired the family home, but never lived in it. Before the repairs were finished his lordship so disported himself with a music hall lady that his wife divorced him.

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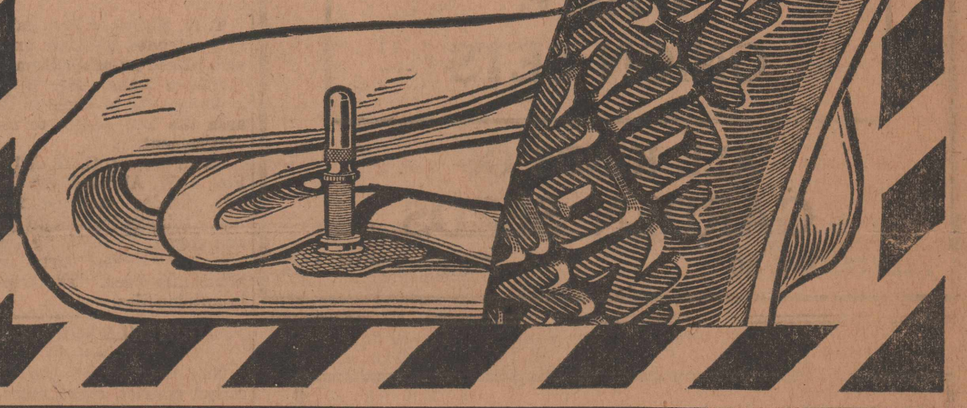
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The Quanah Tribune-Chief is asking what does Childress county intend to do with the Childress section of the Childress-Quanah road. The Hardeman county officials are building a fine road to the Childress county line and there is little prospect of them building an inch more this way than the line. Childress has been calling the Quanah bunch a crowd of snails in the matter of fixing this road and we will soon be compelled to listen to the same if the road gang is not put to work. It isn't too dry for Hardeman county to build her section of the road and it is not out of the way to say that Kirkland is going to lose trade to Goodlet if the Childress road is left long in its present condition. The Kirkland folks should also fall in line in building the road.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Childress.

By virtue of an Order of Sale and Execution issued out of the Honorable District Court of Childress County, on the 6th day of January A. D. 1917, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Commercial Securities & Title Company versus A. W. Dunn and D. Crockett Brown, No. 867, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in February A. D. 1917, it being the 6th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Childress County, in the city of Childress the following described property, to-wit:

Survey Number Twenty-Four (24), abstract No. 412, Original Grantee F. P. Knott, Patent No. 541, Volume 5, which survey extends North to Prairie Dog or Red River, and situated about North 10 degrees West twelve miles from the County seat, and containing 582.89 acres of land and known as Section 24 of said F. P. Knott survey, levied on the 8th day of January A. D. 1917, as the property of A. W. Dunn and D. Crockett Brown, to satisfy a judgment amounting to $5,358.25 in favor of Commercial Securities & Title Company, interest and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 8th day of January A. D. 1917.

MEL J. DWIGHT, Sheriff
By Chas. Thornton, Deputy.

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J. C. Cox of the Olympus community, has purchased the Childress-Arlie mail line. He began his duties last week, during the snow, and as a result had a hard time of it. He is coming in on time at present.

KEELER OPPOSES NEW SHED LAW.

That the new car shed bill now pending in the Texas legislature is a further harassment of railroads which have tried to strictly comply with the law is the statement of D. B. Keeler, vice-president of the Fort Worth & Denver Railroad, which was given out in Childress yesterday. The statement said:

"You have no doubt been aware that for a number of years there has been in effect in Texas a law requiring railroads to provide shelter for employes engaged in making repairs to freight cars.

"The Fort Worth & Denver has endeavored in good faith to comply with the present law, and has up to this time spent approximately $44,000.00 in erecting and improving car sheds at Fort Worth, Wichita Falls, Childress, Amarillo and Texline—approximately $13,000.00 of this amount having been expended in 19 6 in making additions and betterments that the Labor Commissioner of the State thought necessary to bring the sheds within the requirements of the law, the plans for such additions and betterments having been approved by the Labor Commissioner, and the Labor Commissioner has also advised us that, in his opinion, the sheds at Childress, Amarillo and Texline already fully met the requirements of the law.

"It is our further understanding that the railroads of Texas have spent in the last year approximately $100,000.00 improving and remodeling their sheds to bring them within the requirements of the law as interpreted by the Labor Commissioner.

"Notwithstanding the efforts of the railways to comply with the present law and the approval of the State Labor Commissioner of the sheds provided under the existing law, there has been a bill introduced in the Texas legislature by Senator Strickland—Senate Bill No. 59—which makes additional and unnecessary requirements.

