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Here In HICO

"How pitiful are little folk— They seem so very small; They look at stars, and think they are Denominational."

Towns are known, in a large measure, by the churches they keep. Even the cynic, the infidel, the social outcast, the moral degenerate profits 24 hours each because he lives in a church loving land. Churches are the foundation of our nation. The men who drafted the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution recognized this fact; they knew that a nation without God was a nation bound for the shoals struck by Greece and Rome.

Some prophet not without honor in his own country has said that the United States would tear apart in less than a year if churches were abolished for that length of time. Certainly the gang rule in Chicago, Detroit, New York and other centers of population tells a morbid story of what a near-churchless city can be. In places are found an amazingly small percentage of people who belong to any church. Many of them are no worse than the small town citizens; many of them are spiritual leaders. But the majority know not God nor His will.

Here in Hico, where crime is at a minimum and where church houses are found in all parts of town, religion plays a major role. The hypocrite is always with us; the unbeliever is always with us; the scoffer is always with us; but the majority of Hico citizens worship the God who has given them life and homes and the ability to earn an honest living.

There is denominational prejudice in Hico, as in all other towns. But here it is decreased to a minimum, though the street gossip would have us believe that it is the guiding star of the average churched member's life. When a man abuses the faith of his neighbor, instead of bolstering it with love and friendship and teaching, he forgets the basis on which the Christian religions are founded. Most people here exceed the belief of their neighbor or the stranger in their midst at its face value, never doubting, unless his actions belie his religion.

Such an undenominational attitude is equally as efficacious in building a community spirit as business cooperation. It takes a citizen with a big mind and a wide heart to discuss civic and economic problems with the citizen who holds the opposite religious belief. The growing number of such citizens in Hico is one reason why this town is building itself a more lasting place in the list of progressive towns, although outwardly the friend of a religious intolerance is the cause of only personal backsliding.

The federal government has spent \$614,000,000 for roads in the last 10 years, according to an automobile association. This averages slightly less than three dollars each for the motor vehicles now in operation. If that is not a revelation to the mosback who is constantly fighting good roads, then he will remain blind the remainder of his life. Even if the apportionment for each car were much more than three dollars, good roads would yet pay and pay and pay.

A News Review has sent in some figures concerning good roads in this county, which are published on the editorial page of this paper. They are based on facts, and should be studied by every man who is interested in getting surfaced roads for Hamilton county. Improvement of the lateral roads, surfacing of the main highways—that is the goal of Hamilton county, should have for the coming months.

In connection with the good roads idea, which is just one factor in the march of progressive America, the following story has a peculiar fitness. It would be good for the man who rides into Hico on muddy roads and sees the electrically lighted streets on a spring night.

"Something less than hundred years ago the city fathers of a small town in a New England state were debating over the advisability of changing from wax candles to the newly discovered kerosene for street lamps. The town was stirred by the controversy until a citizen, doubtless of the reactionary school, contributed this bit of verse: 'It would not cause us great surprise If some presumptuous ass Should snatch the lighting from the skies Or light our streets with gas.'

The author has been forgotten. But he unknowingly proved a true prophet. What was conceived in ire and sent on its way as a bit of withering satire became an actuality, probably within the author's lifetime. Those who are skeptical of our modern industrial age and its future may find themselves in the same position as this village wit. Progress waits for no man and has a talent for turning jokes back upon their people."

The man who tries to shoulder off the spirit of progress these days is like the man who tries to count the sands of the seashore.

TRAIN HOPS TRACK NEAR HICO; LITTLE DAMAGE RESULTS

Leaving the tracks six miles east of Hico Tuesday night at 11:30 o'clock, the west bound Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train was delayed almost 10 hours. No injuries of any kind resulted from the rail jumping, and railway officials report that the damage was slight. All trains into Hico were delayed until 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, but the regular schedule was whipped into action again for the noon trains. For the first time in many years, according to a number of citizens, Hicoites failed to get their Fort Worth and Dallas papers on the day of publication, and several persons from nearby communities came in to find the cause of the delay. M. K. and T. officials state that no one has been killed on this line as a result of a train wreck in the past 20 to 35 years, and possibly longer.

Charity Committee Is Reorganized in Hico

Re-organization of the Hico charity fund committee was made Monday morning in the Fewell shoe shop. The committee is composed of a lay representative from each church, who handle funds for helping the poor and needy, especially during the Christmas season. All local pastors are ex-officio members of the group, and it was voted Monday to add the mayor and justice of the peace.

Earl Lynch was elected as president, M. A. Cole as treasurer, and A. A. Fewell as secretary. The following representatives from churches of the town composed the committee: Lee Rainwater, Methodist; S. J. Cheel, Christian; A. A. Fewell, Baptist; Earl Lynch, Presbyterian; C. D. Phillips, Church of Christ. Representatives from the other churches will become members when appointed or elected by the congregations or their pastors.

Funds for coal, wood, clothing, and other necessities of life are often given by the organization, which represents the entire city. Several needy families have been helped during this winter.

Those present at the meeting Monday were: Earl Lynch, Rev. Paul W. Evans, Rev. Clarence Allen Morton, C. D. Phillips, Miss Fannie Wood, A. A. Fewell, M. A. Cole.

Business College Will Open Here Thursday

Thursday, March 7, is the time set by officials of the American Business Colleges, Inc., for the opening of their branch school here, according to Rev. J. A. Dosier, who has been enrolling students for several weeks. The Hico Business College, as the institution is called, will be taught by an instructor from Bowie, headquarters of the organization.

No definite meeting place has been secured, but it is understood that Mr. Bailey, president, will arrange for one of several available buildings and distribute circulars announcing the place in time for students to be informed. Rev. Dosier states that he is expecting several more to enroll during the next few days and that everyone is welcome to take one or more of the courses even if he has not signed up.

RADIO POULTRY TALKS TO BE GIVEN BY DR. LEGEAR

Announcement has been made that radio station K TSA, San Antonio, has arranged for a series of lectures on the care and treatment of poultry by Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., national poultry expert, author and lecturer, whose articles are running weekly in the News Review. These talks will be given twice daily, at 1:30 p. m. and at 5:45 p. m., from March 4 to March 9, inclusive. Dr. LeGear invites all to write to him in care of radio station K TSA, San Antonio, at once about any poultry troubles they may have. He will endeavor to answer all questions over the radio.

To the person writing the longest distance at once a prize will be given. This prize will be a complete set of Dr. LeGear's poultry course of 14 volumes. Another prize set will be given to the person who writes the best letter to Dr. LeGear, care of radio station K TSA, which tells about hearing him talk over this radio station.

Mrs. Tunnell Called To Brother's Bedside

Mrs. Frances Tunnell, accompanied by her son, Garland, left Wednesday for Santa Anna, in response to a message received by telephone that her brother, Rev. B. R. Wagner, pastor of the Methodist church there, had suffered a stroke of apoplexy, and that a successive stroke would prove fatal. Rev. Mr. Wagner is quite well known here in Hico, having made visits here as his sister's guest at intervals for the past several years.

T. Mitchell of Iredell, spent Sunday night here, guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Pirtle and daughters.

Miss Beatrice Langston returned home Tuesday from the County Line community, where she spent several days visiting Miss Minnie Russell.

Firemen Post Sign Warning Against Riding of Trucks

"Notice: Firemen Only Allowed on Fire Trucks. Not Responsible for Accidents."

So reads the latest addition to the city hall's list of signs. The new sign, painted to the left of the fire truck entrance, proclaims in black, white, red and yellow that the fire fighters want no one to hamper them in their efforts to get to fires in the quickest time possible.

The sign was put up as a protection to the firemen, as a protest to boys who might jump on the trucks just for the lark, and as an insurance against delays caused by too many being on the engines when speed is essential.

Fire Chief Alex Smith states that he will appreciate complete cooperation with the sign's warning.

A similar sign has been painted on the big fire engine.

INITIAL MEET HELD BY LIONS OF HICO AT 12:15 FRIDAY

Meeting for their first weekly luncheon Friday at 12:15, members of the Hico Lions Club plunged into a program of community development which promises to enlarge with each session. The first task undertaken will be that of placing signs through Hico designed to help tourists keep on the right roads. These signs were erected early this week. Street signs will also be placed on streets which have been designated as highways. A committee was appointed to secure the signs and have them placed as soon as possible.

Twelve-thirty o'clock Friday afternoon was set as the regular time for meeting. After discussion, it was decided that such a time would be suitable to more members than the time of the first meeting, 12:15 o'clock. The meeting this (Friday) afternoon will be held at the Midland hotel, where the first luncheon was staged. The Lions Tamer, official social arranger, has promised a good program of entertainment for the meeting.

Several new members will be taken into the club within the next few weeks, if prospects given by members Friday are indications of the growth of the club. The original membership, determined Friday night, February 15, when the club was organized, was 22.

The first luncheon was characterized by good fellowship, a fine spirit, and an unusual display of pep in both social and business periods. Every member was apparently enthused with the club's beginning, and has promised to cooperate in every way possible.

When the national charter is received and each officer ascertains his exact duties, expansion of the club's program will naturally result, according to president Hugh McCullough, who was among the most enthusiastic banquetees last week. All except one of the original 22 members were present at the first luncheon. Two visitors were also present.

C. G. Masterson Gives Up Directorship of League in Hamilton

Resignation of Superintendent of Schools C. G. Masterson of Hico as director general of the Interscholastic League of Hamilton county has been received by Miss Geneva Sills, county superintendent, and Earl S. Huffman, Carlton superintendent, has been appointed to succeed him. March 15-16 are the dates set for the county meet, but there is a possibility that these dates may be moved up.

Following are all the officers of the Hamilton county league as submitted by Miss Sills: Mrs. Corine Patterson, Hamilton, director of debate; A. L. Bentley, Hamilton, director of declamation; W. J. Harris, Ireland, director of spelling; Miss Ruby Koen, Hamilton, director of essay writing; J. B. Sullivan, Hamilton, director of athletics; Miss Anna Walton, Pottsville, director of music memory contest; O. R. Williams, Aleman, director of rural declamation; W. M. Harsley, Pottsville, director of boy's industrial work; Miss Ruth Forquhar, Hamilton, director of girls' industrial work; Mr. C. W. Overcash, Indian Gap, director of arithmetic.

Everything in Garden And Orchard Canned

Wellington—Mrs. Tom Jones of Buck Creek Home Demonstration Club who canned 1000 quarts of products last year says "Some of every thing from the garden and orchard goes into cans for winter use. I can with the idea of whole-meal-unit in mind. I have no extra help in the house but by a well planned emergency shelf I am able to leave my 12 year-old daughter to prepare a canned-at-home dinner for the cotton pickers while I go to the field to act as book keeper for my husband. We have paid for our home, improved it, added several valuable labor-saving devices, and put two boys through an affiliated high school by preserving all excess foods for home use according to a systematic whole meal plan."

FAIRY VOTES BONDS FOR NEW SCHOOL

By 14 votes more than the necessary majority, a school bond election at Fairy carried Monday, and plans will be started at once to use the bonds for the improvement of the school. Forty-three votes were cast for the bonds and 29 against them. The issue will be for \$15,000. It is planned to pay off the bonds by raising the tax for schools from 75 cents to \$1 next year.

Superintendent Amos T. Hedgpath announces that a new building, of rock or brick, will be constructed on a site near the old building. The eleventh grade will be added to the high school, and it is probable that six instead of the present four teachers will be employed when the building is complete.

On Tuesday, the day following the election, Fairy school children paraded the streets of the town in their enthusiasm over the prospect of an up-to-date building.

County Court Meets Only Six Times Each Year, Starting Soon

County court is meeting only six times a year since the recent decision of Judge P. M. Rice to do away with the once-a-month sessions. The new decision goes into effect in March, when there will be no court. Thereafter alternate months will be the official times for the settlement of county disputes or titles.

Such a decision is according to the state ruling for county courts. It will do away with much unnecessary meeting and will yet afford everyone an opportunity to settle controversies in plenty of time.

Bird Land Company Sells Two Agencies

Because of increased business in both real estate and insurance, the Bird Land Company has recently sold its line of local fire and tornado insurance to J. C. Rodgers, veteran insurance and land man here.

Agencies for life, health, accident, casualty and kindred lines of insurance are still carried by the concern, according to V. H. Bird and Mrs. Aften Aycok, who conduct the business. A complete announcement of the change and thanks for patronage in the two lines they have sold will be found from the Bird Land Company in another section of the paper.

D. L. Adair Purchases Orchard in Arkansas

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Adair returned home last week from a several days' visit to DeQueen, Arkansas, where they purchased 40 acres of land. Mr. Adair states that five acres are now in orchard and that he plans to plant 15 more in fruit trees. Ten acres will be in upland and 10 in valley land when the orchard is complete.

