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EXPERT LOCATES A GREAT DAM SITE

Mayor John W. Davidson has had a noted water expert at Childress and a selection for another dam was made northwest of Childress.

The dam would be over 1,500 feet long, forty feet high and a lake would be formed covering 250 acres, the supply lasting Childress four years at an average daily use of a million gallons. The distance from the location of the pump station to the standpipe would be six and two-tenths miles. Of this distance about one mile of the pump line could be used as a service main and would pass a short distance north of the railway shops. A ten-inch cast iron main would be necessary.

The land which the lake would cover is practically free of mineral and the drainage area of fifteen sections, mostly of a sandy character.

The engineer located a reservoir site on the hill of Will P. Jones' new farm, two miles northwest of town. The top of the hill is twenty-five feet higher than the city standpipe. By building a million gallon concrete reservoir on top of the hill there would be something near a sixty pound pressure in the mains, as against forty with the present standpipe.

The cost of the dam was estimated at \$60,000. It will cost about \$72,000 to lay the pipe and build the pump station. The land will cost about \$5,000 or less.

This lake would solve the water question for Childress and insure the consumers a good quality of water at all times. The city cannot build the dam at present but if a commission form of government could be adopted it would be possible to build the dam and pay for the land. Other means could be devised to lay the pipe line.

This seems a big undertaking but The Index believes it for the best interests of the city to undertake the work. With an assured water supply Childress will pass into the city class and her future will be a city of at least ten thousand people. Let every man put his shoulder to the wheel and help make Childress the biggest city in the Panhandle!

The people of the Highpoint and Tell communities will meet at the Highpoint school house on Monday, January 15th for the purpose of claying the sand bed in the road near the school. This has always been a bad place in the road and the farmers of those communities are to be complimented in doing this work. Every farmer who can get away is requested to be present with a wagon and shovels.

LOCAL SCHOOL NEWS.

Schools Are Crowded But Faculty Has Arranged To Teach All Pupils.

All the schools are rather full just now, and the crowded conditions are perhaps due to the fact that the compulsory attendance law becomes operative in the Childress schools on next Monday, January 15th. All children between the ages of eight and fourteen on the first day of last September will be required by law to attend school for sixty days this year.

If there are any parents who think their children should be excused from attendance at school they should consult the Truant Officer, Supt. O. V. Vernon, in the county superintendent's office.

Mrs. Frank Weddington has been put in as a supply teacher for what every time the crowded condition may justify. Her employment will relieve the third and fourth grades. Miss Patrick will hold two half-day sessions in the West Ward building, which will relieve the first and second grades. Miss Patrick will be paid \$10 a month more than her usual salary for this extra work, just as was done last year.

This new arrangement of the teachers will necessitate some transfers of the pupils. The parents generally realize the necessity of making transfers and they have co-operated heartily with the school authorities in this matter even when it inconvenienced them to some extent. We appreciate to the full extent this co-operation on the part of the parents. We are doing everything we can to make the conditions the very best possible for the children. We want to give them a fair chance for an education, and in order to accomplish this result all of us must continue to work together.

B. F. SISK, Supt.

TO EXTEND MATADOR RAILWAY.

A Childress party who visited in Matador a few days ago stated that plans are being made by the Matador & Northern Railway Company to extend their line from Matador to Childress.

The party stated that the Q. A. & P. Ry., was fighting the Matador & Northern and for that reason the directors of the latter road wanted a connection with the Denver Road.

The extension would be the making of Matador and would build up a wonderful farming country between Matador and Childress.

Judge A. J. Fires of this city, is working on the proposition and was in Fort Worth a few days ago conferring with prominent railway officials. It is thought the Denver Road may become interested in the project.

C. A. Williams returned last week from a visit with his sister at Miles, Texas.

SUNDAY'S FIRE DOES ENORMOUS DAMAGE

Quarles Company Lumber Yard a Total Loss. Flames Threatened Destruction of Southeast Residence Section of Childress.

Sunday afternoon Childress experienced the most disastrous fire in a number of years and for awhile it looked as if the entire eastern section of the city would be destroyed.

The fire originated in the office building of the John E. Quarles Company, lumber dealers. The office building was a two-story structure and the fire evidently started on the second floor. The blaze was first discovered by Sylvan Couch, who turned in the alarm and made a bold attempt to extinguish the fire with a hand chemical device.

Albert Howell, the bookkeeper, had been at work on the books and stepped out to get a headache tablet and the books were lost. Records are kept of all transactions in the Fort Worth office and no accounts will be lost. Mr. Howell roomed in the office building and his loss was about \$500 in jewelry and wearing apparel.

Adjoining the office building was the paint and oil room and the blaze soon reached this department. When the cans of paint and oil began to explode the fire gained rapid headway and was beyond control of the fire department.

The department made a quick run to the scene but for nearly thirty minutes were powerless to fight the flames on account of low water pressure. The railway company turned their fire pumps into the mains but the pressure did not increase. Pumper Blair of the city pump station, got into his automobile and made a run to the city standpipe and closed the valve to the pipe and soon there was a high pressure. In making the run to the fire no one thought of closing the standpipe valve.

For a time all adjoining residences, the Kinney Hotel, J. J. Terrell's, C. W. Mitchell's, Mrs. Chandler's, Mrs. J. M. Franklin's tenant house, and the Colorado-Gulf Garage were threatened with destruction. The Kinney Hotel was on fire and the south and west section of the roof was destroyed. The water pressure came on just in time to save the Kinney Hotel. The Mitchell, Terrell and Chandler residences were saved by keeping the roofs wet, a bucket brigade and the use of small garden hose being the means of supplying the water.

Household goods were removed from the residences of Sam Brown, F. M. Dorsey and C. C. Badgett, all across the street from the block that was threatened.

The elements were all that saved the east section of the city from being a mass of smoldering ruins today. There was practically no wind and the flames and intense heat climbed skyward. With this fortunate condition the heat was so intense that men could get no nearer than a hundred feet from the blaze, and then only could remain that distance for a few seconds.

Hundreds of people gathered to witness the spectacle and many ran from the threatened buildings panic-stricken. Household goods were badly damaged, some men rushing into the buildings and grabbing something would dash it to the ground.

The loss is one of the heaviest ever recorded in the city. The Quarles Company carried insurance to the amount of about \$18,000. Of this amount only \$4,000 was held by local companies and will not go against the fire loss record of the city. The Kinney house was damaged to the extent of \$2,000. The Terrell and Mitchell residences were slightly damaged, but all out-buildings, barns, sheds and fences were destroyed. The small tenant house of J. M. Franklin was damaged as was the residence of Mrs. Chandler. The front of the Colorado-Gulf Garage will have to be repainted. A big telephone cable of the Southwestern Telephone Company was burned into for a distance of two hundred feet. The Telephone Company loss is about \$600.

The total loss will reach about \$28,000 with insurance covering about \$22,000 of the amount. The Quarles Company will lose about \$7,000.

Manager Luther Witherspoon of the Quarles Company, announced Monday that their company would rebuild and that material had been ordered for reconstruction. The new yard will be an improvement over those destroyed.

The fire department and citizens in general are to be complimented for their work. The boys remained on the scene all of Sunday night and it was late Monday afternoon before the fire equipment was returned to the station.

The fire has come as an object lesson and pointed out some defects in the city's plan of fighting fire, which the council will perhaps make some few changes to overcome. No criticisms can be made for it was an incident that the fire department did not expect, and only by experience can the faults be found and corrected.

POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS.

Childress Office Does Record Business. Christmas Quarter Shows Big Gain.

The postoffice receipts for the year 1916 were the largest in the history of the office, reaching the figures of \$18,007.40.

The receipts by quarters were as follows: First quarter, \$4,504.71; second quarter, \$4,247.74; third quarter, \$4,185.49; fourth quarter, \$5,119.46. The remittances to the department above all expenses were as follows, by quarters: First quarter, \$2,820.26; second quarter, \$2,250.16; third quarter, \$2,404.11; fourth quarter, \$3,383.29; total \$11,111.82.

The money order business was about the same as the year before, the gain being rather slight, yet the total amount being \$61,699.71. The fees amounted to \$635.94. There were 2,567 orders paid, the amount being \$16,676.22. The fees of the money orders go to the department but are not counted in the receipts of the office.

There are but few towns in Northwest Texas that go ahead of Childress in the postal business transaction.

FIRE MAY DELAY SERVICE.

Sunday's big fire may delay the service of the new telephone exchange. Adjoining the lumber yard two hundred feet of cable was destroyed. The cable contained 804 small copper wires and was made to special order. This section must be supplied before service to that part of the city south of the railway can be given. Manager Oldham stated that a telegraphic order had been given. The big fire at Paris, Texas, a little more than a year ago, caused the original equipment for the Childress plant to be rebilled while in transit to restore the plant destroyed at Paris.

PUMPED LOTS OF WATER.