"Furthermore, the proposed bill would seriouly interfere with the operations of the lines. While the proposed bill would allow repairs to be made on cars outside of the car shed if loaded with time or perishable freight, or if in trains that were being held for their movement, it would prohibit the making of all light repairs in the open, as is permitted by the present law. This would be particularly burdensome to the railrodas and would be detrimental to the shipping public especially during times of car shortage, when it is in the public interest that cars be delayed as little as possible on any account. For example, a car might be in need of repairs that could be made in the open by one man in 15 or 20 minutes, and some shipper might be waiting and anxious to get the car. If the enclosed bill should be enacted into a law it would take a switching crew, consisting of a foreman, engineer, fireman and two switchmen—five in all, to go to the place where the car might be located and bring it a considerable distance to the car repair building. In most cases it would take a minimum time of 30 minutes, and even an hour or more in large terminals, for the switching crew to take the car to the repair shed and return to their work, and would take the same time in going to the car repair shed for the car and placing it to the industry that desired to load it. In the meantime other switching work that was needed to be done would have to be neglected by the switcing crew to the inconvenience of the railway company and shippers and consignees desiring prompt switching service.

"We believe that shippers who have felt the shortage of cars that has existed during the recent months will rapidly see the unreasonableness of this proposed bill, and will also feel that the railrodas should not be further harassed with legislation of this kind when they have spent thousands of dollars in an effort to, in good faith, comply with the existing laws resuiring shelter for employes engaged in making heavy repairs to freight cars.

"We trust that upon consideration of this matter you will feel disposed to write or telegraph your senator and representative protesting against the passage of this measure."

H. S. FIRESTONE RE-ELECTED.

Attached by over seven hundred representatives of the Rubber Industry from all over the country the Seventeenth Annual meeting of the Rubber Club of America, Inc., held at New York on January 8th, proved the most successful in the history of the organization.

At the annual banquet held in the Waldorf-Astoria the guests were addressed by former president Wm. Howard Taft. Representatives of all the prominent rubber concerns throughout the United States were present.

The year just passed was the most successful and prosperous in the history of the organization which has been in existence for seventeen years. H. S. Firestone, president of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company was re-elected president of the club. The name of the club was changed to that of "The Rubber Association of America."

The Crawford Overland Agency unloaded a car of 1917 models Monday. The new models are fine cars and the best ever built by the Overland Company. A factory expert was here Tuesday going over the shipment to see that the motors were in good order.

R. H. Templeton, a prominent attorney of Wellington was transacting business in Childress, Monday.

COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LAW.

For the benelt of some school patrons who possibly have not received a copy of the late compulsory school attendance law, these few brief points relative to the same might be of some assistance on such questions as truancy, tardiness, absentees, etc.

1. Every child who is eight years old and more than fourteen years old shall be required to attend the public schools in the district of its residence, or some other district to which it may be transferred, for a period of not less than sixty consecutive days.

2. The Period of compulsory school attendance at each school shall begin at time set by the local trustees.

3. The following classes of children are exempt from the requirements of this act: (a) Any child in attendance upon a private or parochial school or who is being properly instructed by a private tutor. (b) Any child who is physically or mentally incapicated. (c) Any child who lives more than two and one-half miles by direct and traveled road and with no free transportation provided. (d) Any child more than twelve years of age who has satisfactorily completed the work of the fourth grade and whose services are needed in support of a parent, may, on presentation of proper evidence to the county superintendent of public instruction, be exempted from further attendance at school.

4. Any child not exempted from the provisions of this act may be excused for temporary absence due to personal sickness, sickness or death in the family, quarantine, storms or bad weather which has made the regular means of travel dangerous, or for unusual causes acceptable to the teacher, provided that the excuses are in writing and signed by the parent or guardian of the said child; but any case so excused may be investigated by the attendance oflcer who is the county superintendent of public instruction, unless other provisions are made.

5. The teachers of the various schools shall within five days from the date that the provisions of the compulsory attendance act applies to said school, report to said county superintendent the names of all children who have not enrolled in the said school from eight to fourteen inclusive.

6. Any parent or person standing in parental relation upon conviction for failure to comply with the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of misdeamor and shall be fined for the first offense five dollars and the second offense ten dollars, and for each subsequent offense twenty-five dollars. Each day that said child remains out of school after said warning has been given or after said child has been ordered in school by the juvenile court, may constitute a separate offense, provided, however, that if any parent proves that he or she is unable to compel said child to attend school, such parent shall be exempted from the above penalties, and the child may be proceeded against as an habitual truant and be subjected to the committment to the State Juvenile Training School or any other suitable school agreed upon between the parent and the Judge of the Juvenile Court.