TWENTY ACRE BRIAR PATCH IS MADE INTO PARADISE FOR GOATS; IT PAYS

Just a little over a year ago that 20-acre patch out on Leonard Hunter's route five place, three miles north of town, was nothing more than an unfenced batch of briars and shubbery, rocks and hills. Mr. Hunter had one cow grazing on it, and wondered why the Creator ever made such land.

But Mr. Hunter wasn't going to let the goat wander. Other men were making money out of such patches, and he knew he could do it too. He bought 16 fine goats, enough butt-proof fence to surround the briar-patch, and an entrance fee in the Hamilton and Bosque County Sheep and Goat Growers Association. The goats he put on the 20-acre tract, the fence he put around the goats, and the association benefits he used in learning how to make goat raising pay.

Now, the first year after shearing the animals, Mr. Hunter has paid for his ewes and fence, and has 17 kids frolicking around among the rocks and briars. The original 16 goats, plus a small amount of work when for all this income.

The thing that tickles Mr. Hunter, aside from his increased income, is that the old cow is still grazing away as if her grass-hunting grounds had not been disturbed. She eats grass; the goats eat weeds, buds, and what-have-you. During the winter, before the buds and other green stuff comes out strong, it is necessary to feed the goats some, but it is such a small amount that the net income makes it negligible. Needles to say, this route five man is a strong believer in this phase of the diversification idea, and he heartily recommends to his neighbors and friends to "Go thou and do likewise."

Old Patsy Passes On to Dogs' Happy Hunting Grounds

Just a few weeks ago old Patsy was as healthy and happy as a dog can be outside dog heaven. She had run before her master on scores of hunts; and when old Patsy pointed, the bird was there. She was the kind of a bird dog to thrill the heart of a true huntsman, for she did not know the meaning of a false alarm.

Old Patsy was the mother of pups that had brought much pleasure to her master. And she was a proud mother, for she stayed on in the Earl Lynch kennels despite the fact that large sums of money had been offered for her.

Old Patsy died Monday. She had been taken to a Waco dog doctor Saturday to be treated for double pneumonia. She licked the hand of her master, looked at him through eyes that suffered the pain of death, and saw him disappear for the last time as he returned to his business in Hico.

A telephone call told that old Patsy had died. If Earl Lynch shed tears then, it was because a four-legged friend whose love knew no limit had passed out of his life.

Old Patsy was brought here Monday afternoon for the last burial a dog could possibly have.

Old Patsy was a friend; faithful and true; a hunter, certain and accurate; a mother, loving and sacrificial. If there were a dog heaven she would be there today.

GAS WELL SUPPLIES PROPHECY ACTION

Owing to several weeks of unruly weather, activity has been practically at a standstill at the rig on the Robertson place, near the J. C. Laney test, northeast of town, where a derrick was recently erected. In spite of the weather, however, the operators have not been idle. A carload of pipes are on the Hico tracks now, and will probably be taken to the derrick when the roads are in good shape.

Reports from various sources indicate that other preparations have been made while cold and wet weather held sway. Dubious ones are convinced that the operators mean business, for they have spent much money already in order to hurry the test through to completion in double quick time.

No definite word has been received from the concern who have been perfecting a block of almost 4,000 acres adjoining the block on which the test is being made, but it is understood that they are ironing out the technical details of the leases and intend to get into action when all lease titles are clear.

Cotton Pays 50 Cents Daily; Now It Is Cows

Floresville, Feb. 28.—Three years ago a farmer near here found that his small black land farm was paying him, his wife and children a combined salary of fifty cents per day growing cotton. He traded it off for a larger worn-out sandy land farm and from it earned a new house, new barns, chickens and chicken houses, cows and a big car. "It came about," says E. D. Beck, county agent, "because Mr. Chilman paid back to the soil its share of the profits. Here is his method: peas in corn, followed by oats; peas for hay and peas for green manure; terraces to maintain the soil and conserve the water; every acre grazed by cows at some time during the year, and all lot manure hauled to the land. He also uses all his neighbors' available manure. Hegari and cane are raised after peas have been plowed under, thus supplying roughage to supplement oat pasture in winter and sudan pasture in summer."

Only Five Marriages Listed for February

County Clerk H. W. Henderson has issued the following marriage licenses during February through the 25th: Juan Pina and Miss Emma Golinda, Wallace Burriss and Miss Blanche White, Macon Maddox and Miss Opal McCarty, Herman Tomlinson and Miss Novis Reid, Leth Youngblood and Miss Leona Mason.

Miss Grace Owens spent the week-end in Turnersville with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Jordan spent the week-end with his brother, A. J. Jordan and family southwest of town.

Charles E. Purdom, of Houston, spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. R. W. Purdom, and sisters, Mrs. Birdie and Mrs. Roy French, who will be with them for an extended time.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Farmer were in DelLeon Tuesday attending the funeral services of his cousin, little John Edd Rollins, who died Monday, after having been ill only fourteen hours, suffering from abscess of the brain.

TRACK MEN HERE PREPARING TO TAKE COUNTY MEET PRIZES

The High School track team met and elected officers Monday. Paul Holladay was elected captain and F. M. Richbourg was elected business manager. Katherine Randals was elected reporter. Mr. Freeman intends having a peppy bunch of youngsters at the County Meet to be held March 15-16 in Hamilton. Regular practice will begin Tuesday.

The following seniors have reported that they will try out for positions on the track team:

Paul Holladay, captain, relay team; F. M. Richbourg, business manager, relay team, tennis, high hurdles; Weldon Leach, relay team, 100 yard dash; Orion Graves, high jump, broad jump; vaulting, hurdles; L. E. Williamson, relay team; Rudolph Brown, tennis; Taft Hollaway, high jump, mile run, and relay team; Harold Boone, relay, 220 yard dash; Leon Rainwater, 220 yard dash; S. J. Cheel, relays; V. H. Gandy, 100 yard dash; Travis Aiton, relays, 220 yard dash; Landon Bunn, 100 yard dash.

The following juniors will enter in track events: Horace Ross, Vincent Gleason, Ellis Randals, Jack Vickery, Adolph Leeth and Emory Lee Gamble.

More are due to report later. The boys are beginning hard training and should be in the best condition by the 15th of March. Let's all boost our track team, and show them what Hico High can do.

We have several stars from last year's team, and they should repeat again this year.

Almost 3000 Cars and Trucks Registered in County in Two Months

Approximately 2700 cars and 240 trucks have been registered in Hamilton county to date, according to Tax Collector Shade Register. This is between 300 and 400 more than were registered at this time last year.

Baxter Orr, tax collector last term, who assisted in the office during the rush weeks when taxes and licenses were being paid, is now engaged as Hamilton school tax assessor. This work will occupy his time for about two months.

Textoned Windows in Local Store for Men

The Men's Store is equipped with two of the most modern shop windows to be found in this section after V. L. Spaulding's application of textone, varnish and paint early in the week. Fred Wolfe, proprietor, states that practically all the up-to-date stores in the larger cities have such windows now, and that he is offering the men of Hico the best display as well as the best goods that may be found anywhere.

Mr. Wolfe is adding new lines of nationally advertised men's furnishings to his store at all times. He endeavors to keep a few jumps ahead of the styles ordinarily handled in smaller towns, and visits the wholesalers frequently to keep his stock new and complete.

Mr. Wolfe invites the public to drop in and see the unusual window displays of spring goods.

Wanted-- more news, more writers

While the News Review now has the largest number of country correspondents of any newspaper in this section of the state, it needs more, in order to carry out its policy of giving news from every part of the trade territory it serves.

If you live in a community which has no representative who sends news regularly to the News Review, let us know, and, if possible, tell us the name of someone who could furnish the items every week. We furnish stationery and stamps to all our correspondents, as well as giving their subscription free.

Another thing: We want stories about you and your neighbors; news items, in other words, that tell about the things you raise, the plans you are making for 1929 crops, and the success you are having with chickens, cows, turkeys or hogs. If you have something interesting of this nature to tell, just write it in, or drop around to the office at any time and give us the details.

The News Review is not for Hico people alone; neither is it for the farmer alone. It is for everyone in Hico and near Hico. It is here to give the news, and the extent of that news depends, in a large measure, on the response of our friends to this call for more news sources.

WHAT - KNOTS

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HICO, TEXAS

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Winnie McAnelly, who is a student of the State University at Austin, was a week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. McAnelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Kirby, Mrs. McKenzie and Mrs. John Adams, of Carlton, were here Tuesday, guests of friends.

Miss Hansie Lee Richbourg accompanied by an aunt from Carlton, were visitors in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Lynch, Mrs. C. L. Woodward and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. McCullough and daughter, Mary Ella, were visitors in Waco Monday.

Phone 250 for appointments for permanents, shampoos and wave settings. We guarantee our work.—The Beauty Shop.

S. A. Knudson, and sister, of Cranfills Gap, were here the latter part of last week shopping and on business.

Goodwyn Phillips and S. E. Blair were in Waco Tuesday on business.

C. C. Smith, of Houston, was here the latter part of last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smith and looking after his farming interests.

Miss Hazel Smyth, student in Baylor University, Waco, was a guest of her brother, J. C. Smyth, during the past week-end.

Mrs. R. K. Gandy and children, of Stamford were here over the week-end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Meador and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Harris and children of Albany, and Mrs. Elmer Colwitz and daughters of Hamilton, were week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Chandler.

Mrs. V. H. Bird and Misses Gertrude Livingston and Margaret Shipp were visitors in Stephenville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Crockett, spent the week-end in Dallas visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Lola Mae Williamson was a visitor in Waco Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson, of Iredell, were here last week having dental work done.

A. I. Pirtle accompanied T. Mitchell of Iredell to Eastland Sunday where they visited Mrs. Mitchell, who is there in a hospital recovering from an injury recently received in an automobile wreck. She is improving rapidly at this time.

Misses Juanita and Mozelle Blackburn, of Fort Worth, were here Sunday visiting their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Duzan Blackburn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Golightly were visiting his sister, Mrs. Gus Miller and family of near Stephenville Sunday.

G. S. Schwartz was in Iredell Monday delivering bread to the merchants there. He reported that much more rain fell there than here, and the Duffau Creek had been impassable a few hours before he arrived.

Miss Annie Mae Turner and Miss Christerson, teachers in the Iredell school, spent the week-end here with the former's mother Mrs. B. F. Turner and family.

For the lowest subscription rate on the Dallas Morning News, and Dallas Journal, see J. C. Hucnington, Post-office Building.

Mr. and Ballard Strong, of Iredell, were here Sunday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Farmer.

T. A. Duncan spent the week-end in San Antonio, guests of relatives and friends.

V. H. Bird was in Stephenville Saturday on business.

Miss Marie Aycock, student of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, was a week-end guest of her parents here a week-end guest of her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Aycock.

Mrs. Jack Dankers is spending a few days in Fort Worth with Mr. Dankers, who is employed there.

Mrs. Fred Wyley returned to her home at Moran Monday after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Langston.


M. L. Rainwater of the Hico Furniture Company sent in his subscription to the home paper Saturday by his son.

Fencing Off Turkeys Said to Bring Profit

Dublin, Feb. 27.—Separating turkey from chickens is quite necessary in black head control and has been followed out with good results on seven farms in Erath county this year. E. W. Bradley varied the usual procedure of penning chickens and allowing turkeys to range by fencing off about 12 acres in a corner of a field nearest the homestead, and in this inclosure planted milo, corn and peas. The turkeys were turned in here and in the late summer and fall a litter of pigs and several calves as well. According to his statement to Mark Buckingham, county agent, this patch brought the largest return for the least labor of any part of the farm.

The March issue of West Texas Today will be devoted almost entirely to Aviation and towns that have taken forward steps in this new means of transportation in West Texas. This issue follows the appointing of an Aviation Committee, and its meeting in Fort Worth.

The February issue of West Texas Today, official magazine of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce contained an advance story on the eleventh annual convention of the regional commercial organization which will be held in El Paso May 13, 14, and 15. Pictures depicting scenes enroute to the border city, and attractions there are also published.



How to Raise Poultry
By Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. LeGear is a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, 1892. Thirty-six years of veterinary practice on diseases of live stock and poultry. Extensive authority on poultry and stock raising. Nationally known poultry breeder. Noted author and lecturer.

LET US SPRAY
Kill the Vermin or the Vermin Will Kill Your Profits—Fowls That Are Free From Vermin Lay Better and Resist Disease More Easily.

