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School News

M. C. Bishop, acting principal. The Principal having resigned, M. C. Bishop was elected to fill the vacancy.

We are all sorry to lose Miss Maude Nevels from the school. The illness of her mother caused her to resign; noble hearted, she felt dutybound to care for her aged mother.

Miss Ethel McCarley has moved her grades into Miss Maude's room and the three teachers have divided the work among themselves so as to save the expense of a fourth teacher, in order that the school might run longer.

We as teachers are hard worked. The only recompense we ask is the co-operation of the parents. Parents, you can make or mar the school.

We ask the trustees to visit the school, thereby to give enforcement.

We invite you parents to visit the school, thereby to show your sympathy.

Parents are asked to see that their children are at the school house 5 minutes before nine in the morning.

There have 10 or more students entered and re-entered during the week.

The editor has tendered the school space in the News for a write-up each week, so we hope to keep the public informed about the school.

Send your help to build a good school in Tahoka.

Brown's Trip

Mr. C. E. Brown, of the real estate firm of Brown & Alford, returned home Wednesday night from an extensive trip through central and southern Texas. He left Wednesday of last week on York Skinner's auto and they made the trip to Big Springs in three hours and a half actual running time. From Big Springs Mr. Brown took the train for Fort Worth and then to Mansfield, where he was met by Mr. G. T. Brewer with whom he spent Friday and Saturday. Leaving Brewer's Mr. Brown took the I. & G. N. at Lillian for Marlin, thence down the Brazos river via Hearne to Austin. On his return he came through Georgetown, Taylor, Bartlett, Waco, Fort Worth and Big Springs. Coming up on the auto he passed close to the Soash settlement where they were busy getting ready to receive the 150 prospectors expected to arrive today, Friday. The Soash settlement is situated about four miles east of Sparenberg which place has been maved bodily to Soash. Mr. Brown took in some of the railroad meeting at Lamesa and then came on home where he had some important business awaiting him.

Business Arithmetic.

On Monday night, March 8th Chas. H. Renner, of Tennessee, will give a free lecture on common sense Arithmetic (short method.) Everyone is invited to attend and bring a tablet and pencil. Every one who is in business or ever expects to be should attend as Mr. Renner is an entertaining talker, as well as a mathematician of no small attainment.

Mr. Renner has been in our town for sometime and has quite a class pledged and will make the term worth while to all who attend. Older people would do well to take advantage of this opportunity to rub up their knowledge of arithmetic and to learn the short methods which this professor teaches. To young people the opportunity will be of inestimable value.

THE TIME FOR ACTION FOR TAHOKA TO GET RAILROAD IS RIGHT NOW

Lubbock Has Closed Contract - - Lamesa to Get Road in Nine Months for \$50,000
Col. Goodenough Now Here - - Tahoka Can Get A Railroad Now
By Prompt and Liberal Action - - Time To Work
For Tahoka's Future is Now at Hand.

With Lubbock already signed up with several railroads and especially the extension of the Santa Fe south from Plainview to Lubbock, and with Lamesa now getting up a \$50,000 bonus for the completed road from Stanton north to that place, it looks as though it is now or never with Tahoka to fill up the gap between Lubbock and Lamesa.

At Lamesa they had a railroad meeting Wednesday at which the citizens entered into an agreement with Mr. A. D. Goodenough, in which the citizens agree to raise a bonus of \$50,000 in ten days and

the construction company agree to complete the railroad from Stanton to Lamesa in nine months. Now this means business for they have the grade already built and the promoters have the money to complete the road and all the parties are interested in its early finishing.

Mr. Goodenough called at the News office this morning and while here he stated that several lines of railroad would be built north and south on the Plains and one of them will build at once, and the others some time in the future? Now Tahoka has the best chance of

any town on the Plains. Before winter comes again, we will have a railroad within 32 miles directly north of us that will have already been built 105 miles straight in our direction. At the same time 38 miles south of us will be another, or more likely the same one, which will have already built 50 miles directly toward us. Now will Tahoka allow the Santa Fe to stop at Lubbock? Will we sit still and allow a railroad to stop at Lamesa? Or go around by Brownfield? And that is what will happen if we don't go to work right NOW!

