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Prices Compared

With Mail Order House Prices
Spend Your Money at Home and it will Return to you—Spend it away and it is Gone Forever

Mail order terms are cash. Paid about ten days or two weeks before you get your order. Our terms are cash or credit when you get your order. Our terms are cash or credit when you get the goods.
Return unsatisfactory goods to the mail order house and you have to wait ten days, or two weeks more before you get your money back, or the goods you want in exchange.
Return goods to us and you have the opportunity of either personally selecting or trying on as the case may be the goods you want to exchange, or get your money back at once.

OUR PRICES		Mail Order Prices.	
8 oz Duck	12 1/2c	8 oz Duck	12 1/2c
10 oz Duck	15c	10 oz Duck	15c
Scout Khaki Cloth		Scout Khaki cloth,	
10 yards	\$ 2 00	10 yards	\$ 1.87
Oil cloth, per yard	20c	Oil cloth, per yards	21c
Poppy and Shamrock table linen 72 in wide, per yard	75c	Poppy and Shamrock table linen 70 in wide, per yard	\$ 1.08
Cotton baby flannel per yard	10c	Cotton baby flannel per yard	9c
Galatea, 29 in, per yd	20c	Galatea, 29 in	17c
Calico	5c	Calico	5c

You can go through the Mail Order House Catalogue and it is the same all the way through. You can get many staples at home which you can't get from the mail order house.
Buy your goods at home at \$ 1.00
Buy from Mail Order House \$ 1.02
And you have to wait ten days or two weeks to get your goods.

W. A. DAY

Mail and Phone Orders Filled Promptly. Phone 9

FARMERS INSTITUTE MEETS FRIDAY JUNE 9

Organizations of County and School District Farmers in and for Coke County to be Completed.

To the officers and other members of the Coke County Farmers Institute, and of the School District Institutes of the county, and also, to the farm people generally of the county and all others whom it may concern, greeting:

You will all please take notice that Friday, June 9th has been selected and agreed upon as the date for the meeting, and for completing the organization or reorganization of all the local, or school district Farmers Institutes of this county and, all of you are cordially invited, in fact most earnestly requested to attend and take part in the meetings of the local Institutes in your several school houses; and as you will be, in all probability, very busy with your farm work during the day time, you will please meet in your several school houses at 8 P. M., with your families and your neighbors. You will please take notice also, that Saturday, June 10th, has been agreed on as the date for the next meeting of our County Farmers Institute, to be held in our County Court house at, say 1:30 P. M., and it is very important that every School District Institute in the county shall select and elect two or three or more delegates to attend said meeting.

At the meetings of the School District Institutes the following, for each one of them, will be the program:
1st. The enrollment of members, namely, the men and women and also the boys and girls of the said school district.
2nd. The selection of officers to serve until their successors shall be elected, namely: President, vice-president and secre-

tary. And since it will not cost one cent for them to become and remain members of their several School District Institutes and said organization will, beyond all doubt, be of much interest and value to them, we very earnestly hope that every one of those mentioned will be enrolled as such members.

3d. The election of two or three or more delegates to the said County Institute, who will pledge themselves to attend the meeting of the same.

4th. The election of delegates to the State Farmers' Institute to be held in Austin, Texas, July 17th, 18th and 19th.
5th. The fixing of the dates for the future regular meetings of your several School District Institutes, and we recommend, in fact most earnestly request, that you will agree to meet once every month, or certainly not less than once every three months, with attractive programs arranged for and duly advertised in advance.

Free transportation will be furnished delegates to the said State Farmers' Institute on the following basis, to-wit: One delegate at large, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five enrolled members, or majority fraction thereof, provided that no institute shall be entitled to more than ten delegates who shall not come within the prohibitory provisions of the State Anti Pass Law.

In this connection we will further state that full explanations and directions as to these matters will be mailed to the president and the secretary of each one of the said School District Institutes of the said School District Institutes of the county to include not only those that have heretofore been regularly organized but those that some time ago, as you will doubtless remember, were appointed to such offices, to hold until their successors shall be duly elected. Hoping and confidently be-

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KOSSUTH AYCOCK, MANAGER.

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We Carry a Complete Stock of Automobile Accessories for all Makes of Cars.

Real Expert Starting, Lighting, Ignition and Storage Battery Work—Every article and work guaranteed.

Phone and Mail Orders Filled Promptly

Believing that every school district community in our county will have a numerously attended and very interesting Institute meeting Friday, June 9th, 8 P. M., and that each one of said Institutes will be fully represented in our County Institute meeting Saturday, May 10, 1:30 P. M., also in the State Farmers Institute in Austin July 17th, 18th and 19th.