Not long ago I was asked by an amateur poultry raiser, whom I knew slightly, if I would look over his flock and see what made them so droopy, spiritless and unproductive. They were "all outa pep" was the way he put it. It took only a moment's examination to disclose the reason for this undesirable state of affairs. His hens were just about being eaten up by chicken lice.

I asked to see the hen house and what I saw was what is all too often seen. An old roughly built shed had been hastily converted into a hen house. To say there were ten thousand hiding places for vermin would be a most conservative estimate. No attempt at sanitation or disinfection had even been made. Ancient table scraps in various stages of decomposition proved attractive tidbits for myriads of flies. Mouldy straw lay about on the dirt floor, and dropping boards being something this chap had never heard about, the droppings served to still further befoul the already disgusting litter. In short, if I had wanted a particularly horrible example of almost anything one should not do in poultry raising, I could have found it here. I really marveled that the poorer birds had been so lucky as to suffer nothing worse than their painful burdens of lice.

Turning to my acquaintance, I said: "Charley, there are a lot of things that ought to be done here, but I have a little story that will help you to remember one of the most important." Then I told him that story about the mother skunk and several of her little ones who were being persecuted by a hunter. The hunter gained ground quite rapidly, which alarmed the youngsters not a little. "Just be patient, children," admonished the mother. "I'll tell you what to do when the time comes." The hunter continued to gain, and finally the mother called a sudden halt. As the hunter was about to plunge forward, the mother skunk remarked calmly and confidently, "Now children, let us spray!"

Of course, the first thing to do was to make a thorough clean up of the whole place. Then, a strong solution of Dip and Disinfectant was sprayed into every crack and crevice. Lime was dusted liberally over the dirt floor in order to neutralize its sour odor and make the place still more uncomfortable for lice, mites, bedbugs and other insect pests. Then the hens were dusted well with Lice Powder to kill the parasites on their bodies, and the dusting was repeated in seven days time. Now, whenever I meet my friend, Charley, he invariably greets me with a gesture which indicates the manipulation of a spray pump and with an air of modest pride exclaims, "Doctor, let us spray!" He also has a tale to tell of a reborn flock that is taking a new interest in life and actually seems to be trying to make up for the time they lost before Charley learned his lesson.

While this case was an extreme one, the same story is being enacted many times over and not always with a happy ending. With proper construction of houses and equipment, proper sanitary arrangements and an campaign, the problem of vermin in seldom encountered.

Where those three points are not observed, however, vermin take position and profits suffer with the poultry. Lice, fleas, ticks, mites, bedbugs and many other pests in infinite variety either suck the life right out of their unwilling hosts or cause almost unbearable irritation. In either case, the fowl is seriously weakened, and the various bodily functions, including that of egg laying, are seriously hampered. Furthermore, while parasites are seldom directly responsible for death, except in cases of extreme neglect, they do often sap the vitality to such an extent that fowls become easy prey to disease.

These pests are preventable. It is no disgrace to have them show up on your premises, but it is a disgrace to let them remain. Not only that, aside from humane considerations which are too plain to need emphasis, it is a mighty poor business to take a cut in the profits of any business when the cause of such a cut can so easily be removed.

DOING AWAY WITH ALL GUESSWORK ESSENTIAL IN MAKING FARM SUCCESS

Discounting guess work and emphasizing several phases of the problem of dairying, R. B. Davis, agricultural agent at Brownfield, explained the value of testing in dairy herd improvement in a speech before the first farmers' short course recently held in Lubbock. Mr. Davis also explained how to test by mail. He said: "What is the value of cow testing in herd improvement? These tests mean testing for butter fat. I wonder if we are going about dairy development in the right way? We pick up a dairy bulletin and notice that some cow gave 1,000 pounds of butter fat. Then we wonder if it would do us much good if we knew how much old 'Spot' gave. We would like to know anyway. It would be very valuable for us to know."

"There are many phases to dairying: feeding, management, and breeding. We must consider all of these things in building up our dairy herd. How do we know what to do? Are we going to guess at it? That is about all we have been doing. I am often asked the question, 'How can you tell a good Jersey cow and a good Holstein cow from any other?' Anybody will tell you that the best way to tell the difference is with a pair of milk scales and a Babcock tester. We are not in the dairy business to help anybody. We are in it to make money. By testing we know which cow gives the butter fat and which cow doesn't. That is the only way we can tell. After all you may find an old crooked-back cow that gives more butter fat than one that is more symmetrical. You can't judge by the appearance of the cow, but by testing her milk."

"The Cow-Testing Association has just finished a year's work. The figures show a relative amount of what the cows are doing. They showed that each of the five winning or highest test cows returned an average of \$296.65 above cost of their feed. The five lowest cows returned a profit of \$34.77 each. Thus, there is \$171.88 difference between the best cows and the lowest cows. If we could see these five lowest cows and five highest cows mixed up, we might pick some of the lowest cows for some of the highest. The milk scales and the Babcock tester is the best judge. You see how important it is to you to know what your cows are doing—how much butter fat they are giving."

"How do you feed your cow? Most of you go and get a scoop and throw in the feed that your cow will eat. One man checked up and found that if he had not used a ration for his cows instead of the method described above he would have lost \$757.00 on feed. If he had gone on feeding without using a ration he would have used that much money in a year in feed that would not have returned a dime. So you can't always tell by looking at them whether their milk is rich."

"When we select our calves we usually pick the good-looking ones. We should keep the calves whose mothers are the best producers. The breeding is very important too. Know the sires of your calves. We go out and pay \$500 to \$1,000 for a young bull, taking a chance. We know his record but don't know what he is going to do. In the Testing Association the fact was brought out that a young cow returned \$55.68 more profit on butterfat in a year than did her mother. The sire had as good deal to do with it. We are never sure of the best sires until we test their daughters. At the Dairy Show at Plainview we found

that four out of five winning cows were daughters of one bull. We would never have known this if we hadn't tested their milk. The value of the sire would not have been known had not the daughters been tested. In this way you know which cows to keep and how to build up your herd."

"When it was first suggested that cows could be tested by mail most people didn't see how it could be done. They didn't know the 'mail-order' business could handle testing. It has not been done in Texas yet, but it can be done. In Wisconsin it is being done and 20,000 cows were added to the testing list in three months. In five years' time they found that mail order testing was more satisfactory to them than regular testing associations that sent a man around once each month to take samples of milk for testing. Once each month a central office sends out a testing pot to each herd. In this pot is a can for each cow. The can has a number on its corresponding with the number of the cow on the milk sheet at the office. Later the report is sent back to him. This kind of an Association would be very desirable for us down here. There would be a number of men who would join up, send in their samples, and check up on their herds."

WHAT'S DOING IN WESTERN TEXAS

Many farmers of Spur, and others in Dickens county are planning to attend the Texas-Panhandle-Plains dairy show at Plainview in April some of them taking prize Jerseys. The Spur Chamber of Commerce has assisted in placing \$10,000 worth of excellent cows in the Spur country.

Stamford is experiencing a remarkable growth in building with an addition of 1700 square feet to the city hall to the house new fire fighting equipment, a \$85,000.00 West Texas Utilities ice house, one pretentious six story hotel, and six story modern office building.

A. K. Short, Federal Land Bank representative of Houston and M. E. Bentley, agricultural engineer extension service, of A. and M. College will hold a one day terracing school in Haskell the first of March in cooperation with County Agent Trice. Other county agents will assist in the work.

The goal of \$2,500 for a library for Olney has been oversubscribed \$500 and the purchasing committee has listed a number of books to be published. Half the \$2500 goal was furnished by ten interested citizens to be given when it was equaled in other donations.

Elmo V. Cook, teacher of vocational agriculture in the Coleman High School, is making a success of evening dairying schools held in the school house. Farmers interested in improving and increasing their herds make up a large percent of those attending.

San Saba has been put on the waiting list for a county home demonstration agent since a mass meeting of women at the court house asked for this service. Mrs. Amelia Cowan of the Woman's Auxiliary of the C. of C. and Miss Bess Edwards of the extension Service were influential in procuring the agent.

Work on a new city hall at Peduech has started. It is to be of brick construction, two stories high and will house in addition to the city government, the fire department which now has about \$20,000 worth of equipment the chamber of commerce, and will contain living and club rooms for the firemen.

A cash outlay of from \$55,000 to \$60,000 is being put into a new telephone system of the Bell Telephone Co. at Presidio. In addition to an entirely new system for Presidio and the erection of a new office building, the lines to Marfa are also to be rebuilt.

The O'Donnell Electric Hatchery is now in operation under supervision of H. H. Williams. The big 18,000 egg Petersen electric machine was installed recently in the Fritz building and was set with eggs the middle of the month. Regular settings are to be made twice a week.

Scores of children visited Children's newly equipped playground on a recent warm day. The new equipment is at Fraier Park and is the result of the interest of the local Lions Club in the children.

The new high school building at Big Springs which was recently completed is one of the most modern in West Texas, having 31 rooms, spacious auditorium, a gymnasium with a seating capacity of six hundred. The cost was approximately \$120,000;

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What the Gray House Hid



The Mystery of a Haunted Mansion

by Wyndham Martyn

THE STORY

CHAPTER I—Hilton Hanby, prosperous New York merchant, has realized a long-cherished ambition by purchasing a country place—the Gray house, near Pine Plains. An unknown woman, who gives her name as Miss Selena, a former tenant of the Gray house, calls at his office and warns him that the house is under a curse. Further alarming details are impressed upon Adolf Smucker, Hanby's secretary, by a man who claims to have been chauffeur for Sir Stamford Seymour, former occupant of the place.

CHAPTER II—The Hanbys laugh off the warnings they have received both from Miss Selena and from Smucker's acquaintance, as some form of practical joke, but they are shocked when they hear that the caretaker whom they have put in charge of the Gray house, a man named Kerr, has been mysteriously murdered. Declining to be terrified, however, they go out to their new home, with their two sons, Junior and Tim, and their eldest daughter, Cella.

CHAPTER III—Appleton, a clerk of Douglas and Smith, the agents through whom Hanby bought the Gray house, explains to Pelham, that a dangerous pond near the house, in which several children have been drowned, has since been filled in, but he urges Pelham to disengage Hanby from occupying the Gray house. Hanby and Junior learn that the caretaker was known to the police as "Red Chapin" and had a bad record. Chapin had stolen references from a man named Kerr to secure the caretaker's job. Hanby considers asking Leslie Barron, long an admirer of Cella, and a husky youth, to join the house party.

CHAPTER IV

Bill Pelham was waiting for them. "Won't take me ten minutes to get into clean clothes," said Hanby. "I've got strange news, Dina." "So has Bill," she retorted. "Mine is of a tragic nature." "You've nothing on me," said Bill. "I'm in the wholesale tragedy business."

Dina, Pelham, and Hanby discussed the matter in the library. Hanby listened to what Appleton had told his friend. "Then Smucker wasn't lying," he remarked. "Appleton corroborates his story. It means that some one wants to prevent us living there. What could the reason possibly be?"

"I give it up," said Pelham. "Do you think the police have the right dope on the Chapin murder?" "What else could it be?"

"That these same people who want to keep you out started to terrorize you by murdering him. It may be that he was an innocent victim. Of course, we know that he was wanted by the law, and that in a sense his removal is a blessing to society, but all the same he may have intended to be an honest watchman for the time being."

"Dina," said Hanby presently, again conscious of his wife's unusual depression, "if you are scared at the prospect of going up there, I'll open negotiations with Miss Selena, who particularly loathes and despises me. What about it?"

"Think twice before you answer," Bill Pelham warned her. "I haven't even seen the place yet," she said, smiling. "I'm not going to be frightened out of it by any rude old woman. Hi, I believe she's at the bottom of all this mystery. I'm not going to rob my Housatonic of his manner!"

"Housatonic?" Bill queried. "What's that?"

"His real name. At college you called him Tony."

"It's a new one on me," said Bill. "Blame your Aunt Selina for it," Hanby declared. "She got me going with her California rivers. I tell you that old hag has a face like the Furies. She may be mad and vindictive, but there's something on her mind more than a passing whim. I don't know but Dina's right. She said I should meet disaster, ruin, and even death. There's some mystery about my pleasure house in Dutchess county."

"Nothing will keep me away from it now," Dina asserted. "We shall have four able-bodied men in the place all the summer."

"Four?" her husband demanded. "You are not counting fourteen-year-old Tim as an able-bodied man, are you?"

"There will be you, Junior, Leslie, and Bill."

"Me?" Pelham cried. "Of course! On your own confession, you've nothing to do until your company is reorganized in the fall. Danger calls, and we need you. I've already picked out your suite."

