

Reasonable Reason
"Say, boss," said I
"could I trouble you
a little bit?"
"What do you want
this."
"I've got money
pocket to tip the
wonderin' if you
a little extra."
—1902, at the Sterling
second-class matter.

"I under-
play."
"Yes, FRIDAY AT STERLING
CITY, TEXAS."

scribers failing to get their pa-
per, will confer a favor by re-
g name to us.

COUNTY JUDGE
We are authorized to announce
Dr. J. T. Brannan a candidate for
the office of County Judge, subject
to the action of the Democratic
primaries.

SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR
We are authorized to announce
D. E. Davis a candidate for re-
election to the office of sheriff and tax
collector of Sterling county subject
to the action of the Democratic pri-
mary.

DISTRICT AND COUNTY CLERK.
We are authorized to announce
D. C. Durham a candidate for re-
election to the office of District and
County Clerk, subject to the action
of the Democratic primaries.

FOR TREASURER
We are authorized to announce
R. B. Cummins a candidate for re-
election to the office of County
Treasurer of Sterling county sub-
ject to the action of the July Demo-
cratic primaries.

TAX ASSESSOR
We are authorized to announce
W. E. Allen a candidate for re-
election to the office of Tax Assessor,
subject to the action of the Demo-
cratic primaries.

COMMISSIONER
We are authorized to announce
C. J. Copeland a candidate for re-
election to the office of county com-
missioner of precinct No. 3, Sterling
county, subject to the action of the
Democratic primaries in July.

The San Angelo Standard's Thirtieth Anniversary Edition of February 1st was a great success. A copy of this paper should be in the archives of every historical library. Some facts given in this edition are exceedingly valuable. The history of San Angelo from the pen of John Warren Hunter is a gem and should be preserved for the future student of history.

You think your state taxes are high this year, but mark the prediction: If those agitators succeed in getting statewide prohibition submitted next year, you are now only getting a little of what you will get a lot of when the thing is over. If you must dance, you are expected to pay the fiddler. We don't give a darn whether it comes or not, only we wanted to say that these things come high.

The cry against bosses and such things has always been on the lips of those whose eyes have looked longingly on boss jobs. About the time the bosses are eliminated, the eliminators become bosses and the old tune goes on. When Oliver Cromwell railed against the bossism of Charles and succeeded in chopping his head off, then Oliver became the most unbearable boss that ever pestered the people of England.

George McEntire killed a pig last Saturday which weighed 440 pounds. This pig had been raised on milo maize. Of the fine quality of the meat, we can give strong testimony for George gave us about 40 pounds of choice bits of the deceased porker and our table has sported the finest of pork doins all the week, and then again we are an authority on good hog-meat. When George and Mrs. McEntire have anything good to eat on their ranch, they are never contented until their friends share it with them.

POSTED
Anyone found hunting—most especially hunting—fishing, gathering pecans, hauling wood, or otherwise trespassing upon any lands owned or controlled by me will be prosecuted. You'd better keep out.
10-17-13pd W. J. Mann

J. A. Canon is Dead
J. A. Canon died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Q. Lyles, in this town, last Wednesday, and was buried in the Montvale cemetery in the afternoon of the same day. A large crowd of relatives, neighbors and friends followed his remains to its last resting place.

James Addison Canon was born in South Carolina November 13th, 1832. His parents moved to Mississippi when he was a child. In his early manhood he came to Texas, where he married Mrs. Emeline Hester in 1857, who died in 1883. In 1892 he married Miss Lizzie Simpson who still survives him.

He leaves a son, John Canon of San Angelo, and two daughters, Mrs. H. Q. Lyles, of this place, and Mrs. Cain Clark of Colorado—all by his first marriage. From these, fourteen grandchildren and one great-grandson call him grandfather.

At the age of 70 he united with the Presbyterian church in which he was a ruling elder for several years. At his death February 11th, 1914, he was 81 years and nearly 3 months old.

In the death of J. A. Canon Sterling loses one of her best and most cherished citizens. He was the soul of honor and always stood up for what he thought was right.

Although he was more than four score years old, he always stood in the front ranks of progress.

And although he lived out more years than are allotted to man by God's Word, yet, we mourn his passing and are sad because he is no more.

FACTS ABOUT AFFILIATION
Last Saturday the Board of Trustees in regular session unanimously agreed that a definite effort should be made to affiliate our high school as first class. The responsibility no longer rests upon them, but upon the citizens of this town—you.

This is the proposition: The law requires that we have three teachers for high school work alone. As we are running the school 9 months with 5 teachers, with the some money we can run it 8 months—as required—with 6 teachers, thus supplying the extra teacher. But, there we have the halt. In the intermediate work we have an extra grade, the Seventh, after dividing the first six grades among the three teachers for that work. So we must raise the money to pay the salary of the teacher of the Seventh grade. Since we have sufficient laboratory and library there is nothing between us and affiliation except the salary of that one teacher and a few minor expenses—\$500 in all.

