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Here In HICO

Folks outside of newspaper circles or those not acquainted with W. A. Holford of Garland, Texas, may be little interested in what we have to say in this column this week. But since human nature is the same the world over, and all of us are more or less alike, we take the privilege of making a few personal remarks about the gentleman mentioned above, who for the greater part of the past forty-three years has guided the destiny of The Garland News, and who sold out last week to the Bradfords, formerly of the Dallas Times-Herald. Dad's "swan song" appeared in last week's issue of the Garland paper, the only article we can remember that he ever wrote in the first person, and to us it was a fine example of journalism, although he is of the old school of editors who prefer to be called by some other name than journalist.

One paragraph in his farewell epistle stood out in our minds above all the rest, and it was this: "I did not want an extra pair of pants to go to work in the News office, and the people of this community have never failed to provide me with another pair of pants when the old ones became too worn for decent public appearance. I courted my wife here, and my family have mostly been reared here, and practically all my interests lie here, and so far as I know now I will remain in Garland." Perhaps you miss some of the significance of the above statements, but to the writer they tell a story that it would take volumes to relate. Nothing is said of the labor connected with the matter of inducing the people to provide another pair of pants when the old ones were out—of the mental and physical agony experienced during the time he was trying to provide for his family and at the same time give the people a newspaper which they might not be ashamed of. Not a word about the battles he fought for his friends and then at another time saw them turn into enemies because they happened to differ with him on some point involved. No mention of the many times he could have supported an issue to his financial gain, but fought it because he thought it detrimental to the best interests of the town or country; or on the other hand stood up and shouted to the world the merits of a proposition when he knew he was playing practically a lone hand and had little support.

All these things were taken as a matter of course, without a regret or whimper when he happened to be overwhelmed in political frays or business arguments. Only gratitude in his heart for the way he had been treated. Only thanks for their past support and assurance of friendship for all mankind upon retiring from his labors with his brain-child. Typical of the man who worked day and night to provide an honest living for his family, who turned a deaf ear to the tinkle of tainted money, and who kept uppermost in his mind, while going on a living out of this old world, the finer elements of life, and the principles of decency and fairness. Commendable to the knave and the scoundrel, and the unscrupulous, and the man who refused to use his publication as a weapon for winning a personal fight—of the frequent occasions when he knew he was right and still wouldn't take out his spite on an enemy for the time being, or after in his favor, hesitated to say "I told you so."

We couldn't tell Dad these things to his face, and doubt if he would listen should we attempt to. There was little of sentiment in our association—sometimes we think there has been too little on our part shown toward him and the wife of his bosom, our mother, who is due an equal amount of credit for her part of the domestic partnership. She "made a hand" at the office until we four kids, one by one, forced her to devote most of her time to our needs and wants and even then was used toward keeping the newspaper's head above water and the kids out of the poorhouse or penitentiary.

Park Chairman Here Saturday For Conference

D. E. Colp, chairman of the State Park Board, who has been active in trying to get some work started toward the completion of Highway 108, was in Hico last Saturday and was in conference with H. F. Sellers for a greater part of the morning.

Mr. Colp indicated that counties below here were especially interested in plans for Highway 108 and indicated that some important developments might be expected at an early date. He is also making a fight all along the line to have the new road come through the towns where it is designated, and stated his opposition to any plan that would take the road away from the city limits.

A letter from him at a later date carried the news that he had secured the cooperation of towns on the north end of the route, and that the prospects were indeed bright, especially for Hico, which town would be a junction point.

A meeting was to have been held at Lampasas this week to be attended by county judges along the line, where it was planned to discuss ways and means of financing the improvement work, and ascertain the advisability of county bond issues, to be matched by state and federal funds, and also to get something definite to work upon when the project comes before the State Highway Commission.

Son of Former Hico People Wins Appointment to Annapolis

A recent letter from Mrs. W. A. Cox at Portland, Oregon, contains news of the appointment of her son Walter to Annapolis Naval Academy. She is a sister of Mrs. J. W. Lane, Route 7, Hico.

Mrs. Cox will be remembered here as Miss Bobbie Webb, and although she has been gone from this section for a number of years, has many friends in and around Hico who will be glad to learn of the distinction gained by her son.

In the letter she wrote to her sister, Mrs. Cox said in part: "It is my understanding that West Point and Annapolis give the highest educational courses in the world. A boy must be a gentleman, a gentleman before he can enter, and they certainly come out polished gentlemen. The boys enter by appointment only. Those who have the power to make appointment are the president of the U. S., Governors, Senators and Representatives each having so many appointments during their term of office. The senators hold a preliminary competitive examination to determine what boy has the greatest mental and moral standing. But before you can take Senator McNary's examination some are not so strict) you must be recommended by prominent people who will vouch for your standing."

"I know you will be pleased to know that Walter was the only boy who wrote the examination for both academies, and was also the youngest boy taken for West Point (Walter is only 18). You can imagine how proud I was to get a telegram saying he was the first on the list and to wire immediately whether he preferred Annapolis to his West Point assignment. He much preferred Annapolis since he has always wanted to be a naval engineer."

"He will enter the academy on July 1st of this year. They pay his transportation down there and give him \$780 per year, but it takes all of this except \$3.00 per month to pay for his clothes and books. A big business man told me that if I had to pay for the course that is given there it would cost fifteen thousand dollars."

TOM SMITH DIED AT HOME HERE SATURDAY

Tom Smith, who had been ill for the past year or two, died at his home here early Saturday morning at the age of 43 years. Funeral services were conducted at the home of his sister, Mrs. John Collier, in the Camp Branch community, Sunday afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock by the Rev. L. P. Thomas, pastor of the Hico Baptist Church, and interment made in the Duffau cemetery.

Mr. Smith was reared in and around Hico, and spent all of his life in this section with the exception of about two years which he spent in New Mexico. He was a World War veteran, and spent several months in the service. He had hosts of friends, and the sympathy of the entire community is extended to the family.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter, and a host of relatives and friends.

Palace Theatre to Show Every Night During the Week

E. H. Elkins, manager of the Palace Theatre, popular picture show house of Hico, whose house has been closed for the past several weeks except on Saturday nights, announces the reopening of his show every night in the week except Sunday, beginning next week.

"Conditions prevailing for the past three months, with which we are all too familiar for me to go into details, have made it seem advisable to take the course I did," said Mr. Elkins in talking with a News Review representative. "But the opening of spring and the promise of increased business in every line makes prospects bright, and I am sure the people will be glad to know their home theatre is again open for their amusement, entertainment and education. I have been able to make some good contracts for talking pictures that many people have asked about and am pleased to announce their booking for Hico, to be shown at popular prices."

Mr. Elkins states that he needs the support of all theatre-goers, and if same is forthcoming, which he is sure it will be, he will be able to offer the biggest picture right here at home as soon as they can be seen in the bigger cities at far greater admission prices.

Walter Malone Improving After Recent Operation

The Beville Bee-Picayune last week carried the following news item: "Former sheriff Walter Malone underwent an operation for mastoiditis at a local hospital this (Thursday) morning and his condition, while serious, is considered hopeful. Mr. Malone has suffered from the trouble for some weeks and the operation was definitely decided upon Wednesday."

In response to a message from Beville last week Ike Malone and Bill Malone, brothers of the above mentioned, accompanied by Jim Grissom and M. D. Booth, left early Wednesday morning to be at his bedside. They remained for the day and night following, leaving Beville Friday morning when it was learned that the operation was successful and Mr. Malone improving as fast as could be expected.

The brothers here have heard from him every day, and the messages carry the news that his condition continues to improve, and that he is recovering rapidly.

Walter Malone will be remembered by all old Hico residents, having been reared on the Malone home place near Hico. He left in 1900, and has been back twice on visits since then. He has held the office of sheriff of Bosque County, and is prominent in affairs of that section. His many friends will hope for him an early recovery.

BOY SELLS BIG CORN CROP FOR \$1.54 PER BUSHEL

Lavaca—Not content to raise 70 bushels of corn to the acre, Paul Janak, 4-H club boy of Wied community, Lavaca county, fed the crop out to five pigs and got \$1.54 per bushel for the corn instead of the 60 cents the market paid. It cost \$14.85 to produce this acre of corn, according to J. M. Parks, county agent. Two hundred pounds of 4-12-4 fertilizer was used and the crop side dressed with nitrogenous fertilizer when knee-high. The five pigs cost \$20.65, the protein supplement \$4, and labor \$10. The pigs sold for \$131.66, leaving \$97.01 as cash received for the corn crop.

TEST RATION VALUE Feeding more than 50 hogs for the March market, H. L. Knust, swine demonstrator of Clifton, Bosque county, used two hogs to test the value of the ration being fed. These two hogs, a barrow and a gilt, gained 73 pounds in 30 days, nearly 2 1/3 pounds each daily. The ration consisted of eight parts yellow corn and one part 40 percent protein supplement, fed in self feeders with green feed furnished by grazing on an oat pasture.

Several Friends Paid Subscriptions During Past Week

A great many of our subscribers will get notices this month that their time is out for the paper. It is quite a bit of trouble to send these notices out, and some expense, but we don't want anyone to say we stopped their paper without notifying them.

The way subscribers have been renewing lately, it seems that every one wants to keep the paper coming, and several have added their names who have not been on our list before. This is encouraging, and we appreciate their spirit greatly.

T. S. Simpson, an old subscriber at Iredell, Texas, renewed for the paper through the news stand last week, and Leonard Howard came around with his money Thursday morning.

R. R. Alexander, first assistant greeter at Porter's Drug Store, came in Thursday and said A. C. (Albert) Alexander thought he just had to have the Hico paper. He and his wife have a lunch stand and candy kitchen at McGregor, and are doing fine. They just recently moved from here, upon selling out their furniture business in Hico.

J. W. Autrey renewed his subscription Thursday last week, at the same time stating that he had been taking the Hico paper since '86 without a break except for short intervals when he let his subscription slip his mind and missed a few copies. Mr. Autrey is another of our friends who already knows most of the things that happen before the paper is printed, but just likes to have the old sheet come to him each week to see what we have to say. Forty-four years is a long time to take a paper, but if he has stayed with the News Review that long we expect he would miss it if it failed to come to him weekly.

J. L. Boyett, Route 2, was in Saturday to subscribe for the News Review and Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News. He said they couldn't do without the Hico paper as they know people in all communities around here.

S. S. Johnson, Route 2, is a new reader of the News Review, having recently given his subscription to Leonard Howard at the news stand.

S. L. Looney who recently moved to his farm just north of town on Route 7, was in Tuesday morning and subscribed for the News Review for one year. He also had us send the Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News to his mother, Mrs. E. J. Parker, for a year. Mr. Looney says they have two good cows and a few chickens and are "making it pretty well" during these strenuous times. He rented their home here to Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Smith and children.

Fontana, California, March 28. Editor News Review, Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find remittance for the paper for another year. My subscription would have expired the first, but I couldn't afford to miss a single issue of the paper. We get the paper each Monday and it almost seems like a visit to our old home town. Respectfully, C. FAULK.

Mrs. G. A. Daniel has ordered her paper changed from Hico city list to Spur, Texas, where she will make her home for a time, according to her husband, G. A. Daniel who gave us the order.

Horace Chandler, who has made arrangements to take over a Magnolia wholesale agency at Goldthwaite, and who moved his family there this week, dropped by Tuesday to have their paper changed to that city.

Clairette, March 31, 1931. News Review: Please renew my subscription to the News Review for one year. I thank you. Sincerely, M. A. CHANEY.

Mrs. J. W. Lane, Route 7, Hico, came in Wednesday afternoon and gave a check to have the paper started to their address again. She said they let their subscription run out some time back, and had failed to get it started again until now.