We are very sincerely your friends, O. C. Ivey, president; N. S. Craddock, 1st vice president; B. A. Boykin, 2nd vice president; Geo. Cowan, secretary; Coke County Farmers' Institute.

Does Sloan's Liniment Help

Ask the man who uses it, he knows. "To think I suffered all these years when one 25 cent bottle of Sloan's Liniment cured me," writes one grateful user. If you have Rheumatism or suffer from Neuralgia, Backache, Soreness, and stiffness, don't put off getting a bottle of Sloan's. It will give you such welcome relief, it warms and soothes the sore, stiff painful places and you feel much better. Buy it at any Drug Store, only 25 cents. Adv.

L. V. Hamilton Dead

Deputy Sheriff, W. B. Hamilton, received a letter the past week, announcing the death of his brother, L. V. Hamilton, at Socorro, N. M., May 21st. The deceased was well and favorably known in Coke county, having been a citizen of this county, for a number of years. He moved from here with his family to New Mexico about eight years ago. The Observer extends condolence to the bereaved family and relatives.

Discovery

This best answer is Dr. King's New Discovery itself. Its a pleasant sweet syrup, easy to take. It contains the medicines which years of experience have proven best for Coughs and Colds. Those who have used Dr. King's New Discovery longest are its best friends. Besides every bottle is guaranteed. If you don't get satisfaction you get your money back. Buy a bottle use as directed. Keep what is left for Cough and Cold insurance. Adv.

Mrs. T. A. Terry returned home last week from an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. Maud Bishop, at Trent, Texas. While away, she spent several days with Rev. Sillman and family at Merkel. She reports plenty of rain, and good prospects for a fine crop in those parts.

Children that are affected by worms are pale and sickly and liable to contract some fatal disease. WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE expels worms promptly and puts the child on the road to health. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by P. D. Coulson & Son.—Adv.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

District Offices.....\$10.00
County Offices.....10.00
Commissioner and Justice 7.50
Precinct Offices.....5.00
Cash to accompany order.
We are authorized to announce the following candidates subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

For Representative 111 District: WALLACE E. HAWKINS. M. LESTER CHAMBERS. O. V. ROBERTS.

For District Judge 51st Judicial District: J. W. TIMMINS.

For District Attorney 51st Judicial District: J. A. THOMAS SHELBY COX.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: L. J. COWART. J. H. BURROUGHS. (Re-Election.)

For County and District Clerk: C. T. BRADLEY ROY TAYLOR. (Re-Election.)

For Tax Assessor: W. J. CUMBIE. (Re-Election.)

For County Treasurer: R. L. (BOB) HALL. MRS. ANNIE PARKER. (Re-Election.)

For Commissioner of Precinct No. 1: F. M. PRICHARD. T. J. GOSS. I. A. BIRD. J. B. B. OVERALL.

For Commissioner Precinct 3: D. I. FIELDS G. W. DAVIDSON.

For Commissioner Precinct 4: W. R. THOMAS.

For Cotton Weigher Precinct 1: CLYDE WARREN. (Re-election.)

For Constable Precinct 1: N. H. POWERS.

Bad to Have a Cold Hang on

Don't let your cold hang on, rack your system and become chronic when Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey will help you. It heals the inflammation, soothes the cough and loosens the phlegm. You breathe easier at once. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is a laxative Tar-Syrup, the pine tar balsam heals the raw spots, loosens the mucous and prevents irritation of the bronchial tubes. Just get a bottle of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey to-day. Its guaranteed to help you. At drug-gists. Adv.

—To live well and at low prices order your groceries from us. The purest and freshest in all lines. Green & Terry.

Notice to Candidates.

Candidates for county and precinct offices must file with the County Chairman not later than Saturday before the third Monday in June, a written request that his name be printed on the official ballot, giving occupation and postoffice address. The application must be signed and acknowledged before some officer authorized to take acknowledgments to deeds. The following form may be used:

To the Democratic Executive Committee of Coke County, Texas:

I hereby request that my name be placed upon the official ballot for the primary election to be held on the 22d day of July, 1916, as a candidate for the office of _____

My occupation is _____ My postoffice is _____ (signed) _____

State of Texas,) Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____ known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument of writing, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purpose therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office this _____ day of 1916.

We desire that no name be left off the official ballot because of a failure to comply with the law, and we hope that all candidates who desire to do so, will send in their application in due time, and in proper form.

J. S. Gardner, Chairman.

If you have the Itch, don't scratch. It does not cure the trouble and makes the skin bleed. Apply BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. Rub it gently on the affected parts. It relieves itching instantly and a few applications removes the cause thus performing a permanent cure. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by P. D. Coulson & Son.—Adv.