For while it may be winter before Lubbock and Lamesa have their roads in operation, if we wait until then, it will be too late and Tahoka will never be numbered with the railroad towns. And it would be so much worse in the case of Tahoka than it would be with many less favored towns for we now have so good an opportunity that if we neglect it and lose the railroad we should deserve the fate that would befall us: We would become the blank spot that the suburbs of Post, Lamesa, Lubbock and Brownfield failed to reach.

Good Show--Small Crowd.

The Lubbock Theatrical Club visited Tahoka Saturday and gave a performance, "Border Lands," which was very good, indeed. We are sorry they had no better patronage for more reasons than one. First, because our town people missed such a treat, and second, we hate to have people come to our town and be disappointed. It was not generally known in town that a performance of the kind was to be given, and quite a number have been disappointed because they missed it. Come again Lubbock and let us know longer ahead next time.

Mrs. Beech's brother died last week at Myskel, Texas. We sympathize with Mrs. Beech in her bereavement.

Always So

Lots Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, in block 55 have been purchased by the Jones Lumber Company and a stock of lumber will be put in immediately.

Teams are now busy hauling lumber for the Bell Lumber Co.

C. W. Thomas left Monday for Jefferson City, Mo. He had been here attending to business interests and while here let the contract for seven new houses to be built immediately. Gound and Maxey have three, and contractor Redford three. We did not learn to whom the other contract was let. Mr. Thomas intends selling these houses after they are built.

In addition to the above, Mr. Thomas will build twenty-three other houses, including two brick one of which is to be a two story building with the upper story to be used as offices.

J. G. Ranft will build a two story business house on California street just west of J. T. Morris & Sons dry goods store. This building will have two rooms below and six office rooms above.

The Burrus Drug Co. will add twenty feet on their building for the accommodation of doctors.

Other business houses and residences too numerous to mention are to be built in the near future. —Floyd County Hesperian.

W. E. Robinson will go to St. Louis this week to buy a full line of things, you need and want, for the Tahoka Hardware Co.

New Store A Nice Time

Dr. Ballinger, who bought the Tahoka Drug Store, has rented it to O. B. Shook for his cold drink and ice cream parlor. Mr. Shook had all the old shelving and counters removed and replaced and replaced them with glass show cases, in which he displays fancy candy and notions of all kinds. The walls are papered in dark green, surmounted by a border of American Beauty Roses.

Mr. Shook has his tables arranged in the center of the building and the soda fountain at the end of the house opposite the door. Mr. Shook has one of the nicest places on the Plains and is a credit to our town.

J. P. Shelburne, who lives in the north part of the county near Slide, was in Tahoka Wednesday night on his way to Big Springs to meet his son, who went to their old home in Bells county to get married. Mr. Shelburne has a 90 foot well with a 16 foot windmill and 4 inch cylinder and all water he will need for a ten acre garden and orchard. He is a quarter-section man.

Beeman-Shattuck

Mr. Francis Beeman and Miss Ruth Shattuck were married in Tahoka Sunday afternoon at five o'clock at the Baptist parsonage, Rev. Bishop officiating.

Miss Ruth is one of our charming young ladies, and has many friends to wish her well. Mr. Beeman has been in Lynn County since it was organized and has proved himself one of the best young farmers in the country. We are sorry to know that we are to lose this young couple from our community, as they will make their home in N. Mexico, where Mr. Beeman has land.

Mr. and Mrs. Beeman came to the News office immediately after the ceremony and stayed until time to go to church. Miss Julia Crie served light refreshments to her young friends and enjoyed the pleasure of the first visit of their married life. The News offers congratulations to the groom and many good wishes to the young bride.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid had a quilting at the church Monday afternoon. They have finished several quilts this winter, which they expect to sell. We failed to get to the church early, so missed a good deal of the nice time. Several ladies were present and busily engaged in plying their needles, putting the finishing touches to their afternoon work. This band of earnest women are doing a good work for their church and town. Aside from church work the quilting is very pleasant social affairs and are attended by all who are fortunate in having an invitation. Some of the brethren remembered the ladies with a nice treat of fruit which was enjoyed by all.

We were among the lucky ones to view the \$50.00 Alligator handbag, which Mr. Alley presented to his wife last week. Mr. Alley took a chance on a raffle while away at Dallas some little time ago; he was the fortunate one and the handbag came by express the last of the week. It is one of the handsomest articles we have seen in a long while.

As Good as the Best.