What will you do about it? It is ready for your action. If we do not affiliate, just as sure as fate we shall lose the Eleventh grade. That means the loss of several pupils out of town who are contemplating taking high school work here next year; it means having the reputation of a poor school. Besides, who wants a second rate school, anyway? Then there is another more practical side. Next year we shall have a Senior class of at least ten. If they have to go away to school it means \$500 each for expenses which will be spent in some town that has a good school—\$5,000 total for ten. Can you afford to lose \$5,000 rather than raise \$500.

Next Thursday night, the 19th, there will be a mass meeting held at the school house to decide this question and raise the money. Between now and then, if you are a friend to the school, work for it. It has been said several times that we cannot affiliate. I say we can. The Board of Trustees say we can. What do you say? If course it will be done.
Respectfully,
W. E. ROBERTS, Supt.

To Join the Regional System

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the First National Bank of this place, it was unanimously voted to take stock in the regional bank, created by the new currency law.

In discussing the proposition, one of the officials of the bank said: "The more I study the new currency reform, the better I like it. While it may cut down the profits of banks in some localities, yet they will be more than compensated by having the assurance of financial aid when needed."

A DIVERSIFIED RANCH

The News-Record had occasion to be a visitor to the Broome, Farr & Lee ranch this week and was delighted to note the improved methods of ranching which these gentlemen have adopted. They are following out the methods which we have always preached to ranchmen to the letter by diversifying. They have a nice herd of registered hereford cattle, besides a fine herd of high grade and pure-bred herefords.

On the ranch are being raised as fine horses of approved breeds as can be found in West Texas.

They have a flock of the biggest Rambouillet rams that we have ever seen. They have extensive flocks of sheep on their range.

Then comes a flock of Angora goats which furnishes the ranch and the owners' families with all necessary meat of the kind besides the hides and mohair are sold at a profit.

A hog pasture serves to keep and raise all the hogs necessary to supply the owners with all lard, pork and bacon needed for home consumption. Butter, milk, eggs and chickens are produced on the ranch in great profusion.

They have a nice farm which usually produces abundant feed in seasonable years.

Aside from all this, the ranch markets several thousand pounds of pecans every year.

Business Notice

Having purchased the J. S. Cole Abstract plant I have moved to Sterling City with my family, where we will make our future home, and where I will engage in the abstract business and in the practice of law.

I have much experience as an abstractor, extending over a period of more than twenty years, and am familiar with every detail of the work and with land titles generally.
Our welcome to your town and

\$15,000 STOCK

HARGRAVE'S

The New Store

Goods arriving daily
Watch for opening

\$15,000 STOCK

Everything Brand New

county has been most cordial, and I have met a citizenship here which would be a credit to any country.

My abstract business will be conducted along the line adopted by Mr. J. S. Cole, and my office, at least for the present, will be in the office formerly occupied by Mr. Cole.

I shall be glad to have a portion of your business, assuring you prompt and efficient service and courteous attention.
Respectfully,
A. R. POOL

VALEDICTORY

I have sold my abstract plant to A. R. Pool, who has moved with his family to our town, and will continue the abstract business heretofore done by me.

Mr. Pool comes from Roby, where he has resided for the past seven years. I was in Roby last November, and, at the request of Mr. Pool, investigated his standing among his home people—inquiring at the bank, and of the business men and county officials, they all told me that he was an able abstractor and an upright gentleman.

You will make no mistake in having him do your abstracting.
Thanking you, one and all, for your patronage and all favors, I am,
Yours truly,
J. S. Cole

With each one dollar's worth of dry goods bought of Roberts next Wednesday for cash will be given five hundred votes.

NEWS ITEMS FROM SAM HOUSTON NORMAL

The enrollment this year has reached 696. The third term will begin March 16th, when others will probably enter. The thirty-third year's work of Sam Houston Normal will close on the 26th day of May. On the 2d of June the fourteenth summer session will open. In addition to the regular faculty of 33 members, Supt. B. B. Cobb of Marshall, A. E. Day of Garrison, C. G. Green of Rockdale and Mr. H. C. Heath of Dallas high school will teach in the summer school.

Under the management of the Physical Education department of Sam Houston Normal a rural school game for rural schools of Walker county has been planned and will be held on the Normal play grounds March the 9th. It is only for grades below the Ninth.

Ten events: Handkerchief Relay, Leapfrog race, Eraser Relay race, Hustle Erases, race, Dodge Ball, etc. Prof. Estill to give as a prize to school whose teams make the most points a large Texas flag.

The annual excursion will be held March 2d for the celebration of Texas independence and General Houston's birthday. It has been planned for the student body and faculty to assemble in chapel and march to the cemetery, where appropriate exercises will be held at the grave of General Houston. Members on program are: Miss Allie Reed, essay; Miss Mary Sandel reading of Declaration of Texas Independence; Mr. R. Tisinger, oration; Mr. W. H. Mitchell, grand martial; Mr. J. Waters, presiding officer; president of Senior class, Neita Longshore.