Big Real Estate Deal.

A deal was consummated this week through Chas. Escus real estate dealer in which Seaton Keith sold to F. K. Poppewell, his ranch in Coke County known as the Barron ranch, situated 4 miles north of town and containing 4500 acres at \$36,000.00. Mr. Poppewell sold to Seaton Keith his three concrete buildings on Austin Avenue at \$10,000.00. The buildings are one story buildings with a frontage of 75x90 feet.

Good Old Sars, Other Remedies Won't Cure. The worst cases, no matter how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Paine's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Swells at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

Why Should You WORRY



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Will set your tires for 25 cents each and keep your wheel preserved for 12 months. Shoe your horse for 90 cents, and thereby save you 10 cents on every 4 shoes, and every 25th horse, which is shod, is free. You may be the free one. Come try us. We guarantee your satisfaction. We know we are the cheapest Smiths in Texas. We build wagon beds 16 feet long, 32 inches deep, for \$16.50.
We sharpen all sweeps up to 12 inches for 10 cents each, and 12 inches for 12 1/2 cents. 14 and 16 inches for 15 cents. Try us—we will please you—That is our hobby. Don't put it off. You need these bargains, and we are offering them to prove that what we say is true—That we are the best and quickest Blacksmiths in west Texas. Help us build the largest business by giving us your patronage. We feel sure that you will advertise for us after giving us a trial. There isn't any use to give \$2.00 to have your tire set, when we set them for \$1.00. Don't you see we need your patronage, and you need our work, and you will be enabled to have more things done for the same money at our shop. Don't fail to call and see us and figure with us on any kind of job. New work or repair jobs.

BROWN & ESTEP

Blacksmiths, Woodworkers and Horse Shoers

Spring.

Spring is looked upon by many as the most delightful season of the year, but this cannot be said of the rheumatic. The cold and damp weather brings on rheumatic pains which are anything but pleasant. They can be relieved, however, by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Obtainable everywhere.

Mrs. J. C. Mayhew was here this week attending to shipping out their household goods to Winters. She left for Winters Thursday, June 2nd, and there by Rev. Mayhew. Rev. Mayhew has given up the pastorate of the Methodist Church, at this place, on account of ill health. He is considerably improved, but not able to attend to the duties. We hate to have these good people leave our town and wish them well wherever they go. No pastor ever lived here that was more universally loved than Rev. Mayhew and his good wife.

A regular morning operation of the bowels puts you in fine shape for the day's work. If you miss it you feel uncomfortable and cannot put vim into your movements. For all bowel irregularities HERBINE is the remedy. It purifies, strengthens and regulates. Price 50c. Sold by P. D. Coulson & Son.—Adv.

J. P. H. McMullan, of Bronte, was in the city Wednesday, returning from a business visit to Edith. He informed us that the people of Edith are preparing to build a modern school building that will meet all the requirements to secure a portion of the school appropriation fund. They are now tearing down the old building and clearing the ground. The building will be a frame structure.

Teething babies always have a hard time of it when this process occurs in hot weather. They not only have to contend with painful gums but the stomach is disordered, bowels loose and the body uncomfortable. The best help you can give the little sufferer is McGEHEE'S BABY ELIXIR. It corrects sour stomach, cools and quiets the bowels and helps digestion. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by P. D. Coulson & Son.—Adv.

Indigestion nearly always disturbs the sleep more or less, and is often the cause of insomnia. Eat a light supper with little if any meat, and no milk; also take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper, and see if you do not rest much better. Obtainable everywhere.

Why Constipation Injures.

The bowels are the natural sewerage system of the body. When they become obstructed by constipation a part of the poisonous matter which they should carry off is absorbed into the system, making you feel dull and stupid, and interfering with the digestion and assimilation of food. This condition is quickly relieved by Chamberlain's Tablets. Obtainable everywhere.

—The very best California fruits in gallon cans. Also the best California fruits in cans at Green & Terry.

THE FISH ARE BITING FINE

You will have good luck, if you buy your tackle from us. We have a full line of all kinds of hooks, lines, floats, sinkers, minnow seines, poles, etc. LETS GO FISHING.

Yours for more fish. Robert Lee Hardware Co. Hardware and Furniture.

Safe Medicine For Children.

"Is it safe?" is the first question to be considered when buying cough medicine for children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has long been a favorite with mothers of young children as it contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. It is pleasant to take, too, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. This remedy is most effective in relieving coughs, colds and croup. Obtainable everywhere.

