

Lockney Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY LEADS ALL WEST TEXAS IN VALUE OF CROPS PRODUCED. LOCKNEY IS IN THE HEART OF THE BEST FARMING SECTION OF THE PLAINS, AND IN THE GREAT SHALLOW WATER BELT

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NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT IS FORMED

BILL PASSED LEGISLATURE AND SIGNED BY GOVERNOR CREATES NEW DISTRICT

A bill was introduced in the special session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature which passed, and has been signed by the Governor creating a new school district in the western part of Floyd county to be known as the Lockney Independent School district, and embracing all of the following school districts: Lockney Independent School district, Rose-land, Prairie Chapel, Aiken, Irick, Muncy, Pleasant Valley and Ramsey school districts.

This bill carried the emergency clause, and has now become a law. However, the bill provides that the schools will continue in regular form under the management of their present school boards and present corps of teachers until the 1926-27 sessions are completed, and that the schools will all become a part of the Lockney Independent School District at the close of the 1926-27 term. The bill provided for the election of an entire new board of trustees of seven members to be elected from the district at large the first Saturday in April, 1927.

This bill was introduced at the instance of the Lockney Independent School District to take care of the needs of the schools in this section of the county, and to furnish adequate grade and high schools to give the children of this part of the county as good educational advantages as is afforded in other sections of the Plains country. With this fact in view several months ago a committee of the school board made a trip to Austin to see what could be done in the premises, and were advised by the State Department of Education that the course to pursue would be to have a bill passed by the legislature that would take care of the proposition, and it was the intention of the people interested in the matter to take the proposition up at the next regular session of the legislature, which is to meet in January, 1927. After the special session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature had been convened, it was given out that special school bills would be considered during the special session, and a committee from the school patrons, whose expenses were paid by the Chamber of Commerce, were sent down to Austin to see what could be done about the consolidation of the various districts adjacent to the Lockney Independent School District into the Lockney Independent School District, and on conferring with the State Superintendent and his staff the committee was advised that it was the desire of the State Board of Education that as many as possible of the small independent school districts and small common school districts in the state be consolidated, and it was pointed out to the committee the many educational advantages that would be derived by such consolidations, and the committee was advised that it would be the proper time to have a bill drawn and presented to the legislature. The committee listened to the advice of the department of education along this line, and with the assistance of the Chief Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, the bill was drawn and presented to the lower house of the legislature, and after passing the House went to the Senate, where it was also passed, it then going to the governor, where it was signed Thursday of last week, and became a law.

The consolidation of these districts all into one independent school district was done for the purpose of giving to the western part of Floyd county one of the best school districts obtainable, and thereby give every child living in the district the advantages of getting a first-class high school education at a minimum cost to the taxpayers of the district. Under the present system of running the independent and common schools, the children of the common school districts are forced when they have finished the seventh or eighth grades, to either transfer to some high school to finish their education, or else stop going to school, and lose the opportunity of ever getting an education. In transferring to another school, the money coming from a state allotment will only last a few weeks, and then the parent of the child must pay tuition for the rest

of the term, and in many cases the parent is forced to borrow money to continue his child in school, or is forced to take the child out of school with its high school education incomplete. Under the consolidation of these districts every child in the district is offered an opportunity to pass through school all the way from the first to the eleventh grade, and where the affiliation credits allow it to enter into any college without state examination. This affords for the country children, as well as the town children all the educational advantages that can be had in the city schools, and offers an opportunity to the poor child as well as the rich one the opportunity to secure an education without working a hardship on anyone.

Some of the advantages of the new district over the old district will be as follows:

The children of the country up to and including the seventh grade will go to the school which they live closest; where a full and sufficient corps of teachers will be employed to give them instructions in these grades, and the term will be a nine months term, where under the present system most of these schools only hold seven and eight month terms.

Trucks will be provided that will visit each school in the district every morning during the school week, and bring the children of each school in the community to the central high school building in Lockney, where they will be cared for by a competent and sufficient corps of high school teachers, and returned to their respective communities after the daily sessions are over, thereby giving those who have entered into high school all the advantages of a high school education.

It will mean a saving to every family who has to make arrangements to either transport their children to high school, or to send them away to some other district to attend school, as it will save them all charges for tuition, transportation or board.

It will give every child, no matter in what part of the district it may live an equal opportunity with all other children to get a good high school education, where under the existing plan many of the children can not get the education they should be entitled to for lack of school facilities, and finances necessary to take advantage of the schooling as now offered to them.

At the election to be held the first Saturday in April, 1927, there will be seven trustees elected at large to handle the affairs of the new district. These new trustees should be elected from various parts of the district, giving each section of the district equal representation on the board, so that there could arise no question of any one section of the district controlling the board, and so that the rights of each community could be looked after in a proper manner.

It was not the intention of the Lockney district to build up one community at the expense of another, but it was their intention to bring about general educational advantages that could be equally shared by every family living in the newly created district, and giving the children the very best of educational advantages that could be extended to them, and it is believed that after due consideration and investigation every patron in the newly created district will find that it is to the mutual advantage of every child and every family, and that after the schools have been operating under the new system for one term no one will care to change back to the former system.

Every man and woman, who has at heart the best interests of their children are favorable to education, and the better opportunities they can offer their children is always a paramount issue with them. We all look forward to seeing the day when our children can attain a position in this world where they are capable of taking care of themselves in the best of society and have an education that will permit them to take care of the business affairs that they are to be confronted with through their journey upon this earth. No true father or mother desires to see their child considered ignorant and incapable when he or she grows to manhood or womanhood, and we are all striving to place our children in a position that they can meet the demands of the world face to face and be able to cope with the situations that arise in a capable and efficient manner, and that is just exactly the situation that this

STATE DEPARTMENT ENDORSES CONSOLIDATIONS

The following letter was sent out to the school districts in 1923 over the entire state of Texas and shows the attitude of the State Department toward the consolidations of schools, and points out the advantages of such consolidations, and they knew so well that it was of advantage to have school districts consolidated that they offered a premium of \$1,000 to every school that would consolidate within a given period of time, which ended on August 31st, 1925. They know the need of an affiliated high school to the rural population, and favor consolidation so that the children will get a high school education. The letter is as follows:

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS

FOREWORD
State Department of Education,
Austin, Texas, Nov. 1, 1923.
To Local School Officials:

The Rural Aid Law enacted by the Thirty-Eighth Legislature contains the following provisions:

"It is hereby further provided that the sum of one thousand (\$1000) dollars may be granted by the State Superintendent with the approval of the State Board of Education for each rural consolidation effected during the biennium ending Aug. 31, 1925, and between two or more common school districts, or between an independent school district and one or more common school districts, provided the total scholastic population does not exceed five hundred in such consolidated district; resulting in a rural high school of not less than four teachers, and located on not less than five acres of land. This sum shall become available when the building has been erected, or is nearing completion."

It is confidently expected that the liberality of the Legislature as expressed in the above section (Section 7) of the Rural Aid Law will greatly stimulate the existing interest throughout the State in the consolidation of rural school districts and that within the next biennium (September 1, 1923, to August 31, 1925) a great many consolidation elections will be held. Therefore, this bulletin has been prepared. Herein are given the proper forms to be used in the consolidation of districts and in elections held for the purpose of assuming the outstanding bonded indebtedness of districts interested in the consolidations.

In order to secure the State Aid, as provided in Section 7 of the Rural Aid Law, the consolidation must be effected during the biennium ending August 31, 1925. Therefore, the election must not have been held prior to Sept. 1, 1923, if application is to be made for the aid.

The provisions of the law relating to the consolidation of school districts by election and to the management and control of such districts are to be found in Sections 189-198, inclusive Bulletin 143, School Laws of Texas, and in Chapter 65, Sections 1-9, inclusive, Acts of the Thirty-Sixth Legislature, Second Called Session.

These provisions of the law should be carefully noted before proceedings are instituted looking to the consolidation of school districts; and the forms and suggestions in this bulletin should be followed in the formation of the consolidated district.

The control and management of a consolidated district, created by election, are vested by law in a board of seven trustees, the first board of trustees for the district being appointed by the County Board of Trustees; and it should be clearly understood by all concerned that no pre-election agreements or promises not specifically authorized by the law relating to the formation and management of the proposed consolidated district can be made to bind succeeding boards of trustees of the district.

The State Department of Education favors the consolidation of school districts and the formation of strong consolidated districts, wherever it is practicable to do so. Many factors, however, enter into the determination

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newly created district hopes to attain—to give every child a fair square chance to show the best in her or she, and whether the child be poor or rich, have an equal opportunity to secure a high school education that will help to smooth out the many obstacles that are strewn along life's journey.