LEAVE FOR STERLING CITY.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Pool and children left this week for Sterling City, where they will make their home in

the future. This family moved to Roby several years ago from Menard, Texas, and have been listed among Roby's best citizens. Their many friends here and over the county are indeed sorry to see their departure from our midst, but wish them much success and happiness in their new home. Mr. Pool has traded his property in Roby to J. S. Cole for an abstract plant at Sterling City and will enter this business and the practice of law. We predict for him an abundance of success, as he is an adept in the abstract business and during his residence in Roby he served the people two terms as county attorney and well proved his efficiency as an attorney.—Roby Banner.

PARENT-TEACHERS MEETING

Following is the program for the Parent-Teacher's Meeting to be held Tuesday February 17th, 1914, at 4 p. m.:

1. Business.
2. Discussion—Needs of Library.
3. (a) Past Difficulties of Our School and How We Met Them.—Mr. Durham, Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Ratliff and Mrs. Foster.
- (b) Present Difficulties.—Mr. Roberts, Mr. Collins, Miss Edwards, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Foster.

Discussion by all present.

DIED

J. L. Barron, a former citizen of this town, died at Robert Lee last Sunday, and was buried the following day.

CHINA VALLEY NEWS.

Editor News-Record:
There is not much of interest happening in the valley now.

Dr. J. T. Brannan has concluded not to "run" for office—just "walk."

R. A. Mitchell, formerly a resident of the Valley, but now of Tuscola, Taylor county, has been visiting old friends here the past week. He buried his wife in Tuscola Dec. 16.

Mrs. J. P. Gressett has returned from her visit among relatives and friends in Comanche and Runnels counties.

James preached for us again last Sunday and will occupy both the first and second Sundays in March.
CORRE SPONDENT.

LATHAMS ALLOWED BAIL

We learn that W. F. Latham was allowed bail in the sum of \$2,000 last week at Snyder of a charge of complicity in the murder on J. Y. Stewart. We also learn that Mrs. Minnie Lee Latham at her habeas corpus trial was allowed bail and her bond was set at \$30,000. It is said she appealed the case to the court of criminal appeals on the grounds of excessive bail.

A CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method to express our sincere gratitude to our friends and neighbors in Sterling City who stood by us and rendered all the help that loving hands and hearts could offer during the last illness and death of our late beloved husband, father and grandfather. With thankful hearts, we will always hold you in grateful and loving memory and may He who notes the sparrow's fall bless and prosper you.
MRS. J. A. CANON,
MR. AND MRS. H. Q. LYLES AND FAMILY.

Sheriff's Sale

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF STERLING.]

WHEREAS, By virtue of a certain order of sale and execution, issued out of the district court of Tom Green county, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1913, in favor of J. L. Smith, as plaintiff, and against B. F. Adams, as defendant, in cause No. 2311, on the civil docket of said court, style of said cause being J. L. Smith vs. B. F. Adams, I did, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1914, at 2 o'clock p. m., levy upon the following described real estate situated in Sterling county, Texas, to-wit:
Lot No. three (3), in block "B," in Sterling addition to Sterling City, Texas, according to the map and plat of said addition, of record in the office of the county clerk of said county.

And, on the 3rd day of March, A. D. 1914, same being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m., and 4 o'clock p. m., on said date, at the court house door of Sterling county, in Sterling City, Texas, I will offer for sale, and sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, all of the right, title, and interest and estate which the said B. F. Adams had on the 27th day of July, A. D. 1910, or at any time thereafter, in and to said above described property.

Witness my hand, at Sterling City, Texas, this 5th day of February, A. D. 1914.

Dee Davis, Sheriff of Sterling county

DENTAL NOTICE.

I have recently located in San Angelo for the practice of dentistry. I am a graduate with seven years' experience. I will be in Sterling City from Tuesday morning February 17th, until Saturday following, prepared to do all kinds of dental work. If the practice I can get there will justify it I will make regular monthly trips to your town.
Respectfully,
H. B. BOLT, D. D. S.

—SEEDS, price list free. BOOK 10c, giving all rain periods for 1914, killing Johnson-grass and insect pests, making ensilage without a silo, growing pecans, corn, and watermelons, etc. H. A. HALBERT Coleman, Texas

BACK TO THE SOIL WITH LEGISLATION

TEXAS FARMERS' UNION OPPOSES PROHIBITION PRIMARY.

BUSINESS MEN FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

Fort Worth, Tex.—The cry of back to the soil has been reverberating from city to city for the past decade and we now have an opportunity of hastening this splendid movement by getting back to the soil with both men and issues in this campaign and electing a Governor and members of the Legislature who are farmers, or who are in genuine sympathy with their needs and understand their problems. Government is the most powerful agency in civilization, but the farmer has received less benefit from it; has had less to do with its management, and contributed more towards its support than any other class of citizenship.

Agricultural Legislation Needed.

We want to submit for the consideration of those who aspire to represent our commonwealth in the administrative and legislative branches of government, a policy of peace and constructive legislation which makes for the prosperity of the farmer and the general welfare of the country. Can any class of people have a greater claim upon our commonwealth than those who toil in the field? Then the farmer cannot help himself without helping all others and no other occupation enjoys this distinction. But to accomplish results requires something more than a declaration of principles. It takes men. We must have a progressive Governor and a Legislature that will address itself to the solution of agricultural problems and we must have practical farmers and successful business men in the legislature in order to meet situations now confronting us. No politician need apply.