Mrs. Jim Robbins, of Rankin, and Miss Susie Lee Stevens, and Marvin Stevens passed through the city Thursday en route to Edith. Mr. Stevens to visit their sister, Mrs. Claud Barger, and Miss Stevens was returning home from a visit to Fort Chadbourne.

The Long Arm

Of The Telephone

No town "between ocean's" is too small, no city is too far no one is out of reach of this great finder of men. When a situation demands quick action that is at once decisive, reach for your telephone. Ask the operator to tell you the long distance rates. When you telephone, smile! Connections throughout the southwest.

INSOMNIA

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SAFETY

SAFETY TELEPHONE COMPANY
FRED GREEN, Local Manager.

Name of Owner	LAND				Town, Lot, Block	State Taxes					County Taxes				Total
	Abs No	Sur. No	Original Grantee	Acres Delin'qt		Rev	Sch	Dist	Pen	Adv	Dist	School	Penalty	Tax	
Unknown					Robert Lee, lot 11, block 40	02	02	01	01	07	20	05	01	20	
do					Robert Lee, lots 21, 22, block 12	12	08	02	02	26	20	20	05	75	
do					Robert Lee, lot 1, block 36	06	04	01	01	19	20	10	02	37	
do					Robert Lee, lot 1, 3, 7, block 31	18	12	03	03	39	20	30	07	132	
do					Robert Lee, lot 5, 7, 9, 11 blk 36	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Robert Lee, lot 2, block 42	06	04	01	01	15	20	10	02	37	
do					Robert Lee, lot 1, 22, 23, 24, blk 44	15	10	03	03	33	20	2	06	95	
do					Robert Lee, lot 3, 9, 21, 22, block 53	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Robert Lee, lots 2, 4, 6, 8, block 55	09	40	10	11	130	20	100	23	374	
do					Robert Lee, lot 8, block 62	06	04	01	01	15	20	10	02	37	
do					Robert Lee, lot 3, block 67	06	04	01	01	15	20	10	02	37	
do					Robert Lee, lot 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, block 77	15	10	03	03	33	20	25	06	95	
do					Robert Lee, lot 11, block 82	06	04	01	01	15	20	10	02	37	
do					Robert Lee, lots 2, 4, 6, block 88	18	12	03	03	39	20	30	07	132	
do					Robert Lee, lots 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, blk 89	27	18	05	05	59	20	45	10	169	
do					Robert Lee, lots 4, 5, block 7 A N L	06	04	01	01	13	20	10	02	37	
do					Robert Lee, 1-2 of block P, A N L	15	10	03	03	33	20	25	06	95	
do					Robert Lee, 1, 1, 4 of block W A N L	15	10	03	03	33	20	25	06	95	
do					Fort Chadbourne, lots 4, 5, 6, block 19	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					do its 1 to 4, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, bk 20	60	49	19	11	139	20	90	22	363	
do					do its 14, 15, 16, 17, bk 1 MeD	12	08	02	02	26	20	10	02	37	
do					do its 2, 4, 5, 6, block 7 MeD	75	51	12	14	163	20	73	24	412	
do					do all block 8, MeD	15	10	03	03	33	20	2	06	95	
do					do its 16, 17, block 9 MeD	10	05	02	02	20	20	14	03	56	
do					do all block 10 MeD	08	02	01	01	07	20	10	02	37	
do					do all block 12, MeD	06	04	01	01	13	20	10	02	37	
do					do lots 5, 6, block 10 Min	03	02	01	01	07	20	10	02	37	
do					do lots 7, 11, 12, block 13 Min	05	03	01	01	11	20	10	02	37	
do					Tennyson lot 7, block 25	10	05	02	02	29	18	14	03	56	
do					Bronte, lots 12, 13, block 6	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Bronte, lots 8, 9, 10, 11, block 8	60	40	10	11	130	20	100	23	374	
do					Bronte, lots 1, 2, block 14	46	29	08	08	98	20	75	17	281	
do					Bronte, lot 17, block 41	46	29	08	08	98	20	75	17	281	
do					Bronte, lots 1, 2, 3, 16, 17, block 44	76	50	12	14	160	20	125	29	469	
do					Bronte, lots 7, 8, 17, block 50	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Bronte, lot 3, block 52	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Bronte, lot 3, block 57	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Bronte, lot 11, block 63	30	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Bronte, lot 5, block 77	12	08	02	02	26	20	10	02	37	
do					Bronte, lots 3, 4, block 82	39	20	05	05	65	20	50	11	186	
do					Bronte, its 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, blk 91 Or ad	28	18	04	05	59	20	45	10	169	
do					Bronte, lot 7, block 92	03	02	01	01	07	20	10	02	37	
do					Bronte, lots 6, 7, 8, 14, block 2 Max	15	10	03	03	33	20	2	06	95	
do					Bronte, all block 10 Hix	21	14	04	04	46	20	35	08	132	
do					Bronte, all block 11 Hix	21	14	04	04	46	20	35	08	132	
do					Bronte, all block 8 Dear	06	04	01	01	13	20	10	02	37	
do					Robert Lee, lots 5, 9, block 22	22	13	04	04	46	20	35	08	132	
do					Bronte, lot 1, block 53	09	40	10	11	130	20	100	23	374	
Martin W A						3	84	2	56	01	70	8	22	15	
Stevall Jess															
Wood Fred B	1985	12	Fred B Wood	640											