During the Quarles Lumber Company fire Sunday afternoon and night the pumps at the city and railway lakes pumped over two million gallons of water. The water was pumped in about seven hours time. This is a record and no town in Northwest Texas, except Wichita Falls, could do the same. Lake water is the best and cheapest and the supply will hold up to greater pumpage than wells.

H. H. Holtzclaw writes from Decatur that he has accepted the position of county farm agent for Childress county. The Index made mention last week that Mr. Holtzclaw would probably be sent here. This paper is glad to know that he has decided to accept the work here and believes that the farmers will be pleased with his work.

PLEASURE ROAD IS PLANNED TO TELL

From time to time there has been talk of adopting an auto route out of Childress especially for pleasure riding. There have been some routes suggested, but so far nothing has been done that has brought any tangible results. A few days ago in talking with a farmer who lives on the road north and west of Tell, he suggested a route that the writer believes is a good one, and with little money can be made the best road in the county. The route suggested follows:

Leaving the city north and west to miles
Lyster corner.....1
West to Middleton corner.....5
South to Jordan farm.....1
West to Carter farm.....2
South to Matador road.....1
West and South.....2
West.....4
South.....1
East.....2
South.....1
East to Tell.....2

Total.....22

From Tell there are two roads to Childress and each driver could select the route that suited his fancy. The route would be thirty-five miles long, and would pass through as good country as can be found in Childress county. Among the well improved farms we might mention those of J. M. Lyster, B. T. Williams, J. T. King, C. T. Scott, Mrs. C. E. Givens, G. F. Springer, W. I. Johnson, J. E. Middleton, M. A. Jordan, L. D. Avery, H. B. Smith and others along the route. The view from the hill on the west line of the Middleton farm cannot be equalled in any other part of Childress county, and few as beautiful scenes can be found in the Panhandle country.

Will P. Jones is building a farm on the route, opposite the home of J. T. King, and Lon Alexander is improving his place out there also. Both of these men say they will keep the road in front of their farms dragged and in good shape. H. B. Smith, near Tell, says he will grade the road along with others along the route. The people of Tell have offered to do their part to make the route a good one, and one business man has stated that he will be prepared to serve cold drinks and something to eat to those who travel the route.

The writer would like to have a number of cars go over the route on some good day and pass judgment upon the scheme, and if approved we believe it could be made a go.

ATTENTION!



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

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

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Cotton is still going up, everybody's got money and we are all a happy people.

There's going to be a world of building around these parts this next year and we are ready for it with the most complete stock of Lumber and Building Material we have ever had. Take notice and act.

John E. Quarles Co.

QUARLES SELLS QUALITY LUMBER.

PADUCAH CROWD HERE.

Friday a representative crowd of Paducah business men visited Childress with the view of securing information and co-operation to build a highway from Paducah to Childress.

The Paducah crowd was represented by Dr. J. S. Wilkins, who stated the object of their visit. Don Warren replied to Dr. Wilkins and stated that Childress was proud to entertain the delegation and trusted that good would come from the meeting.

After several talks by both visitors and home folks, the question was asked by a Paducah man what would be necessary to secure the co-operation of Childress and the promise to aid Paducah in securing highways of national reputation. The answer was given that if Cottle county would bridge both North and South Pease rivers and build a good road to the bridges that Childress would build a first-class road through four miles of Cottle county to the bridge across North Pease river. The visitors said this was more than they expected and would accept the Childress proposition.

A request was made that Childress send a delegation to Paducah, Friday, January 12th. This request was granted and a large delegation will go to Paducah Friday morning.

The new road will shorten the distance to Paducah by about seventeen miles. An automobile can make the run from Paducah here in about an hour and thirty minutes. Childress needs this road and in a few months time more people will be coming from Paducah than now go to Quanah over the railroad. A Paducah man can leave home at eight o'clock in the evening and catch the early train south from Childress and get in a full night's sleep before reaching Fort Worth, or coming this way he can get home by automobile an hour earlier than by waiting for the train at Quanah, and will not be compelled to get up until after daylight.

Robt. Turner, one of our prominent ranchers, was in the city Monday. Mr. Turner stated that rain was needed so as to make the weeds and grass grow. There is new vegetation in the canyons and with a little rain would grow rapidly. Cattle are standing the winter fine, stated Mr. Turner.

BLOODED STOCK APOSTLE.

Under the heading, "Texans You Ought to Know," the Fort Worth Star-Telegram has the following to say of our local Hereford cattle breeder, John W. Johnson:

"A new apostle of registered livestock has come out of the Texas Panhandle.

"He is J. W. Johnson of Childress county.

"As grass land is getting higher all the time, we stockmen realize we will have to raise registered stock to make it pay."

"Such is Johnson's creed.

"That Johnson has practiced his own preachings, too, is evidenced by the story of his own career, related briefly as follows:

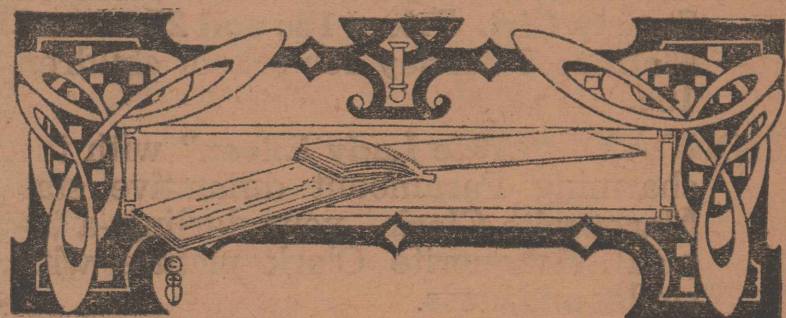
"With fifteen animals, bought in Missouri, Johnson embarked in the registered livestock business in 1900 in Childress county. He had a selected herd of cows and a herd bull, 18 months old. A year later, eight more selected cows were added to the herd. For all of this stock Johnson paid high prices, his later success justifying his venture. Even during the low-tide business years when grass was short and feed was high, Johnson kept up the grade of his herds until now he is recognized as one of the Panhandle's biggest and most successful breeders.

In 1911 he helped organize the Panhandle Hereford Breeders' Association of which he is vice president. Ten others helped him in the organization at the outset. Sixty are enrolled now. Johnson's cattle won many ribbons at the various county and district fairs last fall."

CHANGING WIRES TO ALLEYS.

The local electric company is changing their lines from the business streets to the alleys. The change will add much to the appearance of the business streets and as soon as the new telephone system is ready for use the poles and wires of the old system will be removed from the streets. These changes were made without solicitation by the city and the action of the electric and telephone companies is commendable.

Telephone your stationery orders to The Index. Phone 284.



Checking Accounts

A checking account, is a good business reference. It shows that you believe in keeping a complete record, of all financial transactions.

The possession of a checking account shows that you possess method, caution, and thrift. The people with whom you deal, will have more respect for you if you pay by check, rather than cash.

A reasonable deposit, entitles you to a checking account at this bank, and we welcome new accounts.

The City National Bank
Childress, - - Texas



We want You for a Customer During 1917

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THE SWINE BREEDERS' MEETING

Arrangements are now complete for entertaining the Texas Swine Breeders' at the meeting to be held here on Wednesday and Thursday, January 17 and 18th. A banquet will be served at the Fagg Hotel to the members and visiting newspaper men.

The meetings will be held at LaGrande Theatre and the auction sale will be at the fair park.

Lon Alexander has agreed to furnish eleven head of registered hogs to be given the double treatment to prevent cholera. The demonstration will be made at the fair park.

Every farmer in Childress and adjoining counties should be here for the meeting, as they will be able to learn much of swine breeding and raising.

Remember the hog meeting here next week and make your plans to hear every talk.

A NEAR ACCIDENT.

Sunday afternoon train No. 20 got beyond control and came dashing into the yards. The trouble was caused by the air failing to work. The crew quit the train at the top of the stockyards hill. Fortunately the yards were so lined-up that the train ran onto an empty switch track. Freight No. 19 was waiting on the main line and if the run-away train had struck it the damage would have been great. An employee saw the train was running away and caught the engine and managed to stop it. The engineer reversed the control lever before jumping, which helped to bring the train to a stop.

Martin Crawford has accepted the shine job at the Bank Barber Shop and will be glad to have all his old friends and patrons call and see him there.

BURGLAR IS CAPTURED.

Man Who Burglarized the Galbraith Store Now in Jail at Sweetwater.

One of the men who burglarized the Galbraith store in the summer was apprehended at Sweetwater last week. This same man was arrested at Wichita Falls shortly after the burglary here, but made his escape from the jail there.

Adrian Galbraith went to Sweetwater and identified the party under arrest as the one who had been caught at Wichita Falls with part of the stolen goods.

Sheriff M. J. Dwight secured a confession from the burglar who implicated another man, whose whereabouts are unknown. According to the confession, the two men left Wichita Falls the day of the burglary in an auto and arrived at Quanah about dark. There they filled their car with gasoline and also took on a five gallon can of same, taking this to Acme, where they hid it. This was done in order to avoid stopping at towns on the return trip, thus lessening their chances of being captured.