WHAT IS EXPECTED IN HIGH SCHOOL WORK

By Supt. W. D. Biggers
Everyone at the present time is greatly interested over the situation over the school situation in this and the surrounding districts and many are discussing the merits and demerits of a centralized high school system. Much of the discussion on both sides of the question is made possible through lack of understanding in regard to the real requirements of a first class high school. I do not mean this article as an argument with anyone. I simply wish to bring a few facts before the readers of this paper, that they may consider the question in a more reasonable manner while seeking a solution to the situation which confronts us in an educational way.

I have said all along that satisfactory high school work is impossible in the rural schools and that the only solution for the school situation in this vicinity is a consolidated district with a centralized high school. In making this statement, I am casting no reflection on the rural teachers of this county. We have, I think, a class of rural teachers here who are on a par with those of any county in the state. Many of them would be a credit to any high school where plenty of time, physical equipment, and finances were available. This excellent faculty of rural teachers has been assembled by a wide awake county superintendent who spares no pains in promoting the educational progress of the schools under his supervision, but let me get back to my subject.

Allow me to quote some requirements for classifying and affiliating Texas high schools. These requirements are taken from the bulletin issued by the State Department of Education: (1) A two year high school may not secure affiliation because it is allowed an eight month term.

This means that a three year high school or a high school doing the eight, ninth, and tenth grade's work is the smallest school that will be recognized as doing standard work by the State Department of Education.

(2) A school which receives state aid will not be entitled to affiliated accrediting.

This is because state aid is granted only to schools maintaining an eight months term and a standard high school must be based on a nine month term.

Now let us see the requirements for a standard high school offering work in the eight, ninth, and tenth grades:

(1) Length of free term must be nine months.

(2) There must be at least two teachers doing work exclusively in the high school.

(3) There must be at least a three hundred dollar high school library (in addition to a \$25 in each grade room) and \$300 worth of equipment in the laboratory.

(4) Recitation periods must be 45 minutes in length.

(5) No teacher may teach over six classes per day and the English teachers must not teach over five.

You can see by studying these requirements that it would not be a sound financial policy to try to maintain a high school in a rural community. You cannot get a good high school teacher for less than \$1,000 per year; your two teachers, the library, and the laboratory would cost you at least \$2,600, and the rural attendance is usually so small in the three high school grades that the maintenance cost per capita would be out of reason. The per capita cost of maintenance decreases as the attendance increases.

You can see from the above requirements how futile it would be for a two teacher school to attempt to offer high school work, and yet it is being done. Communities are demanding this of their teachers and are holding them responsible and censuring them when their pupils enter our school here and fail to measure up to the standard of our school. The teacher is not to blame; the community is simply asking too much. A teacher handling three or four grades including eight or nine subjects; teaching from twelve to fourteen classes per day in twenty and twenty five minute periods cannot turn out the pupils who will be as efficient as those turned out by a teacher who teaches only one subject in five or

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TULIA MAN BUYS AYRES GRAIN COMPANY

Will Move Here And Conduct Grain Business—Ayres Goes to Farmers Elevator

Mr. C. O. Burns, grain man of Tulia Texas, has bought the Ayres Grain Company elevator and business in Lockney, and will move here with his family, and will be in personal charge of the business. Mr. Ray C. Ayres will be with the Farmers Grain Company here, in the future.

LONGHORNS DEFEATED QUITAQUE 39-0 WED.

Another opponent out of the path, quoth the Longhorns. The Longhorns defeated the Quitaque eleven in a one-sided football game at the Longhorn Park, Wednesday. The Longhorns plowed the line for heavy gains almost at will the entire game. The Quitaque eleven made a number of first downs, due to the lack of fighting spirit on a part of the players of the Longhorns, but after the line finally tightened to down to real football and not so much individual classic playing the visitors failed to make first down.

The features of the game were the line plunging of Kelly Teaff, the broken field running of Shelton, and the stellar playing of Capt. Goat who lost his temper.

Coach "Demon" Denman also played a good game. Coach has a Zenia Flower garden around his hat band, here of late. Good place for them. Water and fertile soil is what it takes for any kind of flowers.—Cub

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been issued since our last report: D. L. Alexander and Miss Zenobia Campbell, October 6. J. E. Edwards and Miss Pearl Edwards, October 6. L. H. Potete and Miss Alma Bever, October 8. Gardus Partian and Miss Lolute Ratliff, October 12.

GETTING THE NEW WHILE IT IS NEW

Lockney's Theatre Man is Getting Ahead of the Producers in Selecting Pictures

The following clipping from the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram tells of a picture that is now being made at San Antonio:

17 of "Rough Riders" Cast Have Ptomaine Poison

San Antonio, Oct. 13.—Seventeen members of "The Rough Riders" cast are seriously ill Wednesday with ptomaine poisoning. All those suffering from the poisoning were working at Camp Stanley.

This picture is now being made, and has been booked by Mr. Jno. T. O'Hearn, owner of the Isis Theatre, in Lockney, to appear here on the screen January 10-11, and is one of the best pictures produced by the Paramount Picture Co. This is only one of the pictures that have been bought by the Isis Theatre manager before it has been completed. A new picture by Harold Lloyd, that is now being made, and has not been named up to this time, is to appear at the Isis Theatre during the month of December.

Mr. O'Hearn says that he believes in giving his patrons the very best and very latest pictures that can be obtained, and therefore, he is booking the best new pictures before they are made or as soon as they are made. Such progressiveness on the part of Mr. O'Hearn should be appreciated by the show going people of this section and good audiences should be in attendance when these pictures are shown.

Next week The Isis Theatre has an extra good program, having four super feature pictures booked. On Monday and Tuesday nights, Zane Grey's "Vanishing American," will be presented; Wednesday and Thursday nights, Miss Lois Wilson will be seen in "The Show Off," on Friday night "The Great Lon Chaney" will be offered in the "Unholy Three," and on Saturday night Wm. Fairbanks will appear in "Call of the Mate." This is one of the biggest programs that has ever been offered on the screen in Lockney, and if you enjoy a good picture show make your arrangements to see part of these pictures, at least.

DISTRICT COURT CLOSING THIS WEEK

TWELVE FELONIES AND SEVEN MISDEMEANORS CROP OF GRAND JURY BILLS

The Grand Jury closed their term of work for the fall term of district court Wednesday afternoon and adjourned, after having returned 12 felony and 7 misdemeanor indictments. The work of the Grand Jury this session has been much lighter than at previous terms, and shows that the law is not being broken so much during the last six months as was the case during the previous year. There were felony indictments for murder and whiskey trafficking returned. The Shipley boys being indicted in connection with the murder of Harve Snodgrass.

District court is closing out this week on account of the continued rains and the impassable roads, the court session having been very quiet this term, many cases being continued until next term of court.

COUNTY COURT IS NOW IN SESSION

County Court is now in session at Floydada, and this week the court has been devoting its time to probate matters.

Next week the criminal docket will be taken up, and a jury has been summoned for the week. The week beginning November 1st will be civil week, and jurors will be called to take care of the civil cases during the week.

HOLDING WHITE CREST DEMONSTRATION AT BAKER MERC.

A lady representative of the White Crest Flour Mills is holding a four days demonstration in the grocery department of the Baker Merc. Co. The demonstration was begun Wednesday and will continue until Saturday night, every body is invited to come in and inspect the bread and pastries that she is making. Lunches are served every afternoon from two until five o'clock. Free cook books are being given to each visitor, and a 24 pound sack of White Crest Flour is given away each day.

LOCKNEY ORGANIZING BURIAL ASSOCIATION

A move has been inaugurated in Lockney to organize a burial association, by which means at a low cost every person who joins the association will be guaranteed a \$250 burial at the time of their death. A committee composed of Floyd Huff, Geo. T. Meriwether, Grady Crager, Carl McAdams, Z. T. Riley and H. B. Adams have been chosen to draft constitution and by-laws, and nominate officers for the association and make a report at a meeting to be held in the directors room of the First National bank, Monday, October 25th at which meeting it is hoped to perfect the organization, and start operations.

COUNTY TAX ROLLS CARRY \$10,762,540 IN VALUES

Tax rolls completed last week by County Assessor C. M. Meredith were gone over and approved by the Commissioner's court in their session Monday. Tuesday the rolls were forwarded to the office of the State Comptroller for his approval.

As shown by these rolls, are \$10,762,540. Total taxable values in the county 640. This is an increase over last year of \$148,553, and since the Commissioner's court of the last few years have been striving to hold down valuations it may be taken for granted that all the values indicated are there.

No increase in the values for taxes of real estate or personal property has been made in a number of years successive courts striving to hold down valuations to reduce the county's proportionate payment of taxes to the state. An investigation a time time the present policy was adopted showed that several wealthy counties were receiving back from the state more money in scholastic than they were paying in, which counties like Floyd were aiding to pay.—Hesperian.