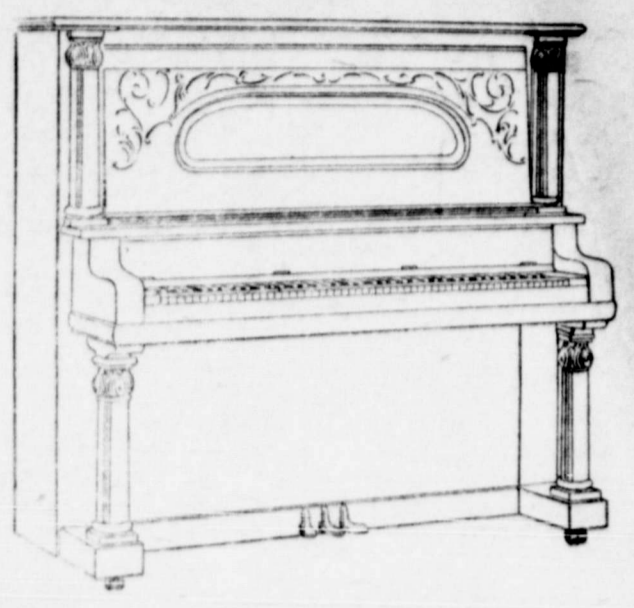
THE STATE OF TEXAS, I, J. H. Burroughs, Tax Collector of Coke County do hereby certify that the within report of lands and town lots assessed on the County of Coke, Tax Rolls of said County for the year 1915, which have been sold to the State or reported delinquent for the taxes of former years and not redeemed, and are also delinquent for the taxes of 1915, is correct, and that I am entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of April 1916. J. H. BURROUGHS, Tax Collector.

ROY TAYLOR, County Clerk, Coke County, Texas. CERTIFICATE OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT. We certify that we have examined the within report of lands and town lots assessed on the Tax Rolls of Coke County, for the year 1915, which have been sold to the State or reported delinquent for taxes of former years and not redeemed, and are also delinquent, for the taxes of 1915 and find the same correct and that J. H. Burroughs, Tax Collector, is entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon, as follows, to wit:

State Revenue Tax	\$ 158 26	County Ad Valorem Tax	\$ 342 20
State School Tax	105 21	County Special Tax	50
Pension Tax	26 47	County Poll Tax	173 28
State Poll Tax	3 00	District School Tax	
Total State Tax	\$ 292 94	Total County Taxes	\$ 515 98

Given in open Court this 12th day of April 1916. I, A. Bled, J. L. Scott, Presiding, D. I. Fields, W. R. Brock, County Commissioners. Attest Roy Taylor.

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OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Vice President Marshall ON INDIVIDUAL'S RESPONSIBILITY TO GOVERNMENT.



It cannot be said that it is the system of government which is wrong. It is the unjust use of the system. It has not been the use, but the misuse, of the powers of government which has produced the discontent in the minds of men. Equitable enforcement of the laws can never be made to rest upon the office-holders of the land. It must rest upon the individual. The people's rule does not depend necessarily upon the system of government under which they vote. Good or bad government must go back to good or bad citizenship, to intelligent or ignorant, to honest or dishonest electors. American democracy was intended to mean, and I believe does mean, something more than selecting officers.

