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F. C. BENNETT, MGR.

LUELLA BUILDING

In addition to the many excellent and attractive improvements that have and are being made to the exterior and interior parts of Horn's Confectionery store, Mr. Horn today let the contract to the Pioneer Mill Co. for some nice wall cases to be used in accommodating his large stock of books. Mr. Horn has never lost an opportunity to improve his store and make it strictly first class in every particular and when Sweetwater becomes the big city of several times her present size his store will be in the front rank and square up with the progress of the town.

## CAUTIC CRITICISM BY WACO MINISTERS

### OPENING OF PICTURE SHOW AT COTTON PALACE IS THE SUBJECT.

By Associated Press. Waco, Texas, Nov. 6.—The opening of picture shows and carnivals at the Cotton Palace on Sunday was the subject of caustic criticism by Dr. H. D. Kniekerbocker and other prominent ministers here yesterday.

**Dr. Martin at Home.**  
Dr. Richard Martin, minister of the Christian church, returned from a two weeks' trip to Chicago and preached yesterday to splendid audiences on the subject, "The Kingdom of Christ; Its Power, Progress and Perpetuity."

The audience and interest showed full appreciation of the subject and speaker and cordially greeted him at the close of the night service.  
The "Ladies' Aid Society" meets Monday at 3:30 at this church.  
The choir club will meet Tuesday night at the church and on Wednesday night there will be regularly conducted mid-week service.  
All are cordially invited to attend.

## DO NOT LIKE TO BE JOSTLED BY NEGROES

By Associated Press. Waco, Texas, Nov. 6.—A movement was inaugurated here today to keep open the rear of the pay-as-you-enter cars in order to prevent crowding by negroes.

## AMERICAN CRUISER ORDERED TO TRIPOLI

Malta, Nov. 6.—The American Cruiser Chester, has been ordered to Tripoli immediately.

## REBELS CAPTURE CHINESE CAPITAL

### QUESTION OF LYNOCHING.

Will be Decided in Trial Today. Charged That Mexican Boy Was Lynched at Thorndale.

By Associated Press. Cameron, Texas, Nov. 6.—The question whether or not the Mexican boy who was hanged here on the 13th of last June was lynched is to be decided today in the trial of Ezra Stephens, G. P. Noak, Harry Wuenche, and Z. T. Gore. These parties are charged with the murder of the boy, Fernando Gomez.

It is alleged that Gomez stabbed to death Charels Zeitung, a garage owner, for calling him an unprintable name.

### WILL BE ARRAIGNED WHILE IN SICK BED

By Associated Press. Chicago, Nov. 6.—Mrs. Louise Vermilla, the widow suspected of poisoning Patrolman Arthur Bissonette, will be arraigned while in bed in her room in the hospital. She was taken to the county hospital, where the police thought she would be less likely to repeat her attempt to poison herself. Her first attempt was made by sprinkling pepper mixed with arsenic in her food.

### TO VOTE BOND ISSUE.

Chicago, Nov. 6.—A special meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Southern railway will be held today to authorize the issue of \$3,000,000 of first mortgage and \$1,380,000 of income bonds, to be exchanged for old securities of the company.

### FOREIGN DEMAND IS 12,518,112 500 LB. BALES

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 6.—An estimate made by the American consuls throughout the world of the number of five-hundred pound bales of cotton required to meet the needs of foreign countries, except Italy and England, for manufacturing purposes before September 1, 1912 puts the number at 12,518,112.

H. Campbell of Roscoe arrived in the city this morning to serve the week here serving as a juror in District court.

### PEKIN IS REPORTED IN THE HANDS OF REBELS.

### After Sharp Conflicts

Cablegram to Chinese Newspaper Says That Capital of Great Empire Falls Before Rebels.

By Associated Press. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 6.—A cablegram to a Chinese paper here yesterday says that Peking was captured by the revolutionaries after a sharp conflict. The report has not yet been confirmed officially nor has it been denied.

### District Court.

The case of J. A. J. Bradford vs O. L. Wilkerson et al has been postponed until the sixth week of court on account of some of the important witnesses in the case not being in the city at the present time.

A motion for a new trial in the case of Ethel L. Pope et al vs the Orient was filed today.  
The criminal docket was taken up this morning.

### TO TRY "BRASS WIDOW."

St. Louis, Nov. 6.—Mrs. Fannie N. Norton, known to postoffice inspectors as the "brass widow," will be given a hearing today on the charge of fraudulent use of the United States mails. The woman is alleged to have confessed that she duped a number of men under pretense of wanting to marry them in order to provide for her invalid husband and their two children.

Mrs. Morton under the aliases of Alden, and other names, represented herself as a brass art craft worker and induced sentimental swains in St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Topeka and other cities to advance sums of money, under promise of marriage. The complaint witness was Joseph Nemiere, a contractor of Tulsa, Okla., who alleges he advanced \$240.00 to the woman in the hope she would marry him. Mrs. Morton found victims by means of newspaper advertisements, and is said to have cleared \$3,000 from her scheme.

Mrs. W. H. Jobe, Mrs. W. W. Beale, and Mrs. J. E. Barnhart left tonight for Waco to attend the third annual meeting of the Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent Teachers' Association

## ISLAND SPRINGS OUT OF THE SEA

Great Commotion in Sea Accompanied by Flames and Clouds of Smoke

By Associated Press. Port of Spain, Trinidad, Nov. 6.—An island has suddenly arisen from the sea in the Serpent's mouth strait between Trinidad and the Venezuelan coasts. The phenomenon was preceded by an extraordinary commotion in the sea from which burst huge columns of flame and smoke.

## SUPREME COURT HAS RENDERED ITS DECISION

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 6.—The Supreme Court of the United States has rendered a decision to the effect that a life time convict who assaults another person with a deadly weapon may be punished with death.

### DR. RANKIN TO PREACH.

Distinguished Minister Will Fill Methodist Pulpit Tonight. Noted Preachers Present.

Dr. George C. Rankin, editor of the Christian Advocate at Dallas, will preach at the Methodist church tonight according to an announcement made by Rev. A. W. H. today.

Mrs. W. H. Jobe, Mrs. W. W. Beale, and Mrs. J. E. Barnhart leave tonight for Waco to attend the third annual meeting of the Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent Teachers' Association which will be in session which will be in session in that city Nov. 7, 8 and 9th. Mrs. Jobe goes as the representative of the Jno. R. Lewis ward and Mrs. Beall and Mrs. Barnhart of the Central and West wards respectively.

"Oriental Flour" \$1.40. None better for the price. C. D. Simpson's Grain Store. Phone 315. 6tc

## COTTON BELT EXTENSION TO SWEETWATER PLANNED

### SANTA FE MAKES LIBERAL OFFER

### GUARANTEE RIGHT-OF-WAY COMMITTEE MEETS.

Railroad Officials Propose to Advance \$5,000 To Settle Up Right-of-Way Matter.

Called together by Mr. A. Eby and Mr. J. H. Reding, representatives of the Santa Fe Railway Company, ten members of the Sweetwater guarantee committee met yesterday afternoon to consider a proposition from the railway company looking toward a settlement of right of way matters. When the construction of the road into Sweetwater was being considered, this city subscribed the money necessary to secure a right of way and terminal facilities for the company. The road has complied with its contract and the depot has also been constructed. But of the sum subscribed for the right of way purposes approximately five thousand dollars has not been collected and is now due the company under the terms of the contract between the city and the railway company.

Messrs Eby and Reding, in behalf of the company called the guarantee committee together yesterday and offered to advance the sum necessary to settle up all right of way claims, their proposition being to lend the city \$5,000 for six months, without interest, taking a note signed by the members of the original right of way committee as security.

Of the twenty-one members of the guarantee committee ten were present at the meeting yesterday. After considerable discussion the members present decided to accept the offer of the company and signed the note.

Those present at the meeting were: R. A. Ragland, Thomas Trammell, William Wight, M. L. Harp, R. C. Crane, G. E. Ramsey, J. V. Holmes, W. T. Trammell, R. A. Musgrove and S. D. Myers.

The note is being circulated and it is expected that the signatures of the entire committee will soon be secured.

### IS RUMORED THAT ROAD WILL BE BUILT FROM COMMANCHE HERE

### Was Distinct Surpris

Will Afford a through Line From Memphis to California via The Santa Fe Route.

Although coming as a distinct surprise, the news that Cotton Belt officials regard it as a certainty that the Cotton Belt will be extended in the near future from Comanche to Sweetwater to connect with the Santa Fe, thereby affording another through line from Memphis through Waco to California, is none the less pleasing to the people of this city. A news dispatch from Waco in the Dallas News of yesterday is as follows:

Waco, Nov. 2.—Cotton Belt officials who have been here recently all believe that this line will be built very soon from Comanche to Sweetwater, affording another line from Memphis and that section through Waco to California via the Santa Fe from Sweetwater.

### K. C. M. & O. SELLS BONDS IN PARIS.

The following dispatch which appeared in The Daily News of New York, Nov. 2.—It was learned today that the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railroad has sold an issue of 50,000,000 francs of 5 per cent first mortgage bonds in Paris and has given an option on 50,000,000 francs additional. The company has made application with the Public Utilities Commission of Kansas to issue \$20,000,000 of gold notes for general construction in Mexico and Southern Texas. It is claimed that the extension to Avila, where connection is made with the Southern Pacific, will be completed early in 1912.

The terms on which the bonds were sold are not known, but it is believed that liberal bonuses in stock have been given. It was rumored today that a considerable part of the financial control of the road has been taken out of the hands of Arthur Stillwell, president of the company. J. T. O'Dell, a director of the Orient, has resigned.

F. VARD WOODRUFF, Attorney at Law. C. D. SANDERS, Attorney at Law. J. MALLISTER STEVENSON, JR., Attorney at Law.

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# RESIDENTS PREPARE FOR LONG SIEGE

UNION TICKET OFFICE.

Roads Entering Ft. Worth Will Abolish Individual Offices, Is Unique Plan—Good Features.

By Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 9.—All the railroads entering this city will abolish their individual offices and will establish a union city ticket office. This plan is said to be unique in railroad business and there are very few if any such offices in the United States. The plan will effect a saving to the roads and the public will benefit as to information.

## WANT EQUAL PAY FOR THE WOMEN TEACHERS

New York, Nov. 9.—After a nine years' battle, the schoolmams of New York are today enjoying the first fruits of their victory in securing the passage of a bill providing equal pay for men and women teachers in the public schools.

The increased cost of the operation of the schools resulting from placing the fair sex on an equal basis with the men is estimated at \$3,134,949 a year, and for the high schools at \$372,480.

## MOVE HOUSES HERE.

Arrangements have been made by Mr. Gene Hopkins for the removal of eight houses from Roscoe to this city. Two of the houses have already been located here, one is on the road now, and the others will be brought here as soon as possible.

From McCauley five houses are to be shipped here soon, according to information given out by Mr. Ben Evans, who was in the city yesterday to secure lots upon which to locate the houses.

Washington, Nov. 9.—District of Columbia statistics show that two-fifths of all the applicants for equal separation were eloping couples, and that three tenths of the divorces result from marriages where one or both of the contracting parties were under twenty-one years of age.

## The Colleen Bawn.

The Colleen Bawn, by Dion Boucicault, an Irish drama, a beautiful continued story, will be published in these columns, in three installments. A rare treat. Watch for it.

The first installment will appear Monday, Nov. 13th; the second, Tuesday Nov. 14th; and the last one Wednesday Nov. 15th.

Chas. Kirk is in the city today.

EXCITEMENT IS GROWING IN THE CITY OF PEKIN.

## More Troops Arrive

People Store Up Large Quantities of Rice, Hopes of Manchu Dynasty Vanish.

By Associated Press.

Pekin, Nov. 9.—Excitement in this city is growing. Residents of the forbidden city are taking in great quantities of rice as if in preparation for a prolonged siege. Foreign legations consider that all hopes for the Manchu dynasty being able to restore order have vanished. More Manchu troops arrived today.

## PRESIDENT AT DEDICATION.

Says Abraham Lincoln Was The Most Abused Official Who Ever Held Office.

By Associated Press.

Hodgenville, Ky., Nov. 9.—The dedication ceremonies of the granite memorial building dedicated to Abraham Lincoln, took place here today. President Taft was present and took a leading part in the ceremonies.

In his speech at the dedication President Taft said that no man in public life was ever so abused as was President Lincoln. He went on to describe the acts of the Lincoln cabinet to show that even the President's cabinet did not understand him at that it was until later, when they began to perceive his greatness, that they wholly supported him in his measures of reconstruction.

President Taft believes that had Lincoln lived there would have been no necessity for the drastic measures known to the reconstruction period, and that the ill feeling between the sections would have been healed to a great extent by the hand of the martyred president.

# ANARCHY EXISTS IN THE RANKS OF REVOLUTIONISTS

By The Associated Press.

Cheng Sha, China, Nov. 9.—Anarchy exists in this city in the ranks of the revolutionists, because of the rivalry among the leaders. Rebels took charge of this city several days ago and since then much ill feeling among the leading officers has been engendered. The populace learning of the trouble and fearing for their lives in case of conflict, are fleeing to the country districts. No rioting has been permitted so far, but may break out among the men at any moment.

## LONDON HAS NEW LORD MAYOR

London, Nov. 9.—With all the time honored pageantry and stately solemn ceremonial that has marked "lord mayor's day" for 700 years, Sir Thomas Croby, physician, merchant and financier, was today inaugurated as lord mayor of London. Sir Thomas is the first man holding a degree of M. D. to assume the magistracy of the world's greatest metropolis. There was the usual parade today and a big banquet tonight will wind up the initiation.

The new lord mayor has been an alderman for thirteen years and filled the office of sheriff of London for one term. London's lord mayor is not chosen by the voice of the people.

The aldermen, who are elected for life, decided that a position so exalted as lord mayor should not be open to outsiders and dependent on popular vote. Under the scheme now in operation every alderman, if he lives long enough, is assured of becoming lord mayor for one year when his turn comes. When Sir Thomas Vessey Strong was chosen lord mayor for one year Sir Thomas Croby was "next." The honor is an empty one so far as real executive authority is concerned, but it gives the possessor a high social standing. Not even the King may enter the small section of London known as the city without receiving the keys from the lord mayor.

## INSTALL FOUNTAINS.

Drinking Cups in City Schools.

By Associated Press.

Waco, Texas, Nov. 9.—The Mothers Clubs of this city have succeeded in having drinking fountains installed at the public schools and abolishing the common drinking cups. The drinking fountain is an ingenious invention, a person being enabled to drink the water direct from the hydrant spout, without touching his mouth to it.

## WILL WITHDRAW.

By Associated Press.

Texarkana, Nov. 9.—J. M. Terrell will announce tonight his withdrawal from the race to succeed Morris Sheppard.

Joe Newsom of Rice is here today.

# TEXAS WEALTH IS \$2,500,000,000

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 9.—The Comptroller's department is preparing a statement today which will show that the wealth of Texas through assessment valuations is two billions and five hundred million dollars.

## FLOATING PALACE FOR ROYALTY

London, Nov. 9.—England bade good bye to King George and Queen Mary today, their majesties sailing today on the steamship Medina for India, where the great coronation durbar will be held next month. Rear Admiral Sir Colin Reple is in command of the royal vessel and also of the naval escort, which consists of the first class cruisers Cochrane, Argyll, Defiance and Natal.

The Medina has been transformed into a veritable floating palace for the occupancy of the royal family. At the forward end of the vessel on the spar deck are two suits of cabins, a bedroom and a bath. All of the furniture and fittings were specially designed and cost hundreds of pounds. The Queen's room is finished in green, while the King selected blue as the color scheme to be carried out in his apartment. The dining room and music room have also been refurbished in an elaborate style.

While King George is an excellent sailor and able to keep his sea legs in the roughest weather, Queen Mary is not always able to withstand the mal de mer, and for her benefit a rough weather cabin has been fitted up midships. Here the movements of the vessel in a storm will not be felt so severely as in the royal suite forward. Electric fans and electric heaters are fitted up all over the ship.

About twenty ladies and gentlemen in waiting accompanied the King and Queen on the Medina, and special cabins have been prepared for them. While not so elaborate as the royal suites, these rooms will afford the maximum of comfort and convenience.

Plans for the stay of the royal party in India, during which the King will be formally crowned as Emperor of that vast and ancient country, are practically complete and involve a tremendous expenditure which has aroused much criticism among the Socialists and radicals of England.

George and Mary will be very expensive guests for India, which can ill afford the vast outlay for their entertainment.

The King and Queen will make their state entrance into Delhi on Delhi on Dec. 7, and this date, as on December 7, and this date, as the durbar will be general holidays throughout India. On Dec. 12 a royal proclamation will be read in every town and village of the empire, royal salutes will be fired from every gun in India and the whole country will be ablaze with illuminations at night. The thirteenth will be devoted to the people's fete all over the land.

All of the ruling princes and great chiefs will be commanded to the durbar. Envoys from Nepal and Afghanistan and the Maharajah of Bhutan will also be present. It is expected that fully half a million people will greet the King at Delhi and will witness the spectacles connected with the durbar.

## WEARING A BONNET IS LIGHTNING INSURANCE

Washington, Nov. 9.—A bonnet is not usually considered a protection against lightning, but the new one worn today by the Statue of Freedom atop the dome of the Capitol serves that purpose. The bonnet of the goddess has been hit by electrical bolts several times and has to be replaced frequently. It is even more useful than ornamental, as it has on numerous occasions protected the \$40,000,000 Capitol with its store of priceless government records.

The new bonnet, like the preceding ones worn by the goddess, isn't a fashionable creation. It is of the type of headgear affected by the belles of Olympian society at a time when the world was younger. The martial helmet, however, cost enough to have been "created" in Paris. It is made of platinum and steel and set back Uncle Sam to the tune of \$500. It is made so that when the lightning hits it the force will be carried to the ground, and Uncle Sam paid the bill without a murmur, thus setting an example for his mael subjects, who have been known to let out roars when paying for bonnets.

If you want to see a real good musical comedy, come to the Cozy Friday night, November 10th.



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## STATE SUPERINTENDENT WILL BE HERE SOON.

Mr. Edward Owens, State Superintendent of the Sunday School work of the Christian church in this city Sunday morning at 10 a. m. and will speak in the interest of the Sunday school work. All members of the church and Sunday school and others are urged to be present. Mr. Owens is an expert in Sunday school work and will interest all who hear him.

## NEW RELIGIONIST SENTENCED.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Nov. 9.—Evelyn Arthur See, founder of the Absolute Life cult, was convicted of complicity in the delinquency of Mildred Brides and was sentenced to imprisonment for one to five years.



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## VERDICT OF ACQUITTAL.

The jury in the case of Ed Glycer charged with theft, this afternoon brought in a verdict of acquittal. The case went to the jury late yesterday afternoon.

Port Arthur business men have plans under way by which they expect to make that city one of the great terminals of the Morgan lines.

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# J. & W. FISHER

**9,968,172 BALES GINNED IN U. S. UP TO NOV. 1**

Washington, November 8.—The Census Bureau's fourth cotton ginning report of the season issued at 10 a. m. today and showing the number of running bales, counting round as half bales, of cotton of the growth of 1911 ginned to November 1, with comparative statistics to the corresponding date for the past three years, is as follows:

United States 9,968,172 bales, compared with 7,345,953 bales last year, when 63.5 per cent of the entire crop was ginned to November 1; 7,017,849 bales in 1909, when 69.7 per cent was ginned, and 8,191,557 bales in 1908, when 62.6 per cent of the crop was ginned.

The number of round bales included were 68,343 compared with 81,183 bales in 1910.