T. H. Stewart is spending this week in Denton visiting relatives and attending the Dallas fair.

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OTIS CARTER BECOMES EDITOR OF ANSON PAPER

Otis Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Carter of Lockney, but who has for the past two years been in Abilene, Texas, where he attended Simmons University, and was editor of the Simmons Brand, College paper, has accepted a position with his uncle as editor of the Western Enterprise at Anson, Texas.

We wish for Otis much success in his new position.

SOME OF THE BENEFITS OF NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

In enumerating the many advantages of the new school district will mean to the children and the people of the new Lockney Independent school district, a person cannot possibly tell them all in this one article, as the more you study the proposition the more advantages come to your mind.

There are hundreds of children in this district whose parents are not under the present system, financially able to offer their children a good high school education unless they happen to live in the district where there is a good high school, and the first consideration of a prospective citizen, is how close will they be to a good school where their children can obtain a good high school education. In the new district this is offered to every child within its bounds.

The creation of the new district does not affect the children below the eighth grade, for the children below and including the seventh grade will attend the school nearest their home, and it will place these schools so that they will have better equipment for carrying on their school, and the very best grade teachers that can be obtained, and carrying certificates that entitle them to do first class grade teaching, and entitles the child to a full nine month course of instruction, giving them the same opportunity that is offered in the larger public schools and even the largest cities in the country.

There is a lot of land in this new district that is owned by non-resident syndicate, corporations, and foreign individuals. These men are reaping a benefit from the educational facilities of the section in which they own property, and it is nothing but right that they pay their share of educating the children of their ten-

nants and those of the people that surround these lands and make them more valuable, for they making money on these investments and such is brought about by the home owner and tenant that is developing the country.

We have found that there are a few who are opposed to consolidation, but we find that there are scores of people in each of the affected districts that are very enthusiastic over the consolidation, and realize that it is a Godsend to the children of the district. Every person that has his child's interest at heart is interested in good educational facilities, and when they fully understand the provisions of this new act, will find that it means more to the child than anything that has been done in the history of the school business in Floyd county.

The idea that some of the people would make believe that the school district will be completely controlled by Lockney is one that is far from being correct, for there will be an election held the first Saturday in April, at which election there will be elected seven trustees at large and these men will be selected from the various parts of the district and the town of Lockney will not make an effort to dominate the board, and if such an attempt should be made this writer will fight it through the columns of this paper to a standstill and inform the people of this district of such an attempt. The people of Lockney are striving to correct a mistake that was made in this part of the county twenty-five years ago, and this proposition has been argued pro and con for the past seventeen years. Another false idea that some people are laboring under, is "that the Lockney School district is in a bad shape financially," and we wish to state here and now that the Lockney school district has been in better financial shape the past year than it has been for the past ten years, and that the school is today operating on a cash basis, and still has a credit of \$25,000 or more before reaching its bonded limit.

More than that if the children transferred into the Lockney from adjoining districts, and are here at this time, were taken out of the school there would be sufficient room in the building to care for the needs of the school for several years to come. Lockney's school has done her part toward taking care of her part of the needs of the common school districts surrounding the old district every year and have offered these children an affiliated school and have given them the very best we had to offer, and this has been done cheerfully and willingly, and it would have continued so had the new district not been formed, and we want every school in this section to progress, to grow and expand, and the best of an education is none to good for the poorest child that is within our district, and through the creation of this new district it is the intention of those interested in better education to place these advantages where the children can reach them. It is not the town child that is to be benefited most by this consolidation, but it is the child of the man who has to go to a large expense to reach a competent school, the child of the man who has to move to town to give his child an education, the child of a man who has to take his child out of school when it reaches high school for lack funds to complete its education, and give every child in the district equal chance to receive a high school education, and we maintain that it is fair, square, right, and just, and believe that every man, woman and child in this district will agree with us that the interest of our children reign supreme in this matter of consolidation. The best interest of our children is what we are working for, and this writer is not the father of a child, although we have two to educate, and if such a person should have the interest of your child at heart, surely you as a parent could afford to investigate and find out for yourself the true facts of the matter and weight well the benefits you are to receive before you jump at any conclusions or allow yourself to be prejudiced by hear say from some person that does not know one thing about the true facts of the case or some person who has no children to school. Think this matter over for yourself and decide the question in your own mind as to whether you want to give your children the chance that is rightfully theirs and you will find this consolidation the biggest move for your own good that has ever been extended you.

We will have more benefits to call your attention to next week.

WHY NOT PLANT RICE

Way down East lots of people think the Plains country is a desert, and that a person would starve to death

for even a drink of water out this way, but these people don't know very much outside of the counties in which they live. We believe that rice raising would be a success on the Plains at this time, and we understand that to successfully raise rice it should be planted in mud and water, and there is no doubt that there is not a place in the whole world where there is more mud and water than has been in the Plains country for the past three weeks. The ground is so full of water that we will not need any more moisture before March on our wheat land, and it has been so wet of late that the chickens have begun to grow web feet. Talking about chickens, we mean the fowl variety, as the other chickens are just as beautiful and trim built as ever. The farmers would like to see a lot of dry warm weather just at this time so they could gather their feed and pick cotton before the winter season sets in. This fall resembles the fall of 1923 very much, only the over supply of moisture came about thirty days earlier this year than it did in 1923. According to our calculations there has been about eighteen inches of rain fell over the Lockney country within the last three weeks. The lakes are said to have more water in them than has been the case for the past seventeen years, but there is one good thing about the Plains country, and that is that no matter how much it rains things don't wash away and people don't drown and property is not destroyed by overflows. It only takes a few days of clear weather to dry the top of the ground off, so that people can go to work, and the soil underneath has got the world beat for holding moisture. The wheat farmers have many acres ready to plant just as soon as the weather fair up, and there are many thousands of acres already planted to wheat, therefore, we may look for one of the largest wheat crops in the spring of 1927 that has been grown in this section of the Plains country.

TALKING ABOUT GASOLINE TAX

We were listening over the radio last Friday night, and while tuned in on Council Bluffs, Iowa, the announcer made quite a talk on the condition of roads in Iowa and the benefits that the state was receiving from their gasoline tax. The announcer stated that the state had collected in gasoline tax during the past year more than \$25,000,000 from tourists who passed thru the state, yet Iowa is a very small state, and figuring the state of Texas at the same rate, which would easily make the gasoline tax on tourists eight times as large as that of Iowa, the income from the tourist gasoline would bring the state more than \$200,000,000 per year. \$200,000,000 per year would mean about \$800,000 per year for every county in the state in the way of road improvements, and there are not today more than one county out of every ten in the state that is getting \$50,000 a year in the way of road improvements. We acknowledge there are a few counties in the state that have voted \$1,000,000 or more in the way of road bonds, but this money must be used and paid back with interest within from ten to forty years, and it does not mean the same thing to the state road system that the income from gasoline tax would mean. The money coming in from a gasoline tax is cash and does not have to be paid back at all.

We have heard of some opposition to the gasoline tax from the wheat farmer of this part of the state, as they state that during the harvest season they use a large amount of gaso-

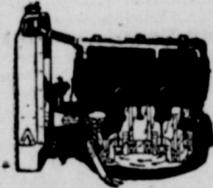
line in their combines, while cutting and threshing their grain crops, and it is true that 3c per gallon would mean \$1.50 a barrel extra on these men while the machines were running through the harvest season, and it would be well if a law could be passed that would exempt farm machinery from such taxation, and allow tractors and combines to be free from the extra 3c a gallon tax, but if such a thing could be done, every farmer, as well as all other classes, would be buying gasoline for combines and tractors and using it in cars and trucks, running to and fro over the highways. We don't expect there was ever a law passed that did not effect some classes of people that it should not have effected, and we believe that the gasoline tax comes nearer making the man who uses the highway pay for the highways he uses than any way that the money could be raised for highway purposes. Other states, many of them, have special gasoline taxes, and these states that collect the gasoline tax upon each gallon of gasoline sold, have the best highways, and the highways cost the state less money from the residents of the state, than do the road taxes in the states that have a small gasoline tax, or no gasoline tax at all. The man who uses the highways should be the man who pays for the building and upkeep of the highways, and the only way this can be accomplished is through taxing the gasoline he uses.

The gasoline tax bill died in the Senate at the close of the call session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, but it will be revived at the regular session of the Fortieth Legislature, which meets in January, and it would be well if it could be put through in a manner where it would reach the people who use our highways most, and exempt the gasoline used on the farm as far as possible. But every vehicle that is used on the highways, whether for business or pleasure should pay their part of the building and maintenance of the highways of the state, and a tax should be placed so that it would reach every person who uses the highways with a motor vehicle.