The individualism of Thomas Jefferson is not dead. It has not moldered back to dust in the grave at Monticello. It waits the earth this day knocking at the door of rich and poor, of wise and ignorant alike, calling upon all men to make this the millennium of statecraft, wherein no one shall claim to be master, and all shall be glad to be the servants of the Republic. America has no right to be unless she stands for man and for the rights of men. Evils are abroad in the land, now as always. Notwithstanding our boast, our government is not of and by and for the people. Yet, I make bold to say that it is still a representative democracy. Our coordinate system of government was formulated by Thomas Jefferson, and many a man wholly ignorant of Jefferson's theory of government is now coordinating himself a Jeffersonian Democrat. Public speakers and the public press have been giving voice for twenty years to the fact that this is not a people's government. It has been shown that the bosses are in control from ocean to ocean; that their machines have taken over the politics and legislation of the country; that they have prevented the people from crystallizing our ideals into enforceable laws. To be sure, we have had bosses and we have had machine politics in America. We have had legislation which, in enactment and construction, has not tended to promote the ideal of equality and the opportunity for honest success. But it has also been loudly proclaimed that the people, if they could only get a chance to express themselves, would declare in unmistakable terms their belief that this system was vicious; that they would smash the machines, banish the bosses and select officials who would always stand four-square with the theories of the fathers of the republic. As a matter of fact, opportunity has been given us during the last few years to analyze our conditions and correct them; revealing to us what we should have known all along, what, indeed, we had known, but had been allowed to forget; this is a government, not of stocks and bonds and mortgages, not of factories, and mines, but a government of men—men who will neglect the common good in looking after their own welfare, unless they are touched with the weight of that responsibility which rests upon them as individual citizens.

We Quote Cattle Dip

Arsenic per pound	12 1-2c
Sol Soda per pound	5c
Caustic Soda per pound	14c
Pine Tar per gallon	75c

As the market for these are very unstable we reserve the right to change these prices without notice.

The City Drug Store

The Observer.

GEO. COWAN, EDITOR.

Entered in the postoffice at Robert Lee, Texas, as second-class mail matter.

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Take Care of the Breed Sow. Probably 75 per cent of the losses of young pigs are due to ignorance or neglect on the part of the owner in selecting, feeding and caring for the brood sow and not more than 25 per cent to bad weather conditions, late-terminated sows and other unavoidable things.

Farm and Garden

MILK AND CREAM CONTESTS. Competitions in Quality of Milk Among Dairymen Have Educational Value. [Prepared by United States Department of Agriculture.] Milk and cream contests have been found to be a very valuable means of inducing dairymen to take greater pains in the production and handling of milk. In a new professional paper of the United States Department of Agriculture, bulletin No. 356, the axiom is quoted that "Education ac-

complishes more than legislation." The law, it is said, can of course be applied to glaringly insanitary conditions, but after a certain degree of cleanliness has been reached subsequent improvement must be obtained in other ways.

The first milk and cream contest was held in 1904 during the national dairy show in Chicago. Since then



A SANITARY MILKING SUIT.

there have been many others, and the method of scoring the exhibits has gradually been improved. Under the present system out of a total possible score of 100 points 35 are allowed for the bacterial count, 25 for the flavor and odor of the milk, 10 for the absence of visible dirt, 10 for percentage of fat, 10 for percentage of solids not fat, 5 for acidity and 5 for the appearance and condition of the bottle and cap.

To obtain a perfect score for the bacterial count the milk must contain less than 500 bacteria per cubic centimeter. A bacterial count above the local legal limit results in a score of 0. The deductions from the possible score of 25 for flavor and odor are made according to the conditions found. This is also true of the examination for visible dirt. For this the milk is allowed to remain for some time undisturbed and the bottom is then examined very closely for the slightest movable speck. Four per cent or more of fat in the milk results in a perfect score of 10, less than 2.7 per cent in 0. To obtain a perfect score for the solids not fat the percentage must be 8.7 or more, and less than 7.8 per cent is counted 0. In the case of cream there is no credit for solids not fat, and the percentage of fat counts 20 points instead of 10. To obtain a perfect score for acidity the percentage must be 0.2 or less. More than 0.2 per cent is counted 0. The same score card is now being

used for market milk and for certified milk, but in most of the contests those who compete in the certified class are not allowed to enter samples in the market class.

The educational value of these contests is indicated by the fact that almost invariably dairymen who have had experience in such competitions obtain higher scores than those who have not. On the other hand, the contests are used also to point out to consumers the fact that clean milk is more difficult and expensive to produce than dirty milk.

ROAD WORK IN RURAL SECTIONS

Suggestions to Communities For Improved Highways.

DRAINAGE AN ESSENTIAL.

The Right Man in a Community Should Be Placed in Charge of Road Work. An Earth Road Properly Cared For Satisfactory in Rural Sections That Cannot Afford Better Type.

[Prepared by office of public roads.] That full value may be received for the money appropriated for road purposes and that the best results obtainable may be secured it is essential that the right man shall be placed in charge of road work. He should be selected not only because he actually knows more about road work than any other person in the community, but also because he can get the best results from the money furnished. It is not sufficient, however, to let the matter rest with the appointment of a road overseer. He should receive the whole-hearted support of the community in the work. It should be seen that under the conditions and with the



DRAINAGE AN EARTH ROAD. money furnished the community to get

what it has a right to expect in the way of road improvement. It is well to remember that if for any reason an incompetent man is placed in charge of the work the responsibility for failure rests upon the community. There should be no other consideration therefore in selecting a road overseer than that of securing a man with the ability to perform the duties required. It should be realized that good roads have much to do with the prosperity of a community and that united action in the right direction is the surest and quickest way to secure them.