Some Agricultural Problems.

We have agricultural problems that are becoming acute and which must receive immediate and intelligent relief. We will mention a few of them. We have 220,000 tenant farmers roaming from farm to farm and 2400 families per annum recruit the wandering horde of homeless producers. This seething torrent of unrest must be reckoned with in the coming campaign. There are local cases of extortion and oppression that should be prevented by penal statutes, but the remedy in the main lies in constructive legislation that will broaden opportunity and bring relief to the home owner and farm laborer, as well as the tenant farmer. This can be accomplished by an improved market system, cheap money, rural credits, organization, co-operation and proper facilities for preparing, storing and transporting products to the market. These are tremendous problems and cannot be solved by spinning theories or by vote-catching schemes of politicians. Their solution must come out of the hearts of able, conscientious and patriotic legislators and must be dictated by diligent study, experience and ability.

Too Much Dissension.

We have had so much strife and dissension in politics and the public has become so accustomed to suggestions of restraint and destruction from those who offer to direct the country's destiny that the policy of co-operation adopted by the Farmers' Union may seem a strange doctrine and perhaps offensive to those who thrive on dissension. It will eliminate from public life men who quarrel with industry, fuss with human nature and seek at progress and call forth from the farm, the furnace and the counter a new order of statesmanship that can lift the burden of twentieth century civilization, direct public thought into channels of co-operation and write statutes that will build homes and promote prosperity.

The general scope of the work is comprehended in the views given to the press by Peter Radford, and adopted as the platform of the Farmers' Union in convention assembled at Fort Worth January 14-15. The farmer is usually told what to do, but we prefer to be consulted, and all candidates are solicited to subscribe to the platform.

It is not within the power of the legislature to completely remedy all evils. We must also look to the administrative branches of government for assistance. There are many departments of government that are inefficient; due perhaps primarily to a lack of support and shortage of equipment, but more often to au-

absence of business judgment, ability and loyalty to the work. The policies in some instances show a feeble grasp of the possibilities and public opportunity is made subservient to political ambition. No man who is a good politician is good at anything else.

Cities Hot Beds of Strife.

The city has been the fountain-head of campaign issues and its policies have received preference in agricultural matters. The city is the hot-bed of strife and dissension and avarice and greed have run riot in our legislative halls. The race for power has made the city proud and unmindful of its dependence upon the farm. The city has dominated the affairs of state and its high nervous tension has made government hysterical. Let us turn from the feverish excitement of the city and get back to the soil with legislation where the silent and neglected forces of civilization await the mere touch of governmental intelligence to bring about a springtime of prosperity and where the primary needs of society can be served.

Prohibition Primary Opposed.

No discussion of legislative matters could, under the present state of public mind, be considered complete without giving consideration to the liquor question. This is one of the many vexatious problems handed down to us by the city. The Farmers' Union, without reference to the merits of the controversy, desires for a cessation of hostilities along this line during the next administration in order to give our state government an opportunity to consider agricultural legislation. It is our opinion, as important a function of government to make it easy for the toiling masses to eat as it is to make it difficult for the toilers to drink. A hundred thousand makers with sucking babies tugging at their breast forced by poverty to toil in the fields is a cry far more distressing to us than the plight of a few drunken bums that voluntarily infest the dives in cities; a million children their young lives mangled to misfortune and ignorance and their little backs bowed under a tremendous load of debt as the laborer from sun to sun is a sight far more heart-rending to us than a few city delinquents who choose to travel the pathways of sin; and 220,000 tenant farmers pinned under the timbers of fallen homes appeal to us for assistance far more than a few gilded palaces in cities where people elect to revel in iniquity. The cities are always magnifying their troubles and crying for help. Let us turn temporarily to the farms and relieve helpless women and children and give a helping hand to men who are struggling to help themselves rather than to give exclusive attention to city innumerable. We appeal to the farmers of Texas to take no part in the so-called County Democratic Prohibition Primary to take place in this state on February 14 or the State Democratic prohibition convention which is to be held in Fort Worth on February 24th, but to remain free to insist upon all candidates making agricultural legislation its paramount issue in this campaign.

The Politician in the Danger.

The Farmers' Union is non-partisan. It stands for principles. It will endorse no candidate for office as an organization, but solicits for its platform the consideration of all candidates and pledges co-operation to those who endorse its principles. The State of Texas needs agricultural leadership. So long as politicians dominate our affairs and plague us with their ambitions, dissension will reign supreme. The farmer has been timid and the city business man has lacked courage and the politicians have frightened and subdued us and thereby gained power. Let us unite in an effort to get "back to the soil" with legislation and force those who feast upon strife to the political dungeon, as well as give the breezes from the farm an opportunity to blow through the capital.