A GROWING MAN

There is an interest - compelling story of human achievement back of the elevation to presidency of the American banker's association of Melvin A. Traylor of Chicago. It was no fortuitous circumstance. Things like the presidency of the national bankers' association do not happen "accidentally." It was a perfectly normal step upward of a man whose entire life has been one step upward after another.

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in Kentucky, it is true, but in early life he came to Texas, and it was in this state that he developed some characteristics of judgement and enterprise and obtained the experience that have elevated him to the foremost place among the great bankers of the country.

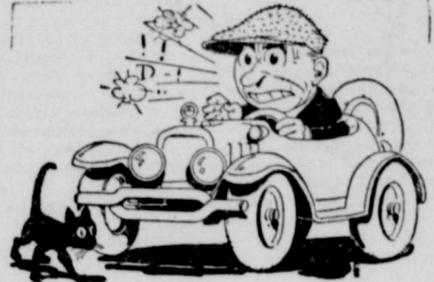
The man who was born in the back hills of Kentucky, in a family whose actual cash income was about \$300; who pored his books by himself as Lincoln did; who was 19 years old before he saw a railroad; who moved to Texas studied law, and presently turned to banking; who rapidly made reputation for bank administration, was called to an East St. Louis banking position, then to the vice-presidency of a livestock bank in Chicago, and finally when he was 40, to the presidency of the First Trust and Savings bank and the vice-presidency of the great First National Bank of Chicago, of which he became president at 46—that man has shown himself to be possessed of such a steadily growing constructive ability that it is a foregone conclusion that future years will find him listed among the great American bankers of all time.—Fort Worth Star Telegram.

TEXAS CROP VALUE INCREASE

FOR YEAR OVER \$100,000,000 Late estimates of the United States Government show that the total crop values of this state this year will be more than \$100,000,000 in excess of the total crop values in Texas last year. This is in spite of the fact that the gross receipts to Texas farmers from this year's cotton crop will be less than that of 1925.

This year's cotton crop of 5,300,000 estimated bales at \$65 per bale will bring \$344,000,000 as against the government's estimate of last years cotton crop at \$379,250,000. However the Texas production of other crops in 1926 runs as much as 250 per cent above the production of 1925. This year Texas is producing 108,600,000 bushels of corn with a total value of \$100,998,000 at the figure of 93c fixed by the United States department of agriculture for the average price to Texas farmers. Last year's corn crop of only 26,808,000 bu. at a farmers average price of \$1.10 brought only \$29,490,000.

In like manner grain sorghums, oats, wheat, barley, hay and some other crops are much in excess of the 1925 crop.



LET US HANDLE A CHECKING ACCOUNT

Deposit the checks you receive for your cotton and feed crops with us, and pay your labor off with a check on our bank. In this way we will be doing your bookkeeping for you, and you will have a receipt for every cent you have paid out.

Make our bank your bank when you are in the city, where you can receive prompt, courteous and efficient service.

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JUST AS YOU LIKE IT

If you want to be certain that your daily meat be just as you like it—stop in here and order the kind you prefer. Always the choicest cuts from the prime meats of the market.

We also have a full stock of anything you might desire in staple and fancy groceries. Phone No. 10 and your wants will be cared for.

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LUMBER: For good lumber, satisfaction on all building materials at great saving, mail list for shipment anywhere. We want agents in every county. Louisiana Lumber & Supply Co. Main office and Distributing Yard, Amarillo. Branch Office, Dallas, Texas.

Advertisement for Thedford's Black-Draught Liver Medicine, featuring a bottle illustration and text describing its benefits for various ailments.

Price Adjustment SALE

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Prices Adjusted to Fit Your
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Take Your Choice of Our Merchan-
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Lockney, Texas

WHAT IS EXPECTED IN HIGH SCHOOL WORK

(Continued from Page 1) six classes per day of forty-five minute periods and should not be expected to.

We have been doing all we could for the rural pupils who have come to us. We have given them every chance possible and I am glad to say that many of them have made good as far as we are concerned, but the State will not accept their work and the colleges will not admit them on their records, so they are handicapped badly in their fight for an education.

I am of the opinion that the greatest thing that could happen for this community and the surrounding communities would be to impress and maintain a central high school where our boys and girls could enter on a common level, finish their high school work together, and enter college without a handicap, and come back as real prepared leaders in our communities ready to take up the responsibilities of citizenship in an enlightened manner.

GOV. MIRIAM A. FERGUSON WILL FILL OUT TERM

Austin, October 9.—All rumors of a second called session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature and that Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson would probably resign before the expiration of her term office, January 11, 1927, were set at rest Saturday when Representative Rueben Loftin of Henrietta, house floor manager for the Ferguson administration, made flat denial of Capitol gossip.

Loftin made the statement immediately after a visit to the governor's office Saturday morning. He said the Governor does not contemplate calling the Thirty-ninth Legislature in session again, and his prediction that she would continue to serve her term of office until the last minute—January 18, 1927 the day Dan Moody is to be inaugurated chief executive. Loftin was preparing Saturday to return to his home.

Several other members who remained in Austin Saturday discussed the prospects of a second called session to come after the general election some believing it would be reconvened November 15.

Those who think the special session may come say the Governor will probably call it to provide revenues to meet the appropriations of the recent session, particularly that of \$3,500,000 for the schools to insure the \$14 per capita apportionment. There are others who say the Ferguson wish to saddle the large deficit on the Moody administration and will not call the special session and will not call the special session to meet recent appropriations amounting to \$5,400,000.

MA SIGNS BILLS VALIDATING \$100,000,000 BOND ISSUES

With the exception of a few bills on which hearings are to be held at the request of interested parties, Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson has signed all the 560 odd bills passed by the 39th Legislature in call session validating bond issues for road districts amounting to \$100,000,000.

These issues were affected by the United States court decision in the Atlee county bond case, in which a proposed road district bond issue was declared unconstitutional.

About 56 of the validation bills were certified to the secretary of state Monday. Governor Ferguson stated that she had signed all those on which hearings are to be held.

PUSH DRY LAW INTO ELECTION

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Dry forces are pushing prohibition forward at the climax of the congressional campaign. This activity is indicated by foresight with regard to 1928. One of the most responsible dry leaders is almost certain that prohibition will be the big political issue in the next presidential election. His group is preparing for that show down now.

The feeling among the dry leaders explains the vigor with which they are going into every state where their cause is at stake. Wayne B. Wheeler general counsel of the anti-saloon league has pitched into the Illinois fight. His State leader in Illinois, Geo. B. Safford, recently sought to persuade Hugh S. McGill to withdraw as the independent republican dry senatorial candidate there so that prohibitionists could unite on Frank Smith. McGill refused. Safford then brought the national dry organization into the fight and it has just issued a call to Illinois to scratch McGill and concentrate on Smith lest George Brennan wet democratic candidate win thru a split in the opposition.

The Anti-Saloon league has also issued a call to its Ohio followers to defeat Atlee Pomerene, the democratic candidate for the Senate. In New York, it is out to push Senator Wadsworth an erstwhile dry, for turning wet, by sponsoring a dry independent

republican, even at the possible cost of throwing the senatorship to Wagoner, the Tammany democrat.

As Wheeler said in his statement defending the League's course, this is a practical question for the drys. They figure on the possibility that New York's referendum will go wet. It may not. But the drys are assuming for the purpose of strategy that it will. There fore they must off set this with victories in other states. If they can beat such a sturdy candidate as Pomerene in Ohio on the wet issue, Brennan in Illinois, Hawes in Missouri, and a few more like those, even they can offset the effect of any New York reverse in the public mind.

Right now it is this question of public opinion that is vital to the drys. Their problem is to impress the public that country is predominantly dry. If the impending election leave the impression—whatever the real facts may be—that the country is undergoing a reaction back to beer and wine they will be in trouble. Their strategy now is to demonstrate that the country as a whole is dry. New York as a lone wet spot, won't bother them if they can produce a dry victory in Illinois.

The underlying fact is that the tendency of public opinion in the next two years leading up to the presidential campaign will be determined by the approaching election.

HUMBLE IS LEASING HUGE LAND TRACTS NEAR LUBBOCK

Five thousand acres more of Lubbock county land have been gathered in by the Humble Oil Company of Houston in oil and gas leases, bringing the total holdings of the company to approximately 25,000 acres in the county. Twenty five separate leases covering 5,358 acres were filed in the office of County Clerk Herbert Stubbs yesterday afternoon.

Clyde Vinson was the lessor in the leases, having been the agent for the leases, having been in all their contracts. He filed assignments of the leases to the Humble people along with lease contracts.