Ginning by States, with comparative statistics and the percentage of the total crop ginned to November 1 in previous years, follow:

Arkansas, 443,505 bales, compared with 324,769 or 49.7 per cent in 1910; 472,252 or 67.7 percent in 1909; 536,785 or 53.9 per cent in 1908:

Louisiana, 32,047 bales compared with 154,634 or 62.7 per cent in 1910; 188,112 or 72.8 per cent in 1909; and 287,885 or 61.7 per cent in 1908.

Oklahoma, 555,755 bales, compared with 585,237 or 63.6 per cent in 1910; 412,631 or 74.7 per cent in 1909, and 217,629 or 31.6 per cent in 1908.

Texas, 3,219,218 bales compared with 2,405,157 or 81.5 per cent in 1910; 1,920,188 or 77.8 per cent in 1909, and 2,502,862 or 69.0 per cent in 1908.

No Arrests Made.

Grandbury, Texas, Nov. 8.—Up to noon today no arrest had been made against the alleged murderer of J. K. Beatty, an actor, and Mrs. Carl Robinson. Mrs. Robinson and her husband separated about two weeks ago. Robinson was not in town today and the police said he left last night.

**"NEW THOUGHT" FOR TEACHERS AT MILWAUKEE**

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 8.—"New thought," as preached by Dr. Marden, Ella Wheeler Wilcox and other professional lookers on the bright side of life, has invaded the ranks of the Wisconsin State Teachers' Association, and "Optimism, Inspiration and Constructive Suggestion" is the motto of the annual convention to be held in this city during the next three days. The program of the meeting shows the greatest array of educational talent ever brought to Wisconsin at any one time. Gov. McGovern will deliver the address of welcome, and among the prominent men and women it is hoped will be present and deliver addresses are the following:

Dr. David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford University of California; Dr. Booker T. Washington, president of Tuskegee Institute, the famous Alabama school for negroes; Eral Barnes of Philadelphia, university extension lecturer; Sarah Louise Arnold of Boston, Dean L. H. Bailey of Cornell, William R. George of the George Jr., republic, William R. Frost of Berea, Ky., and Mrs. Mary Boomer Page, the Chicago kindergarten expert.

**ELECTED YESTERDAY TO MAYORALTY**

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 8.—Rudolph Blankenburg, candidate for the Mayorality of Philadelphia, an independent Republican, was elected on a reform ticket.

The Dalhart Board of Trade has recently perfected organization with R. S. Coon president.

## DEMOCRATS WIN IN NEW MEXICO

**NOTED AVIATOR MAY LAND AT SWEETWATER**

The Secretary of the Sweetwater Commercial Club is in receipt of a letter today from N. R. Cooper, business manager for Robert G. Fowler, the noted aviator who is making a flight from the Pacific to the Atlantic coast, stating that, if sufficient interest can be aroused among the people of Sweetwater, Mr. Fowler's route and plans may be made to include Sweetwater. To have this noted aviator, whose cross continent flight is being watched by the people of the entire nation and of other nations would give this city some advertising which could not be bought. Every time he makes a landing or starts, the fact is telegraphed and cabled all over the entire civilized world. Those who are interested in having this city included in the itinerary of this well known aviator should get in communication with Secretary Musgrove at once. A very substantial purse will have to be made up, but Sweetwater would gain publicity of a very valuable kind, should Mr. Fowler make a landing at this point.

**BUYS AUTO TAKES RIDE NOW IN JAIL**

Waco, Texas, Nov. 8.—Edgar L. Smith of China Springs yesterday bought a new automobile with a check for sixteen hundred dollars, after which he proceeded to take a joy ride. Today he was arrested and lodged in jail when local banks failed to honor his check.

**GETS FIRST BALE.**

R. S. Hoge Brings First Cotton Raised In That Section To Dalhart.

Dalhart, Texas, Nov. 8.—The first bale of cotton ever raised in this section of the state was brought here yesterday by R. S. Hogue of Moore county.

**Rebels Repulsed.**

Shanghai, Nov. 8.—Several thousand troops attacked imperialists at Nanking on Purple Hill but were repulsed with more than one hundred killed. The revolutionists are now preparing to renew the assault.

**WACO DRENCHED.**

Waco, Texas, Nov. 8.—A very heavy rain fell here last night. The precipitation amounted to an inch and one-half.

\$100,000 has been subscribed to the stock of the proposed line of the Southern Traction company by Waco.

The Texas Company will begin at once construction of oil pipe lines from Electra to Dallas.

Toyah Valley farmers are planning construction of an irrigation dam at a cost of \$200,000.

**NOT AFFECTING BUSINESS. Cancellation of Orders For Cotton Goods Due To Revolution Are Insignificant.**

New Orleans, La., Nov. 9.—It is reported here that the cancellation of orders for cotton goods in China have been insignificant so far during the revolution.

TODAY'S RETURNS INDICATE SUCCESS OF DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

**IS LANDSLIDE**

Republican Majorities Are Cut Down In Counties Usually Party's Strongholds.

By Associated Press. Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 8.—A complete triumph by the Democratic ticket is indicated by today's returns. Reports of decreased Republican majorities come from counties usually considered as strongholds of the party. It looks today like a Democratic landslide.

**"TWO MERRY TRAMPS."**

So many musical comedies are built without rhyme or reason that the public has in general come to the conclusion that the only make up is the opening and closing speech. Wood & Ward, realizing this state of affairs, cast about for a comedy which would have an original plot, and dialogue that would necessitate the introduction of either a chorus of pretty girls or a number of vaudeville acts to make it a success. In "Two Merry Tramps" they found just what they were looking for, with the vehicle of their desire at hand they engaged a chorus of handsome girls. Next special scenery was provided for each act and singing number, wardrobe and gowns which are marvels to the dress-making and costuming art.

No production in years has awakened greater admiration of the theatre goers, artistic elegance, harmony, and brilliancy of coloring are marked every member has been engaged for their particular fitness of the roles entrusted to them. The chorus is remarkably pretty and talented not only for its ensemble work, but for the meritorious individual work. This attraction will be seen at the Cozy Theatre Friday night, November 10th.

**NEW CHURCH PROPOSED.**

Father O'Grady of Cathedral at Dallas Calls Meeting For Tonight.

Father O'Grady of the Cathedral at Dallas has just arrived at the Grogan Hotel to organize the members of the Roman Catholic Church and to arrange for building a church here. The reverend father had outlined a plan for a church last summer, but he was called to Dallas before he could carry out his plans. Now he intends seeing the church completed, if the people are willing to co-operate in the right way.

A church is a great commercial asset to any city as many people will not stay in a city where they can not have the requisite spiritual accommodations. A church holds the people, then schools and industries speedily follow. The church going Catholic is always a good customer and a good citizen, and we should do something to hold that class of citizens in our midst.

A meeting of all the Catholics is called for eight o'clock this evening at the Grogan Hotel, to devise means for carrying out these plans.

Father O'Grady has not very much time to spend at Sweetwater and he wants to see all the people as soon as possible. At the meeting tonight announcement will also be made as to the time and place for Holy Mass on Sunday morning.

**REBELS TAKE FU CHO.**

By The Associated Press. Amoy, China, Nov. 9.—The city of Fu Cho is today in the hands of the revolutionists, who wiped out the entire Manchu district. Fires are burning fiercely in several portions of the city. The population of this city is estimated at seven hundred thousand.

### MANCHUS INTRENCH ABOVE TOWN BATTLE RAGING

By Associated Press. Shanghai, Nov. 8.—Fighting began at Nankin at 9 a. m. The Manchus are strongly entrenched on the purple hills commanding the city, and unless they voluntarily surrender the position it is not thought possible to drive them from it. Hatred of the Manchus is growing. The uncensored reports of the massacres in Hankow have incensed the populace and the city is threatened. The United States and Great Britain have taken measures to protect their people in China, if it becomes necessary.

**DEDICATE LINCOLN STATUE.**

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 8.—President Taft made the principal address at the unveiling of the statue of Abraham Lincoln at the Kentucky State Capitol. Col. Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, was also a speaker, and Gov. Willson and many prominent men took part in the ceremonies. An immense crowd gathered in Frankfort to witness the exercises.

The rotunda of the Capitol, where the statue is located, was beautifully decorated with flags and flowers. The unveiling was done by Alice Speed, daughter of William Speed of Louisville and granddaughter of J. B. Speed, the donor of the statue. Twenty former slaves of the Speed family were present at the ceremony. On Friday and Saturday the President will take part in the Lincoln Farm celebration at Hodgenville, Ky. Florence Lawrence at the Lyric to night.

### BIG SPRINGS WOMAN SENDS LIVE BABY TO FT. WORTH COPS

Special to The Reporter. Fort Worth, Nov. 8.—A package, which a woman at Big Springs entrusted to a woman on the train with instructions to deliver it immediately at police headquarters in this city was found at headquarters to contain a live baby.

**BROWN FIGHTS FISH DEALER.**

Up to October 25th the number of bales of cotton ginned in Texas surpassed by 600,000 the record of the previous year at the same date.

The Yoakum Commercial club has offered \$50,000 bonus to the Placitas, San Antonio, and Pecos railroad to come through that city.

**REPUBLICAN ELECTED.**

Goldsboro Defeats Gorman for Governorship by Four Thousand Majority.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 8.—Returns this morning indicate the election of Goldsboro, the Republican candidate for Governor, over Gorman, democrat, by the small majority of four thousand votes.

The constitutional amendment for the disfranchisement of the negro appears to have been decisively defeated.

**Approves Plan.**

Special to The Reporter. New York, Nov. 8.—United States Circuit Court today approved the main features of dissolution plan of the tobacco corporation.

### EVAN JONES KILLS HIMSELF WITH SHOTGUN

Weatherford, Tex., Nov. 8.—Evan Jones, Sr., a contractor and builder of this city, is reported to have killed himself this morning with a shot gun. He leaves a widow and eight children. No cause for his rash action has been assigned.

**City Council Meets.**

A regular meeting of the city council was held yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. Only routine matters of business were up for consideration. Among the matters disposed of was the approving the bond of the Thomas Trammell Bank as the depository of the city funds. The bid of the bank was eight and one-half per cent on the city deposits. A number of accounts were allowed and ordered paid.

**REHEARING ASKED.**

Motion is Filed in Fulmore-Lane Mandamus Case Before Supreme Court.

Special to The Reporter. Austin, Texas, Nov. 8.—A motion was filed today before the supreme court of the Fulmore-Lane mandamus case, in which the court previously upheld a part of the governor's veto of the attorney general's two-year appropriation.

**Entertains 42 Club.**

The Ladies' 42 Club was entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. W. T. Ford at the home of Mrs. J. D. Dolaney.

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California's first jury composed entirely of women refused to convict an editor for using "indecent" language. To some mind that will be taken as prima facie evidence that the jury-ladies were all married and accustomed to excusing their husbands' excesses in language.

The inauguration of the through mail service on the Santa Fe today is just another one of the long strides that Sweetwater is making toward commercial supremacy in West Texas.

Sandwiched in between the regular work of building railroads, factories, and other industrial enterprises, a little planning for the beautification of the metropolis-to-be would not be amiss. All the larger cities of the country are now spending, or have already spent millions of dollars mending the mistakes of their early history. Sweetwater should profit by their experience by adopting a definite and comprehensive city plan.

If you can't or don't care to travel at a lively pace, you had better get out of the road until the rest of us pass. The dust may prove rather annoying, but even that inconvenience can be obviated by getting far enough behind.

### SWEETWATER AND THE SANTA FE RAILROAD.

Even the most casual observer of the work that is being done in this city by the Santa Fe Railway Co., can not fail to be impressed with the magnitude of the undertaking and its stupendous importance to Sweetwater. Looking down the miles of glistening steel that forms a great network of the yards and terminals one needs no extraordinary imagination to get a vision of the commerce of the West passing through and paying

The scale upon which the work is being projected and the character of the work being done show conclusively that permanence and future enlargement are important factors in the present plans of construction. Nothing is being done by halves. The buildings are constructed of concrete and are being equipped with the most modern machinery, lighting and ventilation are not being overlooked. From the monster round house to the smaller shops and store rooms the latest and most improved principles of heating, lighting, and ventilation have been followed. All of these things speak of permanence and future greatness.

The great round house, the power house, blacksmith and carpenter shops, and the store houses are now receiving the finishing touches and the necessary machinery to completely equip them is being installed. In the near future the wheels will begin to turn and one of the finest systems of railroad shops in the State will be running in full blast. The ranks of the tin bucket brigade will be swelled by the large number of additional skilled laborers that will be necessary in order to man the great system. What all this will mean to Sweetwater can only be estimated approximately.

Although the great Santa Fe shops and terminals are a vital part of the city of Sweetwater, they constitute a city almost in themselves. A complete system of waterworks, a sewer system, lighting and heating plants are being installed. With the fine artificial lake covering over two hundred and fifty acres an adequate water supply is afforded, not only for the needs of the Santa Fe but for a city twice the size of Sweetwater. That the problem of a water supply has been successfully solved is very evident.

The handsome Harvey house is

nearing completion, the installation of the heating and lighting plant and the furniture only being necessary to complete this important part of the great Santa Fe system.

That Sweetwater is to become the Topeka of Texas within the next few years requires no great amount of credulity to believe. With the development of the great "Western Empire" will come the corresponding development of Sweetwater. Through this city will pass the commerce of that empire. From this point the roads will radiate in all directions. That the Santa Fe system will be the center of that great commercial development and will be the most important factor in bringing these results about needs no prophet to tell.

What Mr. Sully says as to the ability of men to control the supply of cotton is obviously true, but it has probably not received as much consideration as it deserves. The weather is the greatest variable, and always the unknown factor in determining the size of the cotton crop. The acreage may be reduced 10 or even 20 per cent, but one can not safely conclude from that fact that the crop will certainly be 10 or 20 per cent carry over at least a part of sure that the crop will be less in any degree. Though a reduction in acreage next year is clearly commended by present conditions, a reduction of acreage alone, unless it be a radical one, can offer no certain assurance of a profitable price. The one certain means of relief is for a majority of the farmers, by the practice of diversification, to make themselves financially independent, so that they can carry over at least a part of their cotton crop from one season to the next if need be. If for every bale that is carried over by the farmers this season, next season's acreage be lessened by three acres, a readjustment will have been brought about which will assure a profitable price. In no other way will a fair price be assured.—Dallas News.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

(From Monday's Daily.)  
Dr. Richard Martin arrived yesterday morning from Chicago where he had been on a business trip.

Rev. J. C. Burkett, pastor of the Baptist church of the city preached to large and appreciative audiences yesterday. Several new members were received and the church is already taking on new life and activity under his pastorate.

Boys day at Connolly's Saturday. See in tomorrow's paper the low prices.

E. G. Yoder, manager of the Jno. Finnigan Hide Co., left this morning for various points east on business.

G. W. Pickle, proprietor of the "Kandy Kitchen," was a business visitor to Abilene today.

A. W. Crawford left this morning for points west on business.

According to Census Director Durand, New York is now the city ordinance, however, conflicts with the strict State and county laws.

Richard Croker is due to arrive in New York on November 17. Ever since he went abroad to live declaring that he had forsaken politics, Mr. Croker has timed his annual visits to come after election day. He tells his friends that he does this in order to escape even the slightest suggestion that he is taking a hand in political conditions in New York.

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The Attorney General of the State of Texas has notified safety appliance inspectors that they have no right to hold trains in the state for violation of the safety appliance law.

The city commission of Fort Worth, Tex., has taken the lid off. Places of amusement, including theatres, moving picture shows and etc., which have been closed can now remain open without in on Sundays for the past five years 200,000 ahead of London for the same area.

John D. Rockefeller, Sr., likes the "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," which Governor Wilson of New Jersey has brought into world wide fame by his severe criticism of the hymn. Mr. Rockefeller's pastor at Tarrytown, N. Y., is responsible for the statement that the Standard Oil head often has the hymn played on his phonograph.

Almost two thousand ears are being used daily in carrying sugar cane from plantations in southern Louisiana to the refineries and sugar houses along the Texas & Pacific. The crop of sugar cane is of particularly fine quality this year.

Lapel buttons and watch fobs in place of service stripes are hereafter to be worn by men on the Santa Fe. These devices will bear an emblem in the form of a circle enclosing a maltese cross, the color of the background indicating their length of service with the company.

A neat little book of panoramic pictures of orchard and farm scenes has been issued by a Colorado railroad. Its title is "Land of Irrigation," and the illustrations convey an excellent idea of the various fertile valleys of the Rocky Mountain region.

The regular term of the commissioners' court will convene the 16th of this month. On the 20th bids for the new jail, which the county is to build, will be considered by the court. According to County Judge Ford, a large number of contractors have already made inquiry in regard to the proposition. The estimated cost of the new structure is \$15,000.

Mr. W. E. Hamilton, formerly night clerk with the Orient in this city, has resigned from his position. He has been succeeded by Mr. Berry McDonald.

Mr. A. G. Whittington, division superintendent on the Texas and Pacific, with headquarters at

Hon. Perkins of Snyder visited Sweetwater on legal business Saturday.

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SWEETWATER, TEXAS.

Big Springs, stopped off in the city Saturday evening. While here he notified the local agent, Mr. J. E. Pitzer, that additional seats for the local waiting room at the depot will be shipped here soon.

# THREE CHINESE GUNBOATS GOVER TO THE RBLS

FLEET UNDER ADMIRAL SAH-CHENG-PINGS DESERTS.

## Ching Kiang Falls

Important Treaty Port in Province of Kinag Su is Captured By Revolutionists!

By Associated Press.

Shanghai, Nov. 6.—Three Chinese gunboats under Admiral Sah-Cheng Pings of the fleet which put in here yesterday for provisions have gone over to the rebels. Ching-Kiang in the province of Kinag-Su fell into the hands of the rebels today. Ching Kiang is a treaty port and second only in importance to Shanghai.

## CONSIDER PRIMARY PLANS.

Clarksburg, W. Va. Nov. 6.—Two plans for a state-wide primary are before the West Virginia Republican State Central Committee for consideration at today's meeting. One scheme makes the magisterial district the unit, to be followed by a State convention where the nominations are to be ratified. Other members believe the State unit plan, without a convention, is more popular with the rank and file of the party. There will also be some discussion as to whether the committee should include in the primary the office of United States Senator. Following the definite action of the committee on the primary question, the candidates for the Republican nominations for governor and other State offices are expected to announce themselves.

Col. C. C. Rambo an wife are here from their home in Sweetwater, Texas. Col. Rambo was engaged in the lumber business at Roscoe twenty years ago and has the distinction of supplying the material used in erecting the first houses there. He has visited this place at intervals for several years, but says he can hardly realize the wonderful improvements which have been made here during the last two years.

Our genial Postmaster, M. B. Howard received a fine Buff Orpington cockerell from Memphis, Tenn., yesterday. The fowl is one of the prettiest birds ever seen here and some of Mr. Howard's neighbors say that he sat up all night with the rooster and it was even said that the postmaster dined from his usual religious duties yesterday because of the great interest taken in his new purchase. Mr. Howard is getting ready for the big poultry exhibit to be held here December 4 to 5. Get the Reporter habit.

## SURGEONS HOLD MEETING.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 6.—Hundreds of the foremost surgeons of the United States and Canada are gathering in Philadelphia today for the second annual meeting of the Clinical Congress of Surgeons of North America. The convention will be formally opened to-morrow.

J. B. Snell, a former citizen of Sweetwater, but now located at Walnut Springs, Texas, was in the city Saturday. Rumor has it that Mr. Snell will soon be numbered among the citizens of Sweetwater again.