(Signed)
W. D. LEWIS, President.
PETER RADFORD, Ex-President.
Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Texas.

MONEY MAY BE UNCLEAN.

Girl cashiers should have an antibiotic with which to wash the hands after much handling of money and always before eating. A soap may be obtained, but it is well to have some sort of wash, a few drops of which may be frequently sprinkled upon the hands during the day. If one is to handle a handkerchief or put the hands on the face or hair.

HIS CATCH.

A man with a fishing pole sat on the river bank near the Atchison waterworks intake. "How many have you caught?" some one asked him. "When I get another I'll have one," he replied.

THE IDEA.

"So you are going to call on the other end of the family to strengthen their nerve."
"Yes, so to speak, a weak call visit."

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 Sterling City, Texas.
 Residence Phone 83

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 Transfer & Dray Line
 Efficient service
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 DEALERS IN
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 We work a specialty
 in Gasolines
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 shoeing.

My friends AND customers

You all for the patronage given me in the past give me the same hearty hope to have you as in the future. I will always give you the same courteous treatment and the same home cooking at the Central Hotel.

W. S. Smith

READING OF CONTESTANTS

Reading of the contestants' votes for the week ending Feb. 27.

No.	No. Votes
1	379,145
2	409,888
3	366,885
4	364,330
5	365,255
6	401,755
7	373,050
8	370,830
9	371,750
10	371,900
11	402,365
12	375,380
13	376,345
14	410,185
15	402,830
16	377,570

NOTICE.

Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company of St. Paul, Minnesota, gives notice that Tornado No. 101 to and including 100 have been lost by the agency of L. E. Alexander, Westbrook. The company gives notice that they will be liable under this policy if found kindly notify Cage, Managers, Hous-

12-Gauge Hammerless "Pump" Guns



The Marlin

repeating shotgun, model 28, is a masterpiece of engineering. It is a hammerless 12-gauge gun, without any objectionable humps or bumps; it is fully balanced and water to get in can't freeze up with rain, snow, or sleet; it is solid steel breech through a shell of wood; it is a thoroughly symmetrical gun without sacrificing strength or safety. It is the safest breech-loading shotgun ever built.

It is Hammerless with Solid Steel Breech (inside as well as out)—Solid Top—Side Release—to remove loaded cartridges quickly from magazine without working through action. Double Extractors—Take-Down Feature—Trigger and Hammer Safety. Handles rapidly; guaranteed in shooting ability; price standard Grade "A" gun, \$22.50.

Send 3 stamps postage for big catalog describing No. 28, A, B, C, D, T and Trap Special and all other Marlin repeating rifles and shotguns. Do it now!

The Marlin Firearms Co.,
 42 Willow Street, New Haven, Conn.

If you shoot a rifle, pistol or shotgun, you should have a copy of the **Ideal Hand Book**—100 pages of useful information for shooters. It tells all about ammunition; how to measure powder accurately; shows you how to cut your ammunition expense in half and do more and better shooting. This book is free to any shooter who will send three stamps postage to The Marlin Firearms Co., 42 Willow St., New Haven, Conn.

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Four Years Academy Course. Belton, Texas. Four Years College Course.

1. College offers four-year course. Graduates State Teachers' certificates. Strong faculty of University trained teachers. 2. Academy offers full high school course. Excellent separate faculty. 3. Fine Arts; Music; Expression; Art. Finest in the South. The celebrated Dr. Chas. S. Lovette, Director of Music. Building well equipped; location beautiful; outdoor athletics year round. Physical examination by competent Dietitians. Address John C. Hardy, L. D., President.

RAILROADS WILL HELP THE FARMER

Common Carriers Will Co-operate in Marketing Farm Products—Middlemen Charge Higher Rates for Handling Farm Than Factory Products.

By Peter Radford.

The leading railroad systems of the nation will establish market bureaus to assist the farmers along their lines in marketing their products. The following lines have acceded to the request of the Farmers' Union and announced their willingness to enter into active co-operation with the farmers in marketing their products: Missouri, Kansas & Texas Southern Pacific, Santa Fe, St. Louis, Southwestern and other "system" lines.

The express companies have surveyed the field and the Federal Government, through the parcel post has demonstrated the possibilities of the common carrier as a useful agency in marketing farm commodities.

I consider the action of these giant business concerns in determining to co-operate with the farmers in marketing their crops, to be the greatest product of human thought or the Western hemisphere during the past year, and it demonstrates that the educational work of the Farmers' Union has brought the nation to a clearer understanding of the real problems of the farmer.

To give information on marketing is far more valuable than to give advice on production. There is a mutual interest between the railroad and the farmer which cannot exist between any other lines of industry. The railroads are the teamsters of agriculture and they are employed only when there is something to haul. Good prices will do more to increase tonnage than any other factor, and railroads want tonnage.

Agriculture has many inherent disadvantages which require combined effort to overcome in marketing. There are millions of producing units working independently and selling without knowledge of market conditions. The harvest is once a year, while consumption is pretty evenly distributed throughout the entire year, and most of the farmers, through custom and necessity, dump their entire crop on the market as soon as it is gathered. The problem of organizing and systematizing the markets is one in which the farmers invite assistance of all lines of industry friendly to their interests.