Self-praise may be half scandal, but a fair comparison cannot be so classed. We do not know of any paper in West Texas printed in a town of 1000 or smaller which prints as much home-set reading matter as the News does. Even the Stamford Tribune and the Big Springs Herald rarely print twice as much; yet they are printed in large railroad towns where material is cheaper, and stand in the front rank of Texas journalism. People at a distance largely form their opinion of a town by the appearance of its newspaper. The News will be enlarged and improved just as fast as our advertising and subscription business increases.

Dr. Fletcher and wife of Colorado Springs, Colo., were in Tahoka this week. They came over from Brownfield Thursday morning, and the doctor went on to Post, leaving his wife to spend the day in Tahoka. Dr. Fletcher is an eye specialist and visits our town about twice a year.

Big Fire

A very destructive fire has been raging several days west of town. The fire originated in New Mexico Tuesday sometime. It had burned through Gaines county when the wind veered to the South and turned the fire North and it burned in that direction until the wind changed into the West bringing it across the corners of Terry and Dawson counties and into Lynn county Thursday morning burning several pastures, which will do a great deal of damage to stock. Mr. Singieton lost a lot of grass. The fire burned directly across his land. J. S. Wells, Coleman Wellr C. G. Alford, Reub Lewis, Will Montgomery, and several others went to the fire Thursday night and some of them stayed all night.

"Got any town lots for sale?"
"Yep."
"What'll you take for 'um?"
"Hundred dollars."
"Take any less?"
"Nope."
"Well, I'll take 'em."

The above is not only a daily occurrence in our town; but occurs every fifteen minutes during the day.—Floydada Hesperian.

By-Gosh! That's "going some."—Crosbyton Review.

By-Gosh that may be "going some" but they are going more now. This occurrence happens twice every fifteen minutes in the day now, and the price has more than doubled.—Floyd County Hesperian.

Man Arrested

Wednesday afternoon Sheriff McMurry and Mr. Stevenson, both of Silverton in Briscoe county, came in on an auto from Lubbock and soon got to talking to Sheriff Wells. Soon a covered wagon pulled by three horses and containing a man, woman and several little children drove on to the square. Mr. McMurry said that he was the man and took him in charge. They started for Silverton next morning.

Jack Woods, the man in custody, was recently arrested on a forgery charge and released on bond. It seems that he had made arrangements to take up a claim and was on his way to New Mexico, when his bondsmen became uneasy as to his whereabouts and Mr. Stevenson, who was one of them, came with the officer to look him up. The three men took in the sights to gether, and no one could tell by their actions which was officer and which was prisoner. The man could not have meant to skip his bond, as he had his family along and passed through all the towns.

Keep your chickens at home with some 24 inch poultry netting from The Hardware at good prices.

Shelf Clearing Sale.

For the next two weeks B. H. Black & Son will sell all can goods at cost and carriage for cash. We want to move our shelving, and in order to avoid having to move the canned goods twice, we will sell them at cost and carriage for Cash Only. B. H. BLACK & SON, East Side Square.

Mr. and Mrs. Swan and little Miss Lucy Bell spent Monday at their ranch north of town.

Toney Chisum and wife are in Tahoka this week visiting relatives and friends.

The Ladies' Home Mission Society will meet at the Methodist church Tuesday, March 9th, every body invited. The members especially are requested to be present.

A \$15,000 School House.

The people of Stanton have gone to the polls once before and said they wished to vote a bond issue of \$12,000.00 with which to build a school building in keeping with our needs, but inasmuch as a tangle of some sort occurred which invalidated the issuance the bonds were never sold. Now things are straightened out and another election is called, for even a better house than at first. We have been growing some and are going to keep on growing, and with a fine big white brick school building we won't stop growing at all.

The first election had only two or three dissenting votes and it is hoped this one of March 20th will not have even one and we don't believe it will. Why should it?—Stanton Reporter.

Big Lot Deal

One of the largest and all things considered, the most important town lot deal was pulled off yesterday when the firm of Brown & Alford sold all the Sweet & King holdings which amount to some where between 108 and 127 lots in Tahoka, 108 guaranteed, to Mr. J. C. Roberts, of Lubbock, for the sum of \$4,000.

What seems to make this deal of more than usual interest is the fact that the buyer is a Lubbock man. Lubbock, the city that buys railroads by the bunch and whose business men know just where and when to make their investments.

SPECIALIST.

I treat all diseases of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat; also have glasses, and pay special attention to fitting them. Consultation and examination Free. Tahoka, March 17th. I. E. Smith, M.D., Weatherford, Texas.