"Dina, you are taking great chances. Even dull-witted Hil, the last to scent the danger, knows that I'm in love with you."

"That makes you so much the safer. You shall work, believe me. I'm crazy to have some stately old-world gardens. You shall be my man with the hoe."

"I sign on here and now," said Bill. "Where are you going?" "I promised to tell Tim about the inquest. My children have the modern interest in crime. Don't go! I shan't be very long."

"I am not weak-minded enough to credit such nonsense." He spoke with unusual violence. "With common precaution the accidents could have been avoided."

"That's what the real estate people said when they wanted you to buy the place. They lied, naturally. All they want is their commission. Mr. Hanby, in your heart of hearts you know there is some inexplicable but dreadful curse on it."

"Who told you so?" "A Mr. Appleton." Hanby suddenly realized that he was an employee of the firm which sold the house. He recalled how Appleton had seemed to alter during the interview. In the beginning he had seemed to believe that something beyond human explanation hovered about the Gray house. Then he had become brisk and businesslike, and had spoken of carpenters' estimates.

"Of the firm of Douglas & Robinson?" There was contempt in the speaker's voice. "I see! Merely one of their clerks. May I ask what precaution that he could suggest would have saved the life of your unfortunate caretaker?"

"That was due to one of the vendettas common to the underworld." Far away the musical laugh came over the wire.

"I don't see anything amusing in that," Hanby snapped. "But you will," said the unknown. "It strikes me as very, very funny. May I ask you if you ever saw Red Chapin, Mr. Hanby?"

"No," he returned. "I don't relish that sort of thing in life or in death."

"I did. He was six feet in height, had hair of reddish brown, and carried himself very erect. This was a pose. He was pretending to be an ex-soldier. His usual habit was to slink along furtively, like the murderer he was. Now, Mr. Hanby, you are six feet in height, and you walk as erectly as ever a West Pointer did. We did not know you had engaged a man to watch the Gray house. Red Chapin was not killed because of a vendetta. He was mistaken for you!"

"I don't believe a word of it!" Hanby said violently. "It would be safer for you and your family if you did. Next time there will be no mistake!"

"Are you threatening to kill me?" Again the musical laugh was heard. "That would be most unwise over the telephone wires, wouldn't it? No—we are warning you that it would be safer to take your family somewhere else. Why not a trip round the world? Or there are wonderful places in Long Island. You will find Pine Plains very cold in winter."

"If this is a joke, it's a rotten one!" Hanby cried angrily. "It is more a joke to me than to you," said the unseen woman. "I scarcely think your family will consider it a joke when you are found dead; but perhaps they may. One never knows. Well, this is your last warning."

At this point Hanby was cut off. He shouted for Junior. Junior, startled by the unusual vigor of his father's voice, came running.

"I've just had a long-distance," said his father. "It is very important that I should trace from what station it was sent. Now, Father Sherlock, do your stuff!"

"You bet!" replied Junior eagerly. "It was a woman who spoke—an educated woman with a youngish voice," continued Hanby. "I'm in the library with Mr. Pelham. Let me know what happens."

Pelham looked up as his friend entered. There was something different about him now. The look of indecision was gone.

"Hil, you look as if you were about to scrap with some one, and rather enjoyed the prospect."

"That's exactly how I feel," Hanby said. "Bill, it is nothing new to a five-dollar-a-day detective to hear that his client has been threatened with violent death, so you won't be shocked to learn the sad news."

"What the devil do you mean?" "Simply this—a woman with a charming voice—Junior's trying to find where she talked from—said that Red Chapin was killed because they mistook him for me. My turn, it appears, is next on the list. All will be forgiven if I take the family to Europe or buy something on Long Island." Hanby squared his shoulders. "The old subconscious mind was right—I am in danger; but now that I know it consciously, the feeling of depression has gone. Bill, your salary is now five dollars and twenty-five cents a day. You can use the extra quarter for an insurance policy. You probably won't need any more clothes. Not a word! Dina's coming."

The two men stood up as Mrs. Hanby came into the room. "I've never been so thrilled in my life!" she cried. "The impertinence of the creature, in assuming that your death would be a joke!"

Hanby groaned. He saw it all. Dina had picked up the telephone upstairs in her bedroom, and had tele-

phoned to the whole conversation. "Which is it to be?" he asked. "Around the world or Long Island?" "It's going to be Pine Plains," she declared. "Hil, you didn't recognize the voice, did you?"

"Never heard it before. I could only recognize that it was the voice of an educated woman, youngish and perfectly at ease."

"It was an Englishwoman's voice," Dina asserted. "I'm not sure. The inflection might have been put on to deceive. Moreover, lots of our actresses get into that way of talking. You'd surely think that throaty contralto of Elsie Ferguson's was English, if you didn't know that she was born in Manhattan."

"This woman was English," Dina said, "and I'll prove it. She didn't say, as we do, 'around the world.' She said 'round the world.' The English always do that. An American woman would say 'on Long Island.' If you recall it, she said 'in Long Island.' That's like the English. They say 'in the street' when we say 'on the street.' I'm certain it was an Englishwoman."

Mrs. Hanby paused as Junior came in, wearing an air of importance. "The call came from a booth at Grand Central," he reported. "It's impossible to trace it any more than that. It wasn't long distance at all." Hanby rang the bell for Mary Sloan.

"Why did you say I was wanted on the long-distance?" he inquired, when the maid appeared. "The lady said, 'This is long-distance. I want Mr. Hilton Hanby.'"

When Mary had gone, Hanby turned to his wife. "The woman must have spoken some distance from the instrument, because it sounded like a long-distance. Very carefully done! Dina, do you still want to go through with it?"

"Of course I do! Do you suppose I'll have any other woman threatening my man?" Dina's eyes flashed. Pelham looked at her closely. It was a new Dina to him. It was a woman who would fight like a tigress to save the man who was dear to her.

Pelham knew that no word of his would sway the Hanbys. Standing together, as they invariably did, they were not to be deterred. "As the house detective," he said, "I realize that my clients have stamped. I only recommend that no member of this household should go up there alone. Safety in numbers! All expeditions are to be accompanied by the house detective, or he resigns. All traveling expenses incurred by the said detective must be paid for by his principals."

Cella and Leslie Barron interrupted them. Cella, at nineteen, was one of those lovely, vital children of the age, incapable of fatigue, eager for fun, gifted with much wisdom where men were concerned, and intolerant of an age where chaperonage flourished and young people went to bed early.

"(Continued next week)"

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More Raw Fruits and Vegetables Now Used
Matador—A better foods program conducted in Motley county last year by Miss Norma Morrow, home demonstration agent, has resulted in 75 per cent of home demonstration club women using more raw fruits and vegetables and meats better. Nearly every member has followed the practice of preserving foods for winter use and half of them have used the canning budget advocated by the Extension Service to insure a year around supply of health giving foods for the family. Reports to Miss Morrow show that the general health conditions of the families adopting these practices have been much improved, and the study of food in relation to health is becoming very popular in Motley county.

Gardening Discussed As Science and as Art
College Station—Gardening as a science, an art and as a means to health is discussed in a recent bulletin published by the A. and M. College Extension Service and distributed free upon request under the name, "Gardening, B-70." It is the work of J. F. Rosborough, horticulture in the Extension Service, and Frank S. Jamison, assistant professor of horticulture in the School of Agriculture. It is the first complete garden bulletin issued by the Extension Service in a number of years and the only one available at present strictly applicable to Texas conditions.

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Dan Boone Tells His Poultry Raising Tale
Dan Boone, who resides in the western part of the city limits, gave our reporter his experience in farming his five acre tract, and we pass it on to our readers. Here it is:

"I have done fairly well with my chicken. I have made some money above expenses and have had the pleasure of seeing them grow."

My best money crop last year was my berries. Black berries do well in this part of the country. We have only a small amount of land in berries, but from these I gather over 100 gallons which sold readily for from 35 to 40 cents per gallon.

"I also tried my luck last year with hogs. I am very well pleased with results. In fact I made some good money on my investment. In October 1927 I purchased a sow for breeding purposes. November following she raised six pigs which sold dead at \$6 each. Another litter came in June. These seven pigs were fed until six months old when they averaged 200 pounds each, were sold for \$1-2 cents per pound on foot and brought \$119. This last month another litter of 6 came and they are worth \$4 each, making \$179 income from the one brood sow. Feed cost \$11 giving me a profit of \$79, and I have my initial investment yet."

"I milk one cow. I have been milking her for six years. In these six years she has been dry only about 12 months and has given as high as 1019 pounds of milk in one month. During the six years I have had three calves and my feed costs has been practically \$16 per month. It is easy to see that this cow has represented a profit of from ten to thirty dollars every month during the six years."

Continuing Mr. Boone said, "Now let me offer a suggestion or two. Try keeping books on the farm. By this route you will see just what you are doing. You will also find out that where you think you have been making money, you have been losing it. You may also find that you have been making money, where you thought you were losing it. Try one year and see."

He continued, "I would be glad to see every farmer, especially in the sandy lands, and it will work on our bottom or black lands, almost as well, plant one row of corn and one row of cow peas. Just try this one year and see if you do not make more corn and if you do not make the old way, and have the cow peas left as an extra profit and feeder of your soil."—Glen Rose Reporter.

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Preaching by the pastor, 11 a. m.; communion service.

Senior Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; Miss Laurel Persons, president.
Missionary playlet by children and young people, 7:30 p. m.
Business meeting, Woman's Missionary Society, Monday, 3 p. m.

Epworth Juniors, Tuesday, 4 p. m.; Mrs. Walter Scott, superintendent.
You are invited, and will be cordially welcomed, to all our services. Especially interesting and helpful is the business men's Bible class of our Sunday School.

Let us all remember and prepare for the revival meeting, March 17 through Easter Sunday.
"Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved."—Rev. Paul W. Evans, pastor.

Mrs. Olin Segrest and Mr. and Mrs. Barto Gamble and children returned home Sunday from Houston where they visited with relatives.

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be frightened out of it by any rude old woman. Hi, I believe she's at the bottom of all this mystery. I'm not going to rob my Housatonic of his manner!"

"Housatonic?" Bill queried. "What's that?" "His real name. At college you called him Tony."

"It's a new one on me," said Bill. "Blame your Aunt Selina for it," Hanby declared. "She got me going with her California rivers. I tell you that old hag has a face like the Furies. She may be mad and vindictive, but there's something on her mind more than a passing whim. I don't know but Dina's right. She said I should

meet disaster, ruin, and even death. There's some mystery about my pleasure house in Dutchess county."

"Nothing will keep me away from it now," Dina asserted. "We shall have four able-bodied men in the place all the summer."

"Four?" her husband demanded. "You are not counting fourteen-year-old Tim as an able-bodied man, are you?"

"There will be you, Junior, Leslie, and Bill."

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The Knocker

The average Texas farmer gets up to the alarm of a Connecticut clock, buttons his Chicago suspenders to Detroit overalls, washes his face with Cincinnati soap, sits down to a Grand Rapids table, eats Chicago meat and Minneapolis flour cooked on a Sears-Roebuck stove. He goes out to the barn and puts a New York bridle on a Missouri mule fed with Colorado alfalfa, plows the farm covered by a Vermont mortgage with an Illinois plow. When bedtime comes, he reads a chapter from the Bible printed in Boston, says a prayer written in Jerusalem, crawls under a blanket made in New Jersey, only to be awakened by a Texas dog, the only home product on the place. And then he wonders why he cannot make money raising cotton.

Home Trade Is Vital to Town

The chief argument in favor of home trade is the fact that it not only rebounds to the benefit of all residing in the adjacent trade territory which is a part of every community but pays in dollars and cents. Every dollar sent away to build up business in some big city is just "shut" much taken away from the resources of the home community.
 If people will only figure up the incidental costs and conveniences occasioned by sending out of town for anything that can be purchased in their home town they will readily see that it pays to trade at home. It is customary to ignore such items, but they are there just the same and are part of the costs of the goods that are purchased in that manner. For instance the cost of a trip to the city—hotel bill, time wasted away from employment, goods bought that are not really needed, higher prices actually paid for the goods on account of the stupendous overhead of the big city stores. All this means cost and must be charged up against the pur-

chases if one is honest with oneself. In case of mail order purchases, there are money order and postage fees, express or freight charges, time wasted and delay in waiting for the goods, annoyance of exchanging the goods that do not fill the bill, or that do not measure up to the grade expected—these and many other charges of like nature should honestly be figured up against the purchases. If this is done and quality of goods compared it will be found that it is a case of trying to lift yourself by your own bootstraps. There is no easy way to secure goods for a less figure than they can be supplied by the experienced business man of your home town.