Where the road overseer has had but little experience in road work or where some new and difficult problem is presented to the experienced man the office of public roads and rural engineering of the department of agriculture when requested will offer advice and suggestions for carrying on the work and how best to overcome the difficulties.

To secure a satisfactory road of any type it is absolutely necessary to remember: First, drainage; second, drainage, and, third, drainage. The earth road, properly cared for, will answer satisfactorily for the traffic of many rural sections that cannot afford the better types of roads, but the earth road must be well drained. After this fact is well understood two other requirements may be taken up—the location of the road and the reduction of grades to a general average of 5 per cent.

With the exception of sandy roads which are easiest for traveling when damp, all roads must have proper side ditches to carry away the surface water. In order to lead this surface water to the ditch the road surface must have a crown, or rounded top, highest in the center and sloping toward the side ditches. A very easy and satisfactory way to keep earth, clay and gravel roads crowned by the use of the split log drag is explained in Farmers' Bulletin 507, copies of which may be obtained upon application to the department.

After the road has been crowned and the crown is kept in condition by the wise use of the road drag it should be seen that ditches are kept free from weeds, etc., and that they are deep enough to carry off the water which runs into them. In most cases a wide, shallow ditch is best. Deep ditches are dangerous to traffic. At spaces of every few hundred feet along the road way a culvert of some kind should be placed to carry away the water which has gathered in the ditches.

A road properly built generally will not have an average grade of more than 5 per cent. By "per cent of grade" is meant the number of feet the road rises or falls for every 100 feet of its length. On a road of 1 per cent grade the horses need pull the load up a rise of only 1 foot for every 100 feet they travel. It has been found that where a horse can pull a full load on level ground he is able to pull only one-half that load on a 5 per cent grade and only one-fourth that load on a 10 per cent grade. More trips must be made to and from market on a road with just one bad hill in order to haul the same amount that can be hauled at one trip on a level road.

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In Woman's Realm

MRS. W. B. HAMILTON, EDITOR.

We would be glad to receive articles from our lady readers. Articles must be signed by contributor but their name will not be published except when requested by writer.

God, though this life is but a wraith.
 Although we know not what we use,
 Although we grope with little faith,
 Give me the heart to fight—and lose.
 Ever insurgent let me be.
 Make me more daring than devout;
 From sleek contentment keep me free,
 And fill me with a buoyant doubt.
 Open my eyes to visions girt
 With beauty, and with wonder lit—
 But let me always see the dirt,
 And all that spawn and die in it.
 Open my ears to music; let
 Me thrill with Spring's first flutes
 and drums—
 But never let me dare forget
 The bitter ballads of the slums.
 From compromise and things half-done,
 Keep me, with stern and stubborn pride;
 And when, at last, the fight is won,
 God, keep me still unsatisfied.
 —Loufs Untermyer.

Lord Clevenger.

A beautiful little church wedding took place at Sanco, Sunday evening May 21, when Rev. McLaughlin spoke the solemn words that united Mr. Ira Lord and Miss Leona Clevenger in matrimony.

The church was beautifully decorated in evergreens and white wedding bells, with a combination of Spring roses and green foliage.

Entering the church to the strains of Sprankle's Wedding March came Mr. Russ Lord, best man and Miss Oia Breedlove maid of honor, followed by the other brides maids and ushers. The bride and groom came last, then followed the solemn ceremony that made them man and wife.

The bride wore a beautiful bride's dress of white satin and shadow lace caught gracefully at the sides with dainty rose buds. The bride's maids were all in white.

Mr. and Mrs. Lord will make their home at Sanco.

Will my Child Take Dr. King's New

J. R. Patteson went to San Angelo Tuesday, and Mrs. Patteson returned with him to visit relatives a few days. They will move to their home here next week and will again become citizens of our city. We welcome them home again.

—Send us your Films to develop Free. Prints or Post Cards, four cents each. We give you Cyko prints, the very best. Willis Art Gallery, Sweetwater, Texas.

The High School Play.

The entertainment given by the High School pupils on the campus at the school building Friday night was greeted by a large audience. The Drama, "Striking Oil", was well rendered and was interesting from start to finish.