All the good things are headed toward Sweetwater, even the showers, which are falling slowly and gently, as if Jupiter Pluvius were loath to leave so fair a territory.

## DYNAMITE CASE.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 6.—Uncle Sam has taken a hand in the investigation of the McNamara dynamiting case and some sensational testimony may be expected as the federal grand jury will begin its inquiry tomorrow. Frank P. Baker, county prosecutor, has been served with subpoena to appear before the jury tomorrow and bring with him all the evidence seized in a raid on the offices here of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers at the

## Miss Baxter Entertains.

Miss Eula Baxter had as her guests yesterday Miss Jesse Lou Everett and Messrs Ayres and McDonald of Blackwell. In addition to her out of town guests Miss Baxter had for dinner Misses Caperton and George and Mr. Leon Maner.

The boys suit special sale will be continued through this week. This is for the benefit of some who didn't get to come in Saturday.

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Mayor T. B. Sharp informed a representative of the Reporter this morning that the equipment necessary to put the big street sweeper in running order arrived this morning and that the machine will be put in operation on the streets of Sweetwater tomorrow morning.

Mrs. H. M. Delker of San Angelo and other friends in the city.

L. L. Medlock, a druggist of Roscoe, was transacting business in the city this morning.

V. C. Coffee, the engineer who laid off the Santa Fe's great system of yards and terminals here, arrived in the city this morning and will probably be here for several days.

The Texas and Pacific waiting room was treated to a thorough scrubbing and cleaning Saturday evening which adds much to the comfort of the great throngs of people that are congregating in the depot daily and is another evidence of the railroad company's disposition to make its local service the very best.

Mr. E. B. Bynum, president of the First State Bank of Abilene, was in the city Saturday night en route to Abilene. This was Mr. Bynum's first visit to the city for several months, and he expresses much surprise at the great amount of improvement and growth in the city since his last visit here. "I have never known a town to make such rapid and substantial growth in such a short time," said Mr. Bynum.

F. L. DeWitt of Dallas, Western salesman for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company of Texas, was in the city today on business for his firm.

Joe Shapiro, one of the proprietors of the Model, received a telegram from Galveston early yesterday announcing the arrival of a fine boy at their home. Naturally the father is overjoyed and if any of the customers of that store should secure fine dress goods and clothing at about half the cost today they may readily under-

# BISHOP ATKINS DELIVERS ADDRESS

PROMINENT MINISTERS SPEAK AT METHODIST.

Dr. Rankin and Dr. Boaz Make Short Addresses.—Many Visitors Present.

The Methodist church was crowded last evening to hear Bishop James Atkins, who presided over the sessions of the Northwest Texas conference at Plainview. Bishop Atkins' address was one of the strongest pulpit discourses ever delivered in this city.

Following the sermon by Bishop Atkins, in response to the request of the congregation present, Dr. George C. Rankin delivered a short address in the course of which he made the prediction that in five years the liquor interests would be driven from the control of State affairs and that Texas would be safe in the dry column.

Dr. H. A. Boaz, the vice president of the Southern Methodist University which is being built at Dallas, who was next introduced, spoke briefly of the history of the founding of the institution, outlining the plans for its completion, and emphasizing the necessity of securing a strong endowment for the university. The campaign that is now being inaugurated to secure adequate endowment will, he stated, be energetically pushed forward to a successful conclusion.

A large number of the preachers en route home from the conference were present at the service last night.

In assuming the editorial management of The Reporter, the present editor realizes keenly the responsibilities and duties incident to his position. While the paper is a private property and business enterprise, it is, at the same time, an institution of the city of Sweetwater and the surrounding country; and the editor is in a large sense a public servant, answerable to the bar of public opinion and judgment for the conduct of his office. In the evolution of modern journalism, the editor of the daily paper has come to occupy a unique place. He is, if he fills his position, a leader in the civic and social and industrial organization. These duties devolve upon him in addition to that of gathering and disseminating the news.

To approximate as nearly as possible the fulfillment of the mission of the daily paper in its best sense is the wish and purpose of The Reporter. To place before the people of Sweetwater the daily news, fresh, readable, and fit; to stand always for whatever is to the best interests of Sweetwater and the Sweetwater country, in politics, religion, education, and industry; to assist in the development of Sweetwater and West Texas along proper lines, is the object of The Reporter. In its endeavor to accomplish these objects it will not be permitted to become the "organ" of any party or faction. It shall stand as an independent force for the upbuilding and service of this town and country, answerable only to the people whom it seeks to serve.

While it shall aim at independence in its policy The Reporter shall at all times be ready to cooperate with any agency or force that has the same objects or similar ones in view. The development of the resources and the bringing about the growth of Sweetwater, the metropolis of West Texas, is not the work of one man or set of men; of one agency or one institution, but it is the work of all the forces of the

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city and country. To assist in this work is the business of The Reporter.

That it may be a success along the lines outlined above it is essential that The Reporter succeed in financial strength and independence is a prerequisite to usefulness in the newspaper business, as well as in any other. And The Reporter while endeavoring to be of service to the city and community will endeavor not to forget this fact. The paper will be conducted on sound business principles. Cost of production and a reasonable profit will be the basis of The Reporter's selling policy, just as it is every successful business. And The Reporter aims at success.

On this platform The Reporter announces itself a candidate for the favor of the people of this city; on this platform The Reporter will succeed or fail; on this platform The Reporter proposes to stand pat. The Reporter is not a platform-jumper.

In Mexico City this morning about 11 o'clock, President de la Barra will hand back to the Mexican nation the government that was entrusted to his keeping with the resignation and exile of General Porfirio Diaz, and the provisional president will pass out of power with the consciousness of duty well performed. That he has made errors during his incumbency of the office is but natural, from the fact that he was but human, but it can be said to his credit that wisdom and statesmanship were both characteristic of his brief administration, and the probabilities are that de la Barra's services to his people are not yet ended.—El Paso Herald.

## NEW BOOKS AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Public Library will be open promptly Friday at three o'clock. Two of the Saturday club ladies will be there to give out the books.

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- "Common Law,"—Robt. Chambers,
- "Inside the Cup,"—Winston Churchill,
- "Lewis Rand,"—Mary Johnston,
- "My Lady of Doubt,"—Randall Parish.

# ASKS PEOPLE TO FIGHT HOOK WORM

By Associated Press. Austin, Texas, Nov. 7.—State Health officer Steiner issues a statement today calling upon all good citizens of the State to assist in a fight against the hook worm. Mr. Steiner believes that such a campaign will help free the soil from disease pollution, such as typhoid germs.

# Sweetwater Reporter

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## A WORD IN PASSING.

Having disposed of my interest in The Reporter to Mr. L. W. Rogers, late of Galveston, I feel that I would be ungrateful indeed, did I not make use of this opportunity to thank the friends and patrons of the paper who have so generously extended to it their patronage during the time that I have been associated with The Reporter in the capacity of editor. Sweetwater and Nolan county have made wonderful changes and substantial progress. While we are not so egotistical as to claim that The Reporter is responsible for all the improvements and changes for the better, we are conscientious in believing that the paper has had at least a share in the good work.

That the paper has contributed toward the upbuilding of Sweetwater at least to a degree, we believe all fair minded men are ready to concede. The paper has not neglected to champion each and every move or proposition that the management believed to be for the best interests of Sweetwater and Nolan county. While the management has done this through the columns of the paper giving their space freely, the proprietors have not with held help of a financial character to all propositions that had in view the advancement of the city's interests, where it was at all possible for them to extend such assistance. An illustration of this fact, during the last four years the management have contributed in bonuses or stock and amount approximately one thousand dollars to aid in propositions that had for their object a greater and a better city of Sweetwater, when we must confess in the majority of cases the newspaper man only contributes of his space.

The writer firmly believes the greatest asset that any town or community can possibly possess lies in the integrity and quality of its citizenship. The paper has endeavored to stand squarely for good morals and following out that policy the management have attempted to conduct a clean, newsy paper that might be a welcome guest to every home. If in this respect we have in a measure failed, the mistake was honestly made.

In conclusion, the writer truly and confidently expects to see Sweetwater become the big city of all West Texas. The Reporter will continue to grow in usefulness very largely in the same ratio that patronage is extended to it. A daily paper can no more be operated successfully without a propelling power. Sweetwater needs and must have a live daily newspaper, but such cannot be had unless it receives the proper support. So if you who are not extending to it any financial support in any way ever feel disposed to criticize the paper, try calling around to the manager's desk and not only plank down the cash for your own subscription, but send the paper to a friend elsewhere. With such a policy adopted the paper will go forth to fill its full mission of usefulness.

The paper under the management of Messrs. Millsaps and Rogers will be in safe hands. In fact, J. W. Millsaps who has been with The Reporter for these many years has had more successful experience in the printing office than any other man in this country no older than himself. Mr. Rogers, the new member of the firm and who has had some very successful experience with the Galveston News and other papers and comes recommended as a gentleman of very best character. Under their management the paper will confidently expect to see the paper grow in usefulness and power.

It is with a feeling of regret and sorrow that the writer severs his connection with the paper, but for good reasons that is of concern only to himself this course has been decided

upon. Again thanking all who have in any way assisted or shown a friendly spirit toward the work in which I have been engaged since coming to the city. Very respectfully,  
W. A. FEATHERS

Douglas, Arizona, following the suggestions of the El Paso Herald in this paper's long and persistent campaign for street curb parking, is taking up the movement in earnest. The secretary of the chamber of commerce of the Smelter city, understanding the great benefits of the parking system, is urging that all north and south streets be parked save in the business section. The streets of Douglas are 70 feet between building lines, like El Paso's. The Douglas plan is the same as that inaugurated here, calling for a thirty foot paved driveway, and on each side a fourteen foot walk. The secretary of commerce calls attention to the fact that this plan will greatly reduce the cost of maintaining streets, and almost entirely do away with the dust nuisance, while making the streets of Douglas much more attractive and pleasant to look at and to live in.—El Paso Herald.

## Make Record Run.

A fire alarm was turned in late yesterday evening from North 5th street and within about three minutes the Volunteer Fire Department was on hand with the water. As the fire was five blocks from the station, the department made an exceptionally fine record in reaching the scene in such a short time.

## Has Cotton Plan.

President Overton of the Sweetwater Commercial Club states that he has a cotton plan which he thinks will prove effective in keeping the price of the fleecy staple up to the twelve cent mark. President Overton says that his plan is "comprehensive, feasible, and is not copyrighted." and he proposes to give it to the daily press of the state in the near future.

## Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record in the office of county clerk Simon O'Keefe Monday:

C. A. Lanins to Dallas Scarborough, 1360 acres of land, Texas and Pacific survey; \$4000.

C. L. Rucker et ux to Continental State Bank of Hamlin et al part of blocks 58 and 55, city of Sweetwater; \$2500.

R. S. Douglas to D. Brown, lot 16, block 16, lot 6, block 7, and an undivided one-half interest in lot 8, block 17, Mineral Wells addition; and certain acreage in sections 229 and 267; \$800.

## DISTRICT COURT.

The case of S. M. Lipscomb vs M. K. C. & O. Ry. Co., was postponed yesterday until Oct. 20 on account of the illness of the plaintiff.

The case of J. A. J. Bradford vs O. L. Wilkerson et al, suit for possession of certain notes, is now on trial before the following jury: Joe H. Davis, J. W. Heron, J. W. Gipson, Asa Chappel, R. R. Boatright, A. C. Harris, H. F. Armstrong, M. G. Blackman, Glen Bardwell, G. M. Freeman, H. S. Hooks.

Two of the most significant things on exhibition at the Dallas fair were a machine that picks cotton at the rate of one acre an hour, and an exhibition showing that a young member of the Boys' Corn Club had raised 114 bushels of corn on one acre. The time is coming when the soil will be made to produce double what it does now and cotton will be

S. M. Farmer of Miles was in the city this morning en route to Western points in Pecos county.

"All the roads lead to Sweetwater" will soon be as true as was the often quoted statement that Rome was the great crossroads of a former age. With the prospects looming large for two more roads into Sweetwater the people here have every cause to feel very sanguine of the future, but they have no cause to let up for one moment in their efforts to bring things to pass. In fact such knowledge should only prove a stimulus to increased activity on the part of the commercial club and the various organized agencies for the advancement of the interests of this city. All things come to him who waits is only true when he doesn't wait too long. There is such a thing as the "things" going on by while one is waiting. United Persistent effort on the part of the entire citizenship is all that is necessary to make Sweetwater the metropolis of this section of the State.

The Confederate historical societies were wise in having the scenes of the Little Rock reunion photographed. These films are perfect. They show the surviving generals and men in gray. Soon they will pass from the active stage of life to join their comrades on the other side, but the films remain for generations. They will be valuable historical records and should be treasured for our sons and grandsons and their sons and grandsons. This great picture will be shown at the Lyric Monday night.

The grocery stock of M. Wilkerson and Bros. was purchased by C. W. Bacon.

## MRS. GATES WEDS.

New York, Nov. 8.—According to reports from reliable sources, Mrs. Charles G. Gates, who secured a divorce last May from the son and daughter of the late John D. Rockefeller, will be married within a few days to A. C. Miglietta, assistant secretary of the Texas Oil Company, one of the Gates properties. The prospective bridegroom of the fair grass widow is well known in financial and club circles. The wedding is expected to take place quietly within a week at Mrs. Gate's apartments at Seventy-sixth street and Park avenue, only the immediate relatives and close friends of the couple being invited.

Mrs. Gates was Miss Mary W. Martin of St. Louis. When her mother married a second time the daughter took the name of her stepfather, Edgar. She married Charles G. Gates in 1897, and for thirteen years the couple were apparently happy and perfectly satisfied with each other.

Last spring the papers were filled with accounts of Charles Gate's record smashing trip across the continent in a special train. It was at first thought that he made the flying trip to secure the services of New York surgeons in the treatment of injuries he had received while motoring, but it later developed that he had hastened to plead with his wife not to bring suit for divorce.

Mrs. Gates refused a reconciliation and last May Justice Gerard granted her a degree on statutory grounds. A few weeks after the divorce an announcement was made of Gate's engagement to Florence Elizabeth Hopwood of Minneapolis. They were married September 27th at Uniontown, Pa.

## FOUR JURORS SELECTED.

Full Jury Box May Be Selected in McNamara Trial by The Middle of December.

By The Associated Press.

Los Angeles, Nov. 8.—Four full fledged jurors immune from challenges or future elimination unless they fall ill are now on the McNamara jury. Prospects are now that a jury can be secured by the middle of December.

## CONFEDERATE DAUGHTERS.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 8.—Several hundred delegates, representing the 65,000 members of the Daughters of the Confederacy scattered throughout the Union, were present when the eighteenth annual national convention began its business session this morning. The meeting will continue tomorrow, Friday and Saturday and there will be several social events under the auspices of the Richmond chapter.

The meeting in the old capital of the Confederacy this year is a noteworthy one, since it was a half-century ago that the conflict between the North and South began. All of the bitterness engendered by that struggle is forgotten by the Daughters of the Confederacy, who have as their patriotic purpose the honoring of the Southern soldiers by monuments and other memorials.

Baltimore has extended an invitation for the holding of the 1912 session in that city and the Daughters may imitate the strategy of General Lee and make a dash across the Potomac. Several other cities have also entered the lists for the next year's convention.

## KANSAS MAY BE WET.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 8.—As the result of a statewide movement already inaugurated, an attempt will be made to induce the voters of Kansas to elect a legislature favorable to the resubmission of the prohibitory question in the general election a year hence, November, 1912.

For many years several cities of Kansas, notably Wichita, Pittsburg and Leavenworth, had open saloons in spite of the prohibitory law. Recent attempts on the part of the state authorities to enforce the dry regime in those cities have resulted in a general movement for the resubmission to the vote of the people of the whole prohibition question. It is understood that the brewers will finance the campaign of the wets. In case the matter comes to an issue, the larger cities and industrial centers will probably vote for saloons, while the agricultural sections will favor the continuation of the dry laws.

The city of Banham has disposed of a bond issue of \$130,000 and will begin at once on street paving.

New York, Nov. 8.—If Knockout Brown, the young man of this town who put it over Ad Wolgast, lightweight champion of the world, in two encounters, fights true to form, it will be back to the fish market for Joe Bedell, the pride of Williamsburg, after tonight's ten round encounter at the Royale A. C. Brooklyn.

Bedell is the president of the Fish Dealers' Union and his fellow members will attend in a body. The fish man will tip the scales at 135 pounds at 6 o'clock this evening. While he is not the most dangerous man in the world, the pugilist dealer in sea food is tough enough to make anybody hustle to down him and Brown is not taking any chances. He has been training valiantly at Savin Rock, Conn., and says he is in the pink of condition. His left hand, which was injured so that he had to carry it in a plaster cast for three weeks, is now in good shape. The left hand doesn't make much difference to Brown, anyway, as the Dutchman always drops his man with his good right.

"Der left handt, vat good is id?" asks Brown. "Id is only in mein way."

## RAIN AT HOUSTON.

By Associated Press.  
Houston, Texas, Nov. 8.—A heavy rain fell here last night.

It is reported that Pecos will soon hold an election to vote \$30,000 sewer bonds.

Houston Heights recently voted an issuance of \$180,000 permanent paving bonds.

## Local and Personal

W. Kimbrough, Jr., went to Lorraine this morning.

Mr. Henry Davis left this morning for Roby for a visit to friends.

Mr. Metz, agent for the Santa Fe at this point, returned last night from a visit to Goldwaithe.

W. L. Simons of Novice, Texas, was a business visitor in the city this morning.

R. E. Boswell, train master on the Texas and Pacific, with headquarters at Big Springs, was in the city this morning.

On account of a part of the equipment for the new street sweeper not having arrived a delay of another week in putting the big machine in operation has been occasioned.

The regular monthly meeting of the Retail Merchants' Association was held last night at the office of the Secretary. The meeting was well attended and several matters of interest came up for consideration. The Association is becoming more popular every day not only with our home merchants but over the entire State. At the close of the meeting the members were invited to lunch and cigars which were enjoyed by all present.

Miss Clark left this morning for Hamlin where she will reside in the future; the North Highland Traction company having decided to consolidate the branch here with the one in Hamlin.

County Judge Ford has received notice from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction that the school supplies, which the teachers of the county have been needing for some time, have been sent out and should arrive soon.

Edward Owers, State Superintendent of Sunday schools in the Christian church with headquarters at Dallas, will be in the city next Sunday and will deliver two addresses at the Christian church.

Rev. J. E. Stevens, pastor of the Methodist church at Hamlin, and a brother-in-law of Mrs. Gussie Caperton was in the city yesterday and spent last night here.

Rev. Simeon Shaw was assigned at the recent session of the Northwest Texas Conference to the new Sweetwater district as presiding elder. Rev. Shaw states that he will move his family here at once. As the family consists of eleven members this will mean a very substantial increase to the Sweetwater population.

Mr. H. M. Rogers' cottage in the South part of the city is nearing completion. The painting, papering, etc., is being done now. When completed the cottage will be modern in every respect and will be a substantial addition to that section of the city.

Sheriff Coughlan of Colorado is here as a witness in the Ed Glover case on trial in the district court.

The local Texas and Pacific office force has been increased by the addition of another messenger boy.

Mr. L. H. Sloneker and wife, of Plainview, are in the city on a visit, guests of Sheriff Bond and family.

Sheriff Bond returned from Brownwood yesterday afternoon where he went to take charge of a man wanted here on a charge of gambling.

Eighteen hundred head of cattle were received, dipped and loaded out yesterday by the Texas and Pacific. The stock came from the ranch of W. H. Reynolds of Albany, Texas and were shipped to Kent, Texas.