After robbing the store here of several hundred dollars' worth of goods, they placed the loot in three sacks, covering them over with a tarpaulin which gave them the appearance of auto tourists. Leaving Kirkland the burglars kept the main highway until Harold was reached, then they turned off to the north and crossed into Oklahoma, going from there to Wichita Falls, where the goods were probably disposed of.

The burglar captured at Sweetwater wanted to return with Sheriff Dwight and plead guilty to the charge, but the sheriff, realizing that the Childress jail wasn't any too strong, decided that it was best to hold him at Sweetwater for awhile.—Kirkland American.

Sheriff Mel Dwight informed The Index Monday that he had located about \$300 worth of the clothing that was stolen from a Kirkland firm, at Wichita Falls. A Jew, J. Wool, had the clothing. Wool was charged with concealing stolen property and was placed in the Wichita Falls jail.

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.

Enthusiastic assistance will be given to the 'Safe Farming and High Priced Cotton' campaign in the Panhandle, according to information received by Texas Bankers' Association at Dallas Friday from W. H. Fuqua, of Amarillo. Mr. Fuqua wrote notifying William G. Breg, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Texas Bankers' Association, of the appointment of Amarillo bankers and business men who will assist Team No. 11, which will conduct the campaign in that territory late in the present month. The committee includes L. B. Newby, J. L. Pope, Harmon Benton, M. W. Cunningham and R. L. Mobley.

The committee will accompany a team of specialists for a two week tour through northwest Texas in the interest of the movement to increase the production of feed and foodstuffs, fruit and dairy products. Members of the team are: M. E. Hays, of A. & M. College of Texas, who will speak on orchards and gardens; D. C. Dove, State Department of Agriculture, who will discuss ways and means of reducing the high cost of living; Miss Kate Henley, United States Department of Agriculture, who will show the possibilities of profit offered to farm women; and Dr. L. R. Fantick, United States Bureau of Animal Industry, who has participated in the government work in behalf of cattle tick eradication.

Accompanied by the Amarillo committee and agricultural representatives of the Railways of the Panhandle, the team will use the following itinerary, beginning at Amarillo: Jan. 15, Quanah and Childress; Jan. 16, Childress; Jan. 17, Memphis; Jan. 18, Clarendon; Jan. 19, Canyon City; Jan. 20, Plainview; Jan. 22, Lubbock; Jan. 23, Post City; Jan. 24, Snyder; Jan. 25, Sweetwater. At Sweetwater the team will break into two divisions, the first spending Jan. 26, at San Angelo, the other visiting Benjamin, Crowell and Chillicothe on Jan. 26.

It is reported that the citizens living in the south and east part of the city will petition the city for better fire protection in the way of more water mains and for the removal of the oil storage tanks along the railroad right-of-way. The citizens will demand the removal of the tanks beyond the city limits or that they be placed underground. The meeting will be held shortly and petitions filed with the city council, so it is said.

The Maids and Matrons will meet with Mrs. J. O. McMin, Friday afternoon.

ROAD DUTY IS THING OF PAST.

Hall County Citizens May Now Pay \$1.50 Instead of Working Five Days on Road.

As a sequel to the adoption of a fifteen cent special road tax, voted upon by the citizens of this county last July, the commissioners' court at a recent session, passed an order providing that any person subject to road duty, might by paying to the County Treasurer before the first of February, a special tax of \$1.50 be relieved of the liability of putting in the five days work on the county roads required by law.

The law makes a special provision allowing the commissioners to make this order.

The payment is so small compared with the work that it is thought that very few citizens will fail to take advantage of its provisions.

The commissioners believe, in spite of the relative smallness of the cash payment, that quite as much, if not more actual work on the roads may be had for the cash. Road overseers often fail to require the full time of all subjects to road work and the work done is often ineffective.—Memphis Democrat.

AUTO TRIP CONVERTS

LAWMAKER COPE.

Representative William Dade Cope of Childress will likely henceforth be one of the most staunch advocates of good roads in the Texas legislature. His advocacy will be based upon experience.

Friday morning Mr. Cope, accompanied by his wife and three sons, left Childress in their automobile. They arrived in Fort Worth Sunday after many trials, tribulations and delays. The machine had several broken springs and loose spokes and was otherwise damaged.

The party dined with Mr. Cope's half-brother, Charles F. Allen, city building inspector, and then departed for Austin, where Mr. Cope hopes to arrive in time to begin his third term as a member of the house. The roads between Childress and Fort Worth are not good, declared Mr. Cope, but he is hopeful that better highways will be encountered between Fort Worth and Austin.

Mr. Cope, it will be recalled, is the author of the Cope divorce bill, having for its object the separation of the cotton gins and oil mills and prohibiting the ownership of a gin and a mill being vested in a single individual or corporation. The bill failed in passage but the fight over it in the Thirty-fourth legislature was one of the most intense and picturesque of the session, many charges relative to the existence of a "cotton oil trust" and "seed crushers' trust" and a "ginners trust" being made.

It is likely a similar measure will be presented by Mr. Cope at the legislative session beginning Monday.—Ft. Worth Record.

THE VALUE OF GOOD ROADS.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Carmichael left Thursday for Post City, Texas, where they went to visit Mrs. Carmichael's brother, Bob Easley. Their son, Andy, took them to Childress in their car, where they took the train. They were accompanied by their niece, Miss Pearl Easley, who has been here on a visit from Shamrock.—Hollis, (Okla.) Post-Herald.

The Index clips the above just to show the value of roads to a community. Hollis people use to go to Quanah but since the bridge was built across Red river the travel has been coming to Childress. Childress should keep the roads in good condition from Wellington, Hollis and Paducah so that the travel from those towns would come here.

Henry Leslie reports a big business for his sale. He is continuing it for another week. Read his advt. and see the big bargains.

A fire last Wednesday night destroyed a small dwelling in the southwest section of the city. The loss was not very heavy.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Two hundred and seventy-four acres four and one-half miles north of Childress on Wellington road. 150-acres in cultivation, balance pasture. Can give immediate possession. Terms are easy and can take considerable trade in the deal. Price is right. W. A. McLEOD or E. W. CAWTHON.

LOANS ON LAND.

We can give extra good service on land loans. Can make loans at 8 per cent on five, seven or ten years time. NO LONG DELAYS. If you want quick service see us. 47tf. CRAWFORD & CRAWFORD.

A NEW BUSINESS MAN.

Reece Smith has purchased an interest in the Norris Hardware Company and is now in the store learning the business. Mr. Smith is a son of B. P. Smith of Chickasha, Ok., who is also owner of the Smith ranch north of the Red river. Mr. Smith is a splendid young man and with business qualities and The Index is pleased to see him locate in Childress. He will be one of the future big business men of the city, and as he is progressive will lend his best efforts to the up-building of the city and county.

All Capitol Syndicate lands advanced \$1.00 per acre January 1st. We predict within six months there will be another advance. BUY NOW, get the rise yourself. You can't make a mistake to buy some of our choice lands, some of which has made as high as two and one-half tons of maize per acre. G. B. FORD, Agent.

GOOD LAND BARGAIN.

One hundred and sixty acres five miles from Childress, 135-acres in cultivation. Good land at a bargain at \$22.50 per acre. \$800 or \$1000 cash balance on easy terms. Can give possession. See H. S. CRAWFORD or GUY WADE. 1t

BEDDING FOR ANIMALS.

The livestock should have bedding. Animals should not be required to lie on hard floors in the barn without some kind of material for bedding. Often the floors are damp and unsanitary. Bedding may be needed for the comfort of animals.

In addition to giving comfort to animals bedded in stalls and stables, litter is economical, because it absorbs a large per cent of the liquid manure that otherwise would run off or percolate. As this liquid manure is high in nitrogen, the most expensive constituent of a commercial fertilizer, it is economical to save it. Refused hay, straw leaves and other litter used as bedding may be cleaned out each morning with the manure and become a part of it to increase the fertility of the soil and its humus content. A little bedding material will contribute to the comfort of the animals and increase the amount of manure.

POULTRY CAR COMING.

If you have poultry bring it in on the 17th and 18th. I will pay biggest prices ever given for hens. Phone 93. CALVIN JONES.

Telephone your stationery orders to The Index. Phone 284.

LaGRANDE THEATRE

Please read our announcement—Picture Promises this month.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY—Attention

"GOD'S COUNTRY AND THE WOMAN."

Vitagraph filmed big stories that astounded the world—but nothing equals the screening of America's greatest western life. No other screen version of a similar theme has excelled nor even equaled Vitagraph's Greatest and most Marvelous Super-production "God's Country and the Woman." This beautiful super-production is only a forerunner of what it means to Childress theatre-goers as the management of LaGrande has contracted for its whole out-put to be shown every Friday at LaGrande.

"God's Country and the Woman" also features Miss Nell Shipman, a Houston Society Girl. Prices 15c and 25c And Matinee Saturday for school children 10c.

MONDAY—"Little Lady Eileen" with the charming Paramount dimutive star Marguerite Clark—your darling—a typical Marguerite Clark picture with smiles and curls.