J. V. Dyer had business in Tahoka the first of the week.

FOR SALE—Big German millet seed \$1.50 and hay 35c B.L. Shook.

Mr. Millman went to Big Springs Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Doak and little son came in Thursday to visit Mrs. Doak's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stokes. They have been on quite a visit to Snyder, where Mr. Doak's parents live. Grandpa and Grandma Doak came with them and will remain several days.

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Real estate is moving fast; where is the railroad building to anyhow?

Other towns in this part of the State have nine and ten months' school and fine buildings; why not put Tahoka in the same class?

Why can't our school children get up a pay entertainment and use the proceeds to sink a well, build a fence and set out shade trees on the school grounds?

"Keep Lynn county money at home and get in all we can from the outside," sounds all right. A small canning plant in Tahoka would help to do this.

Fluvanna and Stanton will each erect a \$15,000 school building this summer; Tulia already has such a building and Floydada has one costing at least half as much. What sort of a building will Tahoka have next year?

No skilled workman can do the best work for his employers if he must work in a sorry shop with the poorest of tools. The school teacher is or should be a skilled workman and the school house and its equipment are his workshop and tools.

The State of Texas believes in homes for all its people and good schools for all its children. It has sold homes to many of its citizens on forty years' time at five per cent interest and now lends money for the construction of school buildings on the same liberal terms.

Ten buildings were destroyed by fire at Stanton last week, and yet Stanton is a railroad town and we have a right to believe had taken some precautions to prevent and possessed some facilities for fighting a fire. How would Tahoka fare if a fire should break out in the business section?

At Ellisville in Young county, nearly twenty miles from a railway station over rough road is a ten ton a day oil mill which cost less than \$10,000 when prosperity was rampant in the land. Such a mill run 100 days in the year pays a 40 per cent dividend. Whenever Lynn county raises over 2500 bales of cotton a year Tahoka will need a mill like that.

When a man comes to a town and sees a splendid school building of modern and substantial build with up-to-date equipment and surrounded by well-kept playgrounds, one of the first things he asks about if he be a country gentleman is the price of a small farm near town. And didn't somebody say that several hundred such men were badly needed in Lynn county?

We would like to be able to secure a few dozen half-tone cuts and print each week a regular full page illustrated writeup of Lynn County and Tahoka. With such an advertisement it ought to be easy to interest outsiders in the wonderful opportunities Lynn county offers. To have such a paper going to thousands of short term subscribers and to reading rooms and public libraries all over America, would be a fine thing, both for the paper and the future development of the town and county.

An Insult to Texas.

We do not have to go to the Brazos bottoms, the Arkansas swamps or the Virginia mountains to find men whose lack of knowledge of the first elements of human and social ethics make them a laughing-stock. They save us the trouble by getting elected to office and thereby forcing themselves into the limelight of publicity.

The best known citizen of Jasper county just now is Senator Kellie who claims to represent his district at Austin, who has done three things on the floor of that dignified body which have put him very much in the public eye; but it is doubtful if many of his constituents or any of his political opponents seriously envy him his dearly-bought notoriety.

One of the first things the Senator did was to vote against a Democratic platform demand which the people of Texas had demanded in the primary. That he stood with a minority to prevent this same people from voting on an important public question is of course his own private business. Who knows but he had "good business reasons" for so voting? Not satisfied with this distinction, he proceeded to introduce a bill, which if enacted into law, would put in jail every minister of the gospel who made any mention of politics in his sermons. He afterwards proposed a resolution removing the exemptions from taxation from every place of worship used in part for political purposes. This measure was aimed at that class of preachers who believe that righteousness exalteth a nation and who urge their members to vote as they pray. Needless to say, this class of preachers has been a terror to corrupt and tyrannical government since the world began. Such a preacher was Zechariah and the last political sermon he ever preached was ended by a sword-thrust as he stood between the altar and the temple. Two political preachers, Isaiah and Jeremiah by name, met a similar fate.

It will thus be seen that such legislation is nothing new but it seems rather out of place in free Texas in the twentieth century. Such legislation caused the troubles that drove the Covenanters from Scotland, the Huguenots from France and the Puritans from England and was the prime cause of both the American and Texas Revolutions. One would naturally suppose that Senator Kellie was a lawyer before he became a senator. If that be true why did he never read the first amendment to the Federal constitution which guarantees religious freedom and nullifies laws which forbid the people to peaceably assemble and petition the government for redress of grievances? Article 1, Section 8 of the Texas Bill of Rights guarantees freedom of speech and the proposed legislation is a direct violation of both the sections referred to.