On pages of this paper will be found special advertisements of business men of this town who are interested in getting the facts of the value of home trade before the people.—Clifton Record.

Making Poultry Pay

Whether laying hens are profitable or not depends largely on the care given them, although breeding is a fundamental requirement of good layers. But even the ordinary hen will show her gratitude for good treatment by a greatly increased yield of eggs, according to a poultry expert who says:
 "Take the average farm hen, feed and house her poorly and she will lay only about 70 eggs a year. Give her a chance on good feed in a good house and she will produce 140 or more. But take the same hen and breed her to a pedigreed egg-bred male and the pullet resulting will produce from 150 to 200 eggs a year if properly cared for."

Under ordinary conditions it is not advised that the average farmer try to raise his own males for breeding purposes, because of the great amount of trouble involved as well as skill required in breeding. It is less expensive and far more satisfactory to buy high class cockerels from your local poultry farm.
 Poultry raising is one of the most profitable of farm activities if properly conducted, but haphazard methods will result in failure as in every other undertaking. The main thing is to have good hens in the flock and then treat them right.—Dublin Progress.

Mrs. Jack Dankers has just returned from a week's visit with Mr. Dankers in Fort Worth.

El Paso—Bids opened for 25,000-kilowatt turbine and generator to increase facilities of El Paso Electric Company.

Mrs. Anna Driskell
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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

HAMILTON COUNTY'S SHARE OF THE HIGHWAY FUND
 By E. G. Kingsbury

Having for months and even years heard that we are and again that we are not receiving our proportionate share of the state highway fund, I decided to discover what the facts of the matter happen to be and to tell the people about it.

These Tom, Dick and Harry assertions are founded on misrepresentation or, more likely, on no information at all, and reflect more the bias or personal interest of the informant than the facts of the case so I decided to talk a little under the unique condition of knowing what I was talking about.

Through the kindness of our representative, J. C. Shipman, I procured the biennial report of the state highway commission, from which the subjoined figures are taken.

In the state at large the average passenger car paid \$14.05 for license plates, of which the county received \$5.86, the state \$7.67, the collector 41 cents, and the license plates 11 cents. Hamilton county, according to the report, received a total of \$37,811.16, of which the county retained \$19,334.48, the state receiving net \$17,694.91 and the collector and license plates \$781.87.

The collector of Texas retains all the horse power fees and 30 per cent weight fees, and yet the state generally gets the big end of it; but it seems that our county has comparatively more horse power than weight, hence we draw the big number.

Now, getting down to the milk in the coconut, let us see how our county fared in its give and take with the state highway fund. As above noted, we paid the state \$17,694.91 as its share of our license fees, and as the commission reports having spent \$37,726 for maintenance in this county and also to have given us an allotment of \$5,725, making a total of \$43,451, it would seem that Hamilton county got its share last year and a bonus of \$8,757 to go with it.

Let me interpret myself to explain the above charges a bit. First, I think the charge for maintenance includes the salary of the county highway supervisor, which I have been told is \$2,500. Also it does not correspond to the informal published report of the supervisor, which was to the effect that this county had spent about \$31,000, the fact that this report was published over a month before the end of the fiscal year will easily account for the discrepancy.

Again, this report does not show what the allotment to Hamilton county was for, but from its amount and from my knowledge of past conditions and facts, I judge it was part payment for the Bosque river bridge on highway No. 108, which is easily the best bridge in the county.

Reverting to our status with the highway fund, I find that the almost \$10,000,000 the state received from license fees is only about one-third of all money they spent last year and it struck me that we had an equity in the other two-thirds, derived as it is from gasoline tax, federal aid transfers and what not; so I set myself about determining what this share is. I determined this by three methods, to all of which, as well as their average amount, the reading public is quite welcome.

First, as the license fees constitute about one-third of the state's expenditures last year, I worked it by proportion, multiplying our payment to the state by three, which shows our total share of the state's highway fund to be \$53,082, and that we lacked \$9,631 of getting our share, determining it that way.

Second, as it easily could be contended that the state's disbursements last year should be apportioned according to population, I used that method, finding that our share computed in that way to be \$68,619, and that we are shy \$25,268 in the shake-down.

Third, the state's distributions each year might, and in my opinion would, be fairly partitioned if the number of motor vehicles, creating the major portion of that fund is used as a base of calculation, which method shows our portion to be \$66,813, and that we are losers by \$23,362.

Pooling these methods and balancing, I find their average to be Hamilton county to be \$19,353.

Therefore, dear reader, when anyone asks you how our county fares in the distribution of the state's highway fund, you can safely say that despite the fact that we received an allotment of \$5,725 and the state spent over \$450 per mile on the highways of Hamilton county last year, still we went short about \$20,000 in our dealings with the highway fund of the state at large.

When I started digging for this article I thought, as I take it that most people do, that this county and section was now recovering its loss balances of previous years; hence I was surprised to find that the report of the state commission, showing that we are going deeper into the hole, and was rather moved to inquire, "How long, O Lord, how long?" will those sections not issuing bonds on building hard surfaced roads be forced to pay tribute to other sections that do.

The Best Suggestion

Agricultural statistics ordinarily are dry reading, even in a wet year. But people in this country who make a practice of avoiding agricultural topics deserve to have some farm figures forced down their resisting gullets. Force, moral pressure, is precisely what State Press means to apply to the hold-backs this morning. He will present a set of statistics from Hunt county and make every man and woman, and every boy and girl of high school age, eat 'em up. Here they are, according to John D. Middleton of Greenville and Henry Erickson, veteran county agent for Hunt County.
 In that county last year, 1928, there was a total of \$925,000 of bank

loans to farmers. The farmers of the county produced and sold \$8,000,000 of crops, cotton and cotton seed, accounting for more than \$6,000,000 of the whole. The other crops than cotton were turned into money to the extent here noted. The portion consumed on the farms is not included—the meat, milk, butter, eggs, chickens, vegetables, fruits and other similar items. Hence, then, we have this fact: That with borrowed operating capital of \$925,000, the farmers of that subdivision, turned out \$8,000,000 worth of merchandise. The survey was made by Col. Middleton and Mr. Erickson, the results carefully compiled and deductions conservatively drawn.

Now, what other business is there that makes a better showing? I can not carry on my cotton seed oil refinery with so small an amount of borrowed capital in the ratio of merchandise, said Colonel Middleton, and he added the suggestion that other manufacturers might be found in the same boat with him. This means that farming is not such a bad business. It seems to be a good business. Yet agriculture is depressed. Mr. Erickson stated as what he regarded as the principal reason for the depression. "It is because so many farms are under mortgage the owners have zeal in their work. To pay their hands out and really own them again appears so nearly impossible that discouragement rides every plow beam moving on a mortgaged farm. The farmer who has his land clear is not pessimistic. He knows the good farming will bring good returns," declared the county agent.

Here is where State Press puts in. He says if there is at Washington, a sincere, zealous, determined wish to render Federal aid to agriculture, let the mortgage on every occupied farm homestead be taken up by Uncle Sam at 1 per cent interest per annum. Senator Smoot, who is alleged to hold the confidence of the incoming President, asserted the other day that the Federal Treasury would be tapped for \$300,000,000, or as much as \$500,000,000 to farm marketing thru co-operatives. Senator Smoot ought to know that such relief would be a long time actually needs it. If the government is ready to spend half a billion, for aiding agriculture, let the aid be direct. Let it be a subsidy outright. Much of the farm debt is due to the deflation of 1921, for which the farmers were not responsible but of which they were the main victims. The proposal is not that the loan on farm homesteads be paid by Uncle Sam, but that they be lessened by reducing the interest to 1 per cent as payment for servicing. Give the farmer a chance to pay off a nominal interest charge and he will do it. And his sons will stay on the farm. State Press is for Federal Aid. But he says aid, he means aid.—State Press in Dallas News.

El Paso—Plans are under way to widen Alameda Avenue by eliminating parkways skirting sides of the street.

Small Town Industry

It appears that the smaller cities and towns of the country are rapidly coming into their own in an industrial way. Many industrial plants are seeking locations, not in the congested centers of population, but in smaller communities advantageously located with respect to raw materials, transportation, electric power and a dependable labor supply.

One of the most striking examples of this movement is seen in the installation of 100,000 new cotton spindles by a single manufacturing corporation in Alabama the past year. Instead of placing all these spindles in one locality, they are being distributed among ten small towns, 10,000 spindles going to each.

This is only one of many similar movements of industrial establishments towards the smaller communities, but it is the largest single movement of its kind so far announced. It should give encouragement to any town, regardless of its size, where favorable conditions exist for carrying on a manufacturing enterprise.

An industrial payroll is a valuable asset in supplementing the resources of agricultural sections by giving employment of surplus labor, creating a better market for products of the farm and otherwise stimulating growth and progress. Every community should make the most of its opportunities for securing such payrolls.—Roysse City News-Times.

Quitaque—75-foote brick and tile building on West Main Street completed recently.

El Paso—Modern cafeteria opened in Hotel St. Regis building.

E. H. Persons
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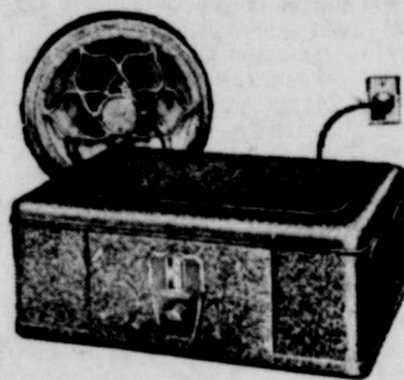
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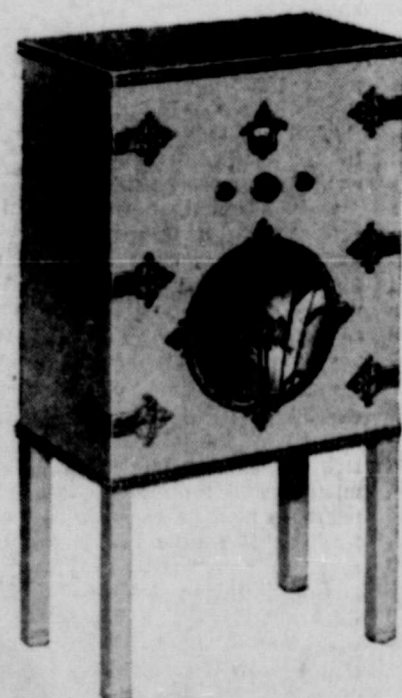
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FOR SALE—Cane and Sudan hay at 50 cents per bale.—V. H. Bird.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—70 acres of land located five miles south of Hico on highway; about 35 acres in cultivation, sorry improvements. This place would make a fine poultry farm. D. F. McCarty, Hico.

FOR SALE—Registered Hereford bull yearlings.—C. M. Tinkle, Fairy, Texas.

NOTICE—The Glen Rose Packing Company, 5 miles East of Glen Rose, Cleburne-Glen Rose Highway, will purchase at Fort Worth market price all classes of livestock. Telephone 52-F2, Glen Rose.

FOR SALE—Work mules.—V. H. Bird.

FOR SALE—Store fixtures including show cases, tables, scales, etc.—Bird Land Co.

FOR RENT—Six-room house, well and windmill, large barn, 16 acres of land, just outside city limits.—Bird Land Co.

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FOR SALE OR TRADE—A 6-tube Radiola Super-Heterodyne.—Wallace Petty.

We have plenty of Six per cent money for FARM LOANS.—BIRD LAND CO.

FOR SALE—1 hot water heater, just the heater for the bath at home. See it in operation at Make Johnson's Barber Shop. (30-tfc)

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COTTON SEED for sale—Anton early big boll cotton seed grown from pedigreed seed last year; lints 37 to 40 per cent; \$1 per bushel.—George Morris, Route 1, Hico.

NOTICE—We have our mammoth incubator setting now. Baby chicks for sale, and we also do custom hatching. See Robert Hancock, Hico.

FOR SALE—Two 66-egg capacity Buckeye incubators. In good condition. See Robert Hancock, Hico.

\$100.00 TO LOAN—On well located farms in Erath and Hamilton counties. Write full particulars in first letter. J. F. Tubbs, 305 Fine Arts Building, Fort Worth.

JIM D. WRIGHT & Son have purchased a new Chevrolet truck. See us for all kinds of trucking or Phone 164.

GOOD FARM for rent. See H. J. Leach at Leach Variety Store.

BREEDERS NOTICE—My Black Mammoth White Nosed jack, "Sams," will make the season as usual, at my barn one mile west of town. Terms—\$10 for the season, due when mare is in foal, or when she is removed from county. Utmost care taken, but will not be responsible for accidents.—L. A. Powledge.