City Election To Be Held Here On Next Tuesday

A city election has been announced for the first Tuesday in April, next Tuesday, April 7th, at which time two aldermen will be elected to succeed Earl R. Lynch and H. E. McCullough, whose terms expire soon. Also a city treasurer to succeed Miss Florence Chenuat and a city attorney to succeed E. H. Persons.

J. W. Autrey has been appointed as presiding officer of the election which will be held at the city hall. The ticket has not been announced.

MANY HERE SUNDAY TO ATTEND THE TRI-COUNTY SINGING

People of communities from far and near were in Hico Sunday to attend the Tri-County Singing, which was held at the Hico Baptist Church at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting was scheduled to be conducted at the park, but on account of the weather, the place was changed to the church. The house was filled to capacity and many could not find seats, but remained at the church to hear the music rendered by the leading singers of this part of the country. Many special numbers were also rendered.

Hico won the banner, which was given for the best singing class. It was voted to see where the next meeting of this convention would be held, and it was voted to again be in Hico the 5th Sunday in May which was two months from the last meeting.

Among the leaders and attendants from out of town were: Charlie Gandy, brother and family, Mr. Crabtree, and Felix Shaffer and family of Meridian; J. D. Center Sr., and Mr. Ford and family of Carlton; Mr. Webb, J. D. Center Jr., and Mrs. Grisham of Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Edwards of Stephenville; Mr. Hudson and Mr. Jackson of Walnut Springs; J. C. Bowman and family of Iredell; Mr. Waldrop of Pottsville; and Mr. Lacey of Pearl.

Hico School Wins Some Honors At County Track Meet

The Hico school turned out last Friday all day so that entrants in the county meet might go to Hamilton to participate in the events there.

Some of the literary events were held Thursday night, continuing through Friday and Saturday along with the athletic events.

Some of the athletic events were postponed until Saturday of this week, when the affair will be wound up.

Word has not been received from the officials as to the exact outcome in the various events, or the winner of the meet. However preliminary figures are given to show Indian Gap winner, and Hico second. Should Hico win all the remaining events, it would place them ahead in the meet, it is said.

Naming Contest for Confectionery Under New Management

A deal was completed this week wherein Kal Segrist sold the fixtures and appurtenances of his confectionery, which has been closed for several weeks, to Jack Leeth and Johnnie Farmer. The latter have been busy this week making preparations for their opening Saturday, April 4th.

The interior of the building has been refinished, the furniture and fixtures rearranged, and a fresh and complete stock of confectionery goods put in for the purpose of serving the people of this community as they would be served, Messrs. Leeth and Farmer state.

Elsewhere in this issue of the paper they have an announcement about a free prize they are offering for the naming of the confectionery, which will be of interest to all.

Telephone Company Completes Work, Issues Directory

Work was finished this week on rewiring all the substations in the city and changing over of all obsolete telephones by the Gulf States Telephone Company, according to information received from Miss Fannie Wood, local manager. A man has been employed here for the past several weeks, doing only this work, and the equipment is standard throughout the local system now, and the installations in tip-top shape.

The reverberating tone, recently installed in the Hico exchange, is proving very popular said Miss Wood. Several have commented favorably on the improvement. This work was done a few months back, and the idea of its installation was to keep the equipment modern. With this system of ringing, an audible sound is made when a subscriber calls for a number and the connection is made.

The new Spring and Summer directories were distributed last week, in keeping with the policy of the company of issuing two directories each year. Needless to say, this book was printed in Hico, as the company officials have found that the work can be handled here more satisfactorily, and at a reasonable cost as can be expected elsewhere.

Cutting beds have been established by demonstrators in yard improvement in Trawick and Appleby communities, Nacogdoches county, in order to multiply cuttings of desirable yard shrubs for general distribution among both home demonstration club members and others.

Friday Night Will Be Young People's Night At Revival

The Pre-Easter Revival at the Methodist will close next Sunday with the evening service, after two weeks of very animated worship and commendable attendance in view of the inclement weather.

Rev. E. M. Wisdom of Hamilton has been in charge of the preaching, and has been delivering some appropriate and interesting messages. Those who have heard him speak highly of his ability as an evangelist, and praise his work highly.

Last Monday night a young people's service was held, which was a great success. Rev. Wisdom took as his subject, "Views of Life Service," and the sermon was directed mainly to young people.

Tonight (Friday night) another young people's service will be held at which time it is hoped that all the young people of the city and community, especially the school children, will be present. Mrs. S. E. Blair is in charge of arrangements and the church will be decorated in Hico High School colors, gold and white. Sections will be reserved for school students, and all have a cordial invitation to be present at this service, as well as the others.

Home Loyalty Stressed Again At Luncheon Club

The regular weekly meeting of the luncheon club was held in the rear of the First National Bank building last Friday at 12:30, with attendance above the average and interest high. The ladies of the Hico Methodist Church again served an excellent meal to about twenty members.

President Barrow sounded the keynote of the day's discussion when he made a plea for home loyalty and consideration of the home merchants first when making purchases of any nature. "If we fail to cooperate with each other and support the business of each other, soon there will be a condition that will work to the detriment of every resident of Hico, especially those who own real estate," said Mr. Barrow, adding that "on the other hand if we trade with each other and help each other instead of sending our dollars out instead of destroying it. This is a time when towns of this size are fighting for their very existence, and the way we wage the battle will decide what kind of a town we are going to have."

Other members of the club expressed themselves along the same lines, and all seemingly left with a greater appreciation of the true meaning of home loyalty.

All business men and others interested in the welfare of the town as well as visitors who like to get together for a social hour are invited to these meetings.

Chandlers Moving To Goldthwaite To Make Their Home

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Chandler and son Pat are moving this week to Goldthwaite, where Mr. Chandler will operate a wholesale agency for Magnolia Petroleum Company products. He has been employed in this line of work in Hico for some time past, having worked for H. N. Wolfe, Magnolia agent here, and is familiar with the details of the business. His new connection should prove a good one for him, in view of his experience and his industry as exhibited in his work here.

While Hico people regret to lose this good family as residents, the best wishes of the entire populace will go with them for happiness in the new home of their choice, and it is hoped that they will find prosperity and happiness to make the move not to be regretted.

J. H. Whittlesey Brings In Another Monster Hen Egg

We have had to revise our standards of judging large eggs, and hereby tender the glass chicken house trophy to J. H. Whittlesey who brought in the largest specimen yet Wednesday.

The egg Mr. Whittlesey brought in measured 9 1/2 inches by 7 1/2 inches around, and weighed just an ounce less than a half pound. He found it in his yard that morning, and was undecided as to whether it was laid by a White Leghorn, Plymouth Rock or Rhode Island Red, as he has some hens of all three breeds.

"I have been feeding my hens a lot of turnips," said Mr. Whittlesey, "and at first thought this was a turnip when I saw it in the yard. However upon finding it to be an egg I decided that their diet evidently agreed with them."

Keeping Up With TEXAS

Somewhere in San Antonio over \$500 worth of hen may be baking, stewing or frying to provide a meal for a chicken thief who probably has no suspicion of the value of his haul. A white leghorn hen No. 48-19, second highest egg-layer in the United States and third highest in the world last season, valued at \$500, was stolen with four other hens early Friday from the Sam Houston poultry farm at San Antonio.

A "tame" rabbit suddenly went wild in Magnolia Park at Houston last Friday afternoon and hit a baby's finger off. James Virgil Presswood, 17-month-old boy, was playing in the back yard of his home, 1644 Avenue F, when he thrust his baby fingers into the cage of his pet rabbits. One of the bunnies snapped his finger, taking it off. The boy's mother, Mrs. L. C. Presswood, rushed him to a hospital, where his hand was treated to prevent infection.

After having lived in the same district of Corsicana for 76 years, Mrs. Dora Thompson, 77, died at her home there Thursday night, and funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon. Going to Corsicana when 1 year old with her parents, Mrs. Thompson had resided in the same block since that time.

Thomas Allen Goad, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Goad, died Saturday in a hospital in Dallas from a bullet wound received the first of the week when he was shot as he knocked at the door of a neighbor's house one night to ask the time, so his mother could set a clock. Mrs. N. M. Wilson, Dallas, who fired through the door of her house when she asked who was knocking and received no answer, will not be called before the grand jury, authorities said, they having accepted as correct her story that the shooting was accidental. She broke down at the funeral and had to be removed from the church.

Ten children were carried to hospitals in Waco Saturday, after a panic in a theatre during a children's matinee, when a fuse blew out and an excited woman shouted "Fire!" Three of the children were injured badly. It was estimated that 50 were hurt. The theatre was admitting children for two eggs each, which were to be used in a citywide Easter egg hunt. Most of those injured were on a stairway leading to a balcony, where they were crushed beneath the frantic mob of children.

While working on the city street gang at Farmersville Saturday, Gene Greenway suffered severe injuries when he was pulled from a load of rock by a runaway team and crushed beneath the heavy loaded wagon. Physicians report he will recover.

C. A. (Red) Wilson, under fifty-year sentence for bank robbery, escaped from jail at Stephenville Sunday ten minutes before a State penitentiary car arrived to take him to Huntsville. It was his third attempt to escape within a month. Officers said Wilson, who escaped in similar fashion in 1928, fashioned a key from hammered iron on which his cot was suspended. He went through four locked doors and broke the combination lock on the "run-around." Other prisoners refused to leave. At the time Wilson fled, the deputy in charge of the jail was absent, looking for a negro chicken thief on the edge of town. The officer was gone about twenty minutes. Wilson received his sentence from an Erath County jury in 1927 for robbery of a bank at Lipan during the previous year.

Bob Ensor, 56-year-old farmer, was killed Saturday night by a man who ambushed him as he was returning from a trip to town. He was struck down with a load of buckshot while he was opening a gate to a field on his farm. Mrs. Ensor said her husband had gone to town to buy groceries and was expected home before sundown. When he failed to return in time, she started down the road to meet him and found his body lying near the gate. Neighbors heard her scream and hurried to the scene. No arrests had been made. The Ensor family resided near Cross Plains.

HICO STUDENTS AMONG THOSE ON HONOR ROLL AT JOHN TARLETON

Stephenville, April 1.—According to an announcement published early this week by Charlie S. Wilkins, registrar of John Tarleton College, 55 students are on the honor roll for the first grade report period of six weeks of the spring semester. In order to be listed on the honor roll a student must be carrying a full college load and make above the grade of B on each subject.

Among those making this fine record for this report period are Misses Mildred Persons and Katherine Smith and Mr. Weldon Leach of Hico.

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THE WEATHER

One subject on which everybody is always ready to talk is the weather. We don't like the weather, and never did, but as Mark Twain once remarked, it is one of those things everybody complains about but nobody ever does anything about it.

The commonest comment on winter weather, at least in northerly climates, is that we don't seem to have the cold winters we used to have. Until lately the weather sharps have dismissed this comment, as an example of the fallibility of human memories. We remember the occasional deep snow of boyhood, they say, but forget the mild, open winters. Now, however, a careful study of the temperatures for every day in the year at 200 points in the United States, has convinced the Weather Bureau that the winters—and the summers, too—are actually getting warmer. The record for the past ten years shows this to be true.

From 1920 on there have been only two winters which were not definitely milder than what was regarded as normal. Spring has come earlier every year but 1925 and 1929, also, and has not been so chilly for so long.

Ten years is too short a period to lead to any general conclusions, but the weather bureau records go back sixty years, and the past ten have been milder than the preceding fifty. That is an indication of a trend which may continue; but behind the weather bureau's observations in America and Europe, far worse than any which the recent records show, while the record of geology proves clearly that it was not so many thousands of years ago, as time goes, when the year-round ice-cap covered the whole North American continent down to Ohio and New Jersey.