TUESDAY—Another wonder—"The Madness of Helen" starring Ethel Clayton. Positively her greatest emotional portrayal of society life.

WEDNESDAY—in connection with our high class features, Mr. Thatcher, the Blind Wonder will more than please you with his musical genius.

COMING FRIDAY—"Mutt and Jeff's Wedding" BIG ROAD SHOW!



—WEDNESDAY—

"THE SHIELDING SHADOW"

Featuring GRACE DARMOND, RALPH KELLARD, LEON BARY. 11th episode.

"HONOR THY COUNTRY"

A strong three-reel picture with an irresistible patriotic appeal.

—THURSDAY—

"A MILLION DOLLAR SMASH."

L-Ko comedy sensation of 1917, with LUCILLE HULTON. Bison—"THE QUITTER." Two-reels. Rex—"A DIAMOND LURE."

—FRIDAY

WILLIAM FOX presents

"LOVE AND HATE"

A vivid portrayal of a woman's emotions, with BERTHA KALICH, supported by STEWART HOLMES.

—SATURDAY—

Imp—HARRY D. CAREY and EDITH JOHNSON in

"GUILTY."

Big U two-reel drama.

"LIFE'S MAELSTORM."

Joker—"THEIR FIRST ARREST."

Rathjen's Giant Poland Chinas

A SPECIAL FOR DECEMBER

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Frank Rathjen,

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TO THE PUBLIC

On account of our misfortune of Sunday's fire, we wish to tell our customers and friends that we will rebuild our Lumber Yard just as soon as we can get the material here to start the work. We have received copies of our records from our Ft. Worth Office and have a complete record of all notes and accounts. We have opened up an Office in our carpenter shop, across the street from the old yard, and those wishing to pay their notes and accounts can do so at any time. We have arranged to take care of all the business we had sold before the fire, and those wanting to know anything concerning their material bill can get information at our Office.

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The greatest bargain festivities of the season opened here last Saturday and were attended by hundreds of wise, economical men and women. If you have not visited this great clearance of winter merchandise you should make it a point to be on hand tomorrow morning. We are going to sell every item of winter goods before we close this sale regardless of the price it takes to do it. We have not simply cut the price on a few staple items as leaders or baits, but practically everything in the store has Felt the Sting of a Radical Reduction.

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No. 462
Official Statement of the Financial Condition of
The Farmers & Mechanics State Bank
at Childress, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 27th day of December, 1916, published in The Childress Index, a newspaper printed and published at Childress, State of Texas, on the 10th day of January, 1917.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$337,456.05
Loans, real estate	2,851.37
Overdrafts	142.19
Other Real Estate	4,640.12
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	60,724.89
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	19,423.51
Cash Items	1,090.23
Currency	21,792.00
Specie	3,111.80
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	3,997.04
Other Resources as follows: Demand Bills of Exchange	128,307.99
Total	\$588,537.19
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	10,546.22
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	80,848.66
Individual Deposits, subject to check	413,012.96
Time Certificates of Deposit	14,651.50
Demand Certificates of Deposit	4,000.00
Cashier's Checks	477.85
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	NONE
Certificates of Deposit, issued for money borrowed	NONE
Other Liabilities as follows:	NONE
Total	\$588,537.19

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Childress:
We, J. H. Cristler as president, and J. M. Crews 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. H. CRISTLER, President.
J. M. CREWS, Cashier.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
T. A. Ross,
Jno. R. Scott,
R. A. Bowers, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 6th day of January, A. D. 1917.
E. R. BIGGS, Notary Public, Childress County, Texas.

RECAPITULATION	
ASSETS	
Bills Receivable, Loans and Discounts	\$340,307.42
Overdrafts	142.19
Other Real Estate	4,640.12
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Interest in Guaranty Fund	3,997.04
Demand Bill of Exchange	\$128,307.99
Cash on hand and in Other Banks	106,142.43
	234,450.42
	\$588,537.19
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits, net	25,546.22
DEPOSITS	512,990.97
	\$588,537.19

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PURELY PERSONAL

R. O. McFarland of Arlie, was trading in the city Monday.

John Rowell of Newlin, was in the city Saturday paying taxes to the county officials.

Mrs. Edna Cato of Chillicothe, was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Preston, this week.

Mrs. Jess Rowell was here Saturday from Memphis for a visit with the family of Robt. E. Dunn.

John P. Fleming is up from Archer City. He and his family will leave Thursday morning to make that town their future home.

Miss Ollie Webb of Paducah, is at Dr. Morgan's sanitarium receiving treatment for an attack of appendicitis. She is doing nicely.

Mrs. S. P. Britt is down from the Britt ranch in Wheeler county. She is the guest of her sisters, Mrs. W. L. Kitchen and Mrs. J. W. Allmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilder have returned to their home at Brenham, Texas, last week. Miss Fay Jefferies left with them for a short visit.

Onley Jordan has purchased a Little-Six Buick from the Henry Hankins agency. Saturday Mrs. Jordan and son, Frank, motored down to Wichita Falls.

W. S. Newberry of the Kirkland community, is a new subscriber this week. Mr. Newberry is one of our oldest citizens and has one of the best farms in the county.

Clay Albright and family and Oscar Albright are here for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Albright. Clay reports that range conditions are excellent in New Mexico. They are ranching near Roswell.

Clint Merrick, son of Sanders Merrick of Memphis, Texas, was brought down last week and operated upon at Dr. Morgan's sanitarium for tonsillitis and adenoids. He returned home Monday night.

"THE MADNESS OF HELEN"

LaGrande Theatre has something unusual in store for the patrons on Tuesday, January 16th when Ethel Clayton and Carlyle Blackwell are scheduled to appear in the latest Brady-Made picture. The story is called "The Madness of Helen" and is one of the most interesting and "different" stories to be seen here in many days. Don't forget the date, Tuesday, January 16th.

I will leave again this week for the Plains with a prospective buyer for Capitol Syndicate land. Who wants to go with us. G. B. FORD, Agent.

In this issue appears the statements of the three banks of Childress, which are the best ever made. The local institutions have deposits of over a million dollars.

DEATH'S HARVEST

Harry Stapleton.
Harry Stapleton, age 37, died at Wichita Falls, Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1917, and the body was received here this morning by Undertaker John O. McMinn of the Biggerstaff Company. Deceased formerly resided here and was employed in the boiler shops. A delegation of members of the Boilermakers' Union of Wichita Falls accompanied the remains here with the two children.

The local lodge of Boilermakers held services at the Biggerstaff chapel and interment was made in the Childress cemetery by the lodge of Woodmen of the World. Rev. McDonald assisted in the last rites.

Mrs. Bessie Mae Long.
Bessie Mae, age 30 years, wife of M. M. Long, died Wednesday morning, January 3, 1917, at 11 o'clock. Mrs. Long had been sick for some time and her death was not unexpected. She is survived by a husband and several children. The funeral was held from the family residence Thursday afternoon and burial was made in the Carey cemetery. The funeral was in charge of Hawkins & Cook Undertaking Company and the trip to Carey was made in automobiles. Rev. Frank Pierson conducted the services.

H. C. Dozier.
H. Z. Dozier, age 25, died Monday morning at 4:20 o'clock and the remains were shipped to Corsicana, for interment by the Hawkins & Cook Company. The local lodge Woodmen of the World had charge of the services here and conducted the body to the train. A wife and two little children are left to mourn the loss of husband.

A. Barron.
A. Barron, age 40, died suddenly at his farm near Tell, Thursday morning, January 4, 1917. Interment was made in the Tell cemetery Friday by Undertaker J. O. McMinn of the Biggerstaff Company. The service was conducted by the Tell lodge Woodmen of the World. Deceased is survived by a wife and two children.

James Gibson Bryant.
James Gibson, nine-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bryant of this city, died Monday, January 8, 1917, and was buried in Fairview cemetery at Memphis the same day. The funeral train was in charge of Hawkins & Cook Company and was made in automobiles. Rev. Reynolds conducted the service at Memphis.

Baby Hughes.
Baby Hughes, six-weeks-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes, died Friday night and was buried Saturday. Elder Ethridge preached the funeral sermon.

An advance again of a cent a gallon on gasoline and tires and tubes are going up about fifteen per cent.

GOOD ROAD TO QUANAH.

Sunday afternoon the editor and wife with their guests, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Forsgard and Miss Clara Baley motored down to Quanah. The trip down was made by the road running to the Hereford Grove Farm. This road is five or six miles longer than the road south of the railroad and is in excellent condition. If you want to enjoy a good drive go out by the Mitchell farm, turn north and go to the old Jeff Johnson farm thence east to the northeast corner of the Whitehead farm, a mile south and then turn east. The roads come in to Acme from the north and the farming section between here and Acme is fine with many pretty rural homes. Don't fail to take this drive.