COTTON SEED—Good as there is in the country; \$1 per bushel at my barn. Ask Leeth & Son how this cotton turned out last year.—L. A. Powledge.

PLAIN AND FANCY sewing at reasonable rates. Will call for and return work. Write or call Mrs. A. C. Hall, Methodist Parsonage, Duffau, Texas.

FOR SALE—Big boll Colvin cotton seed \$1.25 per bushel. C. H. Richards, Fairy, Texas.

FOR SALE—Double Row Oliver planter, and one double row Oliver cultivator cheap.—Willis Motor Co.

FOR SALE—Feed mill in good shape. A bargain.—Willis Motor Co.

Baptist W. M. U.

The following program will be carried out by the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union during their week of prayer which begins Monday afternoon, March 4.

Monday—Subject, "Cuba and Panama," led by Rev. C. A. Morton.

Tuesday—Subject, "Forgiveness" led by Mrs. Frank Stuckey.

Wednesday—Subject, "Mountain Schools," Mrs. H. Smith.

Thursday—Subject, "Negroes," led by Mrs. J. C. Jones.

Friday—Subject, "Others," led by Mrs. Clint Richbourg.

Every woman of the church is most cordially invited to attend each of these programs.

Miss Mary Smith spent the week end in DeLeon with her brother, Everett Smith and family.

Mrs. Terry Thompson and Mrs. S. J. Mahon of Dallas are visiting Mrs. Oscar of DeLeon.

Mart Haire of Fort Worth visited in the W. F. Gandy home Monday.

S-O-C-I-E-T-Y

Mrs. Earl Lynch Review Club Hostess

Mrs. Earl R. Lynch delightfully entertained the members of the Review club at her home last Friday afternoon, when Mrs. Lusk Randals was leader of the lesson on "Dutch Art."

The roll call was answered with a name of a comic strip artist. The program included, "A Description of Rembrandt's Night Watch," Miss Thoma Rodgers; Fravy Hals "Laughing Cavalier," Mrs. H. Gleason; "The Work of Holbein," Mrs. Hugh E. McCullough; Mrs. Persons told of "Friederick, the Great," the German King with French taste; "The Munich Art School" was described by Mrs. Lawrence Lane; and "Ruisdales and Holbein's Works" were discussed by Mrs. T. B. Lane.

Current events concluded the program.

Jordan-Golightly

The marriage of Miss Iva Jordan to Mr. John Golightly occurred last Saturday night at the First Methodist church in Stephenville, by Rev. J. M. Perry, pastor.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jordan, who reside southwest of town. She was a member of the 1924-1925 graduating class of the Hico High school, and for the past three years has been the efficient bookkeeper and saleslady for the J. E. Burleson Grocery. She is well liked and has made many friends with the people in business as well as the customers she has been in close relationship with during the time she has been in the business world.

Mr. Golightly is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Golightly, who live west of Hico. He is a farmer in that community, and has been successful in his profession.

They will make their home west of Hico, but exact plans for their home have not been perfected.

Mrs. Golightly resigned her position Friday and Miss Beatrice Langston, who is well experienced in this line, has accepted the place.

Juniors-Seniors Have Moonlight Picnic

About forty seniors and juniors enjoyed a moonlight picnic last Friday evening near Hico, when the juniors were host and hostesses to the seniors. They were chaperoned by Prof. Fred Wilson, English instructor. Cars and truck were the ways of conveyance, the fun beginning at 7:30 and ending at 11 o'clock.

Games were enjoyed and songs sang until time for refreshments, which consisted of candies, fruits and Eskimo pies.

Duncan Home Scene Of Unique Meet

The home of Miss Zella Mirn Duncan was the scene of a delightful meeting of the Cinderella Bridge Club last Thursday evening when all members were present.

Decorations, suggestive of George Washington's birthday, were carried out throughout the reception suite and in the tallies and refreshments.

After the games, the hostess, assisted by Miss Marguerite Fairay, served a dainty party plate holding flapper saled in which pear was used for the face of the flapper, cheese for her hair, chocolate for eyes, mayonnaise for the scarf, cherries for the ear buds and pimientos for the lips, and tuna fish sandwiches, hot cinnamon finger rolls, potato chips, olives, red and white mints and hot tea. The plate favors were tiny suggestive baskets filled with salted pecans.

W. M. S. Presents "Home" Program

The program as given in the Missionary Voice was presented, Mrs. Blair being the leader. The theme was "The Home as Center," and the changed condition of the American home was discussed. It was decided to send our next box to the mining home at Thurber.

A short business session followed the program, which merged into a social hour. Mrs. Alexander was the hostess and graciously entertained the society in her home. Delicious refreshments were served with pleasant conversation "over the cups."

Those present were: Mmes. Lane, Blair, Lincoln Ford, Ed Ford, Petty, Gable, Eakins, and Miss Rosalie, Scott, Newsom, Cole, Jackson, Kidenhower, Barrow, Thompson, Malone, Evans, Randals, Alexander and Rev. Paul W. Evans.

J. A. Norrod, route five resident, was in Saturday to renew his subscription to the News Review. He has just recovered from a second winter attack of the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall Glover, of Sweetwater, are here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Glover and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Owens. Mrs. Glover will be remembered as Miss Jewell Owens, and was a member of the graduating class here last year.

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- 9 yds 15c 32-inch Gingham \$1.00

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- 50c Cleansing Creme 10c
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Resolutions passed by Fairy lodge No. 751, A. F. & A. M.:
Whereas, death has cast its sable mantle over our lodge and removed from among us our beloved brother, R. J. Lackey, and whereas the whole lodge sorrows at the passing of this great and good man, whose strength and wisdom are wrought into its life for many years;
Therefore, be it resolved that we pray that the lodge, which is the rightful heir of his labors and of his happy Christian spirit, may more and more reproduce the courage and the breadth of mind and fraternal spirit of this, one of her noblest members;
Resolved, second, that we extend sympathy to the bereaved family, who so faithfully ministered to him during long and sore affliction. Resolved, third, that a copy of these resolutions be given the family, a copy given the Hico News Review for publication, and a copy spread on the minutes of the lodge. Respectfully,
W. E. Goynne, J. J. Jones, E. J. Abel, Committee.

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Country Correspondence

By authorized correspondents of the News-Review in this vicinity

HOLLIS NEWS

Monday and Tuesday seemed like spring was here. We hope it will continue for a while.
Mrs. Hollis is thought to be still improving. Her daughter, Mrs. Henry Driver, of Salem spent the week-end with her.
Charlie Koonsman and family spent Saturday and Sunday with Grafton Warren and family of Duffau.
Doss Neluns, of Stephenville, spent the week-end with his sister, Mrs. Will Rogers and family.
Martell Koonsman was a week-end visitor with her sister, Mrs. Johnnie Scott, and family of Salem.
Miss Syble Trimble visited in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vincent over the week-end.
Mrs. Greer Alexandra, of Roby, was a holiday and week-end visitor with her parents, W. E. Koonsman and family and other relatives.
Loyde Anderson and family of Stephenville, spent Sunday afternoon with her sister Mrs. Will Rogers and family.

DUFFAU NEWS

John Rusk and family of Hico spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Will Rusk.
Minnie Naughtigall spent Saturday night with Edwin Bell.
L. C. and Dwain Harlow were visiting in the Henry Davis home of Flag Branch community Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McAnally were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stamford of Claiborne Monday.
Mack Chidress, of Fort Worth, is visiting his brother, Huron Chidress and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Herrod are visiting with relatives at Dublin.
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Jones spent the week-end with home folks at Stephenville.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roberson, of Eastland, were visiting her mother, Mrs. Bettie Bowie Sunday.
Bill Rusk of Hico, Tad Roberson of Fort Worth spent Saturday with Hector and Jack Hollis.
J. N. Williams and O'Bannon Malcom, of Hamilton, were visitors in the J. P. Smart home Sunday.
Dale Elkins and family of Rising Star, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Elkins.
Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Trimble spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vincent, of the Salem community.

MT. ZION NEWS

Folks, may I join you in your beautiful weather once more? Come on, lets have some gardening done. I am hungry.
Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Polnack and daughter, Mable, were the guest of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Polnack, of Dallas Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. George Adkison and son, Grady, motored to Hamilton Sunday to see Mrs. Adkison's sister, Mrs. J. L. Stevens, who accompanied them some for a week's visit.
Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Adkison, J. D. W. Thompson and sons visited in the Frank Hathcock house Sunday.
Frank Hathcock and family, Dave Davis and family and Mrs. J. T. Stevens were visitors in the G. D. Adkison home awhile Sunday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Adkison spent Friday night with Mrs. Adkison's brother, Louis Thompson and family.
Miss Edna Crouch spent the week-end with home folks at Mt. Zion.
Miss Maybelle Polnack spent the week-end with home folks at Mt. Zion.
Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Adkison, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Adkison and son, Grady, visited in the Dave Davis home awhile Saturday night.
Mrs. J. L. Stevens was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Adkison Monday night.
We are certainly sorry to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McKinzie were obliged to move to Hico as Mr. Priffis had to have his house. It will certainly be bad on Mr. McKinzie to have to go back and forth and teach school as the roads get pretty bad some times, but we could not afford to lose him, as he is a fine man and is making us a fine teacher.

Sweet Clover Aids in Raising Better Figs

Galveston, Feb. 27.—Use of yellow blooming sweet clover as a cover crop for enriching fig orchards in South Texas was tried out by nine farmers here last year with results so outstanding that twenty-three more farmers started the practice last fall. Due to years of county agent work here the idea of using a leguminous cover crop in fig orchards has become well established but hitherto the crop used has been burr clover. However, "yellow blooming sweet clover has been found to thrive just as well here," says county agent J. C. Yeary, "and instead of making a low, thick-matted growth as burr clover does, it makes a straight upright growth which lets the ground dry out quicker in the spring and makes the plowing of fig orchards much easier and quicker. It is later about seeding in the spring but the relative low price of the seed overcomes this objection. A luxuriant growth is made the first season. The profits of savings from the new cover crop are hard to figure as type of soil and weather conditions have to be considered in each individual instance, but leading farmers have taken to the sweet clover enthusiastically and large cooperative buying of seed is contemplated by a fig committee here."

RURAL GROVE NEWS

The farmers of this community sure would like to see some pretty weather so they could start cultivating their land.
We are sorry to say that (Uncle) Barney Royal is sick and doing no good at all.
Rev. M. Shannon filled his appointment at Jordan Saturday night and Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. M. Webb and family visited Chess Webb and wife Sunday.
Beatrice and Eva Royal was the guest of Nettie Kilgo Friday afternoon.
Estell McAdoo spent Friday night with her sister, Mrs. D. D. Royal.
Lon Jenkins and wife spent Saturday night with Keller Dennis and family.

GILMORE NEWS

Everyone is enjoying the pretty weather after so much winter. We hope spring is just around the corner.
S. S. Johnson visited in Waco Saturday.
Roy Adkison and wife of County Line visited E. B. Thompson and wife of this place Saturday evening.
Misses Lois Thompson and Mary-Ella Jenkins were week-end visitors in the home of their teacher, Miss Ora Gilbreath of Dublin.
Ella Faye Thompson spent Saturday night with her cousin, Doris Johnson.
Mr. Elbert and Hack Lambert, and Misses Mattie and Bera Bush were in Stephenville Monday evening.
Roy Thompson visited his brother E. B. Thompson Saturday.
Mr. Edward Gilbreath, J. J. White-nant, Clea Strancener and Miss Ora Gilbreath were in the Thompson and Jenkins home Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bradley of Fort Worth, visited R. O. Lackey Saturday night.
Myrtle Lackey and little daughter, Wilma Jane, returned home after an extended visit in California.
Several of the young people of this place attended the party at Johnnie Parker's of Hico Saturday night.
Nellie Brown of Hico is visiting her aunt, Mrs. R. O. Lackey, this week.

GRAYVILLE NEWS

Well, we are still having bad colds and bad weather.
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jagers spent a while Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Canada and family.
Charlie and Larina Toliver had as their guests Sunday Leslie and Dasie Patterson.
Misses Dessie Bell and Janita Walker spent one night last week with their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Claud McLarty.
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bullard spent Sunday with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Toliver.
Mr. Little and family visited his son and family of Johnsonville Sunday.
Mrs. W. C. Cassaday and children visited her mother and sister's family.
C. T. Tidwell, wife and little daughter, Jeggie June, visited their daughter and family, Mrs. Jerry Clipper. Luther Tabers visited in the G. P. Squires home a while Monday night.
Mrs. J. W. Candor and children visited Mrs. J. F. Jagers and children a while.