The ice age has not yet completely vanished. Before it came there was a time when plants which we now regard as tropical grew in northern Greenland; their fossil remains have been found there under the ice. The ice formed at the poles and crept southward at the rate of, perhaps a mile a year. It has been receding at a rate not quite so fast for twenty thousand years. Every year the northerly limit of vegetation gets a few yards nearer the North Pole. And every year, if this theory be true, the average annual temperature ought to be higher by a fraction of a degree. The difference between this year and last will hardly be noticeable, but there should be, and probably is, a great difference between 1931 and 1930. By 1971, when the Weather Bureau has been functioning for 100 years, there may be a very interesting set of facts available to indicate that our great-grandchildren may grow oranges in Michigan and go swimming in Lake Superior in January.

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION IMPROVES

There were more men employed in January than there were in December, and still more in February than in January, the U. S. Department of Labor reports. The increase in payroll totals for February was 7.1-2 percent.

That is encouraging news of the first order. It is the first upward trend in the industrial situation since the stock-market crash of October, 1929. It signifies, it seems to us, that people are getting over their fear of the future and are realizing that the bottom hadn't actually dropped out. To anybody who can remember clearly the conditions under which the average wage-earner worked and lived even thirty years ago, how remote from his life were all of the things which he takes as his natural right—as they are today, it is clear that the term "distress" has been used very loosely in the past year or so.

In the big cities, where people from all over the country went to get the free food and lodging which the charitable were handing out, there has been more of an appearance of poverty than in the smaller towns and the country districts. And, of course, there has been and still is a great deal of financial embarrassment among those who have been out of work. But outside of the drought-stricken regions we have heard of few cases where men habitually industrious and sober have had to turn to beggars to keep their families from starving. On the other hand, we know of many persons who have not had regular work for a year or more who still have their telephones and electric lights, their radios and phonographs, and

who are still able to go to a movie once in a while. A good many of them are still running their cars. Times have been hard, beyond doubt, but they were not so hard as many people imagined nor did they affect so many as some agitators would like to have us believe. And they are definitely getting better now.

This Week IN WASHINGTON

BY RADFORD MOBLEY AUTOCASTER WASHINGTON BUREAU

Special to Hico News Review

Washington.—Congress passed exactly thirteen acts which have a bearing on farming. The most important was the appropriation for the Department of Agriculture of \$369,636,000 for 1931, which includes the money for regular and emergency road construction and for drought relief, and \$232,283,000 for 1932, which includes \$142,000,000 for highway work. The act licensing all dealers in fruits and vegetables is of perhaps as much importance in the long run. The rest of the thirteen can be dismissed as of slight importance.

Up to March 10, a little over ten million dollars had been lent; to farmers in the drought regions out of the \$45,000,000 appropriated for that purpose. Loans to 69,363 farmers had been approved on that date.

Amos W. W. Woodcock, director of the Bureau of Prohibition, got an appropriation from Congress of enough to hire 500 additional special agents. He is putting 350 of these into training for "undercover" work, to mingle with violators of the prohibition laws and discover where and how they operate. He also plans to buy \$500,000 worth of new automobiles, for the use of enforcement agents. The Bureau now has 750 cars, all of which it obtained by confiscating them from persons using them for the transportation of liquor.

The largest single contract ever let by the United States, or by anybody else, for that matter, was signed by the Secretary of the Interior the other day. It is for \$45,890,999 and is for the construction of the Hoover dam at Boulder, Colo. The contractor is a corporation known as the Six Companies, having been formed for this purpose by six large contracting firms. The 45 millions is for engineering and labor only, the Government being obligated to furnish all of the materials, which will run to more than the labor costs.

Loans to cooperative marketing agencies by the Federal Farm Board come to about \$150,000,000 in cash so far, of which about \$150,000,000 has been repaid. The changes going on in the personnel of the Board are making some of Mr. Hoover's friends nervous. They are afraid that the public will think it is a case of rats leaving a sinking ship, and will conclude that the Farm Board program is a failure. That is not the case, as those who have followed the Board's work most closely see it. The whole program of the Farm Marketing Act is such a radical innovation that it was natural that many conservatives should be wary of it. Also all those semipolitical farm groups who had other programs did not like it. Similarly, many men who thought they ought to have been appointed to the Board have been opposing it. And it goes without saying that private traders in farm commodities are afraid it will eventually put them out of business. Add to that the fact that several commodities which have come under cooperative control in the past year are selling at lower prices than they were a year ago, which has made some cooperative members disgruntled, and there are plenty of reasons why the Board is constantly under fire. Of course, the Board never promised, nor did the law under which it acts, anticipate that it would maintain prices. That is not what it is for. The law of supply and demand makes prices and nothing else. The purpose of the cooperative marketing act is to secure to the grower his full fair share of the price paid by the consumer, whatever that may be.

Board members and their friends say that the program is working out satisfactorily so far. It will take five years to put it into full effect, and in the meantime they would like to have some of their well-meaning friends keep their hands off and give it a chance.

BY FEEDING HENS YOU SAVE CULLING

Palestine.—It's an injustice to a hen to cull and can her until she has a chance to see what she can do on a better ration. Mrs. C. L. McKinney of Friendship community, Anderson county, will tell you. Late in January she had her 60 Silver Laced Wyandottes penned awaiting the arrival of Mack McConnell, county agent, but he refused to cull out the poor ones until all had had 30 days of good mash feeding. The previous ration had consisted of cracked corn and garden greens, a ration lacking in protein. One month later egg production had increased from 12 eggs to 50 eggs daily, and only five hens were culled out. Mrs. McKinney figures she is more than making expenses on a low egg market.

Eliza Crossing the Ice—Modern Version By Albert T. Reid



INSURANCE

The General Motors Corporation has extended its system of insuring the lives of all employees to cover its agents and their employes. Coupled with that is a thrift plan to enable employees to share in the company's profits by investing a small percentage of their own wages. This and other large companies are engaged all the time in efforts to work out equitable methods of helping those who work for them to be certain of independence in old age or because of illness or accident, and to leave their families provided for in case of death.

If large industries can do this, why not small ones as well? It is on the cards that the time is coming when everybody who works for anybody else will be required to leave a certain percentage of his salary or wages in trust, to be matched by an equal amount contributed by the employer, to form the basis of a fund to take care of him after a given number of years of work, at a given age, or if incapacitated. And coupled with this will be some form of employment insurance, so that nobody can be thrown out of work with nothing to live on.

WEALTH

The sole heir to \$100,000,000 or more died in New York the other day, Miss Ella Wendel, 77, only survivor of six sisters and brothers whose grandfather was a partner of John Jacob Astor, the fur-

trader, lived alone in an old house on Fifth Avenue, and died alone except for doctors and nurses. She had not a single relation left in the world.

Every dollar of the great fortune which she had to dispose of is in New York city real estate. The lot on which her home stands is valued at nearly four million dollars. Grandfather Wendel laid down a rule for his family: "Buy land, never mortgage, never sell, never build, never make repairs." Buildings deteriorate, tenants sometimes do not pay their rent, but land value always increases. The purchase of land in any growing community is the swiftest certain road to wealth. Over any twenty-year period the owner of well-located vacant land in or close to a big city will have made several times more money simply by sitting still and watching the population grow than he could have made by putting the purchase price into a savings bank, into bonds or endowment life insurance or any of the other perfectly safe forms of investment.

DEPTHS

Divers can now go to unheard-of depths by the use of a mixture of oxygen and helium to breathe, instead of ordinary air. The greatest danger to workers under pressure, as in diving suits and in deep caissons or tunnels, is the escape of nitrogen from the compressed air into the blood and tissues, forming bubbles which set up a serious illness, often resulting in death, when the workers return to normal pressure. The U. S. Bureau of Mines has been experimenting with the helium-oxygen mixture and finds that it serves as well as normal air for breathing purposes, while the helium is not absorbed into the body as nitrogen is. This discovery may result in the recovery of treasure from the wrecks of many ships which lie too deep on the ocean bed to be reached by diving methods now in use.

CALENDARS

It is on the cards that sometime—perhaps in five years, perhaps in fifty, we shall have a new calendar. Everybody who has to do with the present method of dividing the year agreed that it is clumsy and uneconomical. Some are for making a radical change at once to a thirteen-month system, which many business houses now use in computing their own budgets and making their own comparative analyses of business conditions. Others believe that would be too much of a change. Not until the League of Nations, the Pope, the Anglican church, the leaders of the Jewish religion and the head of the Mohammedan church agree will there be any radical change from the present calendar.

EINSTEIN

Back in his home in Germany, Einstein, the great scientist, tells what he thinks of the United States.

"A land of cooperative effort," he says, "quite different from our individualistic Europe. Everybody does team-work." That is not the conception many people have of America. We think of Europe as a hotbed of Socialism if not of Communism, and of our own country as a place where everybody goes his own way without giving enough attention to his neighbor's problems. Probably both points of view are both right and wrong. Professor Einstein saw, principally, only men of science, working together in laboratories and universities. Their methods may be much more cooperative than those common in business without signifying any such wide-spread team-work as the good Professor attributes to our whole people. And it may well be that we hear a great deal more about Communism than the facts warrant, because it is more sensational than the fact that most Europeans go strictly about their own business and let other people alone.

Pinky Dinky



Whos Who TODAY "DOLLARS PLANTED IN SAVINGS YIELD PROFITABLE YIELDS" SENATOR UNDERWOOD Thriftlessness Is Just Thoughtlessness Because no man can think of the earning period of life in connection with the earningless period, which comes to any and all, inevitably, and continue to be satisfied without saving. It is ours to inspire thought—ours to help men work out their plans. This is one more gesture in that effort. Hico National Bank "THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR SAFETY"

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TIGER EYE

by D. M. Bower



First Installment.
The kid was running away, but he was taking his time about it, and he enjoyed every foot of his flight.

He was running away from several things that had begun to harry him, even at twenty: his father's enemies—such as had out-lived straight-shooting old Killer Reeves; but he was not running from the enemies so much as from the impending necessity of shooting them. The kid had no ambition for carrying on the feud and getting the name of being a killer, like Pap. He did not want to kill; he had seen too much of that and it carried neither novelty nor the glamor of adventure. Then, too, he was running away from a girl who had called him Tiger Eye to his face. The kid felt a streak of fire shoot up his spine when he thought of the way she had pronounced the name men called him. Always before he had accepted it just as he would have accepted any other nickname suggested by something in his character or appearance, but she had made it a taunt.

He couldn't change the yellow stare of his right eye, any more than he could remember not to squint his blue left eye nearly shut when he really meant something. His mother always told him he got that tiger eye at a circus she had visited before he was born. The kid didn't know about that, but he knew he had it and that it was the eye that looked down a gun barrel when he practiced shooting; the eye that stared back when somebody tried to give him some of their lip. They didn't, very often; they seemed to expect him to ride with his right glove off and his gun loose in its holster, the way Pap always did.

But the kid never wanted to shoot any one. That was the main reason why he had left home.

That was nearly six weeks ago. The kid had pointed his pony's nose to the north and never once had he spread his blankets twice in the same camp. He'd been in Canada if he didn't stop soon, he thought. He didn't want anything of Canada; too cold up there. He'd stay down in Montana. Lots of the boys went up into Montana with the big trail herds and didn't come back; seemed to like the country fine.

It was nice country, all right, and the kid decided that he had about reached the end of his journey. From where the trail approached the edge of a high, wide plateau, he had a splendid view of the country spread out below him.