\$190,000 HOTEL FOR AMARILLO.
Amarillo, Texas, Jan. 8.—Arrangements were practically completed here last Saturday for the immediate construction of a modern hotel to cost \$190,000 and to be one of the best appointed hotels in West Texas. It comes on top of the biggest building year in Amarillo's history. Building permits aggregated approximately three-quarters of a million dollars for 1916.

All parties who have spare bedrooms are requested to leave their names with Secretary Bonds. It is thought that it will be necessary to send some of the visitors to the homes of the people during the swine breeders meeting next week.

Dr. J. A. Winfrey has located in the city and as soon as his office equipment arrives he will announce the location of his office. Until then he will be at the Jewlian Hotel. Doctor Winfrey needs no introduction as he is well known by many of our citizens.

The Childress-Kirkland road to the Underwood farm should be given attention. This road is in a deplorable condition.

FAULT SHOULD BE CORECTED.

The fire of Sunday afternoon brings to the minds of many of the property owners of the south-side the protest made to the city council against the poor fire protection given that part of the city when installing the water works. There is one long line of pipe in that section of the city with fire plugs three blocks apart. A protest was made by the citizens against that plan, but they were informed by the member of the council, who was superintending the work, that the south-side was thinly built and did not need the protection sought, and his word was law.

If the plan suggested at that time had been followed it is possible the damage Sunday would have been less. It was proposed that a line of mains be extended from the light plant about seven blocks east, then forming a belt around some fifteen blocks. This would have put fire plugs on South Front street which would have permitted several lines of hose, also some lines would not have been over two hundred feet long and the pressure would have been good. As at present the fire wagon had to run six blocks after passing the fire before water could be turned on.

The south-side is growing and the city should consider the interest of the section of the city more than in the past. A water main should be run on South Front street so as to give better fire protection to the business enterprises over there, which a majority of the industrial plants are located.

DAIRY HERD TESTED.
To the City Health Officer of Childress Childress county, Texas:
This is to certify that I have, this day, completed the Ophthalmic Tuberculin test for tuberculosis on 13 cows now being used as a dairy herd and owned by Mr. W. D. Wright, of the Wright Dairy, and find same to be free of tuberculosis.
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A railroad to Matador would not be a bad investment for Childress!

Sunday's fire demonstrated the need of better fire fighting equipment. A modern automobile fire engine is almost a necessity for Childress.

Never before has there been so much interest manifested in roads as now. Out at Highpoint the farmers are uniting to make a sand road good. The sand road has been a bad piece in the road for twenty years or more.

If a few plans are perfected there will be ten or twelve brick business houses built on Main street this spring and summer. Childress needs more small brick business houses for little merchants who cannot afford to pay the high rent prices in the best business portions.

Mayor Davidson's determination, or rather nerve, in attempting to make Childress a bigger and better city is commendable. Mayor Davidson may be a "dreamer" as to what the city should do but we must remember that now and then dreams come true. If no effort is made there will be no results and to build a city a debt must be created that the future generation will pay. The Index editor is a young man and is willing to help pay the taxes if Childress can be made a better place to live. Let every loyal citizen boost Mayor Davidson in his work and not say that it is impossible.

LIGHT ON A PARTY'S FUTURE.

The official returns on the popular vote for President in November were made public December 26th by the Associated Press. No question in current American politics is of such universal interest as that of the future of the Republican party. What are its tendencies? Is its vitality increasing in those states in which it still commands the support of pluralities? Is it a vigorous party in temporary eclipse or a decadent party?

The answer to these questions is to be sought in the returns from the 18 states which Mr. Hughes carried in the November election. They included all New Hampshire, the Middle Atlantic States of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, with which we might group West Virginia; the Middle Western Commonwealths

of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa, the prairie state of South Dakota, and Oregon, on the Pacific seaboard.

These 18 states represent all types of political life, ranging from the wire-wound standpatism of Rhode Island, Vermont and Delaware and the scarcely less immovable "regularity" of great machine-dominated states like Pennsylvania and New York, to Wisconsin, Minnesota and Oregon, on the most advanced salient of the far-flung battle line of progressivism.

These states are, politically, alike in but a single thing—technical Republicanism. We beg pardon. They are alike in another thing also. Every one of them is a nursery of growing Wilson sentiment. Every one of the 18 showed an increased vote for Wilson, by comparison with the vote of 1912, and in every one except Wisconsin, where the rates were equal, the Wilson vote showed a more rapid increase than the Hughes vote, compared with the combined votes for Roosevelt and Taft in 1912. Delaware showed the smallest increase of the Wilson vote—8 per cent, in the state of the Du Ponts and the Addickses. Rhode Island, however, gave Wilson 34 per cent more votes in 1916 than in 1912, Pennsylvania 31 per cent more, New York 15 per cent more and New Jersey 18. In New England, Vermont, the state that accompanied Utah in giving Taft a plurality in 1912, showed a 49 per cent increase for Wilson, Maine 25 per cent, Connecticut 33 per cent and Massachusetts 42 per cent. West Virginia, a manufacturing state like Pennsylvania, increased its Wilson vote 24 per cent.

Coming to the Middle West, we see increases of 14 per cent in Indiana, 17 in Wisconsin, 19 in Iowa, while in Minnesota the Wilson gain was 69 per cent over 1912, and in Michigan it reached the imposing figure of 90 per cent. Illinois shows on the face of the returns, a growth of 134 per cent. If we take away 100 per cent in view of the advent of woman suffrage and divide the remainder by two, we shall have 17 per cent, which judging by the result in Wisconsin and Iowa, cannot be far from the true figure. South Dakota increased its Wilson vote 20 per cent, and the Oregon return, on the Pacific Coast, gives an increase of 27 per cent, after being subjected to the same process as Illinois.

That there is nothing sectional about the growth of the Wilson strength is evident by running over the first half of the list of Hughes states, arranged in the order of rate of increase of their Wilson vote. They are: Michigan, Minnesota, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Oregon, Maine.

We now come to the comparison of the Hughes vote with the combined Taft-Roosevelt vote of 1912. Of the 18 Republican states, nine—just half the number—show a loss by comparison of the popular vote for Hughes with the combined vote of Roosevelt

and Taft. This ranges from 11 per cent in the case of Massachusetts and Maine, 6 per cent in Minnesota and 2 in Pennsylvania, to three-tenths of one per cent in Iowa.

In a class by themselves are the woman suffrage states of Illinois and Oregon; the Hughes vote was 80 per cent larger in Illinois than that cast for Taft and Roosevelt and 75 per cent larger in Oregon. If the electorate doubled in these two states, this represents a relative loss of 10 per cent in Illinois and 12 in Oregon.

Of the states showing a gain for Hughes over the Taft-Roosevelt vote, Wisconsin tops the list with 17 per cent. Next comes New Jersey, 15 per cent; Indiana and South Dakota, 9; West Virginia, 5; New York, Connecticut and Delaware, 4; and Rhode Island, 1.

Look at the Republican machine strongholds, comparing the Wilson vote with that of Hughes. Delaware shows the least gain for Wilson, but her vote for Wilson has grown twice as fast as the Hughes vote grew, by comparison with the Roosevelt-Taft vote.

Rhode Island increased her Wilson vote 34 per cent and her Hughes vote over her Taft-Roosevelt vote six-tenths of one per cent. Pennsylvania's Wilson increase is 31 per cent, compared by 2 per cent on the other side. Illinois, allowing for a 100 per cent increase in the total, gives Wilson 17 per cent more than in 1912, while her vote for the other side is 12 per cent less.

If these figures showed different conditions in different sections of the country, their meaning would be a fair subject of controversy. But it is not necessary to labor details. They nowhere show a Republicanism holding its own, or promising to hold its own. Nine of the 18 Republican states show a Republican loss in the popular vote, by comparison with the Roosevelt-Taft vote; Wisconsin shows an equal rate of increase; New Jersey shows a Wilson growth somewhat preponderating, while in South Dakota and Delaware the Wilson vote grew twice as fast as that of Hughes over Taft-Roosevelt; in West Virginia five times as fast; Connecticut eight times; Pennsylvania almost 15 times; Rhode Island 50 times.

Democratic sentiment, as represented by Woodrow Wilson, is everywhere on the increase, and nowhere more notably so than in states which are still Republican strongholds; while Republican sentiment, as represented by Charles E. Hughes, is everywhere on the decline, and nowhere more notably so than in states like Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, Michigan and Minnesota.

The very principle of growth seems to have departed from Republicanism. The inertia of habit is its principal remaining asset. No wonder its leaders anxiously scan its future. To a Democratic observer it would appear that the time has come for an end of the "good-standpatter-good-Pro-

gressive" policy of the recent campaign, and equally of the attempt to use the old weathered scarecrow of "Democratic free trade" to frighten a timid public. The leaders ought to get together, decide upon a creed consistent with itself and having some relevancy to modern problems and needs, and then take like men the consequences of standing by that creed. If the forces whose work is shown in the impressive facts just marshaled continue to work unchecked, what will there be left of the g. o. p. in 1917?—St. Louis Republic.