Farmers Bear the Burden.

The business of the manufacturer lends itself more readily to organization and the facilities for studying the markets are more easily available. The result is that the merchants are compelled to handle most staple manufactured articles at very little profit, and as a consequence the merchant must look to products which he buys direct from the farm for his profits.

The reports of the Federal Department of Agriculture show some very interesting information and enable a comparison between the cost of marketing products of the farm and those of the factory. A few items will serve to illustrate the general run. The cost of getting sugar from the refinery to the consumer is 9 cents on the dollar; the cost of getting tobacco from the factory to the consumer is 14 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of eggs the middleman gets a profit of 50 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of potatoes, the middleman makes 70 cents on the dollar; in selling a dollar's worth of fruit, the middleman gets 84 cents on the dollar, and on cantaloupes 89 cents.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 570, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, in discussing this subject, said:

"The high price paid by consumers, ranging from 5 to 500 per cent, in some cases, more than the farmer receives, indicates that there is plenty of room for lowering the cost of farm products to consumers and at the same time largely increasing the

LOCALS

Best candies at Butler Drug Co. Dr. Gowen visited at Dallas this week.

See Dr. Bolt at the hotel next week for dental service.

B. B. Hall and Silas Izard, of San Angelo, were here this week.

Rev. S. E. Kennedy, of Davis, Okla., visited relatives here last week.

E. T. Cobb, of Garden City, was transacting business here this week.

Brown & Pearce, last week, sold Rev. C. S. Hagaman a Ford roadster.

If you want to trade your grass land for a No. 1 farm, see H. O. Westerfeld.

Roberts' grist mill is still turning out the goods on Wednesday. Special sale.

Miss Fay Foster has returned to Dallas, where she will resume her studies in art.

County Surveyor Kellis was surveying lands in the Broom, Farr & Lee pasture this week.

Dr. Gibner, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat specialist, will be at Coulson's drugstore today and tomorrow.

Misses Thelda, Avis and Gertrude Canon of San Angelo attended their grandfather, J. A. Canon's funeral last Wednesday.

The Masonic Lodge is moving its working tools into the upper story of the Lowe & Durham building where it will be quartered for the future.

School opened with a good attendance last Monday after a forced vacation of two weeks on account of a quarantine against scarlet fever.

W. E. Wood and family moved to town this week. Mr. Wood has purchased H. K. Dunn's dray line, and will operate same in the future.

I have a seven-passenger Pope-Toledo car, and also, \$1550 worth of Vendor's Lien notes, to trade for livestock, or revenue bearing town property. Call or see H. O. Westerfeld.

Look out for next Wednesday. Roberts is giving to the one buying the largest bill of goods for cash one set of Roger's silver soup spoons. They are dandies. Come in and look at them.

J. L. Glass wired from North Carolina Wednesday evening that his sister, Mrs. Mary Johnson was dead. Mr. Glass has been at the bedside of his sister for the last week.

There will be preaching at Iolanthe the last Sunday in February. Subject: "The Gospel of Christ the Power of God Unto Salvation"—not only after death, but in this life.

James.

Mrs. Cain Clark and her daughters, Mesdames Velma Crawford of Colorado, and Jimmie Weit of Fort Worth attended the funeral of Mrs. Clark's father, J. A. Canon, last Wednesday.

Our commissioners court has been in regular quarterly session this week auditing the quarterly reports of the various officers of the county. Up to this time there has been no action taken toward setting trees in the court yard.

J. T. Davis has a lot of choice high grade young hereford bulls for sale. These animals were raised here and are ideal stock for ranchmen to breed from. Those wishing to buy such stock at reasonable prices will phone or write Mr. Davis Sterling City.

A large silver ornament was found this week in the cave where the famous Carlisle 1830 silver loyug cup was found about a year ago. The ornament appears to have been forged from a silver coin and is no doubt of Indian make. It is on exhibition with the cup at Butler Drug Co.'s store.

—Want to lease, or rent on shares, two sections of land including farm, house, well and other improvements. See or write R. B. Cummins, Sterling City; or L. C. Dupree, Colorado.

Sheriff's Sale

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
 COUNTY OF STERLING. }

WHEREAS, By virtue of a certain order of sale and execution issued out of the district court of Tom Green county, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1913, in cause No. 2311, on the civil docket of said court, in favor of J. L. Smith vs. B. F. Adams, I did, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1914, at 2 o'clock p. m., levy upon the following described real estate, situated in Sterling county, Texas, to-wit:

Lots Nos. eleven (11) and twelve (12), in block No. forty (40), in Sterling addition to Sterling City, Texas, according to the map and plat of said addition on file in the office of the county clerk of said county.

And on the first Tuesday in March, A. D. 1914, same being the 3rd day of March, A. D. 1914, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m., and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, at the court house door of Sterling county, in Sterling City, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, all of the right, title, interest, and estate which the said B. F. Adams had on the 27th day of July, A. D. 1910, or at any time thereafter, in and to said above described property.