Mr. J. P. Mann, a representative of the Western Union Telegraph Company is now in the city. The telegraph company has in view the establishment of an up-town office in Sweetwater and Mr. Mann is now trying to make suitable arrangements for a location for the office.

Hon. George T. Wilson starts tonight for the Guadalupe mountains for a hunt. He will be joined at Colorado by his brother.

Mr. L. J. Mashburn is now employed with the Model. Mr. Mashburn has been in business in Sweetwater for a long time and is well known in business circles. His connection with this popular young firm should prove advantageous to all concerned.

Miss Clark, manager of the Moich Highland Traction Company returned yesterday from Hamlin.

Mrs. Reavis O'Neal, of Huntsville, Alabama, is visiting her husband, linotype operator on The Reporter.

## \$110,000 For Improvements.

The Sweetwater Oil Mill after being thoroughly overhauled, and with the addition of a great deal of new equipment, is to resume operations in a few days. The manager, Mr. J. F. Newman, today telegraphed the money to Dublin to pay the transportation of a large number of laborers to this point. As soon as the necessary labor can be secured work will begin in full blast. \$110,000 has been expended since last season in putting the plant in readiness for business. The mammoth seed house in connection with the plant is fairly bulging with seed and a long string of cars is on the tracks waiting to be unloaded.

The Sweetwater Volunteer Fire Department met last evening at the fire station. Only routine matters were considered. An early adjournment was had in order to enable the members to see the pictures of the Little Rock reunion shown at the Lyric, the members of the band being interested in seeing again the stirring scenes of that great meeting. The officers of the department for the present term are: H. M. Rogers, president, R. M. Wilkerson, chief; and D. L. Childress, sec'y.

## CREATE NEW DISTRICT. Sweetwater's Importance Is Recognized by Northwest Texas Conference at Plainview.

Recognizing the growing importance of Sweetwater and the country contiguous to this city the Northwest Texas Conference, which adjourned its sessions at Plainview yesterday, created a new district known as the Sweetwater district and assigned to it, as the first presiding elder, Rev. Simeon Shaw.

The appointments for the Sweetwater district are as follows: Simeon Shaw, presiding elder; Blackwell, C. C. Wright; Camp Springs, I. N. Anderson; Colorado Station, W. E. Lyon; Colorado mission, W. C. Hart; Dunn, W. E. Caperton; Fluvanna, J. D. May; Hernleigh, C. E. Jameson; Hylton, J. M. Slatton; Lorainé, J. W. Smith; Rosby, T. W. Sharp; Roscoe, M. W. Clark; Snyder Station, J. W. Hunt; Snyder mission, G. M. Gaddis; Sweetwater station, A. M. Martin; Sweetwater mission, J. C. Moore; Westbrook, M. D. Hill; missionary to Cuba, J. F. Caperton.



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### PERSONALS

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Miss Eulah Baxter returned this morning from a short visit to friends in San Angelo.

Miss Jessie Lou Everetts of Blackwell arrived this morning to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Silas George in the city.

J. L. Ross, the popular cashier of the Blackwell State Bank is a business visitor to the city today. In speaking of the cotton crop in the Blackwell country, he said the gins had ginned near two thousand bales and he estimated the amount that would be marketed there at about three thousand bales.

L. J. Mashburn and R. M. Wilkinson are assisting in the sales department of the Hodel. This firm is engaging a splendid business and grows more popular with the public as the days go by.

Miss May Allen, returned to Eskota this morning after a few days visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bright in the city.

Mrs. Lynch went over to Eskota this morning to visit relatives.

S. M. Johnston, the undertaker and marble dealer went over to Loraine this morning on business.

Rev. J. C. Burkett, of Midland, but who has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist Church in this city arrived this morning and will preach here tomorrow morning and night.

Large crowds were in attendance from all over the surrounding country.

A. A. Elliott and family went over to Hamlin today to spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. H. H. Allen of San Angelo arrived this morning to visit friends in the city.

Mrs. J. D. Tullis went over to Hamlin this morning to return with Mrs. Georgia Sargent of Kansas City. Mrs. Sargent is Grand President of the L. S. B. of L. F. E.

Wm. Kimbrough went over to Sylvester this morning on business.

Mrs. J. L. Mowrey returned to Hamlin today after a few days visit with relatives here.

Mrs. Hains and little daughter, Pearl, went to Roby this morning to visit relatives.

Miss Clark, the efficient manager of the North Highland Traction Co., of this city went to Hamlin this morning to spend Sunday with friends.

A. E. Withers of Bryan was here today enroute to Hamlin. He took time to look over the city while here and said "Sweetwater looked mighty good to him."

Mr. C. A. Clayton has arrived in the city with his family and will henceforth be a full-fledged citizen of Sweetwater. Mr. Clayton has been in the city on several different occasions and has invested in Sweetwater property. He will begin at once to erect a nice residence on Oak street.

A \$25,000 light and ice plant, a \$10,000 hotel and a \$15,000 depot and a new brick city hall and fire station and several substantial stores and residences, are not a bad showing for a town the size of Baird, in a single year.

### MORE ABOUT THE RIGHT-OF-WAY MATTER

To The Reporter:  
I have noted with interest all you say in yesterday's Reporter relative to the offer of the Santa Fe to loan the money necessary to close up all right of way contracts, according to the agreement entered into with that road when it first proposed coming to Sweetwater.

What you say is all true but there are some further facts that should be stated in the same connection for the benefit especially of those individual subscribers to the fund subscribed to procure the right of way, terminal grounds etc., otherwise what you say may be misunderstood.

You do not show the occasion or necessity for this loan by the Santa Fe.

It is simply and solely because some of the subscribers to the above mentioned fund have failed to pay the amount subscribed by them. There is enough due from this source to nearly if not quite clean up the right of way business, if it can be collected.

Much of this money can and will be collected, and in the meeting mentioned by you this unpaid subscription list was carefully gone over and discussed by those present and it was largely on the faith that those subscribers to the fund in question would pay their subscriptions, that those present were willing to execute the note to get money now to close up the right of way matters for the Santa Fe.

The Santa Fe people have been always as courteous and obliging as possible, and have been courteously insisting for some months that these right of way matters be closed. They finally told us they must be closed up. Without further delay we could not close them up unless those owning their subscriptions paid up, and understanding this situation, the Santa Fe people came to our rescue by proposing to deposit in bank for six months without interest, the money to finish up all right of way matters, with the understanding that certain citizens of Sweetwater should make a note and borrow it from the bank, thus giving additional time within which to collect subscriptions.

Boiled down the arrangement in question releases no man from paying his subscription where it remains unpaid for any amount, but on the other hand makes it all the more necessary that such unpaid subscriptions be paid without unnecessary delay. And to this end the signers of the note in question and the right of way committee instructed me to take steps at once to file suit against all persons owing unpaid balances or amounts on subscriptions made in Sweetwater during the past two years, who refuse to pay or adjust their subscriptions in a satisfactory manner.

The books and papers kept carefully by the right of way committee are subject to the closest scrutiny of any citizen at any time.

The committee has worked faithfully in this work; has expended about \$24,000 for the purposes in view and there remains still due on an unfinished right of way about the amount of the unpaid subscriptions in question.

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### Consider it a Success.

Mr. J. A. J. Bradford commenting on the Reporter's big Prosperity and Progress edition, said: "The issue is in every way a credit to Sweetwater and will no doubt, be of great benefit to the city in putting its resources and opportunities before the people of other sections of the State. I consider it a success in every respect. The only criticism that I can think of is that all the business men and all the institutions of the town are not represented."

### LOOK CANDIDATES OVER.

While the politicians are "warming" up and before the excitement of the race obscures the view of the issues involved the people of West Texas should avail themselves of this opportunity to look the entries over and determine what the success of the various candidates promises for this section. So far as The Reporter can judge in this particular there is little difference whether we back the one or the other. The voluminous announcements of the views of the various aspirants for public office deal almost exclusively with generalities, except in the case of the prohibition question. Well, if they do not think it best to put all the "stuff" they have on the ball during the warming up practice, the Reporter will assume that they know their business best; but we want to put them on notice that when they make their appearance on the western diamonds they will be expected to show all their curves and speed. Sweetwater and West Texas fans will be curious to know whose

arm is able to put 'em over the West Texas plate from the Austin rubber. Heretofore the Austin pitchers have found it difficult, it seems, to locate the pan in this climate and most of their choicest offerings have gone in other directions. Of course, no fault can be found with the stars of the political league on that account. They simply discovered after the contracts were signed up that the climatic conditions of West Texas were conducive to glass arms and charley-horses. So it is up to the fans of this section to determine in advance of the opening of the season whether any of the candidates can deliver the goods this far west of the lower Brazos.

### DISTRICT COURT.

District James L. Shepherd, Judge.

Myrtle Frye vs Dan Frye, divorce; decree of dissolution of bonds of matrimony and the care and custody of her child, Clifford Frye, awarded the plaintiff.

### MARRIED.

Mr. A. W. Living of Kent County and Mrs. Wann, formerly of Arkansas were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at the County Clerk's office this afternoon. Judge John J. Ford officiated in his usual pleasing manner.

The groom is a ranchman of the county and came over yesterday to meet his intended bride.

E. H. Stubblefield, late of Slayton, has accepted a position with the Santa Fe Railway Company at this place and is moving his family here. Mr. Stubblefield is an excellent gentleman and the Reporter man has known him for many years. He will receive a hearty welcome in the city.

### TO GET HEARING SOON.

State Railroad Commission Will Probably Take Up Orient Depot Matter Soon.

Renewed efforts are being made by the Sweetwater Commercial Club to have the matter of securing a hearing before the State Railroad Commission in regard to the Orient depot question in this city, according to the statement made by Secretary M. A. Musgrove this morning. Mr. Musgrove stated that he is in correspondence with the commission now and the prospects are favorable for a hearing in the near future.

### POPULATION OF 10,000 IN THREE YEARS

Henry H. Bruning of Norwood, Ohio, representing one of the largest shoe manufacturing houses in the country, is registered at the Grogan. Commenting on the big special edition of The Reporter, Mr. Bruning said that it is in his opinion one of the best he has ever seen. It advertises the resources of Sweetwater and the Sweetwater country in a very attractive way," remarked Mr. Bruning.

"In my opinion," said Mr. Bruning, "Sweetwater is bound to make the leading city of West Texas. There is plenty of good agricultural lands here that can be depended upon to produce a good variety of crops; it has already been demonstrated that fruit can be raised successfully and cotton is a success; the merchants are wide-awake, live business men; the Santa Fe shops located here will turn loose enough cash every month to put business on a good, sound basis, and the railroad facilities will bring other industries to this city."

"This city has a very bright future before it, as I see it, and I am not alone in this opinion, by any means. All the traveling men who make this territory consider Sweetwater the coming city of the West. I think that ten thousand is a very conservative estimate of Sweetwater's population three years from now. It has the railroad facilities to make a good town now, and the probability is that this is only a beginning. The development of West Texas has only begun. With the start this city has she should easily distance all her rivals."

Sweetwater has reason to be proud of her hotel facilities. I consider that the best hotel in West Texas is located right here in Sweetwater.

### SNOW IN SWEETWATER THIS MORNING

But it was imported from the north on the roof of a line of Orient freight cars that came in early before sun-up from the blizzard bound north.

### Will be a Candidate.

A Reporter representative interviewed the Hon. W. W. Kirk of this city this morning relative to his reported candidacy for the office of District Attorney in the next election. He stated that he had definitely decided to enter the race and at the proper time would make his announcement through the papers. Judge Kirk expressed himself as being delighted with the encouragement he has received from people in various parts of



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The district court for Saturday is boys' day at Con-

One fourth or 25 per cent off on all boys' clothing and overcoats. If the boy needs a suit don't miss it.

### VICE ROY SUICIDES.

By Associated Press.  
Nankiang, Nov. 7.—The Vice Roy of this city suicided last night.



# Sweetwater

# Reporter.

Progress and Prosperity Edition. Second Section

## Railroad Facilities.

### Sweetwater, the Natural Railroad and Commercial Center of West Texas.

The Market Places of the World Brought Directly to our Doors, Offering Every Advantage to Manufacturers, Jobbers and Farmers.

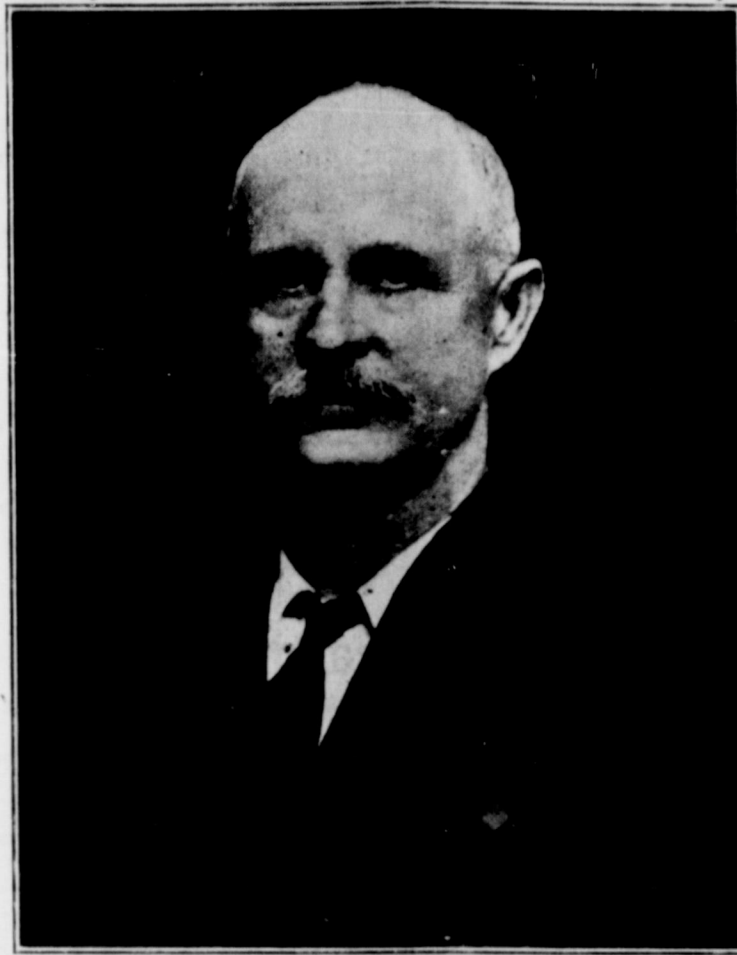
That Sweetwater has the unchallenged right to its claims of being the railroad center and natural distributing point of West Texas is an undeniable fact from the fact that it has three of the most important trunk lines centering here that ramify this whole section of the country.

The T. & P. to El Paso and its direct connections to the west coast and Old Mexico, and to Fort Worth, Dallas, St. Louis and the Eastern centers. The Santa Fe to Kansas City, Chicago and the many Northwest points and territory that it covers like a net and on to the West Coast and intermediate territory and to Beaumont, Galveston and New Orleans with direct connection with wa-

the direct transportation and owing to the fact that they do not have to be transferred at various points they always reach the destination in the best of condition.

The Santa Fe System realizes the importance of Sweetwater's natural location and have on the strength of it made it their most important point in this whole section and are now installing their division point with its shops, round house and improvements that will aggregate over \$1,000,000 in cost of construction. The Kansas City, Mexico & Orient have established their headquarters for Texas at this place and their general offices are a decided advantage to our city.

The railroad companies show



T. B. THARPE, MAYOR OF SWEETWATER

ter is in itself a convincing indication that its natural point of vantage is decidedly in its favor.

There are already seven wholesale houses, all doing a flourishing business, that have foreseen the natural advantages of Sweetwater as a distributing point and there is room for many more, not only in the lines already represented, but in many important lines of trade that could ship their supplies from this point through a territory that is filled with consumers of their various commodities in large quantities.

With the future extensions of railroad lines that are now being seriously contemplated, the Sweetwater district has facilities that should attract the attention of every department of business whose promoters are anxious to get in close touch with the unlimited trade territory of which Sweetwater is the natural center and base of supplies, and those that take time by the forelock by establishing themselves in the field are the ones that will reap the benefit of the wonderful increase that is certain to ensue.

No city in the country extends more encouragement to investors or home seekers than Sweetwater.

Keep boosting for your town.

### MR. JOHN W. OVERTON.

#### President Commercial Club.

The Commercial Club of Sweetwater is a business institution devoting its energies largely to the work of local development. The organization has a large membership in respect to the population and includes all classes, professions, business lines and salaried men. Prominent among which is Dr. John W. Overton, President of this club and a well known local physician. Dr. Overton is an enthusiastic worker for the best interests of his chosen city and since his election as president has done much good. The Commercial Club has its offices over the Thomas Tramel Company Banking house where it occupies spacious quarters. Since coming to Sweetwater Dr. Overton has taken a deep interest in the city's development and is looked upon as one of the best and most thoroughly conscientious citizens in this part of Texas. He is physician in charge of the Santa Fe Railway System at this point and also enjoys a large local practice, but his lobby is the Sweetwater district and what it has to offer to the outside world in the way of homes and business locations or as an investment locality. He believes the Sweetwater district is a veritable empire within itself and wants the world to know it.

### JOHN H. COCHRAN, JR.

The subject of this sketch, John H. Cochran, Jr., needs no introduction to the people of the Sweetwater country, as he has been one of Sweetwater's leading business men for the last several years—in fact, ever since he reached manhood. When quite a youth, he engaged in the fire insurance business, and in a very short time, his enterprising, energetic efforts brought him the best line of fire insurance then to be had in this town. Energy will always bring results. This is the secret of this young man's success. He is never to be seen idling his time away. You will always find him trying to do something. When he was barely of age, he was admitted to practice law in this county, and has been engaged in that business, along with his fire insurance business, ever since. He is now, and has been for about two years, assistant county attorney of Nolan county and those who are acquainted with the work of that office know how well he has looked after it. He knows no favorites when it comes to a performance of an official duty, though he loves his friends with an ardor that is almost passionate. If Mr. Cochran has one trait that predominates over another, it is his pride in an honorable name. His father, John H. Cochran, Sr., was for many years the representative in the Legislature from Dallas county, and served in the capacity of Speaker of the House, and his rulings while occupying

are still referred to by the Legislators in the Legislature, as authority. Later on he moved to Nolan county, and served several years as county judge. It is rumored that John H. Jr., will be a candidate for that position next year, and if he is, and the people elect him, every one who knows him knows that Nolan county would have one of the most popular and efficient county judges in the State.

R. A. Musgrove, Secretary of the Sweetwater Commercial Club is here to furnish information wanted. A card or letter to him will bring it to you.

A \$60,000 oil mill with a daily capacity of eighty tons per day is a large enterprise for any community. Sweetwater has it.

Sweetwater has many inducements for the homeseekers.

## The American Presbyterian Church

The Central Presbyterian Church of Sweetwater is located at the intersection of Pine and North 2nd streets and is a part of that denomination generally known as American Presbyterian church.

This congregation is composed of good and substantial families, is in good, healthy spiritual condition and enjoying a steady growth.

Rev. J. M. Youree, the pastor, is employed on full time and is giving that time unselfishly to his pastoral duties with telling effect.

The Sunday School of this congregation just about equals the membership of the church, is using the graded literature, and under the superintendency of Mr. Ben Anthony, ably assisted by all his co-laborers is making most satisfactory progress.

The church is giving careful at-



REV. J. M. YOUREE.

ention to all the auxiliary enterprises of the denomination to the end that the Ladies Aid and Missionary societies are very active in their special lines of endeavor.