HONEY GROVE NEWS

The health of this community is very good at this writing.
Miss Egna Lee Jordan spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Woddie Bee Looney of Hico.
Misses Lois Thompson and Mary Etta Jenkins spent the week-end with Miss Ora Gilbreath in Dublin.
Mr. and Mrs. John Doyle and daughter, Agnes visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harbor of Hamilton Saturday and Sunday.
Mrs. P. F. Stucky visited her ill mother near Hamilton a few days this week.
Miss Ila Belle Simmons visited with home folks in Clifton Sunday afternoon.

UNION NEWS

The Union Literary Society rendered a program Saturday night which was enjoyed by a large crowd.
Our county commission is certainly building us a good road through here.
The following families spent Sunday in the home of F. B. Journey: Mr. Windlins of Shive, Mr. Ferguson of Pottsville.
Walter Stanfords spent Sunday in the home of J. T. Steele.
F. W. Redden is in Waco on business this week.
Mrs. Flippins of West Point is spending the week in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stanford.
Professor W. M. Harsley of Pottsville visited J. T. Steele Sunday afternoon.
We are sorry to report that a large number in this community have the chicken pox.
Claude Ruckers spent Sunday with George Cleveland.
Dublin.—Separating turkeys from chickens is quite necessary in black head control and has been followed out with good results on seven farms in Erath county this year. E. W. Bradley varied the usual procedure of penning chickens and allowing the farmstead and in this enclosure planted milo, corn and peas. The turkeys were turned in here and in the late summer and fall a litter of pigs and several calves as well. According to his statement to Mark Buckingham, county agent, this patch brought the largest return for the least labor of any part of the farm.

COMING SOON

Watch for the date of the play, "FINGERS" which will be presented here by the Boy Scouts Troup 60. Benefits will be used for equipment for the Scouts.

Under direction of Mrs. Woodward
PLAN TO BE PRESENT AND HELP A GOOD CAUSE

Anniversary Honored By Lions of Hamilton

A vital asset to Hamilton and Hamilton county is the local Lions Club. A year of wonderful achievements has just come to close, or rather has been merged into the beginning of another twelve months, and the body is imbued with greater zeal, courage and confidence than ever before in the history of the organization of this noble and heroic band of Hamilton builders and boosters and friends of humanity.
Anniversary night was celebrated on Tuesday, February 19, with a banquet and program in the basement dining room of the Methodist church and was enjoyed by the Lions, their families, friends and out of town guests. The dining hall was gayly decorated with flags in recognition of the near approach of Washington's birthday anniversary. In the center of the President's table was the birthday cake, decorated with tiny flags fern fronds and guarded with four large red candles with one candle in the center of the cake. Three tables, which were built the entire length of the room and two smaller ones were covered with snowy linen and decorated with ferns and blooming potted plants. The napkins were in George Washington design. The tables gleamed with silver and crystal service and were each entirely surrounded by the gay throng of merry Lions and their guests. The menu

so appetizingly cooked and attractively served, consisted of roast turkey with dressing and gravy, cranberry jelly, celery, chipped potatoes, candle fruit salad, hot rolls, and cherry pie with whipped cream. Coffee and hot chocolate were served generously.
The principal address of the evening was given by President A. L. Bentley, who enumerated the large accomplishments of the club during the twelve months that had passed. One, and perhaps, the greatest of which was the organization of a municipal band and the securing of Prof. Lester Callaway as director. The Lions also were influential in last year's town clean-up campaign and beautiful yard contest. And, said Mr. Bentley, there are no phases sufficiently strong to express the benefit the club has been in promoting a friendlier, and a more generous cooperative spirit amongst the business and professional men of the city and the public in general. He outlined in brief the proposed program of activities for the coming year, which includes a large county road improvement campaign, and also many matters of civic development in Hamilton.—Hamilton Herald Record.

Belton.—An extra bale of cotton for every ditch stopped up is the boast of one farmer near here who terraced a badly eroded field last year. This was done as part of the terracing program of J. M. Parks, county agent, who reports a total of 7,000 acres terraced in 1928.

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Baptist Workers Will Meet at Agee Monday

The churches of the Hamilton County Baptist Association will please take notice of the following statement:
The regular workers conference of the association will meet on Monday, March 4, from 10:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m., with the Agee church.
The meeting which was set for February 4, was rained out, there-

fore, it is hoped that our pastors board members and workers will be at Agee on March 4. The same program that was published for last month will be carried out on the coming occasion. We urge the board members to be there for the meeting, as important business will come up for our consideration.
C. A. Morton, moderator,
E. M. Francis, chairman of the board.
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NEWS FROM IREDELL COMMUNITY

By MISS STELLA JONES

Mr. Abe Myers, Hugh Harris and John K. Myers went to Fort Worth Monday and Miss Juju Myers who had been there for some time, returned home with them.
Miss Ida Pike and her sister, Mrs. Carson of Lufkin, visited Mrs. A. I. Pike Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. U. T. Snell of Carlton spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Hart.
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harris have bought the C. H. C. Scales house which is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Odie Bryan.

Martin McCain, of Hamlin, was a visitor here Tuesday.
The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Holder was brought home from Waco and is on the road to recovery.
John Holder of Clifton was here Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter Chaffin and children spent the week-end in Whitney with her parents.
Miss Grace Simpson of Dallas spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson were in Hico to have dental work done for Mrs. Simpson.
Mr. and Mrs. Muse of Dallas are visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. O. Vensome.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Cunningham, Mrs. Lee Phillips, Mrs. Howard Myers and Mrs. Jack Blackley were in Hico Monday.
Masters J. W. and Billie Joe Pylant are ill, the former has the flu, and the latter the pneumonia.

Mrs. Ray Tidwell, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Woody and Mrs. You Sawyers were in Stephenville Friday.
Junior Base Ball boys went to Hico Friday and played ball with the Junior Ball boys, 11. to 8 in favor of Iredell.

The boy scouts enjoyed supper on the river Tuesday. The scouts are practicing for a play, which will be in March and is "Bringing the Prisoner."
Rex Mitchell of Abilene spent the week-end here with his father and reported his mother there as slowly improving.

Miss Anna Mae Turner spent the week-end with home folks in Hico. She was accompanied by Miss Christerson as her guest.
Mrs. Nance assisted her sister in law, Mrs. Snilling of Hillsboro this week. Rev. Nance went over to see his sister, Friday returning the following day and he returned after Mrs. Nance Tuesday.

Mr. George W. Barnes, Beef Cattle Husbandman of A. and M. College visited the Boy's Beef Club of Iredell last week. Those visited were Ralph Boone, Lois Boone, Rance Phillips and Reupert Phillips. Mr. Barnes reports that the calves, on feed showed that these boys and girls are giving them the proper care and feed to make them show up good at the coming livestock show.

Rev. E. Grigg and wife who are missionaries from India will have charge of the services at the Baptist church here the 2nd Sunday in March. These Missionaries have been in the work for 30 years. Every one that can do so be there and give them a good hearing.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Newsome and son have moved to the house that is between Mrs. A. A. Parks and Mr. and Mrs. Chancellor.
Mr. and Mrs. Norris Whose home is in Glasgow, Kentucky and is visiting in Meridian were here Saturday.

Mr. Jack Blackley, who was on his way to Fort Worth Monday with a load of cattle was run into by another car at Walnut Springs which damaged the car a great deal. No one was hurt. Odie Bryan went down with his truck and took the cattle on.

Mrs. W. E. Bryan received a letter that reported the death of Mrs. Belle Crobtree of Elk City. She was an old friend here. She will be remembered by a number of the older people here and she was a good woman. It was my privilege to know her. She was 70 years old, died the 11 of February. The deceased was an aunt of Mrs. W. E. Bryan.

Mr. Jess Miller has been having considerable trouble with his flock of chickens during this cold weather and Mr. Malone of Brownwood, working with the Honer demonstration agent and County agent came to help him out. There was a good attendance at Mr. Malone's demonstration regardless of the bad weather. Mr. Malone states that if the turkeys were given the proper treatment and care at this time of year, that one would not have so much trouble with diseases next fall.

Mr. Barnhart of Cleburne was a guest of Miss Faye Rose here Sunday. Messrs J. L. Goodman and Ralph Echols were in Clifton Friday evening.
Mrs. Young, who is making her home here with her daughter, Mrs. Ira Davis is visiting in Houston.

Kal Segrist of Dallas is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Annie Goodman here.
We are glad to see Ray Tidwell back in the store after a lengthy attack of the flu. His friends are glad to see him out again.
There will be a revival meeting commencing at the Baptist church here which will begin the Friday before the fourth Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Gordon and daughter, Miss Louelle and Mrs. Thompson of Weatherford visited their sisters, Mrs. Bern Sawyers and Miss Mittie Gordon here this week-end.
Mr. and Mrs. George Tabors spent Sunday evening in Hico.

Mrs. Lucy Brown of Oklahoma is here visiting.
Mr. Burns of Walnut has put in a produce house and is run by Mr. E. Ransalso of Walnut.
Mrs. Quince Fouts has been on the sick list this week, but is better now.
Mr. Elaha Conley of Fort Worth is here visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ballard Strong were in Dallas to buy goods the first of the week.
Mr. Dave Chaffin of Dallas spent the week-end here.

Mrs. Gross came over with Bro. Gross from Fort Worth this week-end. She had charge of the Morning services which was fine. She is a Chalk talker, the congregation would sing certain songs and she would illustrate them with her pictures. It was two bad that there wasn't a larger crowd out to enjoy the services at the evening services the crowd was much larger, the service was a song sermon, the pastor read scripture and the choir would sing songs that would be in keeping with the scriptures. Messdames Conley, McLoughlin and Carness gave some beautiful solos, the service was enjoyed by all.

Miss Eva Chaffin who has been very ill at her home but is reported some better.
The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkerson of Dublin, who has been seriously ill is reported to be better.
Mrs. Chamber is reported some better now, she has been very ill.

Simon Davis, who left here some time ago and went to Dublin has come back and has carpenters putting up a barber shop in the Bryan Cafe.
Rev. Nance will teach a teacher's Sunday school training class which will start Monday evening March 4 at the Methodist church. All Sunday school workers are invited regardless of denomination.

IMPROVING QUALITY OF WHEAT NECESSARY SAYS EXPERT AT LUBBOCK TECH

Lubbock, Feb. 28.—Declaring that improving the quality of the wheat is one of the biggest problems facing the grower, J. D. Tinsley, Santa Fe agricultural agent of Amarillo, pointed out how this could be done in an address before the first Farmer's Short Course recently held at Texas Technological College. "Kansas wheat is not a bit better than Panhandle wheat," he said.

"The bulk of our wheat is utilized by the bakeries, at one time it was utilized by the homes, but now the greatest proportion of the people buy their bread. Bakeries have a big business. If the baker puts out certain lines of bread and a housewife likes a certain line of bread, when she gets one of those loaves she expects the loaf she gets year after next to be exactly like the one she bought this morning. In order for the baker to put out this loaf he must have two things: (1) flour which has a certain percentage of protein; (2) a certain quality. The baker comes back to the miller and demands that every sack he buys today shall make a loaf like the loaf he made yesterday. He demands that he get exactly the same number of loaves and practically the same weight in those loaves as he got yesterday. The chemist plays an important part. The baker will go to some other miller if one can't get what he demands. A miller cannot make flour unless he can get wheat with a certain protein content and with a certain quality.

"Expert wheat is not the highest grade but it is the lowest grade. Another thing to remember is that wheat is sometimes frozen. We ought to raise the quality of wheat that is demanded for the European market. This means that there is a very urgent reason for paying more attention to quality. We haven't paid as much attention to protein in Texas as in Oklahoma. We are trying to work out a plan whereby the farmer may get some benefit of his protein wheat. Arrangements were made whereby samples could be sent into the State Department of Agriculture in Oklahoma for testing. The kind of wheat that is grown in a community proposition, not an individual one. Communities will be penalized. Those who get premiums for lines of research are those who will produce a better wheat than we have. This involves problems such as conservation of moisture and plant food.

"Kanned and Turkey Red wheat are good as long as it is put in binder and threshed. If it is left in field very long it shatters. Experiment station people have hopes that by crossing varieties they can get a high protein wheat that will have stiff straw and that will hold in the sheaf. A lot better, one that will resist frost better than anything we have and be better for the combine thresher. A considerable acreage frozen out every winter. Wheat market reports show that the market has gone up in the last few weeks on account of prospective wheat buyers considering prospective demands because of recent cold weather.