He could look right down into the wide mouth of that coulee and see corrals, the squatly stable and the small house backed up against the red sandstone wall. Maybe he could get a job and stop right there, without looking any farther. The kid swung his slim body around in the saddle to see if his pack horse was coming right along as he should, and as he did so his buckskin horse squatted and shied violently away from something white fluttering in the top of a soapweed alongside the road.

He spurred Pecos toward the white flutter, talking to him softly; leaned over and plucked the paper off the bush and examined the thing as he rode. It seemed to be a crude map of the country lying down below him, between the bench and the river.

The kid spread the paper flat on his saddle horn and got it lined up with the country. Yes, here was the place he was coming to. According to the paper, the ranch was owned by a man named Nate Wheeler and his brand was the Cross O. He was in luck. He could ride right up and call the man by name, just as if he'd heard all about him. It would make a difference, all right. Nate Wheeler wouldn't think he was just some fly-by-night stranger riding through. He'd probably give him work; he would, if he had any.

A man was riding toward him, coming out of the wide-armed coulee to the left—the one which the map had identified as Nate Wheeler's place. The kid saw him the minute he came around the bold rock ledge that marked that end of the coulee and he wondered if he might not be Nate Wheeler himself. He'd ask him, anyway, as soon as they met.

The two solitary horsemen rode up into sight of each other suddenly fifty yards apart and the slope dropping away on either side. The rancher jerked his horse up as if about to wheel and ride back whence he came. The kid kept straight on. Then the rancher did a most amazing thing. He yanked his gun from its holster, drove the purl against his horse and came lunging straight at the kid.

"Draw, you coyote! I'm comin' a-shootin'!" he yelled as he rode. The kid was caught completely off his guard, but he had been trained in a hard school that accepted no excuse for fumbling.

The pow-w of his forty-five was not a split second slower than the other. He felt a vicious jerk as his hat as his fingers tightened around the trigger of his gun. Then he was riding forward to where the man had toppled from his horse. The little pinto shied away and would have started running, but the kid caught it with one sweep of his long arm that gathered in the trailing reins.

He was sitting there on his horse, staring incredulously down at the dead man, when another horseman came galloping down a grassy ridge, no more than a stone's throw away. The kid turned and looked at him hardly along the barrel of his gun.

"Yo' all stop where yo're at," he commanded in his soft drawling voice, and the stranger stopped throwing up both hands laughingly as he did so. The kid surveyed him critically with his peculiar, tigerish eye, the other squinted half-shut. It gave him a deadly look in spite of his boyishness, but he did not know that.

"That's all right—I'm a friend. Think I'd rode out in sight if I wasn't?" the stranger remarked easily. "I'm riding for the Poole."

Without moving his gaze, the kid tilted his head slightly toward the twisted figure on the ground.

"Yo'all heahd what he said?"

"Yeah, I heahd 'im. He had it comin' Kid."

"Brazos," the kid answered succinctly.

"Yeah. My name's Garner. Babe Garner. How come yo're ridin' to Wheeler's?"

The kid gave one further look at Garner, decided that he was all right and holstered his gun.

"This place over heah was the closest," he explained. "This Wheeler?"

"Yeah." Babe Garner looked from the paper up into the kid's face. His own steely eyes were questioning, impressed. "Yo sure as hell don't waste any time. Mind tellin' me yo' name?"

"Bob Reeves." The kid looked full at Garner, a defiant expression around his mouth. "Folks call me Tiger Eye back home. They gotta be friends to do it, though."

Babe Garner glanced obliquely at the heap on the ground, nodded and looked away, up the road and down.

"Say, you better fog along to my camp with me," he said unceremoniously. "These damn nesters is shootin' men. Let the pinto go. Anybody come along and catch you here, it's fare ye well. What kinda gun you got?"

"Got forty-five."

"Good. That won't tell nothin' if the nesters get snoopy. Come on, Tiger Eye. I'll see yuh through this."

He wheeled his horse, and led the way back up the hill, and the kid followed without a word.

The damned, dirty luck of it! Having to show the first man he was going to strike for a job! Another thing bothered him; how had he happened to miss like that? He had aimed at Wheeler's gun arm. How had he shot so far wide that the bullet went through Wheeler's head?

It never occurred to him that his father or anyone else would disapprove of the shooting. That would be called a case of "have to." And as he meditated gravely on the necessity of defending himself, he remembered the jerk of his big hat and took it off to see just what had happened.

There it was—a smudged hole right in the middle of the crown.

"Damn close," Babe commented.

"You want to keep your eye peeled hereafter. These nesters'll shoot a man on sight."

"What for?"

"'Cause they're damn cow thieves and the Poole has called the turn," Babe said savagely. You heahd what he hollered."

"Yeah, I heahd."

"That's the nester's war whoop, these days. The Poole has had four men fanned with bullets in the last month. We're needin' riders that can shoot. You come in time."

"How many men has the nesters lost?"

Babe hesitated, gave his head a shake, laughed one hard chuckle.

"Yo' know of one, anyway," he said meaningly.

The kid questioned no further but followed silently in Babe's lead. Over a lava bed they went, where the horses must pick their way carefully but where they left no track. Down along the rim of the benchland, past the head of the coulee marked on the map as

Wheeler's. Once, the kid looked down almost upon the roof of the cabin. A woman came out and began pulling the clothes off the line, her back to the bluff. A baby in a pink dress toddled out on the doorstep, sat down violently and began to squirm backward off the step. Wheeler's baby. Only there wasn't any Wheeler any more. Just a heap of dressed-up bones and meat, back there in the trail.

What devil's luck was it that had made the kid shoot wide like that? Used to shoot the pips out of cards somebody held out for him to shoot, any time. Never had missed that-a-way before. The kid could not understand it. It worried him almost as much as the killing.

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"I aimed to shoot his gun arm down. I didn't aim to kill him."

"You'd been outa luck, Kid, if you hadn't. He'd a' got you."

"Plumb crazy," said the kid. "Comin' at me thataway."

"Sure was. You from the South?"

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More money in town. Owners of 7% Preferred Shares of this utility are receiving in the mail their regular quarterly dividend checks at the rate of \$1.75 per share. It pays to invest safely with regular income.

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Of Hico, in the State of Texas, at the close of business On March 25th, 1931.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$ 85,206.66
Overdrafts	256.47
United States Government securities owned	180,850.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned	6,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	1.00
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	18,739.81
Cash and due from banks	53,021.94
Outside checks and other cash items	113.77
Total	\$344,189.65

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits—net	27,675.14
Reserves for taxes	275.92
Demand deposits	216,228.27
Other liabilities	10.32
Total	\$344,189.65

State of Texas, County of Hamilton, ss:

I, E. H. RANDALS, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. H. RANDALS, Cashier.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

International Sunday School Lesson for April 5
JESUS TEACHES HUMILITY
 Luke 14:7-14; 18:15-17

Rev. Samuel D. Price, D. D.

Practical every day items are taught throughout the Bible. In this lesson it becomes a book on social etiquette. Some man tried to get credit for himself by inviting Jesus to a feast, since He at that time was the news headliner in that part of the world. Jesus is always studying us, even as He observed the scramble for the seats of distinction around that table. The people of the Far East follow literally what Jesus advised as fitting. An invited guest will not take the seat of honor which he knows will be assigned to him but takes the place nearest the door.

Further admonition was given when any host was urged to be a real philanthropist in sending out his invitations and not a mere social climber who wants a return invitation. There are multitudes of worthy poor who are hungry; these should be asked to come to the table of bounty. Constantly the Bible is presenting a choice social standard that mankind will be blessed in following.

Children are given their chance only where the principles of the Gospel are in practice. Contrast child life in any land where the Sunday School is but little known with that in which the Bible School is making its greatest advance. When mothers brought their little ones to the Kindly Man that He might give them His blessing even the disciple barred the way until the command was uttered "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of God." Christianity aims to stop the exploiting of children that their best interest may be safeguarded, for the boys and girls of today become the men and women of tomorrow. The alternative Easter Lesson is based on I. Corinthians 15:1-8; 50-58.

HONEY GROVE

We sure are having some rainy cold weather this week.

Misses Mable Polnack, Ana Loue Moss and Wilma Slaughter, Herbert Cooke and J. W. Jordan were in Hamilton Friday.

Miss Estia Lee Jordan spent the week end with Miss Annie Belle Tidwell of Iredell.

Herbert Cooke spent Friday night with W. A. Moss and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cowling and family of Hamilton visited in the home of his uncle, J. D. Cowling and family Sunday.

C. E. Bacoek of Oklahoma City, visited in the home of his uncle, J. S. King and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. King and daughter, Miss Lona, were Sunday visitors of W. A. Moss.

Mr. Cowling and family of Abilene visited his brother, J. D. Cowling and family Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Mable Polnack spent the week end at her home in the Mt. Zion community.

Those present in the J. W. Jordan home Sunday night were: Misses Opal and Oleta Duncan, Wilma Slaughter, Mable Polnack and Grady Adkison, J. N. Simpson, T. C. Duncan and Walker Currie.

Miss Estia Lee Jordan was a visitor of her cousin, Miss Ana Loue Moss Sunday evening.

Miss Wilma Slaughter spent the week end with Miss Mable Polnack.

Misses Mable Polnack, Ana Loue Moss and Wilma Slaughter, Herbert Cooke, Joe and Carl Moss were in Hamilton Saturday.

Mrs. Canada spent Monday night with Mrs. J. S. Lemond.

Misses Mable Polnack, Ana Loue Moss and Wilma Slaughter were Thursday evening visitors of Misses Hazel D. and Estia Lee Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Falls and little son spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lemond.



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GUM BRANCH P. T. A. NEWS

The P. T. A. Gum Branch school met Friday night, March 27. This being regular program night, the house was called to order and proceeded with the program.

The program was as follows:
 Reading, "Little Joe Tunny," by Ruth James.

Song, "The Kitten," by Mary Clem Burney.

Play, "The Census Man," by Thomas James, Lela McKandless and A. E. James Jr. This was a very amusing old maid who mistook the census man for a prospective suitor. He argued, but as usual it was very useless and she sent him away after the small boy had told him, her private affairs, name and age.

Song, "Two Little Orphans," by Lavena Berkley, Marie McKandless, Birda Faye Berkley, Ruth James and Evadean Garner.

Reading, "Just a Little Lover's Quarrel," by Miss Wyley. This was very interesting showing, very clearly, after thinking you would be very independent, that you would have to come down and acknowledge the greatest joys of a Woman's life were men and mice.

Play, "Marie Recites" by Wallace Haile, Joe McKandless, Raymond Lowrance, Marvin Stephens and Marie McKandless. This showed the awkwardness of boys being dressed as women but was very entertaining.

Songs by Marie Stephens. These showed much talent both in playing and singing and was greatly enjoyed by all.

Reading, "The Farm House," by Lavena Berkley.

Music was rendered by Messrs. Marvin Stephens and Oscar Lowrance. This was especially good and each one present enjoyed it immensely.

The P. T. A. will hold its regular business meeting Friday night, April 3. Visitors will be greatly appreciated.

We were glad to have as visitors at our last meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Berkley, Mr. and Mrs. Terral McKandless, Miss Viola Berkley and others whose names we failed to get.