The executive board of this congregation is as follows: Board of Elders, Rev. J. M. Youree, Moderator, J. H. Beall, S. D. Myers, R. D. Cox, B. L. McDonald, H. C. Lane, Deacons; E. E. Bomar, R. D. Moxley, T. B. Tharpe, D. C. Marbut, Ben Anthony and C. A. Wade; J. E. Barriek, clerk of Session.

Services every Sabbath morning and evening, Sabbath school each sabbath morning at 9.45. Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings.

The perfect school system of Sweetwater should prove a drawing card to those who have a family to educate.

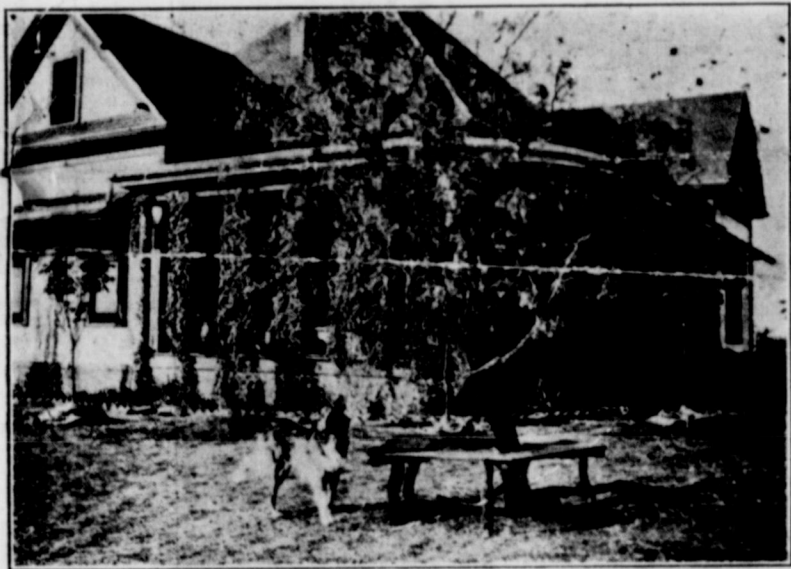
Public improvement bond issue of \$25,000 passed unanimously, with the exception of fifteen votes. This shows the spirit of Sweetwater's Citizens.

Low tax rates make Sweetwater a desirable place for investment.

The financial institutions of Sweetwater are among the soundest and most substantial in the whole Southwest.

A water supply that is inexhaustible and sufficient for the needs of a city of 100,000 population at Sweetwater.

Your public spiritedness should call for constant effort.



RESIDENCE OF MR. AND MRS. JOHN F. PARET An Example of Civic Attractiveness.

ter transportation lines. The Orient to Kansas City and St. Louis and their outlets to every section of the country and to the Gulf of California through the country of Old Mexico, under construction, completing a direct connection with the Orient.

With the productiveness of this country and the wonderful increase that can be made in farm products by the application of modern methods, and the facilities to get them directly to the market places of the country the farmer in the Sweetwater territory has a great advantage over those of many other sections. There is still a great deal of improved and unimproved land within short distance of Sweetwater and other railroad points that can be bought at most reasonable prices and terms. There is no section of the Southwest that has more flattering inducements to offer to the homeseeker than has this territory.

The manufactured products of the world can be brought right to our doors direct from the largest centers and the merchants and jobbers have the advantage of market facilities that are unequalled in any part of the country. Goods bought from the East can be brought here in surprisingly short time on account of

no sentiment in establishing their bases of operations but are guided solely by the circumstances that best suit their own convenience and saving in operating expenses. The fact that these two great systems above mentioned have after most careful investigation and study selected Sweetwater as the most available cen-



CHRISTIAN CHURCH, SWEETWATER.



# Sweetwater



## The City of Advantages

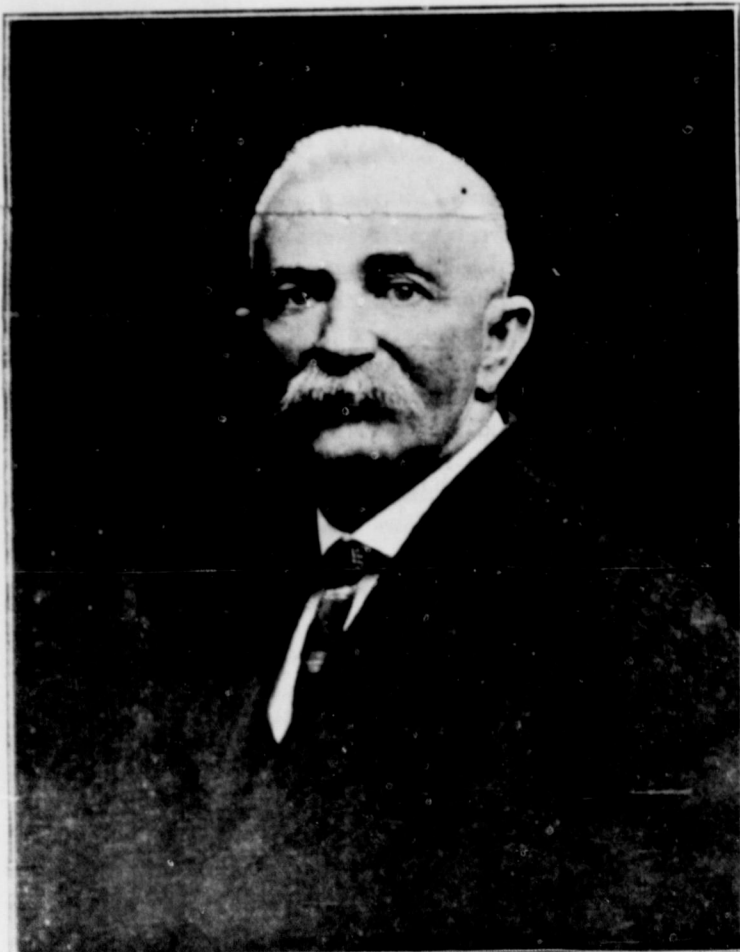
### The Live Wire of Central West Texas

**W**ITH three trunk line Railroads, opening territory and market points in six directions, making it the natural distributing point of West Texas. Direct transportation to water port. County Seat of Nolan County. The finest City in the Southwest. Climate and altitude conducive to perfect health.

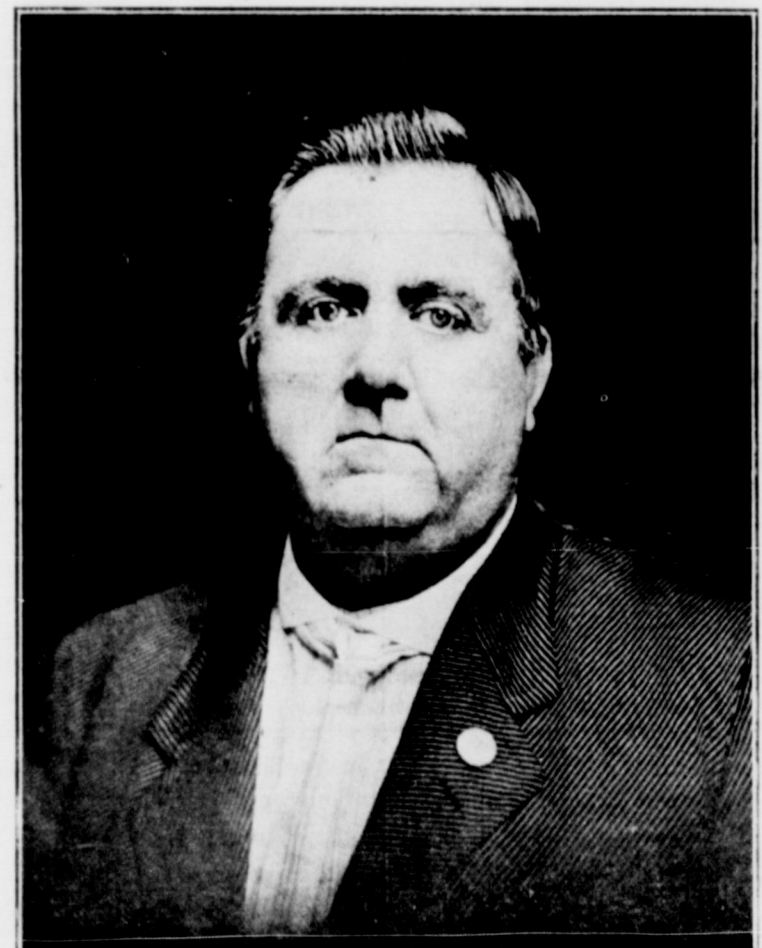
**POPULATION 7,000**

**GROWN FROM A VILLAGE OF 1000 SINCE 1908**

Trade section covers a radius of 100 miles. Two immense lakes with sufficient water supply for a city of 100,000 population. Largest Cotton Market of West Texas. Wholesale and manufacturing center.



R. A. MUSGROVE, Secretary  
Sweetwater Commercial Club.



DR. J. W. OVERTON, President  
Sweetwater Commercial Club.

\$75,000.00 expended for cement walks and Macademized streets, and \$100,000 now to be expended for same purpose within the next six months. \$100,000.00 for making good gravel roads in the justice precinct being expended. School system with an efficiency of cities ten times its size. Tax rates city, county, state and independent school all told \$1.65. Offers exceptional opportunities and inducements for investment of Capital, in the heart of territory producing source of supplies of raw material.

## The Sweetwater Commercial Club

The Constant Boosters for Sweetwater's Interests

For Further Particulars Address

**R. A. MUSGROVE**

Secretary Sweetwater Commercial Club

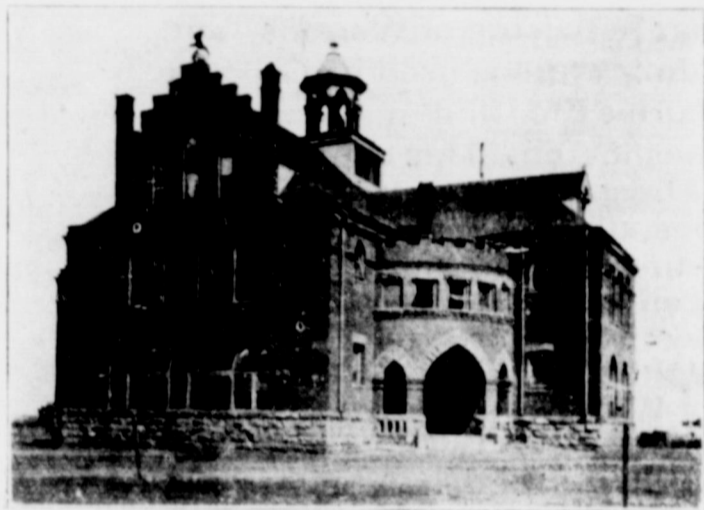


# SWEETWATER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Interesting Figures of the Wonderful Growth Along Educational Lines.

### THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF SWEETWATER.

In 1903, when Sweetwater was a mere village, her people voted bonds to the amount of \$12,000 to erect a splendid building. Then her scholastic enrollment was 205. This enrollment steadily increases and in 1906 it was 317; in 1907, 435; in 1908, 565; in 1909, 787; in 1910, 955; in 1911, 1165. In 1910 the board ordered an election and the people voted to issue \$10,000 in bonds with which to erect two ward buildings for use at the opening of school. These were erected and ready for use at the opening of school in September, 1910. These build-



SWEETWATER HIGH SCHOOL

ings are modern and equipped up to date.

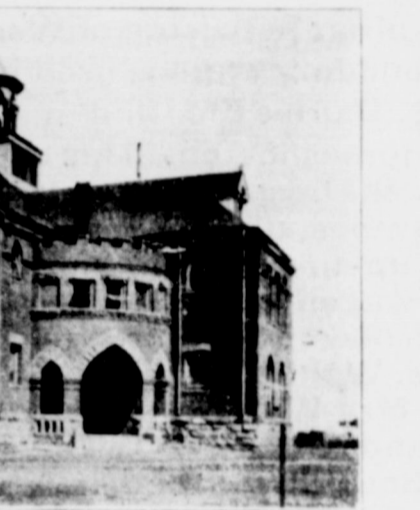
Now that the scholastic population has grown so rapidly and steadily, the Board is face to face with the proposition of a splendid high school building to cost \$50,000. In connection with this building there will be maintained a tract of land and an experimental farm will be run in connection with the school. Not only that, but manual training, domestic science, a well equipped gymnasium, a swimming pool, etc., will be run in connection with the school. Indeed it is safe to say that no people are more deeply in love and kindly minded toward their schools than is Sweetwater.

It has its schools divided into eleven grades of four, three, and four years of nine months each. That is, there are the Primary grades, or the first four years; the Intermediate or Grammar Grades, the fifth, sixth and seventh; the High School, or the Eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh grades. In point of affiliation it stands first of any public school on the T. & P. R. R. from Ft. Worth to El Paso. It graduates enter with high standing the church schools and the University of Texas without examination. Some of its students have taken Sophomore rank in our colleges and completed the course for an A. B. degree in three years.

In point of scholarship, its teachers are among the very best to be had. Its High-school faculty are university degree men and women and each is a specialist in his or her line; its grade teachers are all college men and women or normal graduate. It is safe to state that there is not a high school faculty in the state with better scholarship than the teachers of the Sweetwater schools have.

In 1906, the Trustees employed Mr. M. B. Johnson as superintendent of the schools, and since that time he has served in this capacity. Being a college and normal graduate he has had the training needed to meet the growing educational situation. But unlike most men, he has never

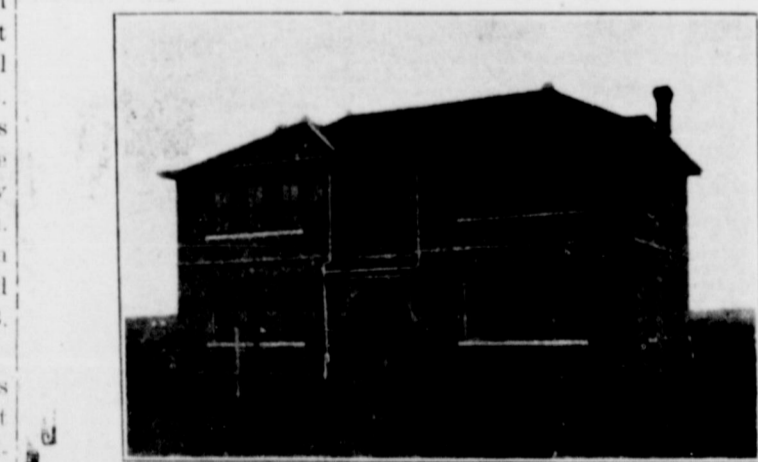
been satisfied with his attainments, and every summer, except two, since 1898 has found his way to the University of Chicago, or Columbia University, N. Y. City. At Chicago he had work with Drs. Munroe, Dewey, McMurry, and Supt. Edson. Combined with the personal touch of these men he studied first hand the schools of Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana; and while at Columbia he studied the city schools of New York, of Boston, of Trenton, and of Washington, D. C. This splendid training, coupled with his personal grasp of things educationally in Sweetwater and the splendid co-operation of the



WEST WARD SCHOOL

people are destined to rank Sweetwater first educationally in all West Texas. He has faith in his profession, strong belief in his people and they in him. It is sure that he is held in very high regard both in Texas and in other states as a school man. With a wide-awake Board he sees and plans things educationally before the situation forces it upon him. His board is in perfect harmony with his every view and hasten to execute his plans.

Those who are planning to come to Sweetwater as home-seekers need not fear for one moment the educational advantages offered. Your children will have the very best instruction and the very best courses that are offered in the state. The school will equip them to enter college, or to enter life and earn their bread. Not only that, but its faculty will so touch their lives that they will leave the schools to become the very best type of citi-



THE SMOKE HOUSE.

or city where better educational advantages are offered in the public schools. Your child when graduated from the Sweetwater High School will be admitted to any of the colleges or universities in this nation, without examination, with possibly one or two exceptions where all are required to take examinations regardless of the school from which they come.

### GRIFFITH REALTY CO.

This company during its five years of operations in the lines they represent have established a reputation for fair dealing that has won for them the confidence of the people of Sweetwater, and those who have property to list for trade or sale as a general rule consult them in their transactions. They are authority on city and country valuations and have at all times desirable property to offer.

They negotiate loans on the best procurable terms and are in constant touch with investors who seek to loan money on good securities.

They represent some of the soundest and most reliable fire insurance companies in the country, and as a consequence have written the policies for a large per cent of the property holdings in this territory.

The men who comprise the management of this concern are known for their exceptional ability and as live hustlers. They go out after business and as a rule get what they go after. In all things pertaining to the welfare of the community they are well-known for their enthusiasm in bending their every effort to contribute both time and money to accomplish successful results.

Honest, energetic and courteous they are just the type of men who can be trusted to accord fair treatment to all who have dealings with them.

Located in Campbell Building, Phone 348.

### H. B. Lupton, W. E. Kleppisch

This popular amusement parlor which opened for business about October 1st, is one of the best equipped pool and billiard halls in this section of the country, and has installed the best tables and equipment manufactured.

The management will soon overhaul and remodel the place to further improve its efficiency and attractive appearance. When completed they will have five pool tables and one billiard table. A new panel partition will separate the pool parlor from the barber shop that is operated in the front part of the room. A large and handsomely finished wall case will be placed in the room and a



complete stock of high grade and select cigars and smokers' articles will be carried in it. In this department it will be their aim to carry just what the public wants and their assortment will be carefully selected in order to satisfy the desires of the most exacting users of smoking material and tobacco.

Mr. W. E. Lupton, local manager, follows this business to the slightest detail, having worked in a cigar store the greater part of his business life. He is accommodating and courteous and knows just how to serve his pa-

trons to the best advantage, and to his careful watchfulness is due the high class service of every department of the establishment.

Mr. Kleppisch, the other member of the firm is located at Longworth, Texas where he serves in the official capacity of Justice of the Peace, is agent for the town site and conducts a fire insurance and real estate business, representing Magenheimer Bros., and their large holdings in that section.

Both of these young men are progressive and thoroughly deserving of the support and patronage of the people of this section.

### WM. CONNOLLY COMPANY.

#### Exclusive Gent's Furnisher:

Among the many up-to-date mercantile establishments of Sweetwater, none is more worthy of particular mention than the one whose name forms the subject of this sketch. Wm. Connolly & Co., enjoy the distinction of being the only exclusive gent's furnishing goods store in the city and owing to the fact that they specialize on this particular line of goods, they always have a variety to choose from that is made up of the best grades and styles that the market affords and the people of this territory have learned to look to them for classy wearing apparel and specialties.

Although they have been in business but a short time, since April 17th, they have fully shown that they have filled a long felt want in the community. Their stock is always new and their prices as low as consistent with good grades of goods.

This firm operates seven stores in this section and with their exceptional purchasing power are consequently in a position to sell to the consumer at surprisingly advantageous prices. They are local agents for the well known Edwin Clapp and Howard & Foster shoes, Kuppenheimer clothes, known for their dress of style and perfect fit, shirts and Haves Von Gal Hats, besides many other leading and exclusive brands.

The local manager, Mr. N. C. Maxwell is an authority on goods in this line and he is especially competent in making selections of the most desirable goods that he can stand back of in every way. If the patrons of this store want anything not regularly carried in stock, they are in a position to get it for them on short notice. Everything is done to extend every courtesy to the trade, and owing to the broad-minded business methods under which this firm operates their affairs they are destined to grow in the favor of the public and to acquire much merited increase in patronage.