Total prohibition throughout France of the consumption of such alcoholic beverages as whiskies, brandies and liquors has been decided on by the government. The use of the term alcohol in this connection is understood in France to include such beverages as absinthe, which already has been suppressed, whiskies, brandies and liquors, but not wines or beers.

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To the People of Texas and their Legislators Elect:

This is a paid advertisement intended to give reasons why the present law of Texas relating to the incorporation of oil companies should be amended so as to allow Texas corporations like those of other states to pursue all of the several branches of this single business.

The Texas Company is engaged in purchasing, refining and marketing petroleum, and as a part of its business owns and operates a system of pipe lines. It is incorporated under the laws of Texas and is handicapped seriously by the inadequacy of its charter powers. It has no direct power to prospect for and produce crude oil. And as the law now stands it can obtain this power only by reorganizing and taking out a charter in some other state, thus becoming a corporation of that state and ceasing to be a corporation of Texas.

Heretofore the stockholders, by a separate producing organization, have borne the burden of obtaining the necessary crude supplies; and but for this arrangement the company could not have succeeded. This was workable when the organization was small and operations were on a narrow scale. But with the growth of the business and with varying and shifting stock ownership it has become subject to too many complications. The company is now manufacturing in Texas and marketing in nearly every country in the world the various finished products of Texas crude oil. It now has more than 10,000 employees, and its stockholders number about 4,000, including approximately 2,000 employees.

The competitors of this company are engaged in all branches of the business. Two of its principal competitors in Texas operate as limited partnerships or joint stock associations and therefore may pursue any business that an individual might pursue, the only restriction being such stipulations as the shareholders see fit to make among themselves. Another principal competitor is organized as a holding company, incorporated under the laws of another state, and owns the stock of three Texas corporations, one engaged in producing oil, another in refining and marketing, and a third in operating pipe lines, so that on the whole the stockholders have the benefit of an organization which covers all branches of the business.

The statement just made is not in criticism. The plan of including all branches of a single business is logical. Moreover, as applied to the oil business it is universal in all of the oil producing states and in foreign countries. In practically every state of the Union, except Texas, a corporation of this kind has the charter power to produce oil.

And it may not be inappropriate to say further in this connection that the limitations which the laws of Texas place on the charter powers of The Texas Company do not stop at the boundaries of the state; they follow the company wherever it goes; they follow it into other states and foreign countries where its competitors carry on all branches of the business and where the state of Texas can not prevent them from doing so. If anywhere on the Globe this company should do an act in excess of its powers as defined by the laws of Texas its charter would be subject to forfeiture.

No one would think of precluding a company engaged in the lumber business from going directly to the natural source of supply, taking timber leases or buying standing timber, and in that way acquiring its raw material. There as in the oil business the manufacturing merchant takes the raw or crude material and turns it into finished products. In each case the supply is limited as regards both locality and extent and the matter of obtaining supplies of the particular kinds needed and obtaining them at the times when needed and in the places where needed is of supreme importance. The same thought may be applied to mining or any industry where the operator must lay out large sums in plant and marketing facilities and is not warranted in doing so unless he is to have a free hand in obtaining the raw material. He must be allowed to protect his investment, otherwise he is at the mercy of hostile forces and can be destroyed at their will or upon an event of chance. To exclude an oil company from taking leases and producing oil, and thereby require it to buy from those who may happen to have wells and produce some oil, would mean to any concern operating on a large scale precisely the same that it would mean to the owner of a sawmill if he should be prohibited from acquiring standing timber and required to buy his logs at retail. And furthermore, as previously indicated, it is not a question of what might be ideal if we were at the inception of this industry; the business has pitched itself along certain lines; and these lines are universal and world-wide.

The position of The Texas Company was fully explained to the last legislature, but there was opposition to the bill introduced for its relief, and the matter was delayed and finally crowded out near adjournment. The company did not then, and it does not now, ask any special favors, or for the enactment of a law which would not apply to all similarly situated, or for any change in the settled policies of the state; but it did desire and it still desires some fair and suitable relief; such legislation as will remove the handicap and accord it those lawful corporate rights that are enjoyed by companies organized in such states as California, Oklahoma or Louisiana. It will present the matter to the Thirty-fifth Legislature.

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INTEREST IN CONTROVERSY.

The student body of the University of Texas approves the action of the board of regents in refusing to ask the resignation of certain members of the faculty, as demanded by Governor James E. Ferguson, Dan Williams of Childress, senior law student, said yesterday. Mr. Williams, who was in Dallas enroute to Austin, was editor-in-chief of the Daily Texan, student newspaper, last year.

If a clear-cut issue develops later in the controversy the students will join with the alumni of the University in taking united action, Mr. Williams said. The interest in the controversy is intense, he said.—Dallas News.

The Monday attraction at LaGrande is Marguerite Clark in "Little Lady Eileen." This picture is a Paramount feature and will be sure to please everybody. Those who like to see Miss Clark should not miss the picture.

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

WILL BUILD A GIN.

W. P. Low has been active during the past two weeks securing subscribers for stock in the new co-operative gin for Kirkland.

Our farmers, realizing the advantages to be gained from such a gin, are taking a great deal of interest in the matter and enough stock had been sold to assure the building of same.

The men behind this movement are good, substantial citizens, and we feel sure that the gin will prove a paying proposition, for with a bumper cotton crop, two gins could never handle the business.—Kirkland American.

O. L. Williams of Las Vegas, N. M., writes Secretary Bonds of the Childress Commercial Club, that he and a party of Dallas tourists will be here early in the spring to spend the evening and night. The party is making an auto trip from Dallas to Las Vegas and there will be about eighty people in the party.

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

ARLIE NEWS NOTES.

Miss Lola Gunstream is very sick. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hadley have moved to Quanah.

Mr. Binkley and family have returned from Colorado.

Mrs. Paul Wright has returned from Fort Smith, Ark.

John Hillburn and wife were guests of W. B. Wyrick Sunday.

Mrs. W. B. Wyrick has been very sick but is better at this writing.

John West and family spent Sunday with G. W. Wilks and family.

John Davenport was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Lawrence, Sunday.

W. S. Crawford of Wellington, was the guest of A. B. Crawford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Collins spent Sunday with J. L. Clark and family.

Mr. Charlie Trout of Dodsonville, has moved into the Arlie community.

Mr. Scott of Dodsonville, was a caller (?) at the Lawrence home Sunday.

Ellis Savage and sisters were guests of Miss Bessie Burk, Sunday evening.

Tom Cochran and family of Louie, were guests of Mr. Samples Sunday.

Miss Effie Elmore has had an operation to remove a tumor on her nose.

She is doing nicely at this.

G. W. Wilks has purchased a player piano and they have been entertaining with music since.

Misses Pearl Kelly and Eva Gunstream were guests of Miss Mora Smith Sunday evening.

Mr. Rodgers from Childress, has been out here demonstrating the 1917 Dord car.

Luther King of Wellington, has moved to his new home near Arlie.

G. W. Wilks lost control of his car while going to Hollis, Okla., Saturday afternoon and turned it over.

The car was badly damaged but Mr. Wilks escaped injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Jefferies were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilmoth at Loca, Sunday.

The Arlie school is getting along fine and growing all the time. New pupils are added almost every morning.

Rev. King filled his regular appointment at Arlie, Sunday morning and night. He also preached at Loca in the afternoon.

Three hundred and sixty magazines have been added to the Arlie school library, which are being enjoyed very much. They are all good.

Among the most important are, Confederate Veteran, Pathfinder, Christian Herald, Literary Digest, Youth's Companion and many more just as pure and wholesome. Some new books have been added also.

MISSIONARY PROGRAM.

The following program will be rendered at the home of Mrs. J. M. Franklin, January 17th:

Leader—Mrs. L. S. Stallings.

Song—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Prayer and Bible Study by Leader.

Song—"I want to be a Worker."

Some Needs for the Year's Work—Mrs. G. D. Atkinson.

Circle Work—Mrs. W. L. Kitchen.

Mission Study—Mrs. F. E. Langston.

How to Get and How to Hold New Members—Mrs. Frank Mullen.

WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.

Topic—Mid China.

Leader—Arline Wood.

Song No. 77.

Prayer.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 43.

"Chinese Boys and Girls"—Miss Whitehouse.

"The Chinese Beggar"—Donald Diggs.

"The Social Reform in China"—Ruth Sloss.

"The New China"—Harry Keck.

Song No. 236.

Lord's Prayer.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

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.

HOGWALLOW NEWS.

Dock Hocks has the mumps. He is doing nicely, though his whiskers is too small and don't fit his face.

Miss Flutie Belcher is making her a new plaid dress with the stripes running in the direction of Bounding Billows.

The Dog Hill Preacher had to repeat a portion of his sermon last Sunday on account of Tobe Moseley and his dog getting in late.

Sidney Hocks got after a rabbit over on Musket Ridge yesterday. He was in a considerable hurry, as he wants to catch it before the game season closes.

The Blacksmith is advertising a sale on good luck horseshoes. Yam Sims bought a full set last Saturday and on Sunday called on the Widow of the Calf Ribs neighborhood.