Witness my hand, at Sterling City, Texas, this 5th day of February, A. D. 1914.

Dee Davis, Sheriff of Sterling County, Texas.

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We beg to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the Texas Almanac complimentary of the Galveston-Dallas News.

This work is the result of the labor of years and without doubt the most reliable and complete encyclopedia of facts concerning the economic industries of Texas that has ever before been published.

Each county in the state is accurately described as to its topography, natural resources and industries. This feature alone is worth double the price of the book.

A list of the postoffices up to Jan. 1, 1914, is given so that anyone can easily locate any postoffice in the state.

There are thousands of facts set forth in this little book that make it an indispensable adjunct to every home, office, workshop, and library in the land. No school teacher should be without one. We could not well get along without it. We hope that every reader of the News-Record will own one. It does not cost much, only 30 cents.

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CONQUEST OF THE EARTH

Achievements of Past Twelve Years Not Equaled in Any Similar Period in History.

Though in days pre-eminent for man's conquest of Nature by science and engineering, says World's Work, Amundsen's journey to the South Pole, like Peary's to the North Pole, was made with only the appliances of previous generations. The poles were discovered by the endurance of dogs and men, spurred on by the old spirit of adventure and the lust for difficult and dangerous tasks that stirred the adventures of old. In another century or two the era of the pole discoveries will be hailed as the good old times when men were still men and civilization had not made the world effete.

The twelve years ending with the discovery of the South Pole are as full of dramatic achievement as the days of Drake and Raleigh, for not even in those times was there a more extraordinary series of discoveries and conquests packed into a dozen years.

In 1900 only one man had been to the length of Africa by land, and the Cape to Cairo Railroad was but a dream. There was not a railroad across South America. A great part of Siberia was without rail or road except the old caravan trails. China was practically without railroads. Lhasa was unknown, forbidden to the white man. During a century and a half men had tried to reach the South Pole and failed, and the North Pole had baffled the efforts of four hundred years.

Within a dozen years white men have traveled over the great desert, visited Lake Chad, made a protectorate over Timbuctoo. The days of the Mahdi at Khartoum are ended and any tourist may travel there comfortably by rail. The Cape to Cairo Railroad is an assured fact. The heart of Africa is now no more remote from the popular imagination than Oklahoma City was in 1900.

In South America the Trans-Andean Railroad is in full operation across the continent as the Trans-Siberian is across Asia. Even China has her railroads. Lhasa has been visited by a British army and both poles are the common property of every freethinker that boasts of books, magazines or newspapers.

Such a record may justify a feeling of pride that the spirit of conquest and adventure is as alive as ever and accompanied with all the courage and hardihood that blessed any earlier generation.

CLOSE TO BURIAL ALIVE.

A remarkable case of a woman coming back to life after being certified as dead has occurred at Tonbridge, Kent, England. The woman suffered from consumption and apparently died from that complaint. She was placed in a coffin and the funeral was arranged to take place two days later. Just before the service was to have been read, however, her brother was in the next room in attendance on his mother, when he heard a noise in the adjoining apartment, and on entering was startled to find his sister sitting upright in her coffin. She died the following day, having survived the terrible experience two days.

Small for Its Size.

An admiring constituent gave Congressman Legare of South Carolina one of those vest pocket edition Lilliputian Mexican dogs to take home to the children. Legare—pronounced Legree, by the way—was leading the dog along by a cotton string, when a South Carolina mountaineer stopped him.

"Are it a reglar dog?" the man asked.

"Yes, it's a Ch— Well, I can't pronounce the name of it," said Legare, "but it's some kind of a Mexican dog."

"Just a pup, I reckon."

"No; it's full grown."

"Well," opined the mountaineer, "that's the least dog I ever seen at one time."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

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THE RURAL PRESS

The Local Paper a Most Useful Agency on the Farm—The Press, Pulpit and School a Trinity of Influence that Must be Utilized in Building Agriculture.

By Peter Radford.

A broad campaign of publicity on the subject of rural life is needed in Texas today to bring the problems of the farmers to the forefront. The city problems are blazoned upon the front pages of the metropolitan dailies and echoed in the country press, but the troubles of the farmers are seldom told, except by those who seek to profit by the story, and the glitter of the package oftentimes obscures the substance. A searching investigation into the needs of the farmers will reveal many inherent defects in our economic system that can be easily remedied when properly understood and illuminated by the power of the press.

Every farmer in Texas should subscribe for the local paper, as well as farm periodicals and such other publications as he may find profitable, but he should, by all means, subscribe for his local paper, and no home should be without it. The local paper is a part of the community life and the editor understands the farmers' problems. It is the local paper that will study the local problems and through its columns deal with subjects of most vital importance to local life of the community.

A Noble Task.

In too many instances the country papers mimic the city press by giving prominence to scandals, accidents and political agitation. The new rural civilization has placed upon the rural press renewed responsibilities and enlarged possibilities for usefulness. It cannot perform its mission to agriculture by recording the frailties, the mishaps and inordinate ambitions of humanity, or by filling its columns with the echoes of the struggles of busy streets, on by enchanting stories of city life which lure our children from the farm.