"A grain of wheat is the biggest problem that the miller has to contend with. Dust and dirt get in the bottom and comes out as specks in the flour.
"Every station is doing a good deal of work on wheat. The Department of Agriculture is cooperating with all stations. One of the things that Texas Station worked on is rust. They found some interesting things. Different strains of rust which were originally in different localities spread progressively. We can do a lot to prevent smut, but can't do much to hold down rust except by breeding resistant strains. There is the formaldehyde treatment for smut. There is a finance committee supposed to assist in trying to get appropriation from the State for special wheat research work.

"We want a variety of wheat for the Southwest that is stiff straw, tight chaff, and a high protein content, and a good quality protein and it must be a good flour wheat. It must have rust resistance and smut resistance.

V. H. Bird left Sunday for Waco where he will be on the Federal jury at least a week.

We use the Shelton Machine and have the volt meter which does not burn the hair.—The Beauty Shop, Phone 250.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Bell of Hico, and Mrs. M. E. Waldron of Carlton were Goldthwaite visitors Sunday. Mr. Waldron is manager of the Barnes lumber yard at Carlton.



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Austin, Feb. 28.—Favorable conditions now exist in the agricultural situation in Texas, according to Bernard Nichols, editor of the Texas Business Review, issued monthly by the Bureau of Business Research at the University of Texas.

"Agricultural conditions are as good and possibly better than condition last year at this time," Mr. Nichols said. "Farm income for the year just completed was larger than that of 1927, resulting in a higher purchasing power. The trend in agricultural prices is likely to be slowly upward during the next few months, and, since stocks of most farm commodities are not burdensome, producers should have little difficulty in marketing their crops.

"While it is true that farm work is lagging in some districts, due to wet weather, considerable land has been plowed and some planting of cotton and corn has already been done in southern counties. Winter grains are growing nicely and very little cotton remains to be gathered. The recent cold retarded the growth of many winter vegetables, but the actual damage was not as great as was expected. Good season is in the soil in practically all parts of the State. Movement of fruits and vegetables is unusually large for the season, the deal in spinach, cabbage and cauliflower nearing the peak. Prices for most vegetables were somewhat better than expected."

J. A. Garth wants the News Review for winter, fall, spring and summer. This route six man renewed Friday of last week.

Burris-White

Mrs. Blanche White and Mr. Wallace Burris were happily married on Thursday, Valentine Day. Immediately after the ceremony they left for a trip to Breckenridge, Woodson, and a number of other towns, where they visited with relatives and friends. They returned Monday, and are now making their home near Hico.

Many friends wish them all the joy and happiness in their long life.—A Friend.

Mrs. Aften Aycock renewed the subscription for her son, Cecil, of Amarillo, last week-end.

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- Dress Caps \$1.00 up
- Dress Hats \$3.50 up
- 2 pair Men's Hose 25c
- Men's Big Four Hats \$3.95
- Men's Powder Blue Work Pants \$1.75
- \$1.00 Men's Blue or Gray Work Shirts 85c

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- Silk Trunks \$1.50 up
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- Silk Bloomers 85c
- Silk Scarfs \$1.50 up
- Allen and Munsing Wear Hosiery \$1.00 to \$2.50

STAPLE COTTON MATERIALS

- 36 inch Fast Color Prints 17c
- 36 in. Indian Head (colors) 39c
- 36 in. Fast Color Prints 25c
- Val Lace, big assortment 5c
- 10-4 Bleached Sheeting 40c
- Oil Cloth (asst. patterns) 25c
- 6 Spools, 150 yard spools, Sewing Thread 25c

ITEMS PICKED AT RANDOM

- Window Shades 65c up
- Heavy Cups and Saucers \$1.00
- 21 oz. Hoffman Goblets \$1.00
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- Extra Heavy 5 Gallon Oil Can 85c

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Baptist Church

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No woman should let anything get in the way of prayer meeting at the church building Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock and each afternoon of the week.

Deacons' and Pastors' meeting Sunday 2:30 p. m.

Regular church conference and prayer meeting of the church Wednesday night 7:30, subject: "Stewardship of Service." Led by Mr. L. L. Hudson. All Baptists are urged to go to the Baptist Workers Meeting at Agee Monday.

Sunday night the last sermon of the series on "Notable Biblical Conversions." Theme: "The Conversion of the Chief of Sinners." Beginning Sunday 11 a. m. the pastor will deliver a series of sermons on the subject of God. Sunday morning: "Who is God?"

To all strangers and visitors, and some of our members—you will find

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 3. "The First Infilling"—Mrs. Driskell.
 4. "Prayer the Preparation for the Power"—Mrs. Sikes.
 5. "Peter, the Peerless Preacher"—Mrs. Turner.
 6. "Source of the Apostles' Power"—Mrs. Phillips.
- Senior B. Y. P. U. Program**
- The Source of Spiritual Power—Introduction—Katherine Smith.
1. "Power to Pull the Hill"—Annie Pierson.
 2. "Watch Your Power Supply"—Taft Holloway.
 3. "The First Infilling"—Mildred Turner.
 4. "Prayer the Preparation for Power"—Pauline Driskell.
 5. "Peter, the Peerless Preacher"—Mrs. Morton.
 6. "Source of the Apostles' Power"—Lorraine Sellers.

JOE SAPPINGTON'S COMMENTS ON SOCIETY

I no more believe that nature intended me for a modern society man than she intended a cow to sing in the choir, and if it had been left to my choosing, I would never have entered this gay and giddy circle; but my wife came to the conclusion several years ago that my architecture was just suited to a clawhammer coat and my graceful bearing was the proper "stuff" for the drawing room, and she proceeded to coax me out of my seclusion first into a slow walk, then into a fox trot and finally into the mad gallop of society.

It is a hard matter for the leopard to change its spots, but it is a blamed sight tougher proposition for a man with corns in his hands, a rasping voice and a rheumatic hip joint contracted while directing the movements of a yolk of steers to a turning plow, to take his place with enthusiasm and comfort by the side of a blonde society female of some thirty-odd summers, who quotes Shakespeare and a lot of other rot and insists on him singing a solo.

One of the worse features about modern society is its cold, pulseless one-lung dyspeptic formality, that forbids a plain American citizen from chewing tobacco, spitting on the stove or propping his feet onto the top of his neighbor's chair.

The first real society function that I ever attended I got busy before I had been there fifteen minutes and succeeded during the evening in spitting on a hot stove five or six times and stepping on the trails of a few low-necked gowns, to say nothing of the guest's toe nails that I mashed off.

My wife says she can see great improvement in me since I made my debut in society, but I don't believe I have made a bit of progress, and I believe that it is only through her that I am tolerated as a member. The last time I was invited out I was neglected by every one present, except by an old maid with two big hairy moles on her chin. This old century plant tried to make me forget the icy hand that had been extended to me, claimed as her own and engaged me in rapid, strenuous conversation for the whole evening in which she gave me a history of her family from the landing of the Mayflower up to the last bad spell she had with her liver. She also intimated to me during our three hour tete-a-tete that if she should ever meet a man of my same lofty intellect and conversational powers, and said man was working in single harness and desired a running mate, that she would consider a proposition from him to complete his team. I told her that she had better be careful how she bestowed her young love on any kind of a man, as appearances were deceiving. I told her while I was a handsome man and good to feast the eyes upon, yet I was a dangerous proposition, as there was hereditary madness in my family, that I had three uncles who had killed their

wives and four aunts who had poisoned their husbands, and that I was beginning to feel queer myself. When I told her this she asked to be excused and left me with a startled look in her eyes.

When I was a young man society was not the stiff and formal affair that it is today, and a "feller" could always enjoy himself in spite of circumstances, the cut of his coat or the quality thereof.

The most fun I ever had was as a young man, while leading society, as I was shod in a pair of mud boots, and arrayed in a suit of Humboldt jeans fashioned and made by mother and mother always made my clothes with an eye single to comfort. In those days society had some snap and life about it, and the young men who could knock the double back step and crack his heels together three times in the air, stood at a premium over the long neck, eye glass freak that quoted poetry and parted his hair in the middle.

Society has undergone a complete change since I was a young man and costs its members at least 10 times as much as it did then. The reason it costs so much more now than it used to is on account of so many things being added to it. At one time about all it cost a man to be a member of the 400 in good standing was a box of Mason's blacking, a bottle each of bear's oil and Hoyt's German cologne and a box of paper collars. But now if you are a member of society you are called upon to contribute cutglass to weddings, signet rings to babies, and then there are about 15 anniversaries to which you are supposed to contribute tin buckets, tin pans, napkins, towels, all sorts of crystal gewgaws, cups and saucers, knives and forks, punch bowls, butter knives, all kinds of jewelry and precious stones as the occasion demands.

The demands of society are certainly severe on a man whose salary is only \$6.25 per week, and especially when there is a run of weddings, babies and wedding anniversaries.

So far I have contributed to everything that has happened from the birth of a baby to a golden wedding anniversary, but it has been at the expense of my own personal comfort as I am still wearing my summer underwear, low quarter shoes and a pair of drop stitched socks. I do hope that there will be no more weddings or babies born to society until I can pay my poll tax, for if anything should happen to take place in the next few days that would call for a couple of dollars I would have to forego my suffrage as a free-born American citizen at the next election.

Extensive oil operations underway in Sabinal vicinity.

Ei Paso's new highway to Carlisbad completed.

Finlay—Construction of \$200,000 gypsum products plant will start immediately.

BIRD LAND CO. THANKS FRIENDS FOR PATRONAGE

Now that 1928 figures are completed and verified, it affords us much pleasure to say to you that this has been our banner year. More business went on our books than has ever been shown over the same period of time during our local agency experience of 12 years duration.

Skimming problems that daily come under our surveillance is bad business, and because we have taken on new lines, and still others are being considered, we feel that we cannot do justice to the many little details necessary in the conducting of a local fire and tornado insurance agency; therefore we have sold these two lines to J. C. Rodgers, who needs no introduction.

We have retained our life insurance department, as well as accident, casualty and kindred lines. We still write cotton, grain, automobile, plate glass, and, in fact, every form of insurance other than strictly fire and tornado. We solicit for Mr. Rodgers, therefore, our relationship with you as friends and customers. This relationship is in no way effected by this sale, and we respectfully solicit a continuation of your loyalty and cooperation in any way in which the services of our office may merit such consideration.

In conclusion we wish to sincerely thank you for your kind and continued patronage, and to each of you we tender our sincerest appreciation. We most respectfully solicit a continuation of your loyalty and cooperation, for which we pledge you the best that we have to offer in any line in which we may serve you.

Most sincerely,
BIRD LAND CO.,
By V. H. Bird,
Mrs. Aften Aycock.

Carrizo Springs—Catarina State Bank recently opened new quarters in Catarina Hotel building.

Sabinal—Peters Brothers store has been remodeled.

Quitaque—Improvements of a substantial nature have been made at the Denver station.

Sabinal—The City hall here is being remodeled and enlarged by the erection of an additional wing.

Vitaphone equipment has been installed in the Arcadia Theatre at Ranger.

Tyler—A total of \$41,459 was allowed Smith county by the state for road building and maintenance.

Troup—Construction of a \$20,000 two-story brick building for the Masonic Lodge will start soon.

THE Golden Rule Grocery

HANDLE only high quality products which UPHOLD the demand created by your constant use.

FOR EXAMPLE:

- DEL MONTE or LIBBY PINEAPPLE, Crushed, No. 2 can 24c
- DEL MONTE MIDGET PEA, None better 18c
- FLAKY WHITE FLOUR, 48-pound Sack We unqualifiedly guarantee 100 per cent satisfaction. \$1.75
- FOLGER COFFEE, 2½-pound Can \$1.38
- SEAL BRAND COFFEE, 3-pound Can \$1.56

We SOLICIT and appreciate your TRADE

Hudson's HOKUS-POKUS

Service Courtesy Appreciation

The Value of Advertising

In this community are hundreds of individuals and families on the watch for an advertisement which will offer them what they want at an advantageous price.

Call them bargain-hunters if you like, but thrifty shoppers would be the better designation. Thrift is a commendable trait and merchants should cater to it.

One family wants a new carpet—the need is not urgent. Another family is looking forward to buying dining-room furniture—it may not be for a twelve month.

One man is thinking of buying himself a watch. One woman a shopping bag; another an umbrella.

All can be made to buy earlier—by advertising. Advertising can make the desire so keen that the bargain is forgotten in the fever for immediate possession.

A Note to Merchants

Stimulate business by the offer of some slow-moving lines at special prices. Brighten up business by advertising some desirable goods at reduced prices. Make advertising banish dull business. Often you can tempt the buyer who is biding his or her time, to buy from you—at a time of your naming.