The piney-woods senator should read his law books more closely. When a minister neglects his regular church work for politics, it is proper for his members to deal with him according to their own church rules. As long as a minister does not overstep the constitutional right of every citizen to discuss public questions, the civil authorities cannot interfere with him as long as our constitution endures. When such men break into the Senate, the people at large are tempted to believe that the qualifications for this high office should be raised several notches.

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About That Auto Story.

TAHOKA, Lynn Co., Tex.
 DEAR MR. EDITOR:—I am not a land agent but a fellow sufferer with you and the rest of our class, and write you this in order to clear up a misimpression that your people have about your town having a greater number of automobiles according to population than any town in Texas. The Dallas News says that Bells, with a population of 600. Has seven automobiles. Tahoka with 600 (land agents estimate) has a total of fourteen machines, in active commission, of the newest and latest designs, and they are not handicapped by railroad competition in the passenger business. Those who leave Bells on the afternoon T. & P. train get to Big Springs at 8 o'clock next morning and take the auto for Tahoka, 75 miles north, which point they reach about the middle of the afternoon. The roads here are fine and there is a special auto road most of the way. The autos charge ten cents a mile and have all the business they can handle. West of here there is a through line to Hereford and they make the 225 miles in 15 hours. It is 400 miles from here to El Paso and last summer Dr. Windham and Ernest Reed left here at sunrise and made the drive by a little while after dinner the next day. For about 50 miles of the way the passenger trains could not stay in sight of them.

I thought perhaps some of your auto men would like to know what is going on in their line out here in this wild(?) country. Autos are common as pig tracks (and this is quite a hog country) all over west Texas, and they have great sport running down and roping lobo wolves from the front ends of motor cars. Young antelope are sometimes caught this way and they make fine pets.

Respectfully,
 C. L. ADAIR.

While this paper is not responsible for this automobile story, yet we feel it our duty to stand by a Bells man who is responsible for it, and by the Dallas News.

Now I should say, brother, you are not handicapped by the railroad. Ten cents per mile for automobile fare. If our people could command such prices I am satisfied we would have ten times as many as we now have. The ones here are owned by individuals only for pleasure and comfort. You refer to your town as 600, real estate men's estimate. I suppose we might easily put the number here at 1200 to 1400; then, if so, Bells will still lead you. We don't claim all the autos that run in and out of this town; only those owned by citizens.

Now, brother, if you desire to become better acquainted with this place, the people and the best part of Texas, without any doubt, you just try the T. & P. route for Bells, and I assure you, you will return to the beautiful west praising the black land belt of Texas, that furnishes the living, the corn, the cotton and the taxes of this grand old state of ours. I am sorry your real estate men are absent just now, I would be glad for them to know of our country. We do not catch any wolves and antelope, but if a fellow should come to our town looking for a good piece of land, he would be caught by some other kind of a vehicle, run down to the crossing of the two best railroads in the state, the M.K. & T. and T. & P. Your fare will not exceed 3 cents per mile, and you are welcome to stay; or if you are rushed for time you can leave soon, as we have 12 mail trains daily.—Bells Bulletin

Jack Alley has just opened up a new line of calicoes, gingham, shirt waist goods, and percales to make new wash dresses and dainty waists. This line is one of our first spring arrivals. Don't forget to come in and see them; they are very nice. Jack Alley West Side Square.



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ONE THING LACKING.

Many people believe that in small towns without sewerage or garbage collection systems, it is as beneficial to the public health to allow hogs to run at large as the practice of confining them in close pens is injurious. Although folks without tight yard and garden fences suffer great inconvenience from the depredations of hogs running at large, yet they destroy immense quantities of filth which would otherwise constitute a serious menace to the public health. It is largely for this reason that any effort to enact a hog law always meets with determined opposition in towns the size of Tahoka. Even Big Springs depended on its loose hogs to keep the city clean as recently as two years ago.