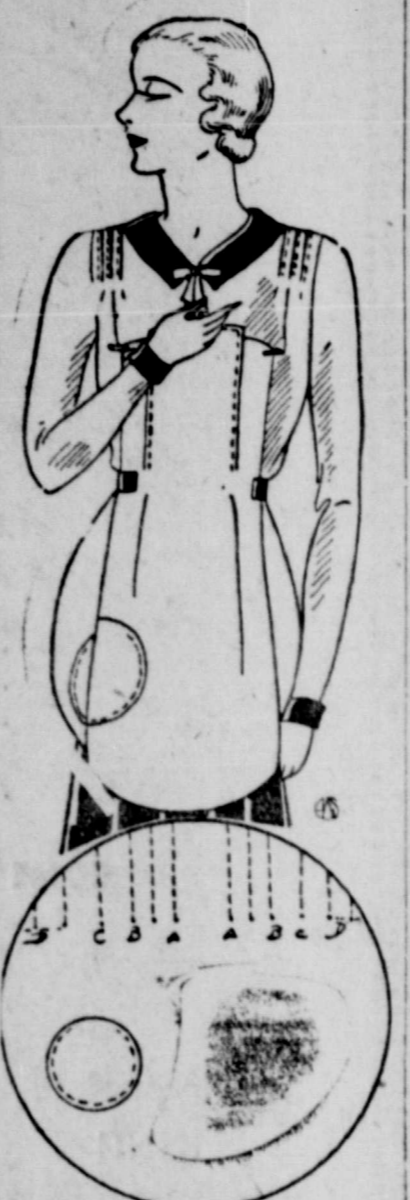
—REPORTER.

VERY LATEST
 by Mary Marshall



Decidedly the apron to wear when doing any sort of domestic work, whether that be sweeping and dusting or simply sewing or crocheting, is very much back in favor again. Square aprons and round aprons, tiny aprons and aprons that almost conceal the dress are to be seen everywhere.

An interesting apron with more than a suggestion of fullness where it is most needed is shown in the sketch. It is made, bib and all, in one circular piece of goods. The waist-line comes at a point about a quarter of the way across



the diameter of the circular piece, and the bib is formed by folding the goods along the line marked. A in the diagram, making a deep pleat on each side, which gives a gathered effect at the waist. The sides of the bib are the part from B to C in the diagram. The goods are cut away on the line marked D and a belt of the same or contrasting material is attached as shown in the large sketch.

The edge may be finished in any one of several ways. One apron which I saw was of pretty yellow linen and had the circular edge piped all around with a bias binding in lavender, while the round pocket was also finished on the edges in the same way.

THE FAMILY DOCTOR
 JOHN JOSEPH GAINES, M.D.



LAW VIOLATORS

The fellow that takes a gun and goes out among the people to collect a living by that means is a criminal, duly accredited as such, with many tomes of expensive, statutory laws, built for his special treatment. Multiplied millions are expended each year for his "care," all paid by burdened, harassed, struggling masses of unregarded people who are still Americans.

Sometimes I think—and that's the substance of this letter—that, the most FOOLISH violator of infallible law, is the man or woman who goes out and commits crime against SELF. So many thousands regardless of their position in church or state, rush pellmell into crime against their bodies, to reap penalties more certain than any human court can assess! And the doctor is called in to help smooth matters over for the "villain." Which would appear humorous, were it not such a serious matter.

They go about the business, armed with everything from corn whiskey to mince pie, to commit crimes that, always draw a verdict of guilty with punishment following immediately. In my night visits about town, I see young men and even girls—lined up at "hot-dog" counters, stuffing themselves at all hours with combinations that put real crackman's "jimmy" to shame—yet no statutory law is here to prevent youngsters from having a "good time," provided they are not too hilarious... committing CRIME against their wonder-young bodies!

And sexual crimes—affronts to nature that are never unpunished. What a race we might be—what splendid men and women would be, were all obedient to NATURAL

laws! The roue, the common-law wife, the courtesan, the boy and girl "friend." Foolish criminals, committers of crime rarely if ever uncovered by state law. Servers of sentences that are just, that are assessed by the designer and Creator of man.

Remember, the reward for obedience to NATURAL LAW, is LONG AND HAPPY LIFE, because healthy. Sin against self is sin against GOD.

FALLS CREEK

We are having some pretty weather now.

L. C. Jameson and family visited Mrs. J. M. Blakley of Agee Sunday.

Dr. Sim Allen and wife of Waco, Judge Brown and family of Gatesville visited A. O. Allen the past week end.

Miss Emma Ann Hargrove visited S. L. Butler and family of Fort Worth the past week end.

Mrs. R. E. Ellis and children visited H. D. Knight and family of Greysville last week.

Mrs. J. R. Griffiths visited Mrs. S. L. Trimmer of Spring Creek Gap Sunday evening.

J. Bullard and family visited Elmer Bullard and family of Dry Fork Sunday.

Buster Moore and wife visited Mrs. Irene Houston and family of Hico Sunday.

Carl Proffitt and family, Mrs. Grace Blakley and sons, Mrs. G. W. Proffitt visited Oxford Proffitt and family of Greysville Sunday.

Mrs. F. M. Mings was in Dallas last week end, guest of relatives.

GORDON NEWS

Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Phillips of Iredell spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. John Myers.

Mrs. Bryant Smith and son, John D., and Mrs. G. W. Chaffin spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. John Tidwell at Iredell as Mrs. Tidwell gave a quilting on Thursday. There were several there and got two quilts quilted that day and all enjoyed the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Myers and children spent a few hours Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith.

Mrs. G. W. Chaffin and Mrs. W. W. Newton spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Dearing and Mrs. Mollie Thompson of Iredell.

Harve Sawyer and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Burn Sawyer.

Charley Myers and family spent Sunday with Abe Myers and children with Mrs. John Myers.

Bryant Smith and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Whitely Sunday afternoon at Spring Creek.

Tom Priddy and grandson, Tom Frank Priddy, of Iredell spent Sunday afternoon with Wence Perkins and family.

Abe Myers spent a while Sunday morning with Mr. Sawyer.

Wence Peerkins visited Mr. Newton a while Sunday morning.

Miss Mittie Gordon of Iredell spent a few days last week with Mrs. A. B. Sawyer.

Homer Lester is at Meridian this week at court.

Ernest Hanshaw visited Walter Hanshaw Sunday afternoon of Fla. Branch.

Homer Lester was in Hico Sunday to see Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lester and they came home with him to spend several days with them.

Will Hanshaw and family spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. John Hanshaw.

G. W. Chaffin spent a while Sunday afternoon with Walter Thompson of Iredell.

Mrs. Rose Lee McClure Lackey was born January 22, 1887 in Etah County, near her present home at Duffau. She died March 17, 1931 in a hospital at Fort Worth. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. C. Haynes of the First Methodist Church, Hico, and Rev. Whittenberg of the Duffau Methodist Church March 18 at the Duffau cemetery and the body laid to rest in the Duffau cemetery. A large concourse of friends were present to pay their last respects, and the floral offering was unusually large and beautiful, just a symbol of love from her relatives and friends.

Mrs. Lackey was converted and joined the Methodist Church when a young girl and remained a devout christian until her death. She had friends all over the Duffau community and elsewhere. She made hosts of them while a telephone operator at Duffau, where she was faithful to her duties for 14 years. She was of a sweet, cheerful disposition and will be greatly missed by all in her community. She managed to always take part in anything which was for the upbuilding and good of her town, and was always ready to assist those in need. In the going of Mrs. Lackey, Duffau has lost one of her sweetest characters.

She is survived by her husband, A. E. Lackey; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. McClure of Duffau; four sisters, Mrs. C. C. Mayfield, Fort Worth, Mrs. Lillian Burgran of Mexia, Mrs. W. C. Selman, Brady, one brother, J. Dalton of Dunap, New Mexico. All were present at the funeral except Mr. McClure of New Mexico.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral services were: Mrs. C. C. Mayfield, daughters, Misses Lelene and Avo, and sons, Emmett Claude and J. B. of Fort Worth; Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Baldrige, Mexia; Mrs. W. C. Sellman and sons, W. C. Jr. and Collins, of Brady; Mrs. Claud Pool, Mr. and Mrs. Wooley, Mrs. N. Crow, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lackey and daughter, Helen, Mrs. A. B. Wetzel, Fort Worth; Dr. and Mrs. Beckman, Wichita Falls; Miss Deffie Lackey, Conway, Ark.; Mrs. L. E. Wickline and daughter, Grace, and Mrs. Whizzenant of Stephenville; besides a host of relatives and friends from Hico.

COUNTY LINE

Ted Thompson of Palestine spent Saturday in the Simpson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and daughters, Dorothea and Lillian, of Mt. Pleasant, spent Saturday with their daughter, Mrs. Jim Chaney.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hatchcock and Milburn spent a while Wednesday night in the Oscar McElroy home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Adkison and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hatchcock spent a while Saturday night in the Cole home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adkison were guests in the Oscar McElroy home a while Wednesday night.


Joe Harris and family spent Sunday afternoon in the Jim Luckie home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hatchcock and Milburn, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Duncan, I. C. and Jim Duncan, Miss Opal, Oleta, Vera and Irene Duncan were in the Cole home a while Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Spinks and Fred Day spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Duncan and family.

I. C. Duncan and Misses Opal and Oleta Duncan and Vera Duncan and Dorothy Cole spent a while Friday night in the Frank Hatchcock home.

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OLDEST FORD DRIVER



J. M. Crow, 89, of Ethel, Miss., the oldest Ford driver in Mississippi, traversed the historic old Natchez Trace in a covered wagon eighty-seven years ago.

AS raised today at 89 as the ablest in American history he so picturesquely typifies, J. M. Crow of Ethel, Miss., is the oldest Ford driver in Mississippi and one of the oldest in the United States.

When as a babe of two years he rode with his parents in one of a train of 30 covered wagons out of Cobb county, Georgia, into Mississippi, the old Natchez Trace followed by the brave little band was still infested by the warlike Chickasaw Indians whose bloody outrages gave that era its place in this country's history as "the outlaw years."

One of his vivid memories is hearing, as a boy of six, the news of General Scott's victorious assault on the heights of Chapultepec which ended the Mexican War in 1847, and his proudest memory is of honorable service as a Confederate soldier during the Civil War. When the southern cause collapsed, Crow was compelled to trudge 400 miles on foot to the old homestead at Ethel where he settled down to rear a family.

In the intervening years he has seen the lumbering stagecoach give way to the fleet automobile and the comfortable motorbus, the soggy gumbo and rough corduroy roads of his childhood to the wide, paved roads of today, and although he was long past middle age before the modern automobile became commonplace he is an enthusiastic driver as young-ster who can boast less than one-quarter of his years.

Five generations of Crow's family are frequently seen together in his Model A Ford, the second of its type Crow has owned and driven.

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Local Happenings

Burleson was in Dublin business Wednesday afternoon.

J. D. Currie is in Stephen- the bedside of her mother, ill.

CIAL—Folding Ironing for only \$1.25 at the Hico are Co.

Ardis Cole was a recent of the Misses Locille and Segrist in Dallas.

"The Two Black Crows" Tuesday and Wednesday Palace.

at least one sack pedic- cotton seed and grow enough to plant next year's crop.—Carlton Bros. & Co.

Joe W. Newsome spent week in Hamlin with her sis- Mrs. Dr. Taylor, going that with Mr. Newsome who went Stamford on business.

EASTER FLOWERS plants of Easter Lillies, 30c. other plants priced accord- On hand at all times a variety of cut flowers. S. LAWRENCE N. LANE The Hico Florist.

and Mrs. R. W. Copeland, and the Misses Johnnye Cope and Lois Segrest, Denton, were visitors in Ardmore, oma, Sunday where they in- d the Government Boarding for Indian Girls.

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Misses Woodie Bee Looney and Lois Boone spent the week end with relatives near Brownwood.

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King Burney of Austin spent a part of last week here in the Tom Boone home.

LOST—Girl's wrist watch, her Saturday. Return it to Will Har- dy.