The tracts lie from 7 to 21 miles northwest and northeast of Lubbock, the leases being taken in the check-board arrangement frequently used by the large oil companies.

Each lease allowed ten years for exploitation for gas or oil but specifically stated that a well must be started within twelve months or the contract will be automatically cancelled. A small consideration was named in the contract but the amount per acre was not made known.

The leases brought the amount of Lubbock county land under mineral, oil and gas contract to approximately 50,000. The El Capitan Oil Company is the other large company with large lease holdings in the county, their leases comprising the old Robinson Ranch of over 15,000 acres. Several individuals have leases over the various tracts of the county, but the Humble is the only major company with holdings here.

COMMISSIONERS TO PUSH DELINQUENT COLLECTIONS

Delinquent Tax Roll Compiled Shows More Than \$20,000 Delinquent On Personal Taxes Alone.

Completion of a delinquent tax roll for Floyd county was made last week by Tax Collector J. R. Maddox on order of the Commissioner's court, which body has instituted a vigorous campaign for the collection of delinquent taxes in the county. Tuesday in their session individual commissioners voiced the determination to push the collection from delinquents, who they point out are allowing the paying real and personal property holders to carry the load of county and state government. The tax collector has been instructed to notify all delinquents and declare that suits will be entered in November, where delinquents fail to pay. L. B. Maxey, deputy in Collector J. R. Maddox's office, estimates the delinquent rolls compiled to carry more than \$20,000 in insolvent taxes alone, meaning taxes which are assessed solely against personal property.

"Every department in the county is in sore need of funds which these delinquents have not paid," County Judge E. C. Nelson, Jr., said in court Tuesday morning. "The heavy rains which have occasioned serious loss to the road funds is only added incentive for pushing collections against delinquents. Naturally, the court thinks that every tax payer should be required to carry his part of the load of the county government. It isn't fair for one man to pay and another not to pay."

It is the plan of the courts to institute the suits in November of this year, the belief being expressed by commissioners Tuesday morning that this is not only a matter of duty to the county's financial affairs but to the tax payers who have already paid their taxes. The period covered by the collections drive extends back for the past several years.—Hesperian.

FLOYD COUNTY CLUBS WIN MANY PLACES AT DALLAS

Women's home demonstration clubs of Floyd county have scored highly at the State Fair in Dallas, according to reports. The Floyd county Clubs won three first prizes, three second, and three third prizes in the Home Economics department.

The clubs of the county are rated as first year clubs and they won a place in practically every division that they entered.

The first places won at the Fair were by Providence for the best pillow cases. The Sand Hill club for the best wash dress, and the Mayview club for the best table linen. The second places were won by Miss Marie Smith of the McCoy club, with the best club history and record, the Pleasant Valley club for the best collection of jellies, and the Campbell club for the best braided rug.

Miss Evelyn Bobbitt of the Lone Star club won first place with the

best home improvement article. The Starkey club also won 4th place with the best wash dresses, and Sand Hill third for the best dried products.

PLAINVIEW SANITARIUM NEWS

Miss Clara Smith of Gasoline, Texas is resting well since undergoing an operation on last Monday.

Mrs. W. N. LaBlue of this city has just undergone a very successful operation for appendicitis.

The 15 year old daughter of W. H. Kaylor of Hale Center, will soon be able to be removed to her home since an operation for appendicitis which she underwent recently.

Haskell Allard, son of G. W. Allard of this city is recovering from a recent operation.

E. W. Myers of Flag, Texas was discharged from the sanitarium on last Thursday after an operation some time ago.

Tol Wyrick of Silverton was in the sanitarium and had his collar bone re-set after being thrown from a horse.

Mrs. M. H. Goodner of Tulia who has recently been in the sanitarium and underwent an operation has been discharged and has returned to her home.

The five year old child of C. O. Hefner of this city was a patient in the sanitarium several days of last week.

Mrs. J. E. Green of this city is resting nicely since an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. J. F. Mullins of this city was in the sanitarium last week and had her tonsils removed.

Mrs. C. O. Bergholm teacher in the Plainview public schools is in the sanitarium where she is under treatment of physicians.

Mrs. L. F. Hyman of Tulia, Texas is resting well since undergoing an

operation on the 13th. Her condition is very satisfactory.

Mrs. J. I. Hamilton of Silverton is recovering rapidly from an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Rex Riggs, supervisor of the sanitarium is in Dallas taking special work in X-Ray and Laboratory work. She will be away about one month.

Mrs. J. I. McGlasson of Lockney is a patient in the sanitarium this week.

Willie Maxey of Silverton underwent a operation for appendicitis with pus on last Sunday evening. His condition is of a serious nature however, he is resting well at this time.

Harvey Bates underwent a tonsil operation on Monday morning of this week.

HIGH LINE WIRE KILLS PLAINVIEW ELECTRICIAN

W. W. (Bill) Collins, 35, electrician and linesman for the Texas Utilities Company of Plainview, was instantly killed by a high tension wire which he came in contact with while mak-

ing repairs on one of the companies high lines on Elm Street Saturday morning.

He had been in the service of the company for several years and had suffered injuries from live wires twice before. He is survived by his wife and five children.

CHILD BADLY SCALDED AT C. D. MOSELEY FARM

The two year old child of Clem Lee, (colored), was very badly scalded this morning when its mother who was washing, set a tub of scalding water in the floor. The child who was playing about the house stumbled and fell backwards into the tub of scalding water, its back and legs being a solid blister. The child according to Dr. N. E. Greer was resting well at last report.

Mrs. Roy Griffith and Mrs. Artie Baker have returned from a trip to Dallas, where they attended the fair. Mrs. Griffith also bought holiday goods for the Griffith Confectionery while away.

IT PAYS YOU TO PAY CASH HERE
When you pay cash for what you get, you get what you want at the very best price obtainable. No extra profits are charged you in order to make up for bad accounts, that some one else has failed to pay. Pay cash for what you get and you will find it a paying investment.
DOUBLE GOLD BOND STAMPS GIVEN
WE GIVE DOUBLE GOLD BOND SAVING STAMPS WITH EACH PURCHASE IN OUR STORE (except on Cold Drinks and Tobaccos). A BIG DISCOUNT IS SAVED FOR YOU IN STAMPS
THE LOCKNEY DRUG COMPANY
The REXALL Store

NO GAMBLING WITH YOUR MONEY
A good banker is more careful about his depositors' money than his own. It's a duty he owes those who put their trust in him.
That's the way we feel about this store. The things we buy, we have to sell. In the end they are paid for by your money.
We are mighty careful to see that they are good quality and good styles. We buy the mfrom makers who have a reputation for these things. We cannot afford to gamble with your money.
E. L. AYRES, DRY GOODS

WE SELL NEW PHILCO BATTERIES
We consider the Philco Battery the best battery on the market, and have a size that will just fit your car. Come in and let us attend to your battery needs.
REPAIR AND RECHARGE BATTERIES
We have a battery service station, and repair and recharge all makes of batteries, with dispatch.
PAY MORE FOR OLD BATTERIES IN TRADE
We will pay you more for your old battery in exchange for a new battery than you can get anywhere else. Come in and let us trade some with you.
FIRST CLASS AUTO REPAIR WORK DONE
We maintain a first-class auto repair shop for any brand of car. We have a Mechanic Graduate of the Chevrolet Mechanical School in charge of our auto repair department. Get your trouble fixed here.
IGNITION WORK A SPECIALTY
We make a specialty of all ignition and electrical automobile repairing. Let us do your ignition work.
DYER MOTOR COMPANY

ISIS THEATRE
Program Week Commencing OCTOBER 25th, 1926
Monday and Tuesday—
ZANE GREY'S "Vanishing American"
Starring Richard Dix
Pathe News
Wednesday and Thursday—
LOIS WILSON — in — "THE SHOW OFF"
COMEDY "WHISPERING WHISKERS"
Friday—
The Great LON CHANEY — in — "THE UNHOLY THREE"
Pathe News
Saturday—
Wm. FAIRBANKS — in — "CALL OF THE MATE"
ALSO COMEDY

Ginning Prices Reduced
The price of Ginning has been reduced from 40 and 50c per hundred for picked cotton and snapped cotton to 30 and 40c per hundred.
We have connections whereby you can draw 80% of the value of your cotton the day it is shipped, we will mark same and have shipping tags on hand, your money is ready when the cotton is loaded on Depot platform and Bill of Lading obtained.
We have two New Lummus Airblast Gins with Big Burr machines doing fine work. In figuring the price of your cotton allow for 16 lbs. of bagging and ties on square bales, as this is the difference you get.
We expect you to gin where you can do the best for yourself, but figure the dollars you can get out of equal amounts of seed cotton, this brings in all facts upon which to base your final figures. We invite comparisons.
The roads into Lockney are being repaired as fast as possible, and our merchants are offering special bargains we are informed. Come to Lockney.
We will also mark your Farm Bureau Cotton shipment, they advance 8c per pound on all cotton now.
LOCKNEY GIN COMPANY
At the South end of Main Street Phone No. 95 Lockney, Texas