### SWEETWATER SANITARIUM.

The Sanitarium recently opened in this city by Drs. Newt Long and C. H. Hamblen, known as the Sweetwater Sanitarium, is one thing the city has needed for a long time.

Mrs. Chas. A. Wade has been engaged as Superintendent. She had training for this work in Cumberland Mountain Sanitarium, Tracy City, Tenn., a sanitarium of considerable note and one very prominent in that section of Tennessee and Northern Alabama. She is thoroughly qualified to take charge of this work and patients placed under her care will have absolutely the best care and attention.

This sanitarium is open to physicians and surgeons all over the country for treatment of patients of any and all sickness, contagious diseases alone being excepted. The rooms are neat and sanitary, and the operating room and instruments are all thoroughly sterilized for any and all emergency cases. In fact the sanitarium is to be run on strictly modern ethical lines, and a patient

is sure to be properly handled.

Sweetwater is the best located town in West Texas for an institution of this kind, and its inlets from six directions with prospects of still more railroads being built give it a territory of more than fifty miles each way to draw trade from. As is known, when people were taken sick and needed operations, heretofore they were either compelled to go away from home for treatment or do without. Not only this is done away with but an opening is made for physicians and surgeons from all over the country to bring their patients here where they can receive as good or better treatment than in a larger sanitarium.

With the increasing population of the city a hospital was needed and now the city can boast of another drawing card to help it grow.

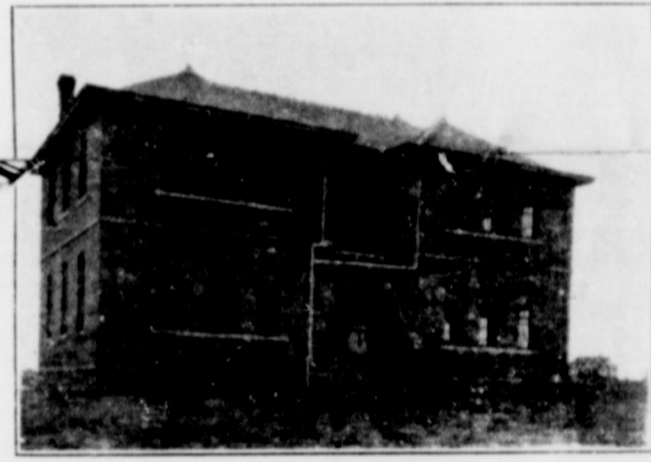
### THE TEXAS OIL COMPANY.

#### Petroleum and Its Products.

The magnitude and importance of the Texas Oil Co., is fully realized, not only by the people of this community but of the whole State of Texas. Among Sweetwater's distributing concerns, the branch office maintained here adds very materially to the commercial importance of the city.

They have a line that is most complete and they make oils adapted to any use where oil is needed. The Texico product has long been known as a standard and the many users of it are thoroughly convinced that there is nothing on the market for which can be claimed more meritorious qualities.

They specialize on kerosene and gasoline, and all kinds of lubri-



SOUTH WARD SCHOOL

cating oils, and are in a position to furnish them at all times at the bottom prices of the market. A great deal could be said about their many various grades and uses, but they are so well known to the public that detailed comment is unnecessary.

Will H. Jobe, the local manager, is always on the job and can be relied upon to get his full share of the patronage of this territory. He was born in Comanche county, Texas, later moving to Callahan county, where he was raised on his father's farm. He came to Sweetwater in 1901 to open up the wholesale grocery business for the Radford Grocery Company in whose employ he had been as manager in Cisco, Texas since 1898. In 1910 he left the grocery company to accept the local agency of the Texas Co., and since assuming management has increased their business very materially. Those needing oil products will find the Texas Oil Co. products of the most dependable kind.

### THE SWEETWATER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The Southern Presbyterian Church was organized in the early days of Sweetwater and so has in a measure shared in the history of the town. Its prosperity like that of the town, has fluctuated with the coming and going of the western population. Through all there have been a "faithful few" who have held steadily on and now have the satisfaction of seeing the church steadily and substantially building up. The mem-

bership is not large but composed of most excellent people. The house of worship is well located and sufficient for present needs—the interior has recently been much improved and beautified. The Sunday School and Church Societies are well organized and in good working condition. The present pastor gives to this church his entire time and the usual services are held each Sabbath. In the last three years the membership has increased about three fold and the contributions to all causes about five fold.

R. M. HAMMOCK, Pastor.

### GROGAN HOTEL

A well regulated and thoroughly up to date hotel is a most necessary adjunct to any community, and in this particular Sweetwater is most fortunate in having a hotel for the care of the public of the order of which the Hotel Grogan is known throughout this section as well as to the traveling public who visit Sweetwater, for its comfortable and homelike appointments and the courteous treatment accorded all who become their guests.

The hotel is a handsome structure located midway between the Santa Fe and T. & P. depot, and convenient to the business district, and is so arranged that the comfort of the guests is paramount even to the smallest detail. The rooms are pleasant and cool in the summer months and steam heated in the winter months. It bears the distinction of being the only steam heated hotel in Sweetwater.

Cleanliness is the constant thought of the management of this institution and it is widely

known for the particular pains in keeping everything scrupulously clean.

C. D. Robb, the genial manager, is a practical hotel man and has the happy faculty of making everyone feel at home from the first time they enter the place, and he devotes his entire time to the personal supervision of every department and to his watchfulness of every detail is largely due the success that this place has attained.

The culinary department is in charge of Mrs. Robb, and the service that she, with the help under her charge has perfected, is the subject of most favorable discussion among those who have partaken of the meals served by her. Courtesy on the part of every employe is always insisted upon by the management, and this feature of the establishment is most noticeable.

Nothing but the best supplies obtainable are allowed to enter the kitchen and the dining room, and everything is served in an appetizing and satisfying manner.

The Commercial hotel will be conducted in connection with the Grogan hotel, on the European plan, under the same able management in direct charge of Mr. Frank Bowers. This hotel will be thoroughly overhauled and everything will be done to bring it up to the standard that the management of the Grogan hotel have established. The same high class service will be accorded the guests at this hotel goes without saying.

# CLIMATE AND HEALTH

Sweetwater's Climate is of a Most Ideal Nature. It's inhabitants are Examples of Happiness and Robust Health.

## Normal Death Rate the Lowest of the Southwest.

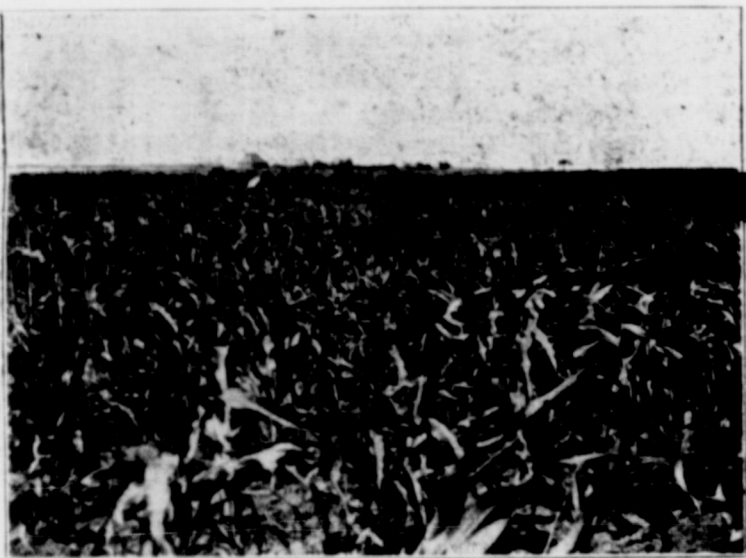
Sweetwater and vicinity, the great valleys and highlands, the vast plains adjacent in all directions, possesses geographical and topographical features the best for health, combined with abundant sunshine, atmospheric dryness and perfect natural drainage, makes possible a pleasant and satisfying residence, with an absence of all unhealthy influences.

Within a circle with Sweetwater as a center, and radius of 100 miles, is presented a topographical saucer, which brings about in great part the experienced conditions of nearly every day sunshine, pure dry air, never destructively strong winds, but in March and April for two or three days at a time the high spring winds of the temperate zone, which throughout the remainder of the year are comforting breezes. At Sweetwater the cold weather reaches its limit at about 15 or 17 degrees above zero, but the sunshine and dryness take away any discomfort from the low temperature, which is seldom and the cold weather is defined at about 30 degrees above zero. About the middle of July

that, out of the sun's direct rays and in the prevailing breezes of dry air, the body's normal physiological skin action of perspiring, with its ever attendant phenomena of body heat radiation produces the cooling effect of skin moisture evaporation. Analysis of Sweetwater's mortuary statistics reveals that Sweetwater's normal death rate is certainly no greater than seven per one thousand inhabitants per annum, while the statistical death rate is twenty-two per thousand.

This death rate includes, tuberculosis and the deaths that have no relation to climate, such as homicide, suicide and accidents, deaths of infants and small children among indigent alien citizens. Fully one half of the death rate is due to inherent cause, being artificial and therefore unavoidable.

A review of abnormal factors of death rate at Sweetwater suggests whether the claimed normal death rate as at present experienced, is menaced. The answer is that it is not. Sickness and disease preventive medicine and hygiene, both private and public is



A NOLAN COUNTY SCENE.

rains begin and the greater part of the annual rainfall occurs during the ensuing two months, greatly tempering the summer heat which usually prevails for four months, June to September inclusive, the highest ordinary summer temperature is of 100 to 102 degrees Fahrenheit, occurring usually during the last 10 days of June, and then succeeded by the rains come by high temperature above 90 degrees, which with the invariable meteorological fact of a low night temperature, 20 to 30 degrees less than that of the day, brings always cool nights, enabling restful sleep, and in the days the entire absence of heat prostrations and sunstroke. A natural physical fact relating to Sweetwater's climate is stated by the expression "it's always cool in the shade" which is explained by the fact

### POSTAL SAVINGS BANK

#### Sweetwater Branch Flourishing.

Sweetwater is an established point in the great banking business inaugurated by Uncle Sam recently, commencing operations locally on September 8th.

Deposits are growing steadily and this department bids fair to become a large factor in the savings of our community. The issuance of credit stamps that can be bought in denominations of ten cents, pasted on a card and accumulated until the required minimum amount for deposit of one

highly developed and conscientiously practiced here are a higher and broader position is daily occupied, thereby affording private and public health protection to every citizen of low or high degree. Sweetwater notwithstanding its great growth during the last ten years, has discharged its public health duty in extreme effectiveness and success, and offers to its citizens the advantage of the highest degree of healthfulness, to be clouded only by personal wrong living. Personal courtesy and helpfulness among fellow citizens is a habit in Sweetwater and this extends freely to visitors and new residents. And public attainments, private association and engagement, interesting local and neighbor inhabitants, afford the mind occupation that bring contentment, happiness and health.

dollar is procured, means a great encouragement for the savings of children and people of limited means.

Sweetwater is never behind the times in taking the initiative in giving its people the benefit of every modern advantage and in this case it was among the first to obtain the privilege of transacting business in this most important feature of universal benefit.

Sweetwater is known the country over for her wide awake and public spirited citizens who do things.

### GREETING

#### OUR PROSPERITY AND PROGRESS EDITION

The publishers present the Prosperity and Progress Edition to the readers after devoting a great deal of time and study toward its compilation. It has been our object to conscientiously set forth the advantages and resources of Sweetwater and the surrounding territory from existing facts and present conditions. No effort has been made to enlarge on any subject and we fully trust that our readers will find in going over our general articles that no attempt at misrepresentation has been made.

To those who are not familiar with the activity of the Sweetwater country some few may be inclined to think that the publishers have allowed their enthusiasm to influence them to indulge in visionary embellishments, but to them, we suggest a personal visit in order that our representations may be fully verified.

Sweetwater's development in every direction is merely, at the present time, in its infancy and it does not call for more than ordinary powers of observation and foresightedness to readily appreciate the natural present advantages and extensions that must necessarily be further inaugurated to fully realize the most promising future that is in store for Sweetwater as a natural distributing point and commercial center. Located, as it is, about fifty miles west of the geographical center of Texas, surrounded by productive country, populated by progressive and thrifty people and with its established exceptional railroad facilities, with more important extensions of important lines in trans-continental service now being contemplated, its future prominence as a business center no longer a matter of conjecture.

The improvements of the Sanitary system in establishing a division point here with its extensive shops giving employment to hundreds of workmen is, in itself an item of importance that insures a steady income to every business interest of the city. There is nothing that adds more materially to a city's growth and prosperity than a regular weekly or monthly pay roll, which is circulated in all channels of trade for supplies, home sites, educational purposes and civic improvements. A monthly pay roll of \$100,000 from this source alone forms more than a nucleus toward assured continued prosperity.

No better system of schools can be found in any community of its size in any part of the wide country than can be found in Sweetwater, the character and strength of the country. The civic improvements and forms of government are of an order that are a decided credit to the public spiritedness and business judgment of the citizens. The many handsome and well kept residences are most noticeable in every section of the city and every improvement has been made to prove adequate for future development.

The residents as a whole are thoroughly awake to everything that will further the social and business interests of the city and show special interest in educational and religious features. The business men are made up of that class of later day progressives who are always on the alert to meet the demands of an exacting public and their various lines of business present stocks that are most impressive for their completeness and exceptional selectness. They are always ready to extend the hand of good fellowship to any one desiring to locate in the city in any business venture and put forth every ef-

# Waldie & Reavis, Blacksmiths and Woodworkmen.

One of the most enterprising and progressive of Sweetwater's business establishments is that of Waldie & Reavis. Blacksmiths, Woodworkmen and Horse Shoers whose place of business is located at the corner of East North Fourth and Locust St. This business has been established for 12 years and is one of the best equipped of its kind in this part of Texas, having all kinds of machinery needed by a concern doing this kind of work. They do all kinds of Blacksmithing, Repairing of Wagons, and Buggies, building wagons used by Grocers Laundries, Dairies Etc. and make a specialty of Horseshoeing. This concern employs only the best workmen to be found and guarantees all work to be strictly first class and up-to-date. A complete stock of iron and wagon supplies are carried and work is turned out on schedule time.

Messrs. Waldie & Reavis are the proprietors. Mr. Waldie being the general manager and Mr. Reavis the shop superintendent. Both are gentlemen who are well and favorably known and who stand high in business, trade and social circles, doing their full share in the upbuilding of Sweetwater and surrounding country. In business transactions they are prompt and reliable in their jobbing work and reasonable in their charges.

fort to extend every possible encouragement to aid them in perfecting their plans, whether their line of business is exclusive or competition. Selfishness does not enter into the spirit of welcome accorded a new comer whether he be a business man or home seeker.

The wholesale and manufacturing interests of the city are among the best established and soundest in this section and their activity in securing patronage and advocating Sweetwater's commercial interests are of a most beneficial nature.

It has been our aim in this issue to present to the people of far off districts, facts and figures in such a manner that those among them who are looking for some new and growing country to make their home, either as investor, business man or home seeker, will at least be influenced to investigate our claims for consideration before deciding to locate elsewhere and we feel that our efforts along these lines will meet with gratifying success.

We wish to thank those who have so liberally co-operated with us in making this publication possible, and we sincerely trust that the results of our conscientious efforts will meet with the approval of all who receive a copy of this edition.

### LONE STAR DAIRY.

#### Distributors of Pure Milk.

Milk products must necessarily be of the purest and most wholesome quality, for there is nothing connected with the food supply that is more easily contaminated by careless handling. In this connection Sweetwater is most fortunate in having a dairy on the order of the Lone Star Dairy of which W. R. Hope is the proprietor. That he thoroughly knows his business is demon-

strated by the perfect system that he operates under, from the time the feed is given to the cows to the time of delivering to the patrons.

Mr. Hope is a native of Texas, born and raised in Harrison County, afterwards moving to Denton county from which place he came here. He has had years of experience in the proper care of cattle and has given his particular attention to the proper feeding and development of milk cows. Starting in a small way about 11 years ago in this territory with but ten cows, he has enlarged his capacity as the demands of the city increased until now he has a herd of forty four high class and one half miles from town is

including cotton seed meal, hulls, alfalfa and sorghum hay. His feed lot and barns are kept in the most sanitary condition and particular pains are paid to the prevention of foul smells and congregation of flies. All of his utensils are thoroughly sterilized and when the milk is put into the bottles and delivery cans it is safe to say that it is as clean as modern dairy methods can make it.

He also makes a limited amount of butter which is spoken for long in advance and brings the highest prices.



A BUSINESS CORNER—SWEETWATER.

Jersey cows from which he receives the supply that goes to furnish the hotels, restaurants and families of this section. He now has two wagons used in the delivery and his patronage is steadily increasing, brought about by the high class and satisfactory service and product.

Mr. Hope fully realizes that food has a great deal to do with the grade of milk and that the cattle must be kept in the best of condition and for this reason he feeds nothing but the most nourishing and wholesome feed,

located on an ideal spot for dairy purposes and a convenient distance from town, away from both dirt and soot of the city.

We take pleasure in recommending the Lone Star Dairy to milk users as being a most dependable institution.

Don't expect the other man to do it all. You're here to do your share.

A drone in any community is a bothersome set back.

# REAL ESTATE IN SWEETWATER AND ITS TERRITORY

Prices in this Section are Not Inflated But to the Contrary, are at Present Most Reasonable Considering Values

Prohibitive prices in real estate both city property and farm lands, in most sections discourage the immigration of outside investors and homeseekers. It can be truly said that real estate of all descriptions in the Sweetwater territory as a whole is held at reasonable prices, considering its location and productive ability, is a good buy at the price offered.

There has never been a boom on real estate in this city or the country districts, but to the contrary the advancement in prices has been brought about by natural development and justifiable circumstances. The town site has not been over done by additions of questionable merit. Every building or business addition that has been offered or is now on the market has distinctive merit and at prevailing prices are bound to prove safe and paying investments.

The real estate dealers, without exception are men of standing in the community, who make their homes here and who conduct their affairs along legitimate lines. There are many desirable opportunities in the properties listed with them as well as with the original land owners. There is much land in the county and adjoining country that has proven its productiveness that can be bought and improved at a non-

inal expense, that will sell within the next few years for several times the amount of the present investment. As fully set forth in other articles, there is no more convenient market place in the whole country than Sweetwater has to offer. The soil is of a rich loam and adapted to the successful raising of profitable products.

There is much land that can be irrigated by pumping plants, other sections in the valley can be irrigated by the construction of dams in the streams. Dry farming methods are profitable with the farmers of this locality and the means of a good livelihood are many and varied.

The outlying properties of the city are to a large extent beautifully located for home building purposes and with the growth of the city are bound to rapidly enhance in value. In brief, all real estate can be procured at same prices and every inch of dirt will prove itself "pay dirt."

Any one wishing full particulars on land investments will do well to consult the Secretary of the Commercial Club or one of the reliable local real estate concerns.

Now is the time to invest in property of the city of "The Golden West," and of golden opportunities.

## BRADFORD & CORBETT.

### Prescription Druggists.

Among the varied and extensive business operations carried on in this progressive and thrifty little city of Sweetwater, there is none that bears a more important relation to the commercial prosperity of the country than the drug business, and one of the most extensive houses in this line in this part of the country is the firm of Bradford & Corbett, which is one of the most popularly and handsomely appointed drug stores in the city. This firm caters exclusively to the retail trade and especially to prescription work. Their store is exceptionally modern and beautiful in appearance and is equipped with a large line of the freshest of drugs, proprietary medicines, druggist sundries etc., to be found in any first class up to date drug store. They offer prompt and reliable service, supply fresh drugs and guarantee absolute satisfaction. This store maintains one of the finest soda fountains in town and here may be found all kinds of hot and cold drinks according to season and the "man behind the counter" is an expert in his line.