If a person acts honestly and honorably in all his daily transactions there is no reason why he should not live to respectable old age, provided he does not starve, says Raz Barlow.

The widow living in the Calf Ribs neighborhood was in our midst last week. She said she came to buy a dishpan, but she inspected Dock Hocks more than she did the tinware.

The Hog Ford preacher requests that all who attend services at his church, whether members or just plain citizens, must hereafter refrain from reading almanacs while he is preaching.

A fellow at Bounding Billows the other day asked Raz Barlow this question: If he was a hamburger sausage, and was about to be sold, how would he rather be served—raw or cooked. Raz studied awhile, and decided he would rather be served raw, then it would not hurt so bad.

Washington Hocks will put his razor-back hawg on exhibition at Tickville this coming spring, and has bought two loads of corn for it to eat while getting ready to appear before the public. If Wash's hawg don't come away wearing the gold medal the judges had better hide out.

Friday morning the Deputy Constable arrested a man wearing blue pants, on a charge of having stolen a calf from a man near Bounding Billows. Before the man had been in jail long the jailer got into conversation with him; and finding him to be a second cousin to his wife, he was turned loose on habeas corpus proceedings.

If energy and perseverance has anything to do with success, we believe Miss Hostetter Hocks will some day be a great singer. She sings both with and without any one listening to her, and when accompanied by other voices she sings fast and gets through and comes back and helps others over the rough places.

The mysterious varmint with the large glassy eyes and a bushy tail that got away from Sim Flinders a short time ago, after almost killing seven of his largest dogs, reappeared in our midst by walking into Hogwallow yesterday morning and taking a seat on the front porch of the postoffice. The postmaster at once put out his sign board notifying the public that the postoffice was closed in honor of Washington's approaching birthday.

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.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

OLYMPUS ITEMS.

Alice Cates is on the sick list this week.

The Olympus people are not farming much yet.

Alva Kindie left last week for a visit to Electra.

George Clark and John Russell left last week for Eastern Texas.

A large number of strangers are preparing to move into Olympus.

Olympus wishes good luck and success for all during the year 1917.

The young people enjoyed a nice party at Mr. C. R. Mitchell's Saturday night.

The school is progressing fine. The teachers are W. M. Stiner and Miss Irene Morgan.

The Olympus cotton is gathered and the citizens are enjoying a good and hard earned rest.

C. R. Mitchell was the purchaser of a pretty organ last week for his two daughters, Emily and Bessie.

Ross Malloy of Lodge, Texas, is at work on a new residence here and is preparing to move next week.

The Sunday school is progressing nicely although there is some depreciation in the attendance of teachers.

A good rain would be appreciated by the Olympus citizens as the streets are getting rather dusty and the water wagons are on the bum.

The Olympus string band members seem to be contrary and one member has left. So music seems to be an unknown quantity at present.

The warm weather has caused some talk among our ball players as the organization of the 1917 team, and taking the field for practice immediately so they will be in trim condition when the season opens.

CLASSIFIED WANT COLUMN

Rates one cent per word for first insertion; one-half cent per word for each following insertion. Tell us your wants

FOR SALE.

MARE—and colt, colt eight months old. Cash preferred or will accept good note. W. E. DAVEY, telephone 233. 8c

CAR—Used car in good shape, price reasonable for cash. Phone or see G. R. COOPER. 9-12

BURROS—Carload of Burros, all ages and sizes, top prices. W. K. PEDEN. 9-12

STOCK—Two fresh cows, horse and some hogs. See me at Hamill's Auto Supply Station. W. H. COLE. 9-12

BOARS—Poland China, pure bred. Have some Big Types and some half-breeds. Prices right. See T. P. COCHRAN. 9-12

LOST.

SUIT CASE—Lost on the road between Childress and Tell on the evening of December 23rd, containing ladies' wearing apparel, two dresses and other articles. Finder will please leave at Tell postoffice or at Crawford's Grocery Store at Childress. MRS. M. E. FRAZIOR, Northfield, Texas.

NOTICE, AUTO OWNERS.

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

G. H. HAMIL, Auto Supplies.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

Report of the Condition of
at Childress, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Dec. 27, 1916.

RESOURCES		
Loans and Discounts		\$355,089.77
Acceptances of this bank purchased or discounted,		
Bill of Exchange—Cotton	11,017.78	
Total loans	366,107.55	
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	100,000.00	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	3,750.00	
Value of banking house (if unencumbered)	12,000.00	
Real Estate owned other than banking house	12,500.00	
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago and St. Louis	\$ 30,221.57	
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	220,339.30	250,560.87
Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 12 and 20)		637.10
Other checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		738.73
Outside checks and other cash items	\$ 380.87	
Fractional currency, nickels and cents	188.75	569.62
Federal Reserve notes		1,000.00
Lawful reserve in vault and net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank		57,967.53
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		5,000.00
Total		\$817,471.35
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00	
Surplus Fund	25,000.00	
Undivided Profits	\$ 25,864.20	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	8,920.22	16,943.98
Circulating notes outstanding		100,800.00
Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 29 or 30)		199,590.54
Individual deposits, subject to check		364,954.70
Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days		5,000.00
Cashier's checks outstanding		5,467.13
Total demand deposits, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40		\$373,421.83
Certificates of deposit		1,715.00
Total of time deposits, Items 41, 42 and 43		\$ 1,715.00
Total		\$817,471.35

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Childress, ss:
J. C. C. Badgett, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. C. BADGETT, Cashier.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
F. R. Friend,
H. E. Sherwood,
Will P. Jones, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of January, 1917.

F. E. WOODRUFF, Notary Public.

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES		
Loans and Discounts		\$355,089.77
Bills of Exchange, Cotton		11,017.78
Overdrafts		NONE
Furniture and Fixtures		NONE
U. S. Bonds—Par		100,000.00
Banking House and Other Real Estate		24,500.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank		3,750.00
CASH and due from Banks		323,113.85
Total		\$817,471.35
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock		\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits—net		41,943.98
Circulation		100,800.00
Deposits		574,727.37
Total		\$817,471.35

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of THE FIRST STATE BANK

at Childress, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 27th day of December 1916, published in The Childress Index, a newspaper printed and published at Childress, State of Texas, on the 10th day of January 1917.

RESOURCES		
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral		\$133,912.70
Loans, real estate		8,750.00
City and County Warrants		1,104.32
Exchange in Transit		1,899.10
Furniture and Fixtures		1,366.70
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net		120,375.82
Cash Items		1,066.68
Currency		14,377.00
Specie		3,848.65
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund		2,435.67
Other Resources as follows: Int. in Depositors Guaranty Fund		402.34
Total		\$289,538.98
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock paid in		\$ 25,000.00
Surplus Fund		15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net		2,539.78
Individual Deposits, subject to check		237,994.45
Demand Certificates of Deposit		8,361.87
Cashier's Checks		642.88
Total		\$289,538.98

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Childress:

We, Lon Alexander as president, and C. W. Mitchell 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.

LON ALEXANDER, President.
C. W. MITCHELL, Cashier.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
G. M. Klutts,
G. F. Springer,
H. E. Meador, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of January, A. D. 1917.

J. H. MOWREY, Notary Public Childress County, Texas

Chickens! Turkeys!

We want a solid car load of Chickens, Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Guineas. I will pay 13½ cents per pound for hens, 17 cents for turkeys, 10 cents per pound for ducks and geese, 15 cents each for guineas and 5 cents per pound for old roosters.

This car will be loaded on
Wednesday and Thursday
17th and 18th of JANUARY
These prices apply for this shipment.
Bring in your poultry and get the highest market prices.

Childress Produce
Company J. H. GREGORY
Manager

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A SHIPMENT OF ONE ROW GRAIN DRILLS. WE ALSO CARRY A FULL LINE OF FARM WAGONS, FARM TRUCKS, CANE HARVESTERS, TWINE, BUGGIES, HARNESS AND SADDLES. OUR PRICES AND TERMS ARE THE BEST.

Norris Implement Comp'y

The House That Carries REPAIRS

LESLIE'S EIGHT DAY SALE!

Extended one week Longer
Closing Sat., January 20th

We are going to sacrifice our stock of Dry Goods for eight days only. This merchandise was bought early and we are going to sell Dry Goods cheaper than any merchant can buy them wholesale.