A NEW KIND OF FLAPPER HAS BEEN DISCOVERED

This world is certainly changing fast. There seems to be some kind of a change taking place every few minutes. We have seen and also heard of men who had that well known malady called "Flapperitis," but we have never seen any men yet that could be called a flapper. Anyhow they (outside world) are putting on so-called men "Flapper Contests" and getting by with it. Well now Lockney has quite a few that would be eligible for the contest, and as you all know Lockney must be up-to-date and modern they should do everything in keeping with the times. Now why could we not have a "Flapper Contest" to? We have the material. We have buildings in which to put it on. We are sure that most any woman in town would be proud that her husband was the town's champion flapper. Why we have some men flappers, (if that is what they are to be called) that would set any crossroads village a-fire. Why not have a "Flapper contest" in the future, in the near future, might say. That would help you to forget that "ten cent cotton" for a few short hours. This particular writer thinks that this matter should be looked into. It has been done, and could be done again. Will some one start operations at once.—**?*?*

Junior League Program, Oct. 24th
Subject, "A Missionary to the West."

Leader—Jewel Lee Bagley.
Songs
Prayer
Special music—Milton Adams.
Talk—A Boy—Douglas Adams.
Talk—A Minister—Meda Thomas.
Talk—Out in the West—Clarence Rea.
Song
E. L. B.

Trinity Church at Providence
Sunday, October 24

10 a. m. English Sunday School.
No services that day.
Sunday, Oct. 31: Annual Mission Festival.
10 a. m. Sunday School services. Mission address by Rev. C. Roth of Wilson.
10:30 a. m. Festival services in the German language. Sermon by Rev. C. Roth and address by the local pastor.
12 o'clock: Dinner on the ground, if weather unfavorable it shall be at the parsonage.
1 p. m. Congregation meeting.
2 p. m. Festival services in English Mission address by Rev. C. Roth and by the local pastor.
8 p. m. Slides of New Guinea with an address by the local pastor.
Choir songs, quartets, duets and violin solos shall beautify all the services. A hearty invitation to all.
J. FLIERL, Pastor

League Program for
Sunday, Oct. 21st, 1926

Leader—Gennie Marie Anderson.
Scripture reading by leader, Matt. 6:24-34; Ps. 19:1-6.
Song—Rescue the Perishing.
How Much Do We Know About the Negro?—Leslie Mae Floyd.
How Can We Help the Negro Boy.—Mary Gaynell Thomas.
The Good Traits of the Negro.—Anice Stewart.
Song—Let the Lower Lights Be Burning.
League Benediction.

YEA SOPHS!

The Sophomores met Friday, Oct. 15th, and organized. We Sophs are a good bunch, and we are going to prove to the public what we can do.
"Who can our Sponsor be?"
"Well Miss Bridges of course!"
Miss Bridges is a very jolly lady, and she will be a girl at the end of the year, because we won't worry her any. We know that Miss Bridges will show us a good time, but remember—"work comes before play." We aim to follow those words throughout the year.
Mr. Bert Shelton, our president, has a great deal of knowledge, and he shows it, wherever he goes. Bert is going to do every thing he can for the Sophomore Class.
Our vice president, Mr. Ulma Dagle, is rather fat, but that's no sign he doesn't know anything. We Sophomores couldn't do without Ulma, because he always has that "winning smile" on his face.
Mr. T. H. Stewart makes a wonderful secretary and treasurer. T. H. I'm sure, is an honest, hard working boy, and he won't run off with our money. The class puts full trust in T. H.
Elfe Meriwether was elected as reporter, and if you don't like the reports that are put in the "Lockney Beacon," see her about it. I'm going to do all I can for my class—"The Sophomores."
The class agreed to meet the first and third Monday out of each month. Every Sophomore must be at these meetings.—Reporter.

Providence Home Demonstration Club Meets

The Providence home demonstration club met at their club room on October 12th. On account of bad roads there were only seven of the members present.
Miss Bass, our home demonstration agent and Mrs. R. J. McLaughlin were both absent so we did not have our regular meeting. But talked of our Fair success on our work as represented at both county and state fairs. The women of Providence are certainly proud of the showing their demonstration club made at the fairs, as we have over 40 ribbons, 19 blues, and remaining number reds won by the ladies in our club. We may place them in our club room in some artistic design to remember our club work of the year 1926.

We are certainly thankful to the judges for giving us such high scores on our work. The Floyd County home demonstration clubs won nine first and third places at the state fair against much competition.

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The Floyd county clubs won the larger per cent of their winnings in the Home Economics department.

Miss Blanche Bass is demonstration agent for the county and much of the credit is due her for the success of these clubs due to her many efforts she has put forth for the winning clubs.

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Our next meeting will be on October 26 if the weather permits. Let us

WHAT'S DOING IN WEST TEXAS

Post—Garza county carried away first honors for West Texas and the South Plains this week in having its agricultural exhibit adjudged the finest display of agricultural products of all state entries at the Dallas Fair. The display was arranged by George (Scotty) Samson, Garza county agricultural agent, and featured small grains and sorghum grains. Garza's grain sorghums scored 193 points out of a possible 200, forage feeds 47 out of 50, and alfalfa 72 out of 75 points. The same exhibits took first honors at Lubbock and Abilene, Randall and Hartley drew second and third to Garza. The biggest demonstration in the history of Post was given on the return of George Samson from Dallas over 1,200 people with the band meeting him upon his arrival.
Amarillo—Amarillo and Wichita Falls are running neck and neck in their West Texas Chamber of Commerce drive membership contest, with Wichita Falls leading slightly. Both have around 500 memberships but Amarillo expects to forge ahead when all her pledges are taken up.
Quanah—An impediment to Quanah's progress in the opinion of its citizens has been removed with the opening of the Peace river bridge as a free bridge. No more tolls will be collected for passage over it.
Stamford—Despite the continued rains in this section, the community fair which opened here Thursday is drawing good crowds. A concert by the Stamford Fireman's band, official band of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, started the festivities in the municipal auditorium where the exhibits are located. Some 25 merchants, manufacturers, and communities have displays here.
Levelland—A new unit, consisting of engine and dynamo, will be installed here immediately by the Texas Utilities Company, doubling the capacity of the local power plant.

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Amarillo—Contract has been let by the Texas Gas Company for the construction of its line from the Panhandle gas fields to the South Plains. Cities already under franchise are Lubbock, Slaton, Lockney, Plainview, Floydada, and Tulia. Distributing systems are to be located at Canyon, Abernathy, Happy, Kress, Hale Center, and other points.
Stamford—West Texas advertised as the "Land of opportunity" has recently gotten publicity over 10 states of the Union. The medium through which the section was brought to the mind of New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, North and South Dakotas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Kansas, and all parts of Texas was the Wortham shows. The Wortham Shows which are one of the largest carnival attraction organizations in the states, hold large memberships with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and as a means of expressing their loyalty to that great regional organization, and to further the interest of their native state and favored section, they carry over their office wagon large signs telling the world about West Texas. The Wortham Shows are having a two weeks run in Stamford now in connection with the first annual community Fair held here, having come direct from Wichita Falls where they had an engagement with the Oklahoma Texas Fair.

Stamford—West Texas and the West Texas Chamber of Commerce which serves the empire region have been honored by the Southern Steamship company who has named its newest Steamer the "S. S. West Texas." It is the expressed desire of the companies officials that the craft be a floating monument to the World's greatest regional chamber of commerce and the territory in whose interest it works.

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SMALL SURPLUS RUINS PRICE

In these days of hand to mouth living a small surplus ruins the price of any commodity. Producers are penalized for bringing into existence necessities of life greater in quantity than can be consumed between the harvests. Instead of encouraging the farmers to produce a surplus in protection of all people in case of crop failure or other disaster, they are told that they are mere fools for doing so and are penalized accord-

ingly. Our economists preach thrift and the laying up of something for the proverbial rainy day, but they have money in mind only. They do not consider the importance of having a surplus of cotton, of wool or of wheat and corn on the hand for this "rainy day" and some day the nation is likely to feel, not so much the need of money, as it does the need of food and fiber.

Let the farmers of this country resolve that for one year they will produce for themselves and no one else, and there would be such a panic as would bring about a revolution. Let there be even a partial crop failure throughout the land, and many a speculator who hammers down the price of farm commodities because there is a slight surplus will wish that something had been stored away for the rainy day.