Everything usually found in a first class drug store may be found here and the service is all that can be required.

The men who have charge of the affairs of this concern are known for their thorough reliability, progressive methods and fair dealings and are fully entitled to be classed with the "Progressive Men of Sweetwater."

Who can read this issue and not find manifold advantages in Sweetwater territory not to be found elsewhere.

Sweetwater is always looking for more enterprises.



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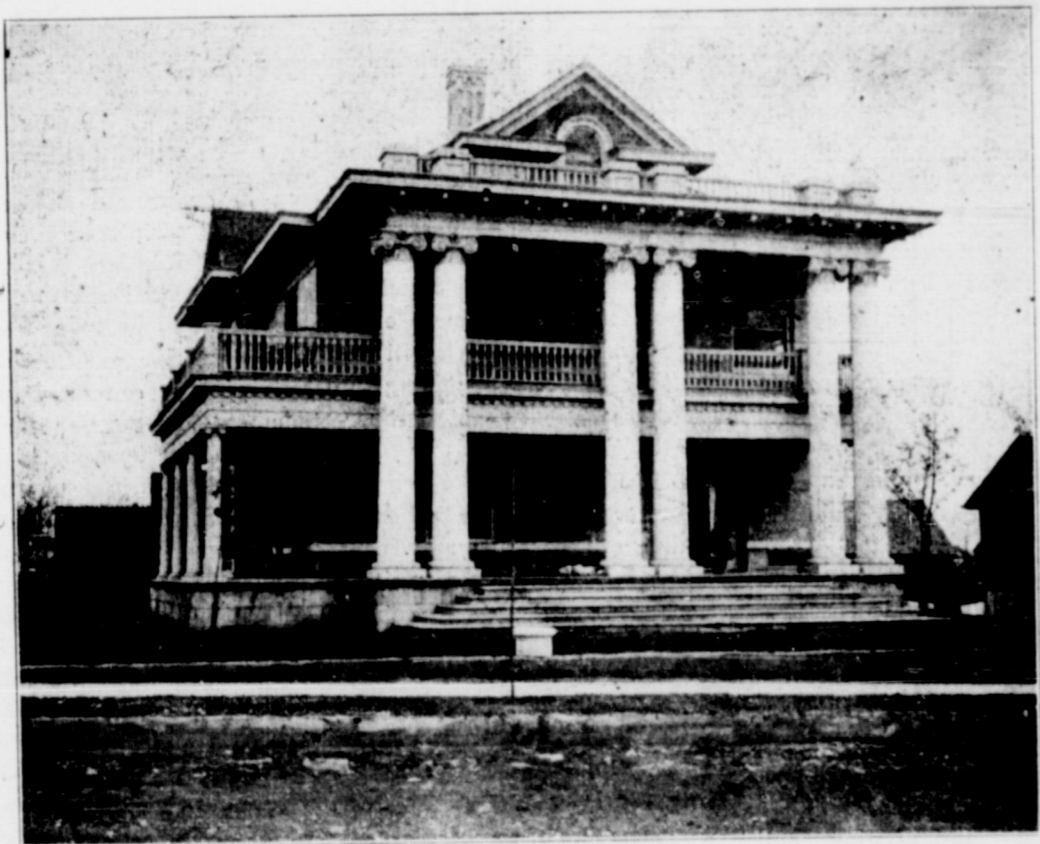
We feature prices because that's an item of vital importance to you when you are buying.

## Best Possible Quality for Lowest Possible Price.

That's a description of our 1911 Fall Stock in a few words. After a period of careful preparation we announce a complete line of

Dry Goods Hats Clothing Boots and Shoes Men's Furnishings, Ladies Furnishings

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RESIDENCE OF MR. AND MRS. R. A. RAGLAND.

### THE LYRIC THEATRE. Sweetwater's Popular Amusement House.

The Lyric Theatre in its new and splendidly equipped home is a most acceptable addition to the city's amusement features. Everything has been done in the way of general equipment furnishings and decorations to make it most attractive and comfortable, and the management certainly are deserving of a great deal of credit in their efforts to place at the disposal of the public a place of high standard.

The front entrance is most unique and attractive and presents a general appearance that would do credit to cities many times the size of Sweetwater. Finished in sparkling white enameled wood work, with large plate glass mirrors on each side of the lobby plate glass box office, and decorated walls an effect of wonderfully pleasing harmony has been accomplished. Electric lights are a prominent feature in the decoration,

and a row of closely set lights are fringed around the entire front awning and the alcove entrance. With a large electric sign composed of the name "Lyric," they have the most elaborately lighted front of the city.

The interior is handsomely decorated with beautiful designed panels for the side walls. In the center of each panel is a star, the symbol of the Lone Star State, with a green light in the center of the Star, shedding a most restful light to the eyes. Just inside of the entrance and on each side are two boxes that can be reserved for parties or special crowds.

Opera chairs are installed insuring comfort and ease to the patrons. A drop curtain of scenic design and a work of exceptional art from a decoration standpoint is used for intermission behind which is a combination plaster screen, insuring at all times a thoroughly smooth surface for the exhibition of the pictures.

Three rolls of the highest class and approved films will be shown

at each performance from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m. every night except Sunday. Matinees will be given each Saturday afternoon and as many others during the week as the patronage warrants.

The manager Mr. W. F. McIlvain and H. B. Robb in charge of the operating department, are both men of experience in this line and can be depended upon at all times to present to the public the best in their line to be procured.

With its high class attractions and its well fitted theatre the Lyric is bound to prove a most popular and well patronized place.

If you can't boast, get out of the way for somebody that can.

Sweetwater is the metropolis of Central West Texas.

When looking for a place to make your permanent home, turn your course to Sweetwater, the city of definite opportunities.

### Sweetwater Baptist Church.

The Sweetwater Baptist church is one of the oldest church organizations in the country, having been organized in 1882 by and through the efforts of Rev. Peter Turner.

The church was organized in what was then the Public School building, occupying the site on which now stands the beautiful new Christian Church building, the building in which the Church was organized was later moved to the north east corner of the Public Square and is now being used as a Hotel.

The present church building was built in 1883, and the membership is now preparing to have this building replaced in the near future with a new building that will cost when completed from \$25,000 to \$35,000.

The second pastor of the Baptist church was Rev. Bennett Hatcher, who was succeeded by Rev. J. A. Moore, one of the truly

Rev. M. E. Hudson, who resigned the pastorate of the church to accept the pastorate of the College Avenue Baptist church, Fort Worth, Tex., leaving the church at the present without a pastor, but the work of the church is being kept up, and pushed forward by different organizations of the church and Sunday school and when the membership shall again choose its pastor, and he arrives on the field he will find a live and progressive membership, ready and willing to co-operate in pushing forward the work of the church.

Any one will see from the above names that it has been the good fortune of the Sweetwater Baptists church to claim among her former pastors, some of the strongest men in the denomination, and the fruits of their labor are to be seen among the strong men and women that go to make up the membership of the church.

The Baptist church has not only

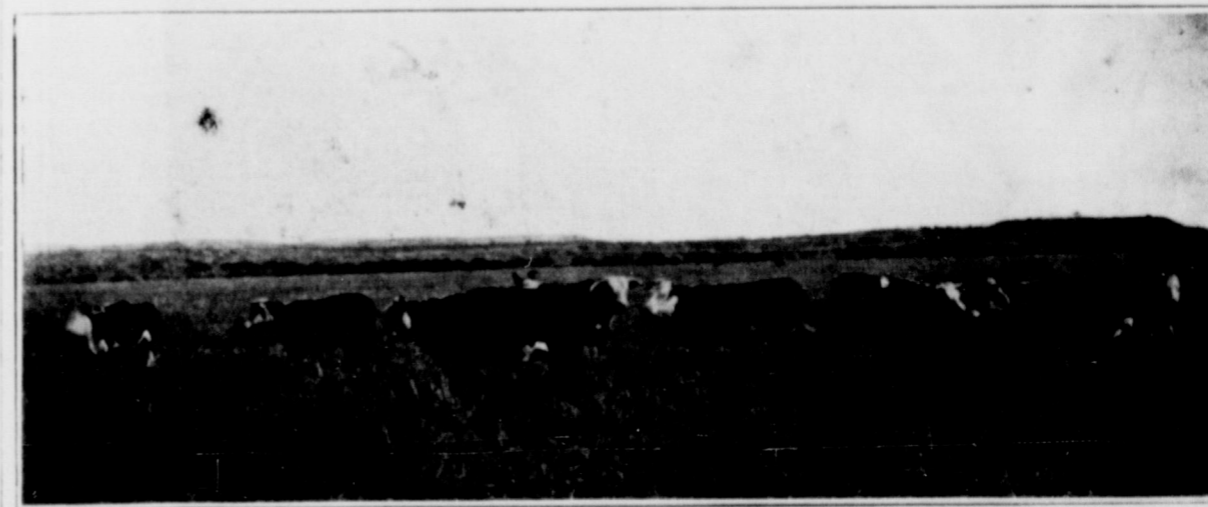
glad to know, and to call the neighbor, and work with, both in church and society.

It is the expectation of the membership of the church to secure a pastor in the near future, possibly by the time this is in print, and while now they have a membership of about 250 it is confidently expected that with the rapid growth of the city and by the earnest efforts of the faithful members of this loyal band of workers to see the membership double in the next few months.

Three trunk line railroads penetrating sections of untold wealth pass through Sweetwater. A thing that few cities in the country can boast of.

Sweetwater is known the country over for its high class of citizenship of progressive methods.

The Sweetwater Commercial Club will gladly furnish general information.



A SOURCE OF WEALTH IN SWEETWATER, TERRITORY.

strong pastors of the denomination, and in the succeeding years the following able and God fearing men served the church as its Pastors: Rev. R. A. Lee, Pickney Harris, G. W. Smith, Wm. Crawford, E. W. Ward, R. T. Hanks, C. T. Hall, Wm. A. Moffitt and

had strong and able men as pastors, but you will find among its membership some of the most noble and lovable men and women who are known through out the country for their broadminded, liberal Christian spirit, the kind of people that every one is

A \$70,000.00 cotton compress that will handle between 20,000 and 30,000 bales this season is one of Sweetwater's industries.

Sweetwater has a water supply sufficient to meet the needs of a city twenty times its size.

# DRY FARMING OF SWEETWATER LANDS

## A Feature of Most Important Moment to the Modern Farmer.

(By G. A. Martin, Pres. Texas Dry Farming Congress)

Dry farming has been practiced in the State of Texas long enough to prove its worth. That dry farming will produce a crop every year in this region is not contended, but good work has been accomplished by the few experimenters who have taken it up, and it must be depended upon, if anything will ever do the work, to redeem a great area of arid land lying above the irrigation belt. Dry farming is simple. It merely means the combination of brains with brawn in the cultivation of the field; the exercise of discretion and care in cultivation; the conservation of moisture, whatever it may amount to, and accomplishing all that can be accomplished with the amount of rainfall received. In regions where the rainfall is heavier than in this immediate vicinity, which was called the Texas plains a few years ago. Dry farming is no longer an experiment. It is a positive success. Anywhere that the average rainfall is over 12 inches if most of it falls in the spring and summer, there need be no hesitation about embarking in dry farming.

Even when the rainfall has been much less, splendid crops of certain varieties have been made: the success of such crops depending upon the humidity and the altitude. For instance in Montana it requires a much smaller amount of moisture to produce a crop than in Texas and New Mexico. The evaporation is less and eight inches of annual rainfall have been maturing successful crops in many localities for years. Eight inches in this locality will not mature a crop unless almost all of it falls at the proper time. With the rainfall at the proper time and the rains usually fall heavier here between the middle of June and the first of September, good crops of many varieties may be grown upon as few inches as four or five. Milo Maize, Sorghum, Mexican beans and cow peas are some of the crops that will easily mature on four inches of rain, if planted in dry earth and in readiness to receive the summer rains when they begin to

selling the cattle.

Dry farming is not for a lazy man. It takes work and it takes thought. A man may study the system of dry farming, and he must study it and know something about it, before he embarks upon the work, but he has many problems to work out for himself after he begins cultivation, and the more he studies and watches results, the better he will perfect himself for getting all there is out of his land. Dry farming is the conservation of moisture. To do this, the farmer must prepare his ground so that it will absorb all the moisture that falls, and after it has been absorbed, he must cultivate so that the moisture will not escape. The ground as a general rule should be ploughed deeply when fairly moist, so that it will pulverize, and then it must be pulverized with a harrow or possibly with a disc and a tooth harrow both. Then after each rain there should be more harrowing. This latter process breaks up the "moisture tubes" as called, and interferes with capillary evaporation of the moisture below, which if there is rain sufficient in winter, keeps moisture in the ground sufficient to bring up the spring crops. If there is no rain in the winter the land should be similarly prepared to catch the summer rains, and it is then advisable to plant the seed just before the usual period for the rains to fall. Thus the seed will be in the ground and will get the benefit of the first moisture. Seed planted too early in the spring where there is any moisture from the winter snows or rains are likely to then be killed by the drought or hot winds before the rainy season arrives. Therefore, in regions where there are no early spring rains, it is best to confine operations to summer crops and have the ground perfectly dry for planting time; then plant the seed in the dry ground, where they will not spoil for weeks, and allow them to wait for the rains. In some regions where the action of the wind is not too destructive to the moisture of the soil by caus-

practice is not best for Sweetwater and vicinity, as most of the rains fall here in the summer, and the conditions are such that the ground will not hold sufficient moisture from year to year to mature a crop, so that summer planting just before the rainy season is the one to be recommended in this region. All the cultivation and conservation, however must be studied out by the individual farmer, with the broad general knowledge of how to treat the soil as basis for operations. There is no doubt that the cultivation of the soil retains the moisture of the earth below. As an experiment, one may try the practice of cultivating a small patch of ground for a year and then testing the earth in that patch and testing earth in places near by that have not been cultivated. In every case the cultivated ground will show moisture the depth depending upon the care with which the cultivation has been made and the amount of rain that has fallen. A test of the uncultivated land near by will show it to be absolutely dry so far as the senses can detect. Dry farming has produced more for the farmer for the amount of energy expended than any innovation ever given him. It has redeemed acre after acre in regions looked upon as worthless and new developments each year are making it possible to get good crops on a smaller and smaller annual precipitation. Combined with cattle raising, it has enabled many a man to turn apparently worthless soil into a money making proposition, and many dry farmers, on land not the choicest in the West, above the irrigation ditch, have declared that they would not trade their land for irrigation land, being firmly convinced that year for year, their products would average higher than those of the irrigation would average, considering first the cost of land (the investment on which a profit must be made) and the cost of maintaining ditches and pumps or paying for water. It is not claimed that a man can settle down on a farm and make a living as a dry farmer from the very start, but by the practice of dry farming combined with some pump irrigation for garden truck and fruit, and livestock to eat the forage, that he can invariably produce, it is certain that there is not a section of land in this region that will not make a profitable home for the average family and a much better living than many farmers get in older communities where rainfall is twenty-

### Residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. J. Bradford.

There is no feature of the general make up of any city that has more to do with the general impressive appearance of it than does the handsome and well kept residences, and in this particular, Sweetwater has many handsome and imposing structures that can be pointed to with pride, among which none are worthy of more favorable mention than the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. J. Bradford, a reproduction of which is shown in accompanying cut.

Their home is located in the select portion of the residence district and always attracts unusual notice of the passersby. It is built along the lines of massive colonial design with large and commodious porches and galleries across the entire front and two sides of the house and the general exterior appearance is one of genuine Southern hospitality.

On entering the handsomely designed front entrance one is impressed with the general atmosphere of comfort and perfection of arrangement and the extra large and cheerful rooms are so arranged to gladden the heart of any housewife. The down stairs

rooms are so situated that Mrs. Bradford can while working in the sitting room, command a view of every room on that floor and can direct the work without getting up to see that it is properly done. Six large and conveniently furnished rooms with a completely equipped bath room comprise the first floor.

The upstairs is composed of a large hall and six large rooms for sleeping purposes with a fully equipped bath room with a back gallery over the porch.

The entire lot is built up from the height of the street level thus forming a natural basement under the entire house with a six foot wall.

Mr. Bradford is one of the early settlers of Sweetwater, coming here from Weatherford in 1882, and has seen a great deal of advancement in this community from the time that it was a struggling little village of about 300 inhabitants. He is a native of Tennessee but has lived in the Lone Star State for thirty seven years. Until three years ago he has been actively engaged in the lumber business, organizing the Elliott & Rowe Lumber Company here in the early days which is now known as the Wilkerson Lumber Company, and he has during his business career figured and furnished the material for the bills of many of the residences and business houses here.

Through thrift and exceptional natural business judgement and the unflinching faith in the future of Sweetwater he has become one of the large property owners of this section. Besides his home he



RESIDENCE OF MR. AND MRS. J. A. J. BRADFORD

owns the J. A. J. Bradford building, the Bradford Building, the building known as the Orient building and the building in which the Reporter office is located. He also owns a tract of land composed of 640 acres near the new Santa Fe shops which he is now planning to dispose of in acreage tracts, and which will undoubtedly prove to be among the most attractive available property in the city.

Mr. Bradford is a firm believer in every one doing their full share in aiding every worthy movement to the advancement of the city's interests and to his credit can be said that he is always ready to do his full share.

### THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The Finest in West Texas.

The members of the First Christian Church of Sweetwater are now worshipping in one of the handsomest and most conveniently arranged buildings in West Texas. It is a regular workshop for a progressive up-to-date church with the varied organizations for church work, having beside the main auditorium, a Sunday School department with main room and six class rooms, also upstairs containing beautiful parlor, dining-room, kitchen, work room and library. It is also well-lighted, best lighted church edifice in West Texas. Fine art glass windows with such beautiful harmony in colors that altogether it simply does one good just to sit down in the auditorium and look.

The building is built of brick and has two entrances, one on the north and one on the west. Large Colonial columns adorn both entrances. The site for the building is one of the best in the city and shows that the members of the church in one early day chose well and wisely for the future of the church. The membership of the church is about 300.



WE RAISE CORN IN NOLAN COUNTY

falls. It has been demonstrated for several years by farmers in the Sweetwater district that they can grow all these crops and in addition, Kaffir Corn, Indian Corn, Cantaloupes, Pumpkins, Watermelons, Tomatoes and various other crops. The farmer can produce his forage by following the dry farming method—he can do this almost any year—and then he can make his profit by feeding his forage to cattle and

ing too much evaporation, crop are only attempted each alternate year. That is, after a crop has been harvested one year, it is ploughed and harrowed and allowed to catch the moisture for an entire year, winter and summer, and is planted again the second year. This is generally practiced where the rainfall is evenly distributed throughout the year and where a part of the moisture comes from the snows. Such a

ave, thirty and even forty inches. What has been done in other regions can be done here. It has been done here on a small scale and will be done on a larger one, and the golden opportunity in the Sweetwater country for the dry farmer is now.

Sweetwater has never known what it is to feel the effects of money shortage during times of panic.

Dr. Richard Martin is the pastor. Dr. Newt Long is superintendent of the Sunday school. Preaching every Lord's day.

### THE ELITE TAILOR SHOP.

This establishment enjoys a reputation for satisfactory work at reasonable prices and the people of Sweetwater have learned that any work turned over to them will always come back well done and exactly according to instructions.

Webb Bros., the proprietors, are awake to the needs of their many patrons, and are known to be fully capable of properly handling anything entrusted to their care. Cleaning, pressing and dyeing along the most improved methods, are their specialties. They take orders for tailor made suits and always have on hand a complete line of samples of the latest exclusive patterns and fabrics to choose from.