"Brownie" Fry of Waco was here Sunday, guest of Miss Chris- tine Fowell.

Tom Boone was a week end guest in Fort Worth attending to business matters and visiting his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Prater were in Fairy Sunday, guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Grisham.

Good business to plant one sack pedigreed cotton seed to produce next year's supply.—G. M. Carlton Bros. & Co.

Mrs. H. F. Sellers and Mrs. C. L. Woodward were in Fort Worth over the week end attending a house party.

Ike Malone and J. M. Grisham spent last Friday and Saturday in Beeville, where Mr. Malone visited Walter Malone, and Mr. Grisham was a guest of his mother.

H. H. Darby and daughter Miss Pauline from Valley Mills and E. W. Darby from Clifton and Charles Darby from Washington, D. C., were week-end guests in the H. C. Cunningham home.

Don't forget Dr. C. C. Baker, the dentist, is in his Hico office every Monday and Friday from 9:00 a. m. until 5:00 p. m. Lady assistant, Office over Corner Drug Store in front rooms. Phone 276.

Mrs. James M. Phillips, son, Goodwyn, and daughters, Misses Ruth and Mae Phillips, and Miss Emma Golden were in Hamilton Sunday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leeth and children.

Prof. Geo. Alexander Daniel in- forms us that he will spend the summer with his three brothers in the State of Georgia, whose com- bined ages are 300 years. He plans to leave the last of this week.

Mrs. C. D. Riehboug returned home Friday from Dallas, where she had spent several days with her daughter, Miss Quata Riehboug, who recently underwent an operation.

Arthur Phillips and family of Stephenville came down Sunday with Tom Walker, minister, and enjoyed the sermons at the Church of Christ, also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Phillips, and other relatives.

A little baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bluff Howerton at their home in the Millerville com- munity Monday night. She tipped the scales at 8 pounds and has been given the name of Elta Lo- rene. Misses Vivian and May Lloyd, sisters of Mrs. Howerton, who reside here in town, spent Wednesday in their home.

Miss Fannie Wood, local man- ager of the Gulf States Telephone Co, returned home last Friday from Fort Worth where she at- tended the convention of the Tex- as Independent Telephone Asso- ciation. She was accompanied home by her little niece, Little Miss Mary Lou Farmer, who will spend a few days here in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. M. E. Wood. Mary Lou is recuperating from a recent illness.

Way of Life & BRUCE BARTON

EVEN THE KING CAN'T GET A DRINK.

In London we visited a fashion- able restaurant called the Embas- sy Club.

It is a place where the hoity-to- ity dance, and my wife and I had the pleasure of feasting our mid- dle class eyes on a large collection of young lords and ladies, with a sprinkling of multi-millionaires and even a couple of dukes.

A little after midnight a waiter stepped up to each table, accord- ing to the law and custom in Eng- land, and reminded the diners po- litely that the bar was about to close. A few minutes later he came again and asked each diner to finish his drink because the glasses must be removed.

A gay party had arrived only a little while before, headed by a younger son of His Majesty, King George. I watched with interest to see what would happen when the waiter visited that table. Would a prince of the blood be asked to give up his glass like any common man? Or would a polite evasion occur in the case of one so exalted?

My question was quickly an- swered. The waiter did, indeed, go to the Prince's table last. But when he arrived, the Prince took one last gulp and handed over the glass with a smile.

A few hours previously we had

BAPTIST CHURCH

April 5.

Sunday School 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 o'clock. Subject: "The Resurrection."

B. Y. P. U. 7 o'clock, then all go to the Methodist Church.

Our Sunday School attendance is growing, but we are far beneath our possibilities yet. We had 220 last Sunday, and if you will do your part, we can reach it. We have one of the best Sunday Schools in all this section of the country, but the law of life is "Growth." I'm in dead earnest about it. We need you.

You'll always find room and a welcome. K U M.

F. M. Mingus of Walnut Springs is spending a few days here with homefolks on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Moffatt and little daughter, Joanne, spent Sun- day in Pendleton, guests of Mrs. Moffatt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mead Miller.

Misses Locille and Loraine Segrist, who are teaching in Dallas, were week end guests of their mother, Mrs. Sue Segrist.

R. W. Copeland went to Den- ton Saturday to get Mrs. Copeland who had been spending the week with their daughter, Miss Johnnye, a student of North Texas State Teachers' College.

CEMETERY WORKING.

Attention is called to those who are interested in the cemetery at Millerville, that Tuesday, April 7 is the day set for the spring working. Lots of work is needed to be done. Bring your lunch and stay until it is finished.

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FAIRY SCHOOL NEWS

The County Meet is over and the boys are starting baseball training. The prospects for a good school team are good now. A little more equipment and plenty of work will bring them to good play- ers.

The Senior class has begun work on their play, which is to be staged about the middle of May. The name of the play is "The Adven- tures of Grandpa."

Mr. Boutwell from the Texas School Equipment Co. of Waco was at our school last Wednesday and Thursday installing the new auditorium chairs. Fairy now has one of the most complete auditor- iums in the county.

The P. T. A. and Literary So- ciety will meet Friday night, Apr. 3rd, and the following program is to be rendered:

Song—Congregation. Prayer. Reading—Boots Wright. Dialogue—Third Grade.

Song—E. C. Allison Jr. and Jack Bridges. Reading—Inez Jones.

Song—Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Jackson and son. Reading—Robylee Allison.

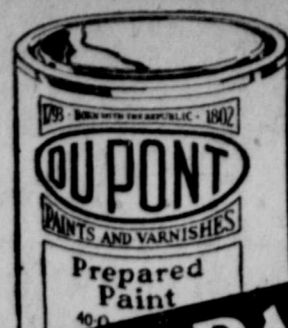
Song—Mrs. Betts and Lester. Reading—Monia Brummett. Kitchen Band—High School Girls.

Song—Maxine Crow and Ger- aldine Brummett. Music—Eldon Richerson.

Journal—J. J. Jones Jr. Song. (Duet)—Jessie Blakley and Son. Music—J. D. Frazier Crow.

CARD OF THANKS

Just a word of thanks to our faithful friends and fire boys for their assistance when our home was destroyed by fire. Every act of kindness we appreciated, and we also wish to thank those who gave us a shower of gifts. May such kindness come to you if you ever need it.—Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Wallace.



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ENCORE PREPARED SPAGHETTI		3 med. cans 23c
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A Page of Interesting News From Surrounding Communities

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MT. ZION NEWS

We surely have had some rather cool weather the last few days. Dewey Adkison and wife of Bruceville visited his father and mother from Friday until Sunday, also Ted Thompson spent the week end in the G. D. Adkison home.

Miss Mabel Polnack and Miss Wilma Slaughter spent the week end in the A. F. Polnack home.

Dave Rhoades, wife and son of Fort Worth visited in the Jones home Saturday night.

Dave Davis and family, Mr. Jones and wife and Dave Rhoades and family were in the G. D. Adkison home Saturday night.

Joe Harris and family, Dewey Blue and family visited in the A. F. Polnack home Saturday night.

Mrs. C. L. Adkison spent the week end in the G. D. Adkison home.

Those who visited in the G. D. Adkison home Sunday were Dewey Adkison and wife, Ted Thompson, I. C. Duncan and sisters, Opal and Oleta, J. N. Simpson, Miss Wilma Slaughter, A. F. Polnack, wife and daughter.

Weston Newton and family were in the Claud Sullivan home Sunday.

G. D. Adkison and Weston Newton, wife and baby visited at Morgan Thursday.

A. F. Polnack and wife visited at Hamilton Saturday.

I. C. Duncan and sisters, Opal and Oleta and Grady Atkison, J. N. Simpson were in the Honey Grove community Sunday night.

LUCK WITH PIGS

Gatesville—In reporting on the progress of his pig feeding demonstration Samuel Weaver, A-H club boy of Jonesville in Coryell county, said, "When I weighed my pigs I was surprised. The oldest pig weighed 190 pounds and was five months and 13 days old. The other one weighed 125 pounds and was four months and 25 days old." The ration he used to produce this growth was corn and protein supplement. After weighing them Samuel put his pigs on green pasture and added to their feed ground corn, wheat, oats and barley.

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RURAL GROVE

We are still having rainy weather. The farmers would like to see it fair up.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Royal and Ella Mae McAdoo were in Waco Wednesday. Miss Loraine Hudson returned home Sunday from Stephenville where she has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Ruby Lott.

W. C. Kilgo and son and daughter attended the singing at Hico Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. McAdoo and daughter, Ella Mae, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Royal.

Miss Opal Webb spent Saturday night with Mrs. Sowell.

Miss Aline Appleby returned home after a few days visit with Beatrice Royal.

Miss Thelma Kilgo visited Mrs. Herron Friday.

Misses Beatrice Royal, Aline Appleby and John Royal spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Madden, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Webb and Miss Opal Webb spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Starling Madden of Eulogy. Mrs. Madden was giving a birthday dinner.

MILLERVILLE

Sorry, but our spring weather didn't last very long.

Louis Giesecke and family, Mrs. A. Giesecke and son, C. G. Land and wife, Juan Burks and wife were Sunday visitors in the home of Stanley Giesecke in the Hog Jaw community.

Mrs. C. H. Miller spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. R. V. Stockton at Hico.

Several from here were in Stephenville Saturday at the track meet.

Miss Mable Nix of John Tarleton, spent the week end with homefolks. Her cousin, Linnie Giesecke of Stephenville, was her guest.

There were several from here who went to the funeral of Tom Smith at Duffau Sunday. He was a nephew of J. A. Norrod.

There will be a working at the Millerville cemetery Tuesday, April 7th. Everybody interested come and bring something to work with.

PRESSURE COOKER WORTH MORE THAN WIFE TO A FAMILY

At a meat canning demonstration given by the Pell county home demonstration agent, Miss Maurine Hearn, at the home of H. E. Hardeman near Palo-Alto, 90 containers of Beef were canned in the presence and with the help of 25 people of that community. F. J. Lesiker, a member of the group, announced that he was going to buy a cooker if he had to sell one of his mules to get it. On being asked which one he would sell he replied "Old Beck, probably she is the biggest one and will get us the biggest cooker, for we'll need a pretty big one to can for our family of 12."

Plan Their Living In Gardens.

More than 200 home demonstration club women in Delta county have 1931 gardens growing on the year 'round plan which provides for large variety and a continuous supply to meet the health requirements of an adequate diet. Hot beds were made in the winter by 72 women, Laura Morgan, home agent reports, and the cost of plants has been sharply reduced this season. Among the varieties to be planted this year for the first time by many of the women are parsley, arparagus, egg plant, chinese cabbage, kohlrabi, celery, kale, cauliflower, rhubarb, artichoke, swiss chard, spinach, carrots and endive.

The keen interest in gardens is partly due to demonstrations such as that of Mrs. Oz Jeter of Brushy Mound who has served vegetables all winter from a garden valued at "half its worth" at \$520, and which cost the whole sum of \$13.20.

NEWS FROM IREDELL COMMUNITY

By MISS STELLA JONES

Mrs. R. A. French spent the week in Meridian.

Mrs. Will Rymer of Walnut visited Mrs. Gregory Tuesday afternoon.

Sam McMin of Walnut was here to see Mrs. Dearing who is ill.

Mrs. Grace Fouts took her G. A. girls on a picnic Wednesday afternoon. A large crowd went and all had a fine time.

We had another rain Thursday evening and was followed by a brisk norther. Friday was a very cold day and some ice was seen the next day. Some vegetables were killed.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tidwell was on the sick list this week.

Several cases of mumps here, mostly among the pupils in school.