But there are certain kinds of refuse that hogs will not eat. If there were a few hundred Angora goats running on the town section, there would soon be an end of the myriads of old rags, waste paper feathers and other rubbish. Goats eat very little grass but are certain death to weeds and small brush. To destroy the million odd mesquite twigs growing all over the town section would add at least \$10,000 worth to the appearance of the town. Goat hair sells for as high as a dollar a pound, the meat is good and they furnish rich milk to go in the coffee and feed the babies on when the cows go dry. Where the various secret societies are as numerous and growing as fast as they are in Tahoka, the goat-raiser should find a ready sale for his surplus bills, provided they were large and strong and of a bronkish disposition.

Of course, there are some who believe that no kind of live stock should run loose in a town and that there are better ways of keeping a town clean than to leave this highly important work to hogs and goats. But it is up to them to get their friends and neighbors to think the same way. But in some way the town must be kept clean unless our people are so selfish as to think that our faithful doctors have no right to a short summer vacation, no matter how good the fishing gets to be. We already have the hogs and they are doing splendid work in keeping things clean. The only thing lacking is a good herd of goats. Some public-spirited citizen will sooner or later see and improve this opportunity to make some money and relieving their neighbors of all worry as to the disposal of garbage, unless some one should start a stock law campaign. With hogs and goats both running at large, all any one who cared for flower yards and gardens would need would be a two-inch barbed wire netting fence eight feet high—three feet below and five above the ground with glass posts every eight feet.

Louis Keeling, a cousin of Mr. Honea, is working at the North Side Barber Shop. The young man came from Central Texas, a few weeks ago and is making his home with Mr. and Mrs. Honea.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Reece visited the County Seat Monday.

WANTED.—To know the whereabouts of Dean Livergood; age 17 years, light complexion. Any information concerning him will be gladly received by his brother,

JOHN LIVERGOOD,
BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS.

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EDITH ITEMS.

Grandpa Stanbro was at the Alley Ranch Saturday of last week on business.

A. R. McGonagill and L. V. Newman made a business trip through this community last week.

Carl Womack was in the east part of the county on business Saturday.

A small sprinkle of rain fell in some parts of this neighborhood Saturday.

Mrs. J. V. Dyer was the guest of Mrs. S. M. Beeman Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Ed Henderson and family attended services at Edith Sunday morning.

Miss Willie Dyer, of Midway, spent Saturday night with home folks.

Mr. Dayton Hawthorne, of T-Bar, visited James H. Dyer Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mattie Dyer visited Misses Horace and Ruth Shattuck Saturday eve.

Bro. Watkins, of Draw, filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Mr. G. P. Womack was in the county capital Monday on business.

The Vaughn Bros. dined with Mr. T. A. Brown Sunday last.

Mr. Sherrod and family dined in Tahoka Sunday.

J. B. Reece, S. M. Beeman and J. V. Dyer had business in the county capital Monday.

Mr. F. M. Beeman and Miss Ruth Shattuck of this community were united in marriage in Tahoka Sunday evening. This is the first couple of this neighborhood to be married.

Miss Mattie Dyer, Miss Horrace and Irvin Shattuck attended church in Tahoka Sunday night.

Messrs. F. and A. Vaughn were Tahoka visitors Monday.

Mr. Geo. Stanbro was in the city Monday.

Mrs. J. B. Reece and children were the guests of Mrs. A. R. McGonagill Monday last.

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List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in this office for the month ending Feb. 28, 1909.

LADIES.

Blakeny, Mrs. Pearl; Crumhley, Delie; Fortman, Miss Effie; Pope, Miss Babel; Reid, Mrs. Sallie; Scott, Miss Pearl, 2.

GENTLEMEN.

Austin, Dr. S. D.; Brumley, Ben; Benton, C. M.; Brashear, G. H.; Catching, Tur. Franklin, J. H.; Harris, J. L.; Jeter, H. M.; Moore, Marion; Robinson, George.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office Apr. 1st 1909 if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised" giving date of list.
A. B. McLeod, P. M.

DRAW LOCALS.

Mr. and Mrs. Raiborne entertained the young people with singing Sunday night in honor of Miss Murrain who is visiting here.

Rev. Izard preached at this place Sunday to a large audience.

Mrs. A. J. King was a pleasant caller at the home of Mrs. Waller Monday afternoon.

Masters Chris Waller and E. King dined with T. Phillips Sunday.

Mr. Franklin, of Knox county, came in the first of the week to his place which he has recently bought of Mr. Oscar Jones.

The spelling match at the Draw school house Saturday night was well attended. Most everyone present joined in and helped spell making it a very pleasant affair.