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shortage advances the price less than one quarter of what the decline was in the other case. There is no justice in our method of arriving at values The Nation, some day, may reach a period in its history when it will recognize the necessity of providing for tomorrow. Until such a time arrives producers will profit more by growing a little less than the probable demand instead of a little more.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Dr. D. J. Thomas attended the medical convention at Dallas last week, and also the Dallas Fair.

Dr. N. E. Greer spent a part of last week at Dallas attending the medical convention and fair, and also visited his family at Fort Worth while away.

Lee Wofford of Amarillo was down Sunday visiting his family.

The family of Harve Bolin moved to Plainview today, where they will make their home in the future, as Mr. Bolin is now employed as City assistant Chief of Police.

Mrs. F. M. Light left Tuesday for her home in Altus, Okla., after visiting here with her daughter, Mrs. Grady Crager, for three weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Grady Crager and son, accompanied Mrs. Light as far as Amarillo Tuesday and spent the day in that city.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson returned to her home in Plainview Wednesday, after a visit of several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Crager.

Mrs. Chas. VanHoy of Wichita Falls, left Tuesday for her home, after a visit of about two weeks with the W. W. Allen family. She came here to attend the funeral of her nephews, Alfred and Martin Allen.

Mrs. Arthur Williams of Abilene, returned to her home Wednesday, after spending two weeks here visiting W. W. Allen and family.

Mrs. Mitt Livingston left today for Austin, Texas, where she will spend the winter visiting with relatives. She was accompanied to Austin by her son, Sam, who will return home in a few days.

Birth Day Dinner Given in Honor of Jack Gilbert Last Sunday. A number of friends were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Gilbert last Sunday to a dinner given in honor of their son, Jack, celebrating his 25th birthday.

A very sumptuous repast was served to the following friends of Jack, who is a very versatile and energetic young man connected with the Cash Grocery.

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FOR DISTRICT CLERK
T. P. GUIMARIN

OR COUNTY JUDGE
Wm. McGEHEE

OR COUNTY CLERK
TOM W. DEEN

OR SHERIFF AND
AX COLLECTOR
P. G. STEGALL

OR COUNTY TREASURER
MRS. MAUD MERRICK

OR COUNTY SUPT. OF PUBLIC
INSTRUCTION
PRICE SCOTT

OR TAX ASSESSOR
C. M. MEREDITH

OR COMMISSIONER, Precinct No. 2
E. H. RANKIN

OR COMMISSIONER, PRE. No. 3
WALTER WOOD
(Re-election)

FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER
PRECINCTS, NO. 2 AND 3
C. K. BENNETT

and Marvin, Leslie, Edd, and Jack Gilbert.

WHERE QUALITY COUNTS

It is generally conceded that the standard of living in America is the highest the world has ever seen. In other words, Americans as a nation are able and willing to use more products of farm and factory than any other people, and that they demand and will pay for high quality in even the necessities of life.

One of the commonest of food products, one that is dietably indispensable, is butter. Produced by millions of pounds, by every method from the old dasher churn which is the bugaboo of farm children, to the latest model of creamery churn there is the widest possible diversity in the palatability and consequent marketable value of butter. Farm butter has become the trade name for the poorest quality of butter that enters the market, much of it is so poor that it is bought only by the renovators.

On the other hand, the very best butter that is to be had can be and is being made on the farm. Few creameries produce as high class butter as can the farmer and his wife if they so desire. Only those creameries so situated as to secure their supply of cream in a sweet condition ever catch in sweetness and wholesomeness the kind of butter that can be made right where the cows are milked. Yet "Creamery butter" is quoted at a far higher price than "farm butter" and justly so, in the sense that the two terms are used by the trade.

Many people have been making butter a life time, yet are unable to make prime butter. Many a rich batch of cream turns out flabby, sour butter, merely because a few simple fundamentals are either ignored or unknown by the butter maker. This can be remedied by anyone who is willing to learn. It may sound foolish to say that a youngster just out of col-

lege can make better butter than Grandma, who has been making butter for three score years, but such is often the fact. Grandma never had the opportunity to learn the simple rules, and though she may have worked them out in her years of experience, the fact remains that many people have not.

If farm butter sells for less than creamery butter it is patent that something is wrong either with the butter or with the method of selling it. Yet there has never been really enough fine, prime butter to supply the potential demand. There are millions of people in America who want the best and are willing to pay for it, but who never had a taste of the sweet odorless, firm butter with which the common product cannot stand comparison. Here is a field only slightly cultivated, and in which the farm dairy has all the advantage over the centralized butter making.

The county agents, both men and women, if not themselves trained in butter making—although many of them are—have at their call specialists of the extension service who can show any willing farmer or his wife how to make good butter every time—not guess work. And good butter is in demand by discriminating people at a price that will pay for the extra trouble. This offers the best answer to the low price of butter fat at the cream stations, where good cream goes in the same can with the poor cream at the same price.—Farm & Ranch.

FOR TRADE—640 acres of good New Mexico land to trade for good house and lot in Lockney.—See E. M. Whorton. 5-2-p

FOR SALE—Shetland pony, 3 yr. old, well broke.—See J. R. Wilson, 7 mi. southeast of Lockney, E.W. Henderson farm. 5-2tp

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thornton spent last week at Claude, Texas, visiting with relatives.

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PHONE 9

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STATE DEPARTMENT ENDORSES CONSOLIDATIONS

(Continued from Page 1) of the feasibility of consolidating school districts, one of the most important of which is the accessibility of the consolidated schools. Consolidation of districts and schools should not be permitted to result in the virtual denial of educational facilities to even a small minority of the children of the districts concerned. A consolidation should increase the educational opportunities of all, or a majority, of the children affected; and it should not curtail the school privileges of any of the children.

Briefly stated, the more important advantages of consolidating school districts are:

- To the Pupils—(1) Greater inspiration by reason of association with larger numbers. (2) Longer term. (3) More stable teaching force. (4) Better division of time in recitation and study. (5) Better opportunity to secure training in agriculture, art, household arts, etc. (6) Increased percentage of boys remaining through seventh grade and entering the high school. (7) Increased opportunity for promotion. (8) Better provision for athletics. (9) Better social and moral training.

- To the School—(1) More efficient staff of trained teachers. (2) Better Supervision. (3) Less truancy and tardiness. (4) Better housing conditions. (5) Better equipment. (6) Community center; an opportunity for organization of clubs—social, literary, musical, lectures, conventions, farmers' institutes. (7) Costs less considering advantages obtained.

- To the Teacher—(1) Better salary. (2) Longer tenure. (3) Specialization of work. (4) Inspiration, support, and encouragement through co-workers. (5) Satisfaction obtained through good school conditions.

- To the Community—(1) Better school; better general living conditions. (2) School a social, musical, and literary center. (3) Stimulation of a "getting-together-habit." (4) Elimination of local prejudices. (5) Demand for better roads. (6) Increased value of real estate as result of good school and good roads. (7) Fostering ideals among all the people for the best that life can give.

Respectfully yours, S. M. N. MARRS, State Superintendent. L. W. ROGERS, First Assistant Superintendent.

ALL AMENDMENTS GOOD

All of the four proposed amendments to the Constitution of Texas are worthy of enactment by the people in the November election.

One amendment proposes to change the Constitution so that commissioned officers and enlisted men of the Officers Reserve Corps, National Guard, and National Guard Reserve can hold office in Texas. The Officers Reserve, for example is made up of civilians who are on the reserve list of the United States Army. Except in time of emergency they do not exceed 15 days annual service with the army. It is clearly unfair to prohibit such men from holding public office. The commissions of many of them and their service in the reserve is occasioned by and dates back to the World War, few citizens of Texas having had such connection with the service prior to that time. It is fair to discriminate against a young Texan and bar him from office because he has rendered his services under the National Defense Act? Is it fair to discriminate against our reserve and regular militia?

Another amendment provides for the abolishing of the Board of Prison Commissioners, and the management of the prison system under such laws as the legislature may provide. Haven't we had enough of the Prison Commission?

The third proposed amendment provides for eliminating the provision authorizing the Legislature to create special districts. The voice of the Texas Legislature should be commendation enough to the public to vote for this amendment. At a recent called session the school district committee unanimously endorsed a resolution, which was later adopted by the Legislature recommending the adoption of the school district amendment. Our own representative, Col. R. P. Smythe, states that about a third of the time of the Texas Legislature is taken up changing school districts. As a matter of fact there is a local self government herein involved that is worth considering. Certainly a county agency is capable of attending to this matter and would be better advised of local conditions in the premises.