Messrs. John, Joe and Charlie Tidwell attended the funeral of Mrs. Belle Trimble of Carlton, who was buried Saturday. She was well known here and has a host of friends who extend sympathy to the bereaved.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Whitley, a daughter, March 28, named Joyce Paye, and weighed 8 lbs.

Carroll Ray Rogers, who has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rogers, returned to his home in Abilene Sunday. His parents came after him. Mr. Rodgers and daughter, Miss Anna went to Merkel recently to see the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Largent and Carroll came home with them.

Mrs. Berta Smith of Waco spent the week end here.

Mrs. H. B. Strong and son Ballard and her sister Mrs. Ida Roark were in Dallas Wednesday.

Mrs. Doris Williams and baby of Louisiana spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lott and children and Dorothy Holt of Dallas spent the week end here.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell of Brownwood spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Word of Meridian were here Saturday.

Mrs. Floyd Hodge of Stephenville visited here this week.

Miss Ernestine Jordan of Honey Grove spent the week end with Miss Annie Belle Tidwell.

Mr. John Hensley who has been ill for some time, is now able to be sitting up some.

Mrs. C. O. Keith of Walnut Springs visited Mrs. Dearing here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyce Hensley were in Hico Thursday.

Janeze Sanders celebrated her 12th birthday Saturday, March 28. The following were there: Johnny and Nell Gregory, Effie Jewell McDaniel, Louise Hensley, Ruth and Aileen Miller, Joe Heyroth, Marie Everett and Wanda McAden. Several games were played and all had a fine time. Chocolate and cake were served.

All remember next Sunday is Bro. Jones' day and everybody come. He will preach at the evening hour also. Those that are not in the other Sunday School have a cordial invitation to come. There are enough men and boys on the streets here of a Sunday morning to make a large class in both Sunday Schools.

Mrs. Claud Thomas of McKinney came in Monday to visit her aunt, Mrs. Dearing.

The Methodist Sunday School will have an Easter egg hunt Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Every one is invited to come and enjoy the hunt.

Miss Lucille Fewell who has been with Mr. and Mrs. Cherry and baby returned home Monday.

Walter Sadler and son Hayden left Sunday for Henderson to see Dr. J. G. Sadler who is ill with pneumonia.

The business men have a special event here each Saturday. All are invited to attend. Those who profited from their trips here last Saturday were Mrs. H. Cunningham, Mrs. L. B. Kraemer, Florence Smith, Inez Newsum, Ila Faye Sanders, Anna Rogers, R. D. Kayler, J. D. Gregory, J. R. Davis and C. H. Hewett.

Mrs. Mary Squires is ill with rheumatism.

THE SQUIRREL

Published by the Honey Grove School

J. W. JORDAN, Editor

Kindness.

How does kindness make the world run smoother? Think about it for a minute: Wherever there are people gathered together, at home, in school, in office, do you find it true that kindness makes the world run smoother? How?

Kindness is often a bit of house cleaning in our hearts; it sweeps out discontentment, envy, indifference, morbid introspection, "the blues." It grows best in associations with people, and it forms the foundation of many right relations with others, such as courtesy, cheerfulness, unselfishness, self-sacrifice. The home is the best place to practice kindness and courtesy. The very small child can learn to picture to himself how the cat feels when he pulls its tail, and how his sister feels when he eats all the apples. Perhaps the most natural kindness in children is kindness to animals and the joy and companionship a child receives from pets goes far toward teaching him that true courage is always kind to weakness.

Parents and older brothers and sisters, it is your job to teach your child or little brother or sister to be kind. By the time he is of school age, he has already made it a habit to be kind or unkind. I find that if the child has been taught kindness at home he practices it at school and seldom, if ever, causes trouble, if he has not been taught kindness at home he is constantly nagging, fussing, fighting, and causing trouble with his fellow playmates.

Boys, girls, do you ever give any attention to the habits you are forming? Do you like to meet your teacher if he or she has a frown and a long face and is always finding something to fuss at? Or would you rather your teacher had a broad smile and cheerful "good morning"? Your teachers, fellow classmates and friends feel the same way toward you. That is only one way to show kindness and there are thousands of others. Think up a few for yourself and see if you are practicing them.

I am going to give you a little test, when you have finished it get your mother to grade it for you. We will call it a "What Would You Do Test?"

(Underline the word you think describes each deed).

1. Tom refused to talk about his friend when others criticized him. Kind. Unkind.
2. Jessie and Louise are "not speaking to each other." Kind. Unkind.
3. Every time his sister speaks, Jack catches her up with smart words. Kind. Unkind.
4. John went to school without feeding his dog. Kind. Unkind.
5. Mary laughed at the poorly

dressed old woman on the street. Kind. Unkind.

6. Helen washed the dishes before she ran out to play. Kind. Unkind.

7. Harold frowns and complains about everything he has to do. Kind. Unkind.

Primary Honor Roll.

Those making 100 per cent on spelling every day last week were: Nora Clepper and Elizabeth Faircloth, first grade; L. R. Steelman, second grade; Alvis and Dock Clepper, A. D. Steelman, Elvis Vinson, Carl Moss, R. D. Barfield and Juanita Worrell, third grade; John Hale, Laurena Casey, and Rosie Belle Barfield, fourth grade.

Visitors.

Betty and Ora Lee Clepper visited school Monday noon. We are always glad to have them visit us and invite them back again when they can stay longer.

Mrs. Canada and Mrs. Slaughter visited school Monday afternoon a while and Mrs. Slaughter started her little daughter, Elizabeth, to school. We were glad to have them visit with us and invite them back again. We are also glad to have Elizabeth with us, and hope that she will enjoy going to school.

Miss Mabel went home last Saturday evening and Wilma Slaughter accompanied her. They returned Sunday night and report a very enjoyable time.

Practice On Play.

The characters of our play met last Thursday night and practiced. They are learning their parts and we hope to soon be able to practice without reading them.

Some Stop Signals in Life.

Stop talking too much. Learn to speak only as the other fellow will profit thereby. Thus you will gain a reputation for wisdom, and be a welcome visitor everywhere.

Stop worrying. Take care of the present, and the future will take care of itself. Abe Martin says: "I am an old, old man, and I have had a great many worries; but most of them never happened."

Stop wishing. A wish is a confession of weakness unless you want a thing bad enough to work hard for it, you had better forget it. Backbones are more important than wishbones.

Stop criticizing. Constructive or helpful criticism is sound, but carping and destructive criticism without offering something better to take the place of what is being criticized is merely wasting your energy. Seek truth, or else concern your aimless efforts.

Stop hesitating. The man who

goes to the bottom of things arrives because he knows. Don't stand on the bark shivering; jump in and fathom the depths.

Stop imitating. Be yourself your better self, always. The real thing is always better than a substitute. Remember that a model is a small imitation of the real thing, and stand out from the crowd.

Stop idling. Always be doing something worth while or essential. Play and sleep enough. Keep moving toward your goal. Then you will arrive on time prepared to go to the next station on life's high way.

Track Meet.

Our school was closed Friday so the teachers and pupils could attend the track meet at Hamilton. Several of the pupils that were planning on going did not get to go on account of the bad weather.

Coal is Low.

By the time you read this notice, our coal bin will not be low, but it will be absolutely empty. As the winter should be about over, we do not think it necessary to buy more coal if several of our patrons will get together and cut and haul us a little wood. Don't leave this job for the trustees to do. They have already done more than their part.

A Short Visit.

Last Wednesday at 10:30, Mr. Herbert and Miss Mable closed their doors until 1:00, and everyone at school hiked over to the Clepper stock farm to watch Mr. Clepper and others shear sheep.

To those who never saw a sheep sheared before, it was an educational trip; to the rest it was just a chance to have a big time, and we are glad to say that every one enjoyed the visit very much.

We wish to thank Mr. Clepper and family for the invitation and the good time we had while there.

The most enjoyable moment of the trip was probably about fifteen minutes to one, when everyone got back and made a raid on the late dinner.

Pie Supper.

In spite of the fact that Friday night was so disagreeable, there was a nice little crowd at the school house for a pie supper. The funds will go toward buying a Coleman lamp for the school. Those present enjoyed listening to some good string music furnished by Jim Rainwater and Bill Crow, and everyone ate all the pie that they could safely pack away.

Visits Moss' Friday Night.

After the pie supper, Mr. Herbert spent the night in the Moss home. He had been promising Joe and Carl a visit for some time. He reported a good time and recommends the Moss family as good entertainers.

Back to Hamilton.

Early Saturday morning, Mr. Herbert, Joe and Carl Moss left the Moss home for Hamilton. They were prepared to spend the day. Later in the day, Miss Mable, Ana Loue Moss, Wilma Slaughter and Mr. and Mrs. Polnack went to Hamilton.

If you want to know—

How Miss Mable, Ana Loue and Wilma got in the Fair park at Hamilton Saturday, ask them.

How cold it was Saturday morning, ask Carl.

How it feels to ride in a rumble seat on a freezing day, ask J. W. and Wilma.

Announcement.

There will be a pie supper at the Honey Grove school house Saturday, April 11th. Everyone has an invitation. Don't forget the time and place.

What's Wrong With the Standard?

W. H.—"Pa, what are ancestors?"

Mr. Tinsley—"Well, my son, I'm one of yours. Your grandpa is another."

W. H.—"Oh! Then why is it people brag about them?"

Mother Knew.

J. W.—"Mother, does a girl mean to encourage or discourage a man when she—"

Mrs. Jordan—"My son, there is no need of going into details. When a girl starts out to encourage or discourage a man, the man never has any doubt as to what she means"

Would This Be Simply Curiosity?

Hilda Jensen rushed up to Officer Clepper and said: "Officer that man is following me."

"He is? I'll follow him and see why he's following you," spoke Officer Clepper.

A crowd of small boys, seeing Clepper following a man, started in pursuit and followed him. At that a crowd of men, seeing a crowd of boys, followed the crowd of boys.

The rest of Hico, observing all these people following one another, took the procession for a parade, and soon had the side walks roped off and themselves lined in dense banks behind the ropes to enjoy the spectacle.

The board of education, hearing of a parade, declared a holiday and hundreds of children ran trooping out of the schools. Catching the

infection, banks closed and general jubilation reigned.

When officer Clepper caught up to the stranger follower of Hilda Jensen, it developed that he had only been endeavoring to return her handkerchief, which she had dropped. It would prove again that all an idea needs in this dear country of ours is a good start.

Footloose Footnotes.

Agreeing with some dear write the best way to escape criticism is to:

"Do nothing
Say nothing
Be nothing."

"Just one more glass, and we'll all go home, boys" said the dishwasher as he laid down the soap.

Was it so much of an imaginary sea that Wilma tried to sit on Sunday? We will at least have to agree with her on that.

Ana Loue was certainly thrilled over the job of pumping water Friday at—What was I going to say?

We certainly enjoyed spending our extra time Friday and Saturday in the County Treasurer's Office, but we wonder if they enjoyed having us. The fire certainly felt good, anyway.

Wilma (after singing in chapel): "Do you think I can ever do anything with my voice?"

Mr. Herbert: "It may come in handy in case of a fire."

Ana Loue: "Why are there more wrecks in cars than there are on the railroad?"

J. W. "Because the engineer isn't necking the fireman."

J. W. seemed to be having a lot of fun Friday with the adding machine.

OUR TONGUE
By Betty

Our tongue can make us
Truthful and sweet
Or it can tell lies
Full of deceit.

Our tongue can make us
Many friends
Or it can commit
Terrible sins.

Our tongue can make us
Happy and gay
If we are careful
What we say.

Our tongue can make us
Glad and free
Or it can make us as
Miserable as can be.