7. All fines collected under the provisions shall be paid into the available school fund of the district in which the person fined resides as the case may be.

O. V. VERNON,
County Superintendent.

M. V. Harvey of the Highpoint community, says after an investigation he is sure the snow did the wheat a great deal of good. He says the plant was growing nicely and had enough life to last for some time.



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CONGRESSMAN STEPHENS MAY GET APPOINTMENT.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Representative John H. Stephens of the Thirteenth Texas district, who retires March 4th, after twenty years' service in congress, has begun an active campaign for appointment by President Wilson to the chairmanship of the joint international (Mexican bounary) commission and the commission for the equitable distribution of the waters of the Rio Grande. The place pays $5,000 a year and has been vacant since John Wesley Gaines of Tennessee, a former congressman, quit in a huff a year ago because his recommendations were not approved at the state department.

Stephens is familiar with the duties that will be required, because he helped in the Fifty-fifth congress to establish the commission. His candidacy is backed by the Texas delegation and by congressmen and senators generally, who have written President Wilson in his behalf.

The Texas delegation may visit the President in a body to urge Stephens' appointment. So far as is known there is no other candidate for the place.

Herbert Tittle has accepted the agency of the Dodge Brothers car for this county. This is a fine car and one of the best sellers today under a thousand dollars. If any Childress man wants a Dodge go to see Mr. Tittle.

Herman Alexander has purchased a seven-passenger Willis-Knight touring car from the Crawford Overland Automobile Company of this city. It is a fine car.

Berry McMinn came up from San Antonio last week to look after the McMinn Store during S. P. McMinn's absence in the New York markets.

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'17 OVERLAND CARS THINGS OF BEAUTY

Monday the Crawford Overland Company unloaded their first carload of 1917 model Overlands and Willys-Knight cars.

The new models are the most handsome that the Overland Company have ever manufactured and the models should cause the already mammoth production to show a greater increase than heretofore.

One seldom sees so many cars of the same manufacture come out with so many changes and each change has been one of refinement. The Overland Company has about reached perfection in the motor and things pertaining to the chassis and for that reason the body of the car is the only thing that can be bettered to any perceptible degree.

One of the cars receifed Monday was a seven-passenger four cylinder Willys-Knight which was sold to W. H. Alexander. This is one of the prettiest cars ever sold in Childress and when a prospective buyer sees the car he will be hard to sell any other model or any other make. It is a thing of beauty, yet not a car that only the rich can afford.

The Club Roadster is a new model with changes from the wheels to the top. It has a small body but sufficient seating capacity for five. The entrance to the rear seats is made from between the front seats. The windshield is tilted and the motor has been bettered. It is equipped with wire wheels and spare wheel is attached at the rear. The car is classy to the last word.

Manager J. M. Crawford has a number of models on the display floor and he invites trhe public to visit their show room before making a purchase of any car. He feels that he has something to please the motor public and along with that comes the Overland service, the greatest in the world today.

The next big event for Childress in the way of livestock is the auction sale of cattle and swine to take place in March. This will make the third sale. The sales are held semi-annual and are growing in interest. The auction will be extensively advertised and the managers expect to draw people here from all sections of Texas. Special rail rates will be requested and as Childress county is becoming famous over Texas as a livestock county the railroads will no doubt be pleased to grant the request for low rates. The sale promises to be the best ever given and some fancy cattle and swine will be sold. None but Childress county breeders can place animals in the auction and every animal must be registered.

WANTS MEXICO PATROLED.

At the annual meeting of the American Livestock Association, held at Cheyenne, Wyo., last week, the association passed resolutions asking the United States to patrol the Northern part of Mexico so as to keep down bandit gangs and to protect American ranchmen. The text of the resolution follows:

"Whereas, during the last six years in the Republic of Mexico, by reason of dissensions there existing, many American citizens there have been seized, held for ransom and in many instances foully dealt with and the property of American citizens there seized, confiscated and destroyed. Be it

"Resolved, That it is our earnest belief that the northern portion of the Republic of Mexico should be properly patrolled to the end that further indignities or depredations and injuries be not perpetrated upon the persons, lives and property of American citizens and that this patrol be maintained until stable conditions are restored. And be it further

"Resolved, That by this resolution it is not purposed or intended to seek or ask on the part of the United States intervention in the Republic of Mexico, but only that such a patrol be established as will be sufficient to insure safety for the lives and property of American citizens within the northern portion of Mexico, who are justly entitled to the same."