Quite a crowd of young people made a pop call on Miss Lillie and Mr. Dolpha Cleveland Sunday eve.

Mr. Cleveland Majors attended church at this place Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raiborne and family and Mr. Hopkins and daughter Mary ate Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Waller.

Mr. and Mrs. Vassar spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lansford.

Mr. Lester Phillips returned home the first of the week from Lubbock where he has been helping his brother move.

Miss Willie Waller spent Sunday evening with her friend Miss Dee LeMond.

SUNBEAM.

Dr. Ballinger, of Lubbock, will be in Tahoka Monday after the third Sunday in each month to do dental work. Office in the Tahoka Drug Co. building.

Queen High Patent Flour gives satisfaction to dozens of regular users. \$3.35 a hundred at Jack Alley's on the west side of the Square, Tahoka, Texas.

Gus Waechter of the New Home community was handing out pleasant looks to his Tahoka friends Wednesday.

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SOUTH DRAW DOTS.

March 3rd, 1909.

Oh, we almost had rain Saturday, it thundered several times.

Oh my, but haven't we had several nice days—the sun shines like spring, almost time to garden isn't it?

Mr. Meyer and M. Brewer went to Tahoka Tuesday on business.

Mr. Biddle was up from Lubbock this week looking over some and he has recently purchased.

Mr. Swalt has built a new house on his quarter section and moved his bride home.

Dr. Thomason of Tredway is quite sick this week.

Mr. Floyd of Borden county has just returned from a visit to Munday in Knox county. A brother came home with him.

Mr. Wilson has gone to Glen Cove after his family.

Mr. Simpson's baby is sick this week.

Mr. Rains and family visited at Mr. Beech's Sunday, also Mr. and Mrs. Tom Farris and Luke Riley.

Mr. Bremer and Mr. Russell visited with Dad Farris one day this week.

Mrs. Tom King and Miss Sallie Beech were pleasant callers at Mrs. Tom Farris's Tuesday.

Miss Nora Luttrell spent Sunday at Mr. Beech's.

REDHEAD.

Why not keep your neighbor's chickens out with some of the 30 inch poultry netting for sale at The Hardware at good prices.

Judge Perryman bought a lot on the South Side of the Square near the News office the first of the week.

PIPE WORK.

We are prepared to cut and thread all sizes of pipe and casing. Bring us your work.

Tahoka Hardware Co.

Irvin Shattuck was a caller at the News office Wednesday.

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Tahoka Hardware Co.

Robert Dick, who is farming two miles east was in the city Wednesday.

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Tahoka Hardware Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Trawick were in town Monday. They went over to visit Mrs. Trawick's sister Mrs. Oscar King.

H. M. Larkin left Wednesday for Dallas where he will buy spring goods for the Fair. He will go from Dallas to Houston as delegate from Tahoka W O W Camp to the State Assembly, which convenes at Houston this month.

SEED SWEET POTATOES.

Cuban Queen and Pumpkin are seed sweet potatoes at Rev. J. R. Miller's, 12 miles North of Tahoka.

Mr. Moore, Mr. Proffer, and the Misses Proffer spent Sunday at the home of Walter Robinson, 16 miles East of town. They report a pleasant drive and a very enjoyable time.

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LOST—A pair of brown, undressed-kid gloves, Wednesday afternoon some where about the square. Finder will please return to this office.

There is some talk of petitioning the city council to pass a "Curfew" ordinance. We would suggest that every family get a curfew which shall "ring tonight" and all other nights, if needed. This can be done inexpensively by taking a small board about two feet long and whittling one end to a handle. Take the child that needs the curfew and bend it over a barrel. Now take the board and use it as a clapper. Put it on hot, dividing the the strokes evenly and see that none miss. Good for boys up to 18 and three applications are warranted to cure the most pronounced cases of street loafing and is much more effective than singing: "Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight."—Lelia's Leader

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George Small went to Big Springs Wednesday to spend several days.

Mrs. People, of Lubbock passed through Tahoka Wednesday on her way home from Waco, where she spent the winter with relatives. Mr. Peoples met her here and accompanied her home.

Six automobiles were in the repair shop the first of the week. The owners were L. A. Robinson, A. I. Thomas, Lonnie Ellis, Will Humphries, Luther Caldwell of Lubbock and one of the cars belonging to the firm.

Dud Singleton was a visitor to Tahoka Wednesday.