Our tongue is made for us
To use
But not to slander
And abuse.

Our tongue should be
Bridled day by day
Then we will be
Proud of what we say.

FAIRY ITEMS

The blizzard and rain struck here Thursday night and the temperature had dropped to the freezing point Friday morning. There was as much ice as we have had any time this winter.

The small garden plants all seem to be killed. Rain fell again Monday, accompanied by thunder. Our seasons change often now from winter to spring in the same week.

Farmers are anxious to see some dry weather, however grain is looking good. The oats are heading.

Fairy was well represented at the tract meet at Hamilton although they only won in one contest.

Several members of the Masonic Lodge here attended the lodge meeting of that order at Carlton Saturday night.

Misses Katie Lee Jones and Thelma Richardson attended the singing at Hico Sunday afternoon.

Lawrence Knowles of the Flag Branch community, was the guest of W. L. Jones Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Olie Newton, also Mr. and Mrs. Mat Grimes, all of Fort Worth, visited their mother, Mrs. Grimes, here Saturday night and Sunday.

The Methodist and Baptist Sunday schools were short in attendance Sunday, the Baptist not having a sufficient number to have Sunday school. We wish more of our people would attend Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. Burney were shopping in Stephenville last Tuesday.

PIE SUPPER

On account of the inclement weather last Friday night, sufficient funds were not raised to pay for the lighting equipment, therefore another pie supper will be given at the Honey Grove school building Saturday night, April 11.

Everyone is invited to come and take part. The ladies bring pies and the men well filled pocket books.

We also invite the musicians of our community and other communities. And we especially invite our kind editor and wife.

Remember the date!
MRS. J. P. CLEPPER, Pres.

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Skidmore College girls, who participated in sleep contest, enjoying an informal luncheon of cookies and bonbons as they cram for exams. Inset: Dr. Laird getting data from Miss Marjorie Moore, Skidmore sophomore, who seems to be debating whether to depend upon an alarm clock or a box of chocolates to get her up in time for classes in the morning.

"WHY I DON'T GO TO CHURCH"

By Rev. L. P. Thomas.

INTRODUCTION.
In looking over our church roll, I noticed that Brother Doc-Little is a member of our church, and I have been wondering why we never see him at the church services; I remember that I've been seeing him on the streets every day, regardless of the weather, and so I ventured to ask him the other day why he never goes to church, and he said:

"I'M NOT WELL."
1. Says he has had a cold ever since last fall. I don't know what his trouble was before "Last Fall." In looking over the Sunday School records, I noticed that he hadn't been coming before then. But this cold that he has now is a peculiar kind of cold. I have never seen one just like it; it is a kind of remitting cold every seventh day he has a relapse. And it just so happens that the relapse always comes on Sunday, every time. He feels pretty good on Monday mornings, and improves right on till Sunday. I see him in town every day, right on until Saturday evening, but sometime during the night Saturday, he has another relapse, and by Sunday School time, he has symptoms of Flu. And he has to stay in all day Sunday, except to go to the postoffice or perhaps to go to visit some of the kinfolks, but by Monday morning he is in town as soon as breakfast is over, feeling as "Fine as a Fiddle."

2. By the way, next year will be Leap Year and his bad days will come on Tuesdays, then we'll see what the brother does with his BAD COLD ON THE SEVENTH DAY.

GREYVILLE

March has been showing us just what she can do. The freeze last week killed the fruit, but seemed to hurt nothing in the gardens, except the beans. We hope April will bring us better weather.
Rev. A. C. Haynes, pastor of the Hico Methodist Church, and Rev. E. M. Wisdom of Hamilton, who is holding the revival now in progress at the Methodist church, visited in the homes of T. A. Walker, J. H. Hicks and J. A. Garth Wednesday afternoon. We trust that the revival will bring great souls killed the fruit, but seemed to hurt nothing in the gardens, except the beans. We hope April will bring us better weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Herrin of Proctor spent Saturday night with her brother, Ross McLendon and wife.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks and family and Lucille Garth visited in the home of their daughter Sunday afternoon.
Mrs. Ross McLendon and sister-in-law, Mrs. Claude Herrin, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dude Houser and daughter, Mildred, of the Hog Jaw community Sunday.

Although the weather was very disagreeable, pupils who entered for events at the track meet at Hamilton last week, stood loyal to their school and braved the weather to bring back first, second and third places from that place. We are proud of these pupils and hope they will be rewarded for that loyalty by having the honor of retaining the cup, which was won last year, for another year. Those who won places for this school were: Thelma Tolver, Agnes Doyle, Doris Johnson, Dessie Bell Walker, J. S. and Wade Hampton and James Hicks.

CARD OF THANKS
We take this method to thank our friends and neighbors for the many kind and thoughtful deeds to us during the illness and death of our dear wife, daughter and sister. When sorrow comes your way, may you be surrounded by such love and kindness is our prayer.
A. E. Lackey,
Mr. and Mrs. O. C. McClure and Sisters.

HAMILTON, N. Y.—That there is just as much science as poetry in the expression "sweet sleep" is revealed in the record of an intercollegiate slumber contest recently conducted between men students at Colgate University and girl students at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs.
The contest, conducted on a scientific basis jointly by Dr. Donald A. Laird, director of Colgate's department of psychology, and Dr. Linus W. Kline, Skidmore psychologist, ended in a walk-away for the girls, and indicated that the most restful and refreshing sleep was the reward of those who went in for diets rich in sweets and other carbohydrates.
Furthermore, the sweet-eating girls were said to be much sweeter and prompter about arising in the morning than the Colgate men and their sister students who went in for more ascetic eating. Most of the young men at Colgate had to be called at least twice before they could be aroused from their slumbers. The Skidmore girls bounded out of their beds at the first note of the alarm clock.
Each of the 136 Skidmore students and 140 Colgate students, who participated in the experiment, reported daily over a period of two weeks on 225 items of data which had to do with their modes of living, their emotional states, and their reactions to physical exertion.
A classification of this data showed that the two contestants having perfect sleep scores were girls who consumed the largest quantities of sweets. It also showed that the girl students in general slept about 15 per cent better than men students.
"Thirty-four girls who consumed the most carbohydrates either in their coffee, on their cereal, at the college drug store, soda fountain, or from boxes of candy," Dr. Laird said in reporting the contest, "had the least trouble falling asleep and were bothered less by dreams than their more ascetic sisters, indicating a greater ease of muscular relaxation. The general sleep index, consisting of a dozen factors, also showed decidedly better sleep for the heavy carbohydrate eaters."
"This is due to the carbohydrates supplying the muscles quickly with glycogen, or blood sugar, which is the primary muscle food. It also lessens the instable chemical condition of the muscles which otherwise interferes with relaxation, essential in promoting good sleep."
Over a period of seven years Dr. Laird has been making a study of sleep and fatigue, particularly as they are affected by various foods, habits of living, noise, heat and the various other elements and influences which affect the average person.

Weather Report Furnishes Valuable Information To All

Following is the weather report for the month of March, 1931, from the Hico Weather Station:
Maximum temperature 73 on 26-27; minimum 26 on 9-28; mean maximum 60.7; mean minimum 39.2; mean 49.9. Greatest daily range 44 degrees.
Total precipitation 2.95 inches; greatest in 24 hours, .78 on 30th.
Number of days with .01 inch or more precipitation, 7; clear days 18; partly cloudy 4; cloudy 9.
Total precipitation for January, February and March, 9.17 inches. For same period 1930, 4.03 inches.
The Hico News Review is publishing these weather reports every month. File your copy of the News Review. This will be valuable information in after years.
JOHN A. EAKINS,
Local Observer.

FLAG BRANCH

Oval Bowman visited Chester Gosdin a while Monday night.
Jewell Hatler, Esther Boardner, Ona Hickey visited Mrs. Ruby Thornton Tuesday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Graves spent Wednesday at Walnut Springs.
F. D. Craig and family visited in the John Harlow home Tuesday night.
Mrs. Henry Burks and children visited N. L. Mings and family Tuesday night.
Mrs. Lola Gosdin was the guest of Mrs. Ruby Moore Monday night.
Bro. Jones preached at the Methodist Church Sunday morning with very good crowd present.
J. D. Craig was the guest of Raymond Hanshaw Saturday night.
W. M. Flanary and family spent the week end with relatives at Paluxy.
Mrs. Finnis Graves of Iredell the week end with relatives at this place.

DUFFAU NEWS

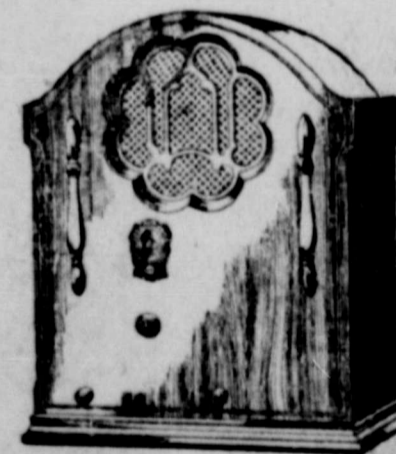
A revival started at the Methodist Church last Sunday. Rev. Bowden, an Evangelist who lives in Dallas, is doing the preaching. His daughters, Misses Dorothy and Johnnie, accompanied him to furnish music.
Helen Naughtigall, Dorothy Duzan, Teresa Tunnell and O. M. Bramblett spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hood Howerton.
Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Hefner and children, Charles Thomas and

Doris Marie visited Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McAnally and family last Sunday. Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Hefner and children, Mrs. McAnally and small sons visited in Clairette.
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ledbetter and children, Mr. Ledbetter's mother, and Lawrence Daniels visited Mr. and Mrs. Eck Bell last Sunday.
Miss Virginia Ramage had as guest last Sunday Dorothy Lee Hefner.
Some of the people of this community attended the track meet at Stephenville last week end.
The Duffau school was turned out last Friday on account of the teachers and some of the pupils having to attend the track meet.
J. I. Hefner was in Dallas last Friday and Saturday.
A number from this community attended the singing at Hico last Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Roye of Vernon visited his sister, Mrs. J. P. Smart and family the first part of this week.

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2 Lb. Box Graham Crackers	28c
Quart Jar Prepared Mustard	15c
Gold Medal Oats, with Premium	23c
Potted Meat, 6 cans for	25c

BULK OATMEAL, per lb. 3 1/2c

25 oz. K. C. Baking Powder	20c
10 Lb. Calumet Baking Powder	\$1.39
Quart Jar Veribest Peanut Butter	32c
Tomatoes, 3 full size No. 2 Cans for	25c
Macaroni or Spaghetti	05c
Hudson Lye, 3 Thirteen-Oz. Cans	25c

DUCK EGGS FOR EASTER, 7 for 05c

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Charter No. 7157 Reserve District No. 11
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
THE HICO NATIONAL BANK
Of Hico, in the State of Texas, at the close of business
On March 25th, 1931.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$121,990.41
Overdrafts	770.97
United States Government securities owned	43,750.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned	8,000.00
Banking house, \$13,000.00; Furniture and fixtures, \$13,000.00	26,000.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	4,500.00
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	10,978.43
Cash and due from banks	68,340.36
Outside checks and other cash items	35.03
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,500.00
TOTAL	285,865.20
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	60,000.00
Surplus	40,000.00
Undivided profits—net	5,205.18
Circulating notes outstanding	30,000.00
Due to banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding	4,460.05
Demand deposits	126,205.61
Time deposits	19,994.36
TOTAL	285,865.20

State of Texas, County of Hamilton, ss:
I, H. F. Sellers, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
H. F. SELLERS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of March, 1931.
D. F. McCARTY, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
J. M. Nash, W. Pitt Barnes, J. L. Parks, Directors.