EGGS BY C. O. D. MAIL.

The postoffice department has issued instructions to postmasters to accept eggs by parcel post on insured C. O. D. terms, also insured. But to get this privilege the eggs must be packed as directed by the department, which instructions are given below. As there are a number in this county who are raising pure blooded chickens it will be of interest to them and they are directed to give the matter their attention:

"Eggs shall be accepted for mailing regardless of the distance when each egg is wrapped separately and surrounded with excelsoir, cotton or other suitable material and packed in a container made of double-faced corrugated pastboard, metal, wood, or other suitable material in such manner as to place each egg on its end and prevent them from striking together or against the side or top of the container, with an outer cover of double-faced corrugated pasteboard, metal, wood, or other suitable material, and wrapped so that nothing can escape from the package. All such packages shall be labeled 'eggs.'"

The insurance companies have adjusted the losses of the Quarles Lumber Co., and the work of clearing up the yards has started. About all of the damaged lumber has been sold and moved away. For two or three days there was a busy scene at this yard, as numbers of farmers were buying the lumber for sheds.

FARM AGENT NOW READY TO GIVE AID

I wish to announce to the people of Childress county that I have been appointed as your County Demonstration Agent with headquarters in the Commercial Club office.

I want to say that it is my intentions to serve the farmers in every way possible, visit each community, and as far as possible every farmer in Childress county at the earliest date. All of you know that it will take some time for me to pay a visit to each and every farmer. Therefore, I ask, should you have any question which you desire information on, kindly call me over telephone or write me and I will gladly see that the information you desire is given, if it is impossible for me to give the information from my office I will secure it from Washington, also make a special visit to your farm if it is your desire.

To the members of the Boy's Club Work: I wish to say that it is my desire, as far as possible, to keep up the splendid work in the Boys' and Girls' Club Work that has been carried on by my predecessor, Mr. Mann, and I shall be glad to help them in any way possible. I will see each member of the clubs, as soon as it is so that I can. I would suggest to each member that they get busy at once and get their plants in fine shape, or if you are going to raise a pig or some other kind of livestock, that you secure them at the earliest possible date and begin work at once for the prizes this fall, as all of you know that to get results it takes work, therefore, let us show the people this fall that we have the best workers in the state.

To the farmers and stockmen: All of the well informed people agree that this is the year for one to diversify his crops. I suggest that all raise plenty of cotton, but by all means plenty of livestock, poultry and feed to feed them, also plenty of vegetables. Childress county is one of the most progressive and prosperous counties in Northwest Texas and this has been greatly due to the county being the best livestock county in the state.

Let us not be led back to the one crop system, let us increase our livestock and begin at once to plow for raising more products for market and home consumption, and the cry that many of us have heard "The High Cost of Living" will not worry us.

If at any time I can be of service to you in any way kindly let me know. I have bulletins on subjects pertaining to this section of the state and any time you desire one I will be glad to mail it to you.

My office day will be Saturday and if the weather permits I will not be found there at any other time, although if you have any question or wish information along any line of the work kindly call on Mr. Bonds the secretary of the Commercial Club, as he is very much interested in the work, and he will be more than glad to answer calls for me and furnish such information as he may find in my office.

H. H. HOLTZCLAW, Agent.

DENVER LINE RAISES WAGES.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 16.—Fort Worth & Denver Railroad employes in the general freight offices and freighthouse in this city who received less than $100 monthly were granted a wage increase in their semi-monthly pay envelopes today. The increase amounts to $5 per month.

The company has announced a general increase in pay to most of the employes of the line. The move is said to be in recognition of the prevailing high cost of living.

The increases were made effective from Jan. 1.

WESTMINISTER LEAGUE.

Topic—Fruits of Young People's Society Work.
Leader—Ruby Turner.
Song.
Lord's Prayer.
Scripture; Rev. 22:1-5.
The Fruit of Service—Lena Czewski.
The Fruit of Devotional Spirit—Donald Diggs.
Song.
The Fruit of Decision—Arlene Wood.
Discussion of Topic.
Song.
Mizpah.

JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM.

Leader—Lois Hill.
Song—By League.
Prayer—Rev. W. H. Terry.
Recitation—Frances Doolen.
Piano Solo—Teckla Jones.
Song—By League.
Recitation—Helen Alexander.
Song—Annie Maude Hankins.
League Benediction.

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SWINE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION.