It has a higher and nobler task. Too often the pages of the city dailies bristle with the struggle of ambitious men in their wild lust for power, and many times the flames of personal conflict near the tender buds of new civilization and illuminate the pathway to destruction. The rural press is the governing power of public sentiment and must hold steadfast to principle and keep the ship of state in the roadstead of progress. The rural press can best serve the interests of the farmers by applying its energies to the solution of problems affecting the local community. It must stem the mighty life current that is moving from the farm to the cities, sweeping before it a thousand boys and girls near day. It has to deal with the fundamental problems of civilization at their fountain head. Its mission is to direct growth, teach efficiency and mold the intellectual life of the country, placing before the public the daily problems of the farmers and giving first attention to the legislative, co-operative, educational and social needs of the agricultural classes within its respective community.

The Power of Advertising.

The influence of advertising is clearly visible in the homes and habits of the farmers, and the advertising columns of the press are making their imprint upon the lives of our people. There are ten pianos in the homes of Texas where there is one lath tub; automobiles are more popular than telephones, and more homes are supplied with patent medicine than with screen doors. This farmer possesses the things that are best advertised.

The farmer is entitled to all the advantages and deserves all the luxuries of life. We need more art, science and useful facilities on the farms, and many homes and farms are well balanced in this respect, but the advertiser can render a service by teaching the advantages of modern equipment throughout the columns of the rural press.



Happy Baking Days. CALUMET BAKING POWDER. The cook is happy, the other members of the family are happy—appetites sharpen, things brighten up generally.

Easy Solution. Mrs. Nouveau-Marie—What's the trouble now, Mary? Mary—Sure, an' there's thurble enough, mum. Here we do with company for tax, an' my nary a bit of bread in the house.

Public Opinion. Public opinion is what we think other people are thinking; or it is what we think other people think we think.

Why Suffer From Headaches, Neuralgia, Rheumatism. Hunt's Lightning Oil quickly relieves the pain. The Hurling and Aching stop almost instantly.

The Wretchedness of Constipation. Can quickly be overcome by CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

Men Fight On Their Stomachs. Napoleon so said, a man pretty sure to be a poor fighter. It is difficult—almost impossible—for anyone, man or woman, if digestion is poor, to succeed in business or socially—or to enjoy life.

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COLD DAY LUNCHEONS. EASILY PREPARED DISHES THAT WILL SATISFY APPETITE. Cheese Fritters Economical and Well come as a Change—Deservedly Popular is Ragout of Corn and Mutton Chops.

At the Boarding House. "Mrs. Scantleup, are you much worried?" "What about, sir?" "That the government will put its probe into the hash."

IN MISERY WITH ECZEMA. Franklinton, La.—About four years ago my face broke out in little red pimples. At first the eczema did not bother, but finally the pimples began itching and burning.

Arms and the Child. Girl scouts exist in Germany also. Instead of camping girls they call them something that sounds like a mixture of Fenimore Cooper and musical comedy—Patriotesses is the literal translation.

BIG EATERS HAVE BAD KIDNEYS AND BACKACHE. Take a Glass of Salts at Once if Your Back is Hurting or Kidneys and Bladder Trouble You.

On, Quit It! The tea drinking of Great Britain amounts to about 3,000 cups per individual for a year, according to statistics, which probably accounts for the tannin her athletes get whenever they enter into competition with us.

GRANDMA USED SAGE TEA TO DARKEN HER GRAY HAIR. She Made Up a Mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to Bring Back Color, Gloss, Thickness.

Located Him. One evening, when a water inspector was going his round, he stopped at one of the mains in a busy street to turn off the water owing to some repairs.

GAS, DYSPEPSIA AND INDIGESTION. "Pape's Diapepsin" settles sour, gassy stomachs in five minutes—Time It!

Veal Steak, Italian. Slice veal steak thin and cut into individual servings. Boil for five minutes in water to cover containing one teaspoonful of sugar, bit of bay leaf, one clove and slice of onion to each pint.

Baked Beets. Take well-grown beet roots and bake, instead of boiling them. Take off the hard outside and you will be agreeably surprised with the sweetness of the beet.

To Prevent Starch Sticking. When making hot starch always use soapy water and find it more satisfactory than plain water, as it gives the necessary slip to the linen and prevents the irons from sticking to the surface of the article.

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There's Many a Way. G. Roy Hill, secretary of the Automobile Club of Minneapolis, has invented this.

Practical Effect. "Can't that man get along in his talk without so many 'damns'?" "I'm afraid not. He's a pill builder."

Counting the Years. Mollie—They tell me that a ship's life is 25 years. Chollie—Well, there are a lot of other "shes" with much riggin' that don't have a mate for long after that number of years.

The Original Cause. "He bent every effort to make money." "I suppose that is how he became so crooked in his dealings."

Tribute to Ma's Powers. "My pa can look your pa." "That may be, but he can't lick my ma."

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