The program beside the drama consisted of readings and songs which were well rendered, and the burlesque, "The Bronte Band", created quite a deal of merriment. The receipts of the evening was over \$40.00 which will be used for the school library.

Live Agent Wanted.

We want a live agent in this county to sell the FAMOUS FORD FARM TRACTOR. Write quick. Ford Tractor Sales Company, 600 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas.

—Spanish Peanuts for seed at W. H. Bell & Co.

Mrs. Williams of Ballinger, organizer of the Woodmen Circle was in the city Wednesday. She has just secured ten members and will organize a circle at Edith. She was enroute to Bronte, where she will organize a circle with a membership of twenty.

—Dr. I. E. Smith, Eye, Ear, Nose & Throat Specialist of Snyder will make his regular visit here Wednesday June 14. Office at City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lock and daughter, Miss Verta, returned Monday, from a visit of several days to G. W. Lock, at Mineral Wells. Mr. Lock returned home with them for a few days visit.

—California Fruits in gallon cans, 40 cents per gallon at W. M. Simpson.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Adams went to San Angelo Tuesday, returning Wednesday in their new Maxwell, which they purchased while there.

—A full line of the very best California can goods at very low prices. W. M. Simpson.

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"ANGIE'S UNCLE."

(Margurite Greer, Author.)
 (Continued from last week.)

Angie's cousin had a different thought in her mind besides letting Frank have Angie back. She intended to get Angie away from there and not let her write to Frank.

If she wrote to him or received one, she had them held at the post office. She said if she would do this, she might get Angie tired waiting for Frank to come and then she would get her married to some wealthy man and if she was an old maid she might herself marry well off, if she let people know she was kin to this beautiful girl.

Frank had been at home only a week, when one dark stormy night, some men came to his house, telling him that a man who was nearly dead was wanting them to come up the river about a mile, and that he had a confession to make.

Frank and his mother went, and to their surprise, it was Frank's father. The following is the confession he made:

"Well" began the man, "when I was only twenty years old, I married your mother. She was a beautiful lady and I was jealous of her, so I told one of my friends, if he ever danced with my wife or any other man, I would kill him. Well, my son, the time came, but your mother did not know I had said this, so she danced with a man by the name of Dickson. When they finished their dance, I went to him and told him that I would meet him at a certain place and there I would have it out with him. The next morning, I was mad at my wife, so I told her to leave my house and never try to hear from me again, as I had enough of her. She begged and plead, but I would not listen to her. Dickson met me, I, getting the first shot, killed him instantly. I knew what my trouble would be if I stayed there, so I changed his clothes with mine, then I put my signet ring on his finger, then took out my knife and cut his head off, then went to the river with it, throwing his head in a deep hole of water. I, myself swam the river and escaped and I have been in England, living under a false name, but getting sick, I came home to find my wife, but alas, poor boy! She is dead, and I find only you. Will you forgive me?"

"I will," said Frank, just in time, because his father dropped back in his chair dead.

Mr. Martian was buried on Frank's place, by the side of his wife. When they dressed him, they found a will addressed to his son, which left Frank a wealthy man.

Frank's grandmother died soon after this and was also buried beside her daughter.

Frank was free to leave home now, as his grandmother was dead, and it had been over a year since he and Angie had parted and he had written three times, without an answer, he said he supposed she had forgotten him so he would leave her if she had any pleasure in life, he would not destroy it.

Frank went to a college that taught speaking as he intended to make a speaker of himself.

It has been three years since Frank went to college and he graduated the second year.

Frank was to speak at Washington. That night, while he was dressing, he wondered, if Angie was there. I suppose she is married, as she heard that trying to rescue two children from fire, I perished in the flames.

Angie was there as she dearly loved speaking. When Frank started to speaking she said to her cousin, "He has a voice like Frank's."

"Yes, said her cousin, but he has not the same name."

"Well" said Angie, sometimes great men change their names."

"Oh, hush, Angie, you know he was burned to death while rescuing some children."

"I don't care," said Angie, "I will send for him to come to see me tomorrow."

It was sure enough Frank, and he and Angie found out it was her cousin who had kept the letters. She confessed and of course they were so happy they forgave her.

Frank and Angie, had a beautiful house built on Frank's place and then they moved to it.

Would it surprise you if I tell you Angie's uncle got married. He married Angie's cousin. He said he was mistaken in Angie. He just loved her as a niece.

You may drive out to this river, you will find two more beautiful children, playing in the water, but we hope that in early youth, they will not have the sorrow their parents had.

Angie's uncle says they won't because no one else will act so crazy as he did, but he says he has a wife the same and he is now happy, oh, so happy!

The End.

—Let us fill that next order for fresh groceries.

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