The first meeting of the Texas Swine Breeders Association in the Panhandle section of the state convened in the city of Childress Wednesday and Thursday of last week. The program was full of good things for the hog growers of this great section.

A leading part of the two-days program was an auction sale of registered brood sows of all breeds, and the A. & M. demonstration on the double treatment against cholera. Ten hogs were furnished by Lon Alexander, a local breeder, for this treatment and it was of special interest for reason that it had never been given in that section before.

The convention was attracted to Childress doubtless because of the attention being given to the hog business by the farmers of that county. Childress county is ranking county for the shipment of swine to the packing houses of Oklahoma City and Fort worth, and the county boasts that it has more breeders of registered swine than any county in the state. This rank and distinction it claims now is the result of five year's effort in the development of the hog business, the county five years ago having only three breeders of registered swine.

The point to this story of what is going on in a sister county, is to stimulate the farmers of Wilbarger county to a more lively interest in the hog business. There is money in the growth of hogs here, and with a county agent to keep watch over the spread of cholera, farmers should not fail to go into the business after a hearty fashion.

County Agent N. R. Tisdal attended the sessions of the convention from this county and reports that it was one of the most educational meetings he ever saw for the farmers and livestock men.—Vernon Record.

GREAT FEATURE AT LaGRANDE SATURDAY.

Viola Dana, Broadway's favorite child has scored her greatest success in what New York Herald termed "A Great Picture and one of the best Viola Dana ever did." "Cossacks Whip," packed New York's most fashionable theatre, The Rialto, to capacity, and the thousands that saw the picture, with the newspaper critics, were unanimous in their opion and enthuiastic remarks, that this feature is one of the most powerful dramatic stories they had seen in two years.

When Viola Dana was asked by the N. Y. Times reporter of her opinion of the picture, she said: "I consider it my masterpiece." This picture will be shown only one day, Saturday, at LaGrande, and Manager Crown felt disappointed that he had been unable owing to the big demand by numerous other managers, to rent it for two days.

The bill to establish a branch of the Federal court at Wichita Falls has passed the senate through the efforts of Senator Culberson. Congressman Stephens will not push the bill through the lower house.

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KEYS—two bunches on one fastener. Finder please leave at Index office.

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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ARLIE NEWS.

Mr. Gardner has phenumonia.

A. B. Crawford is sick this week.

Golf Gunstream spent Friday at Hollis.

Mrs. Jefferies has been sick but is better at this writing.

C. M. Polling spent Sunday evening with Rev. King and family.

Mr. Clair Lawrence filled his regular appointment (?) at the home of W. B. Wyrick Sunday.

Miss Pearl Kelly, of the Loco community was visiting the Misses Wyrick's Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Vinia Kirtley, who has been visiting relatives of this community will leave for her home in Arkansas next Wednesday.

Rev. J. L. King, pastor of the Arlie Baptist church, failed on account of sickness to fill his regular appointment here Saturday night and Sunday.

G. W. Wilks has been in bed with rheumatism for several days. He is going to Mineral Wells. He says its cheaper to go to Mineral Wells than to carry an Irish potato in his pocket.

S. L. Arnn keeper of the Arlie Zoo, says that the large Eagle that was captured a few days ago was growing in strength during the bad weather, he has been feeding him plenty of rabbit.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining in the Childress postoffice unclaimed for the week ending Jan. 23, 1917.

Allen, Gyle.
Butler, Mrs. M. C.
Bauman, Joseph.
Cannon, Mrs. Eula. (2).
Conway, Patrick.
Cole, Mrs. Alice.
Dixon, Mrs. Lennie.
Leaverett, Mrs. Carrie.
McLendon, Simon.
Moore, Tom.
Newberry, Isaac.
Ruby, Miss Ida.
Roberts, Orby.
Robinson, Wm. D.
Smith, Robt. R.
Thompson. B. H.
Thornton, Floyd.
Trusty, J. D.

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COCKERELS—S. C. Rhode Island Reds, Ready for sale now. C. HINDS, Childress, Texas.

LIVESTOCK—46 head of grade Shropshire sheep; 4 mares and 3 colts; 3 milk cows and calves; 50 grade hereford heifers; 1 registered Percheron stallion. See JOS. H. AYNESWORTH. 11c.

LOST.

BUGGY CUSHION—Between Childres and Carey. Leave at Norris Implement Co., or phone W. O. Kimbrough, 606 5 rings. 1tpd.

KEYS—Attached to ring with tag bearing my initials. TROY MOCK.

FUR—Neck piece, black. Lost between depot and postoffice. Return to FAGG HOTEL for reward. 1tpd.

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