A fourth amendment provides for taxation of school lands owned by counties. In Hale county there were school land owned by other counties, it would be fair for the counties to build roads adjacent to it and

maintain them, give protection required by all agencies of county government and the owner, even if another county not pay taxes? Although designed to benefit the schools of the state, it is clearly unfair for counties owning such land not to contribute toward the expenses of the government, the benefits of which accrue to their property.—Plainview Herald.

A STORY ON THE SCORE BOARD

For many years there has been more or less criticism of the West. There has been a great deal of doubt, as to whether West Texas is just what her citizens claim her to be in the agricultural way. For many years West Texas people, individually, thru the various agencies of publicity, the schools, the churches, the Chamber of Commerce, the newspapers, and through the pages of the magazines, by stories written by the people who have been out there to see about it have told of the wonders of the western part of the State and especially the South Plains section. Many have believed and come to this great country to establish their homes. Some still seem to doubt the qualities of this section as to agriculture. However, the score board of the State Fair at Dallas reveals the truth of the matter through merely disinterested parties. They put down in black and white

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facts and figures that says to the world that the western part of the State is producing the stuff, and quantities and quality that means this the reports from this country has not been exaggerated. If you are not familiar with the typography of Texas get a map of the State and do a little checking, and see where the prize winning exhibits come from. Look where the first three came from Garza, a county that is partly on the Plains and partly under the Cap Rock got first money. Randall, a county wholly on the Plains, and occupying a position in the lower Panhandle section received second money, and Hartley, a border county on New Mexico and the second county south of the north line of the Panhandle, third.

Then follows a long string of counties the majority of which are on the Plains of Texas and West Texas, standing high in the list of winners from points of scores, including Harrison, 895; Dallam, 883.54; Hemphill, 857.54; Eastland, 856.50; Lubbock, 854.50; Lamar, 841.41; Howard, 841.33; Collin, 838.83; Marion, 835.08; Brown 819.60; Hill 818.25; Anderson, 813; Kuss, 809.84; Cass, 807.50; Briscoe, 826.50; Ellis; 806.25; Tengelina, 803; Wood, 808.08; Hunt, 798.58; Kaufman, 779.08; Floyd, 775.17; Franklin, 769.70; Terry, 764.92; Parmer 744.83; Van Zandt 737.83; Shelby, 732.34; Polk, 727.83 Midland, 698.58; Tascosa 652.67; Lamb, 625.13.

Commenting on this situation, the Dallas News, which publication was for many years was highly prejudiced against this section, and gave many exaggerated headlines regarding the weather and the conditions has this to say about the exhibits at the fair this year and the awards of the judges:

"The West Texas section scored a triumph that seems to justify the broad claims of residents of that region relative to the fertility of their soil. The first three counties were from the West Texas section, as were the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth. East Texas entered the lonely wedge between the first seven West Texas counties. The North Texas section was not heard from until twelfth place and Central Texas scored first in 20th position. The only South Texas entry being in thirty-ninth place, there being only forty-one entries.

It would seem to us that this is evidence enough that this is the section of Texas for the farmers. People wanting homes should not delay chances of securing homes cheap are in to this part of the state, for the rapidly disappearing. The great ranches of this section have nearly all disappeared. They are no more used for grazing cattle, but are being cut into farm tracts and sold. While there is yet a large acreage uncultivated, each year is reducing the amount and reducing the chances of a renter to get a home of his own, live the balance of his day a happy possessor of a nice piece of land on which to build his home, and rear his family without being dictated to by the cold-blooded landlord many of whom care for nothing but the money that they can get on their investment. There is no need for any further doubt about this country. It is head and shoulders over any other part of the state for stock farming which is the kind that is going to make Texas famous in the future. The cotton type of farmers will have to break over. They will have to get in on a line that is going to produce some thing. Raise fewer acres of cotton, raise more feed, more hogs, more poultry and more of the things they can eat on the farmer and sell on the general market.—Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

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Mr. and Mrs. Burton Thornton have returned from a trip to the Dallas fair.

DANGER TO BE SEEN IN RAILROAD MERGERS

A warning if the Interstate Commerce commission allows large railroads to merge without taking in the smaller and weaker lines, the purpose of the consolidation sections of the 1920 transportation act will have been evaded," was sounded Friday by United State Senator Earle B. Mayfield.

"Without any reference to any particular merge of railways," said Senator Mayfield, "any consolidation approved by the Interstate Commerce

commission that does not take care of the short lines in the district affected by the mergers—is absolutely contrary to the spirit of transportation act of 1920. This is so because the sections of that act authorizing the consolidations as long as they were permitted to take advantage of the benefits of the 1920 transportation act. But none seemed to take care of what might be called "Blue John" which would involve some of the burdens.

"I am hopeful that the Interstate Commerce Commission will look at the question of consolidation from the standpoint of the general welfare of the entire country and permit no mergers that leave out the short lines or the "lame ducks" of our transportation system will be left out in the cold all by themselves. The very purpose of the consolidation sections of the act thereby will be absolutely a-

voided."

Jack Lankford and wife returned today from a trip to the Rio Grande Valley county, where they have been for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck Sams have moved to town, from their farm west of Lockney.

No Pellagra After Three Treatments

Dr. W. C. Rountree, Texarkana, Texas. Dear Doctor:—I had Pellagra five years. I was nervous, had stomach trouble, rash on hands and arms, skin itched and turn brown, sore mouth, could not eat or sleep, lost weight and got awful weak. I tried many treatments. Took Hypodermica six months, got no relief. I took 3 of your treatments and was well of Pellagra. I wish I could influence every one who has this terrible disease to write you. W. W. FOUST, Hico, Texas, Rt. 1.



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LOST—Between Glen Watson's residence and Lockney, a leather jacket and hand saw.— Finder returned to J. A. Guinn, Lockney, Texas, and receive reward. 4 1tp

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CASTRO COUNTY LAND—Improved section of Castro county land, well located; will trade for smaller farm and give good long terms on balance.—J. F. DuBose, Plainview, Texas. 2-18tp 19.

NOTICE TO SCHOOL PATRONS

In order to meet all expenses in maintaining our schools, it is necessary that all tuition be paid at least one month in advance. The tuition will be \$7.50 per month for high school students and \$5.00 per month for the grades.

Patrons will please make payments promptly to Superintendent W. D. for pupils in the high school and grades, and payment to Miss Ethel Cochran for all under age pupils. L. H. GRUVER, Secretary Lockney Independent School Board.

CARD OF THANKS—We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who assisted us and were so kind and considerate of us during the recent illness of our husband, father, brother and uncle, and for their kindnesses extended during his death and burial, also for the many beautiful floral offerings. Many God Bless and keep you all in our prayer.—Mrs. Mac Whorton and children, E. M. Whorton and family, D. F. McDuffee and family, and Robert Abernathy, of Al-

bertville, Ala. LOCATION MADE SATURDAY ON CLEMENTS' LAND

Block of 25,000 Acres, Leased; Within Few Hours After Location Trucks of Material Unloaded

About thirty miles northwest of Plainview, as the geese fly, starts a block of land in Castro county, owned largely by Plainview people, on which Saturday the Gulf Production Company placed a stake locating the first well to be drilled by it in this territory. 25,000 acres have been blocked up by the Gulf, which is under contract to put down a well 3,500 feet deep. A Plainview man, who holds large acreage in the block said yesterday that officials of the company had said that they would "go a mile" before they will quit this well, if there is any showing at all. Four wells will be drilled on the block it is said, before it will be condemned.

Saturday a representative of the Gulf company drove a stake, marking the location of the new well on the southwest quarter of Section 27, Block M-16A. The location is three miles east and two miles south of Dimmitt for the first well, on land owned by Solen Clements of Plainview. By Sunday noon ten truck loads of material were on the block, and almost on the location, being stuck in the pasture just north of the location. On these trucks was loaded brand new material for the well, including an 84-foot steel derrick, new from the bottom to the top.—Plainview Herald.

PAVING CONTRACTS DONE; MACHINERY SHIPPED OUT

The last contract awarded the Earl W. Baker Construction Company in Floydada was given the final touch Tuesday afternoon of this week and the machinery is being loaded out to other points. Most of the men who have been on this work are going to Hollis Oklahoma where the company is working on a series of projects. The intersection on South Main Street failed to materialize as well as the connecting block between Main and Wall on Mississippi, leaves approximately \$5,000 in the street improvement fund unexpended.—Hesperian.

WEST TEXAS PECAN CROP TO BE LARGE Pecan yields along water courses in Central West Texas will be much larger this season than last, in the opinion of authorities. Trees are loaded. The nuts seem to be well developed and should yield heavily. Although the trees that bore

heavily last year will not bear so much this year due to the ways of pecan trees.

Quite a number of paper shell trees are being set out this year, especially in the sandy bottom lands about Abilene. The Shirley Improved Pecan orchard near there is doing unusually well.

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