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

Staple Dry Goods

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

Ladies' House Dresses

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

Ladies' Coats and Coat Suits

Ladies' \$20.00 Coats, this sale.....\$10.00
 Ladies' \$15.00 Coats, this s. ale..... 8.25
 Ladies' \$10.00 Coats, this sale..... 5.00
 Ladies' \$8.50 Coats, this sale..... 4.25
 Ladies' \$27.50 Coat Suits, this sale..... 17.50
 Ladies' \$20.00 Coat Suits, this sale..... 14.00
 Ladies' \$18.00 Coat Suits, this sale..... 9.95
 Ladies' \$15.00 Coat Suits, this sale..... 7.95

Men's Suits

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

Boys' Suits

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

Men's Overcoats

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

Blankets

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

Comforts

Worth \$2.25, this sale.....\$1.50

Men's Gloves

Men's Work Gloves that are worth \$1.75, this sale ..\$1.25
 Men's Work Gloves that are worth \$1.50, this sale ..95c
 Men's Dress Gloves, worth \$2.00, this sale.....\$1.45
 Men's Dress Gloves, worth \$1.75, this sale..... 1.35
 Men's Dress Gloves, worth \$1.50, this sale..... 1.25
 Men's Dress Gloves, worth \$1.25, this sale..... .95
 We will sell you a good Canvas Glove this sale, a pr... 5c

Men's Hats

Men's \$4.00 Star Hats, this sale.....\$2.75
 Men's \$3.50 Star Hats, this sale..... 2.45
 Men's \$3.00 Star Hats, this sale..... 2.20
 Men's \$2.00 Star Hats, this sale..... 1.45
 Men's Fur Caps we sold at \$2.00, sale price.....\$1.25

Men's Pants

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

Overalls

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

Ladies' Underwear

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

Boys' and Girls' Underwear

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

Men's Underwear

Men's \$1.25 Grade Unionsuits, this sale.....88c
 Men's Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, worth 65c, this sale.....42c

Men's Shirts

We handle the Ferguson-McKinney make. Everyone guaranteed.

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

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

Children's Sweaters

Children's Wool Sweaters, worth \$1.50, this Sale88c

Men's Shoes

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

Ladies' Shoes

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

BIG REDUCTION IN CHILDREN'S SHOES

Table Linen

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

Hosiery

Ladies' 50c Fibre Silk Hose, this sale.....29c
 Ladies' 60c Luxite Silk Hose, made by Holeproof Company, this sale.....50c
 Ladies' 25c Hose, this sale.....18c
 Ladies' 15c Hose, this sale.....8 1-3c
 Men's 25c Hose, this sale.....20c
 Men's 15c Hose, this sale.....8 1-3c
 Children's 25c Hose, this sale.....18c
 Children's 15c Hose, this sale.....11c

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

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

HENRY LESLIE

Childress, Texas

In The Masonic Temple

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

Join Our Christmas Banking Club



Join Today!

IT COSTS NOTHING TO JOIN

All you need to do is to come into our bank with 10c, 5c, 2c or 1c, or 50c, \$1.00 or \$5.00 and tell us which Club you wish to join. We will make you a member of the Club and give you a Bank Book showing the Club you have joined.

We want every MAN, WOMAN and CHILD in this city to join our Christmas Banking Club and we extend to all a cordial invitation to come into our Bank and join this Club. **COME IN NOW!**



WHAT THE DIFFERENT CLUBS WILL PAY YOU

1c Club PAYMENTS	2c Club PAYMENTS	5c Club PAYMENTS	10c Club PAYMENTS	50c Club PAYMENTS	\$1.00 Club PAYMENTS	\$5.00 Club PAYMENTS	X CLUB FOR \$2, \$3, \$4 \$10 OR any amount
1st Week.....1c 2nd Week.....2c 3rd Week.....3c Increase every week by 1c, total in 50 weeks	1st Week.....2c 2nd Week.....4c 3rd Week.....6c Increase every week by 2c, total in 50 weeks	1st Week.....5c 2nd Week.....10c 3rd Week.....15c Increase every week by 5c, total in 50 weeks	1st Week.....10c 2nd Week.....20c 3rd Week.....30c Increase every week by 10c, total in 50 weeks	2nd Week.....50c 3rd Week.....50c 1st Week.....50c Deposit 50c every week Total in 50 weeks	1st Week.....\$1.00 2nd Week.....\$1.00 3rd Week.....\$1.00 Deposit \$1 every week Total in 50 weeks	1st Week.....\$5.00 2nd Week.....\$5.00 3rd Week.....\$5.00 Deposit \$5 every week Total in 50 weeks	
\$12.75	\$25.50	\$63.75	\$127.50	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$250.00	

YOU CAN BEGIN WITH THE LARGEST PAYMENT FIRST AND DECREASE YOUR PAYMENTS EACH WEEK

IT MEANS SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS TO YOU

Money spent is money GONE; Money banked is Money SAVED.
The systematic method of saving in our Christmas Banking Club makes it easy for all to SAVE and HAVE money.
The "saving habit" is one of the best habits anyone can have. Children should be taught it early.
Ask any wealthy man how he "got his start" and he will tell you that he saved and banked his money.
Get your start. GET IT TODAY. Join our Christmas Banking Club TODAY.

THE BEST GIFT OF ALL!

When you give the members of your family a membership in our Christmas Banking Club you give them something worth having; something of value and something that will benefit them in the future. For not only will they have the money they have banked, but they will also have learned how to bank and HAVE MONEY.

Every parent knows this is good sense.

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

THE F. & M. STATE BANK

ANOTHER ROAD MEETING.

Childress will entertain a delegation of Sweetwater and Plainview business men Saturday evening. The delegation is coming to secure the co-operation of this city in building a good road from Sweetwater to Childress, via Paducah.

A representative of the Texas Good Roads Association will come with the Sweetwater party.

This road is assured and will mean that a vast amount of travel now going from the South Plains Country to Amarillo will come this way.

Childress will see from one hundred and fifty to two hundred tourist cars daily next summer and all of these travelers will spend more or less money while in the city. This is one of the ways in which good roads benefit a community.

Texas swine breeders will assemble at Childress Jan. 17 for a two days' session. Texas should be the greatest producer of hogs of any state in the union. There is a world's market for the meat of the swine and rich profits for the swine breeder. America must feed the world for years to come.—Ft. Worth Record.

The Maids and Matrons will meet with Mrs. J. O. McMin, Friday afternoon.

WINTER CARE OF CAR.

Freezing water in the radiator often turns out to be a costly mishap to a motorist and is always attended with trouble. Now is the time to take steps to prevent this happening. For motorists who desire to make their own anti-freezing compound the following is recommended by Motor Age: Alcohol and Water.

For zero weather use water, 75 per cent; alcohol, 25 per cent.

For 10 below zero, water 70 per cent; alcohol, 30 per cent.

For 20 below zero, water 60 per cent; alcohol, 40 per cent.

Glycerin and Alcohol.

Not lower than 5 below: Cent

Alcohol.....15

Glycerin.....15

Water.....70

Not lower than 20 below: Cent

Alcohol.....20

Glycerin.....20

Water.....60

MR. FARMER! See here, with \$480 I can sell you 160 acres of beautiful land, skip the next two years without anything except 6 per cent interest, then begin with \$240 a year, for the next eight years, all at 6 per cent until paid. Buy now before the price advances further. G. B. FORD, Agent.

WEARING AWAY OF COINS.

Itineraries of the ninety agricultural specialists, bankers and business men, who will begin a tour of Texas the latter part of January to urge production of feed and food crops during 1917, have been announced by the agricultural committee of the Texas Bankers' Association, under whose auspices the work is being conducted. The teams are composed equally of agricultural experts and business men.

Two of the teams will work out of Fort Worth, covering Central West Texas and the Panhandle.

One team will work from Amarillo through the extreme western section of the state. It will include, M. E. Hays, A. & M. College; D. C. Dove, state department of agriculture, Miss Kate Henley, United States department of agriculture, and Dr. J. A. Kiernan, bureau of animal industry. For the first week it will spend its time visiting Quanah, Jan. 15; Childress, Jan. 16; Memphis, Jan. 17; Clarendon, Jan. 18; Canyon City, Jan. 19, and Plainview, Jan. 20; Snyder, Jan. 23. During the second week the itinerary is as follows: Lubbock, Jan. 22; Post City, Jan. 24; Sweetwater, Jan. 25. On that day the team will divide and the sections will visit San Angelo, Jan. 26, also, Crowell, Benjamin and Chillicothe. Special attention will be given to livestock and tick eradication, Dr. Kiernan being perhaps the greatest authority on that subject in the country.

WESTERN CATTLE IN DEMAND.

At the recent stock show in Chicago a large part of the carloads of fat cattle exhibited were made from feeders purchased at the Denver stock show last January. The prices paid for these cattle broke all records and many big eastern feeders have announced their intention of attending the Denver show which opens January 20, to secure more of the same kind. As a result it is expected that prices paid for feeders at Denver will be a new record. The annual stock show at Denver, while now claimed by the citizens of that city, has really been made by the Rocky Mountain stockmen and the show in turn has made the Rocky Mountain cattle the best the world produces. The exhibition of pure bred breeding stock from western herds promises to be startling and western breeders will find many eastern breeders at Denver looking for choice stock to take back to their own herds.

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

Cotton Seed For Planting

We have a Car of Pure Mebane planting seed from Lockhart, will arrive this week. If you are going to need pure seed for planting now is the time to buy.

Sulkey Plows

We have a number "Best of All" Sulkey Plows which we are offering at bargain prices. If you need a good plow don't fail to get our prices.

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