Alterations are made in any garments, and along this line they have made a most enviable reputation. They are experts in this department and the corrections of faulty fits that they make fully demonstrate the fact.

They are the local agents for the Singer and Wheeler and Wilson makes of sewing machines and accessories and those in the market for a high grade machine will find their prices and terms most satisfactory.

Although they have recently assumed the management of this concern they have much increased the business to a great extent and by their fair minded business methods it is steadily increasing.

### WEST TEXAS REALTY CO.

Ranch and City Property.

West Texas Realty Co., is one of the oldest and most reliable realty companies in the West. We own Bradford's and Long's Additions to the city of Sweetwater, the coming metropolis of the West. These additions are located just 9 blocks south of the city and on a beautiful elevation. There is no nicer residence property in or around Sweetwater. The price of lots in these beautiful additions are \$225.00 for corner lots and \$200.00 for inside lots. 40 per cent cash and balance in one and two years at 8 per cent interest or we will sell them on contract for the above price and on terms of \$10.00 cash and \$10 per month until paid for at which time we deliver a deed and an abstract to each purchaser.

We also handle both small and large ranch propositions in various parts of the State and know where the cheapest and best propositions are located. We have some of the very best oil and gas propositions in the State. We also have one of the finest Glass sand and Fire clay propositions that can be found in the Southern States and have one of the strongest gas wells in the State within ten miles of the Sand and clay. For further information address WEST TEXAS REALTY CO., Sweetwater, Texas.

### AN INDICATION

When you find a spirit of public spiritedness, in any community that was manifested in the recent bond election of Sweetwater, there is no need of looking further for positive proof of progressiveness of the kind that is bound to build a city.

Only fifteen dissenting votes in passing an appropriation of \$25,000.00 for civic improvements is a record that the citizens might well be proud of.

This goes to show that the tax payers fully realize that permanent public improvements are the best investments that they can make toward the enhancement of their own individual interests.

# WHAT IS AND WHAT MIGHT BE

## A Possibility Dependent Upon United Effort.

"Oh, laddie—just a minute!" at the water!

Will you tell us which of these roads goes to the "Santa Fe Lake?" "Sure—just go on down this road, and there turn into the little lane that goes off to the left, at the foot of the hill."

Two girls and a kodak were off on a lark that day, and coming to "the dividing of the ways," were puzzled as to which was the right road. But their youthful guide solved the problem for them and sure enough, in a few more moments they turned into "the lane" which was right at the point of the southern curve of the lake, and were greeted by the broad sweep of water that stretched out ahead of them.

"Oh, isn't it beautiful!"

"There, isn't this worth while? Aren't you glad you came?" were their instant exclamations.

The lane soon came out into the open, and followed the curving line of the western shore, at the foot of a gently sloping hill, scattered over with native mesquite trees, and the two girls drove slowly along, so as to see and take in everything.

The lake was very beautiful that day, as the south wind rippled its surface, and made it sparkle and dance in the warm crisp sunlight that flooded this part of the world—"Look, Polly, isn't that fish jumping over there?" said Elsie, pointing to where the wave-crests were touched with white—"no, no—those are 'white-caps,' bless 'em, even if they are only tiny ones—And my, but it does look good to see them—Just see how the wind is rolling the waves over on top of each other!" cried Polly, who always had loved the water, whether she was out on it, or was only watching it.

Two little "killees," in their sleek, grey plumage, were trotting up and down the shore, occasionally standing still to let the waves roll up over their long, black legs—all unconscious that their antics were being watched, the birds strutted up and down for a few moments—but finally, giving their shrill cry, and spreading their wings, they flew off across the water, skimming low over it, as if they too, were grateful to whoever or whatever it was that had caused the lake to appear there.

After that, the girls left the buggy and wandered up and down the beach, "snapped" a few pictures, and fairly revelled in the quiet restfulness of it all, as they picked their way over the pieces of drift wood that had washed up all along the edge of the lake, they did what girls inevitably will do; if given half a chance—they built "air castles!"

And the "air castle" that was built that day took the form of a spacious club house up there on that western hill, its broad porches facing east, overlooking the lake.

"Oh, Polly, just think of having such a place to come out to!" cried Elsie, fairly dancing with joy, as in fancy they built the club house, and dotted the lake with all manner of small pleasure craft, which were now in reality, represented by one, lonesome-looking little "cat boat" over on the other side. They almost, in their enthusiasm, heard the chug chug of somebody's little launch as they turned for one last look

Reader, cannot you catch these girl's enthusiasm? For the above incident actually happened, in its entirety, some two weeks before the suggestion of endeavoring to procure the privilege from the Santa Fe system to revert the natural resources of the lake and bordering lands into a summer resort that would prove of unlimited pleasure and comfort to our citizens.

With a co-operated effort on the part of the whole populace to bring the proper influence in the proper manner to bear, there is no question but what the proper arrangements can be made. It is up to us. Let's all join in one concerted effort.

But now, can you venture further into that "land of air castles" than did those two girls? Because, now that there is even a slight possibility of such a thing really happening, we can "build" instead of "dream." So—We have just been "cruising" around the lake, and our lively little motor boat has poked its nose in-

and into the big, hospitable grill-room, where a crackling fire greets us, over there in the huge fireplace, and oh, those great pieces of water-soaked driftwood from the shore, what a glorious fire they do make!

The girls smuggle into the big comfortable settees on either side of the fire, and the men fling themselves down on cushions and into deep arm-chairs, and everybody toasts fingers and toes, for the air outdoors was crisp and cool, and as the sun drops below the hill, and over the big Santa Fe shops in the distance, the warm glow of the fire seems all the more grateful.

But, all this time, the most tempting odors have been drifting thro the swinging doors in the rear, whetting appetites that were already good and keen. Soon however, the word was given, and the group around the fire breaks up, only to rearrange itself around the big table, where are spread all sorts of good things among them the very same fish that had just been caught. The old saying, "eat, drink, and be merry," surely reigns supreme about that "festive board!"

By this time, you see, the Club has settled down into good running shape, and, on certain days of the week, the care-taker's wife, who is a royal cook, serves a dinner to which the club members and their invited friends are privileged to come. And such dinners as they are, too!

Soon after dinner, the tables are pushed back, one of the girls

"Summer out at the club house!"

Honestly, now, don't you wish you belonged to the "Santa Fe Fin and Feather Club?" I know you do, way down in your heart, and so, "I move that we bend every effort and use every fair means to make the necessary arrangements that will give us the privilege that we want to take, develop and use the "Santa Fe Lake"—and surrounding grounds—Who seconds the motion?" "A. B. P."

### Historical Sketch of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Sweetwater, Texas.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Sweetwater was organized in 1882 under the administration of Rev. R. F. Dunn and has been served by the following pastors:

- R. F. Dunn, 1882-5.
- Hiram M. Glass, 1886-7.
- M. L. Moody, 1888-9.
- J. H. Chambliss, 1890-91.
- J. H. Wiseman 1-2 of 1892 and the year was finished by C. L. Browning.
- W. P. Garvin, 1893-4.
- J. A. Hyder, 1895.
- E. C. Eason, 1896.
- G. H. Hodge, 1897.
- Emmet Hightower, 1898-9.
- W. H. Harris, 1900-1-2.
- C. A. Evans, 1903.
- W. A. Manley, 1904.
- R. S. Heizer, 1905-6.
- T. H. Jack, 1907.
- J. B. Dodson, 1908-9.
- A. W. Hall, 1910-11.

## CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS

### Sweetwater is Awake to the Necessity of Improved Streets and Homes

Much has been done in the way of civic improvements during the past few years and plans are on foot now for additional work along this line on a large scale. The miles of cement sidewalk, the concrete pavement, the lawns, trees, plants, shrubbery, terraces and improved business blocks and public buildings all go to make up an impressiveness of civic pride that at first sight of this city impresses the strangers that here is a wide awake and bustling city made up of people imbued with the spirit of doing their full share toward maintaining the appearance of their homes and streets in a manner that would reflect credit upon any city many times the size of our city.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the importance of permanent improvements and the beautifying of every square foot of ground, private or public, that is possible, and in this particular Sweetwater leads many of her sister cities.

We do not however, wish to create the impression that all has been done that can be done, or that the movement has been one that all have co-operated in. In this edition of Progress and Prosperity we wish to impress every

citizen of Sweetwater that it is their sacred duty to themselves and the community to do everything in their power to add to the city's attractiveness, and to keep everlastingly at it. Constant effort and thought, planning new methods and places to improve are most necessary to accomplish desired results.

The ladies, especially, should feel called upon to enlist in this movement, and the superintending of beautifying the exterior of their homes and home grounds should naturally appeal to their home pride and artistic temperament. A great deal of good can be done and the accomplishment unlimited by the concerted and organized effort of the ladies. A well organized civic league is needed in Sweetwater and is bound to materialize. Our women are made up of the kind that can do things if they undertake any project along this line and we call upon them to be about and doing.

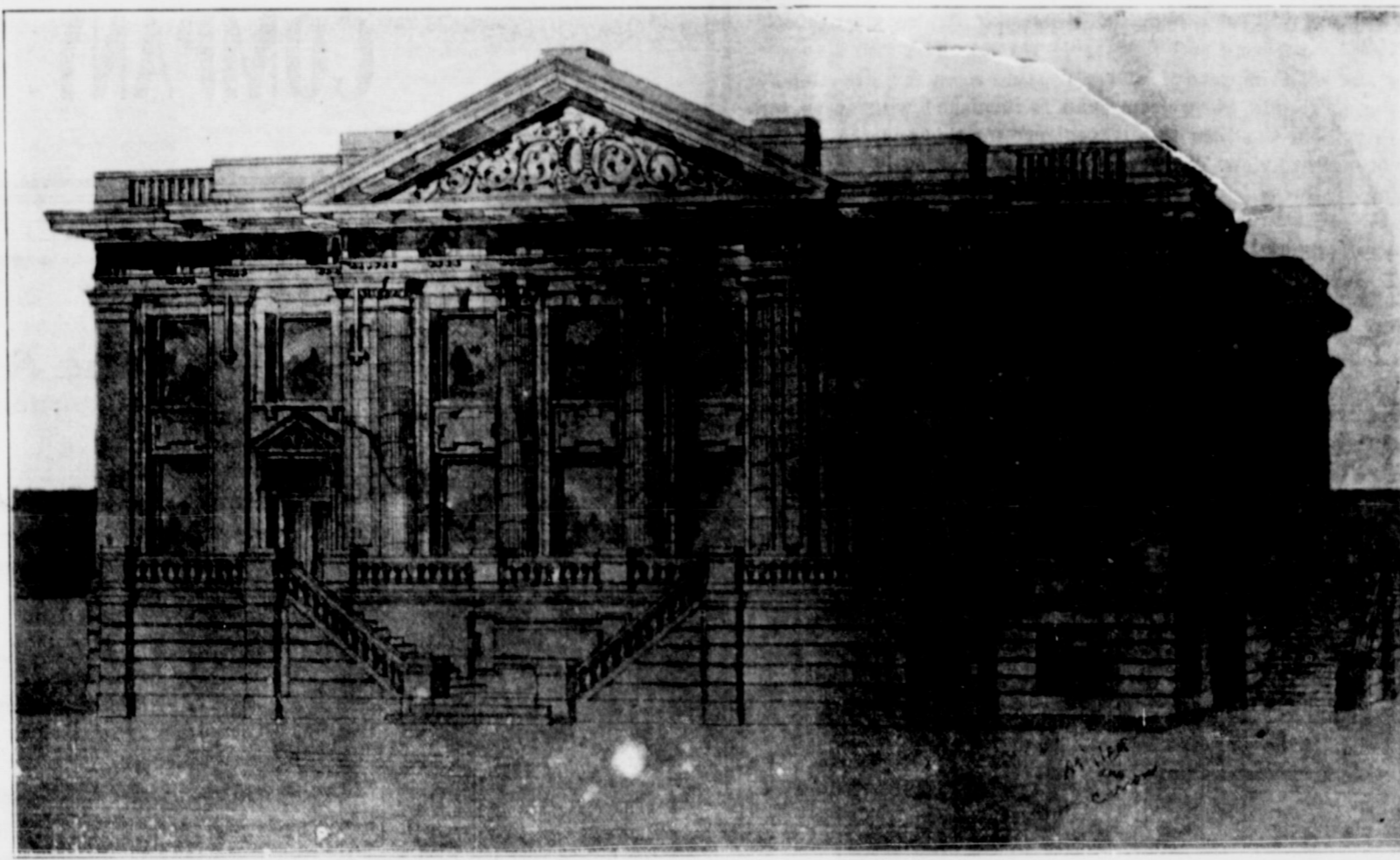
Organize a Women's Civic League. Call your meeting at once. Respond when the call is made and consider yourself one of those specially called. Each ward should have an auxiliary affiliated with the city organization, committees should be appointed for the various departments whose members can be depended upon to perform their duties and to keep the members under their jurisdiction in line. A pleasant rivalry can in this way be instilled that will in a short time show most gratifying results. Envious and selfish motives should be thrown to the winds and the great work entered into with a feeling of friendliness and a desire to do your full share and to help others by timely suggestions. Many home sites could be improved with but little work. An improved lawn, a few trees, shrubs, plants or vines in places where they are now conspicuous by their absence would change the general appearance of our city to an extent that words are inadequate to make comparison.

Every day should be a clean up day. Refuse carelessly lying around the yard creates a most unfavorable impression and with a little thought and very little work the unsightliness could be prevented. In this the children could be most instrumental and we appeal to their loyalty to the city's interest. Let's have a children's Civic League, so successfully organized and operated in many cities in the country. The children could by very little effort set an example to their elders that would force them to perform their full share if they should in any way display an indifference.

The improvement and perfection of the surroundings of a home calls for so little effort that there is no reasonable excuse for overlooking this most important feature of any community.

In conclusion this mention is made with the hopes that every citizen will consider themselves enlisted in a movement inaugurated in improving the city's appearance. The ladies are earnestly called upon to take immediate steps to organize and to lend their influence. You are not performing your full duty as a wife or in the proper training of your family in the neglect of duty in this line that costs so little effort. You are not as a girl or young lady coming into womanhood showing your appreciation of what nature has placed before you nor are you performing your duty as a public spirited woman in neglecting to do what should naturally fall to your lot in the maintenance of the community that you live in.

Sweetwater citizenship is made up of the later day progressives who are up and doing all the time



SWEETWATER METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUTH

quisitively around every curve of the shore has darted straight across the water as if in defiance of the gigantic dam that towered up above it, over there on the eastern side; and then, as suddenly, has swerved to the right and made for the club house, there on the western hill.

But, starting out from the other shore, come "Three Men in a Boat," and as one of the three holds up a string of glistening fish our crowd sets up a shout—Somebody calls out, "Oh, I'm so glad you've caught so many, for I'm hungry as a bear, and I know I could eat every one of them, myself."

The boats pull up, together, at the pretty little landing, just below the clubhouse, the two groups exchanging gay banter.

"Wh-r-oo-oo! Wh-r-oo-oo!" And there, spinning thro the "lane" (now kept nicely in order by club care-taker) comes a jolly car-load of young folks who have motored out from town. We go flying up the hill and meet them at the foot of the broad club steps, and in another moment, all go chattering across the porch

drops down at the piano, and starts up a waltz, and then, for the next hour, the floor is filled with gayly whirling young people while their elders look on, delightedly, or have a game or two of "Forty-two."

Then, a quick spin home, thro the clear night air, every one in a better humor for having had such a wholesome, pleasurable outing, and everyone so glad they have a club house to go to!

But what about next Spring and Summer? Why, just lots of things about them!

There are croquet, fishing, rowing and swimming; games of "Forty-two," on the cool, shady verandas, and gallons of iced-tea and lemonade in big bowls over there in that corner of the porch, sheltered by the vines! Flower-beds around the edges of the porches, and flower boxes along the sides of the steps. Other flower beds and shrubs and grass, (yes why not, with a lake full of water to keep it alive and green) all down that slope leading to the broad lake shore! That is

During this period of time the most important events as I gather them were the following:

Church built under the administration of R. F. Dunn. It was a great work for a little band of 35 members to build what was then such a splendid house of worship. This house still stands today.

During the period served by H. M. Glass occurred the great drought.

During the years 1888 and 9 Sweetwater circuit, consisting of Hylton, Colorado, Snyder, Sweetwater, Merkel and many other smaller places paid Bro. M. L. Moody one year a salary of \$287.25. This same territory now supports about 23 Methodist pastors with a total salary of about \$17,000.

During the ministry of W. P. Garvin the Woman's Home Mission Society was organized.

The Epworth League was organized while Emmet Hightower served as pastor.

In 1904, under W. A. Manley, Sweetwater was made a station and has since had the full time of the pastor.

During the postorate of R. S.

Heizer the present parsonage was built. When the present pastor took charge he found a church of 226 members. To their membership has been added 211 to date.

Very substantial improvements have been made on the parsonage-building. A new barn and lot have been added, a fine cistern dug and a very substantial start has been made on the erection of one of the most splendid and up-to-date church buildings to be found anywhere.

The Sunday School is well organized to take care of every methodist in the city from the smallest baby to the oldest man or woman. The Cradle Roll Department takes care of them from babyhood to four years of age at which time they are enrolled in the active work of the Sunday school.

The Sunday school together with the large membership and our ever-growing city make it absolutely necessary that we go forward in the building of our splendid house of worship that we may under God do our part in caring for the religious interests of our city.

# Interesting Facts on Sweetwater's Business Section

Built on Substantial Lines and of Pleasing Architecture. A Pleasant Feature for Favorable Comment of Visitors from Outside Sections.

The general appearance of Sweetwater's business section is one that lends stability to the city from every view point. As a whole the business blocks are roomy substantial buildings with store and office rooms with modern conveniences and of sufficient proportions for the needs of large concerns.

The absence of small stocks and cheap temporary buildings is most noticeable. The owners have shown absolute faith in the future of the city by erecting structures that are not only a credit to the city, but represent large amounts of investment.

Among the substantial buildings are: one three story concrete block, twenty three two-story brick buildings, six two-story rock buildings, four two-story solid concrete buildings, six one story solid concrete buildings, one brick church building, one solid concrete church building, under construction, T. and P. depot, solid concrete, Santa Fe depot solid concrete and terra cotta, three school buildings, all brick and of handsome architecture. The Court House and jail are made of rock.

## Residence of Judge Edward J. and Mrs. Hamner.

The Hamner residence is unquestionably one of the most modern and comfortable homes in the southwest, viewed from a standpoint of pleasing exterior as well as inside arrangement and furnishings; and Sweetwater is proud in acquiring a citizen who has shown his appreciation of this city by the erection of such a home, which is about completed.

Excellent judgement was exercised in the selection of a most suitable location for this imposing structure, it being situated in the main residence district on East North Third street.

The outside architecture is a pleasing combination of modified Spanish design for the lower story and early day English for the upper story.

A commodious porch extends



RESIDENCE OF MR. AND MRS. ED. J. HAMNER.

The entire width of the house and continues on both sides half the length of it; the main approach consisting of a large arch that adds materially to the general imposing appearance of the structure. The outside decorations are very pleasing to the eye and unique in appearance, comprising a combination of white, dark green and dark brick color, the second story and gallery being covered by Asbestuco. The exquisitely designed front entrance leads into a large and inviting living room and hall which leads

We ask the prospective investor or home seeker to compare this list with those of other cities to determine whether or not she is justified in making the assertion that she is the largest small city in the Southwest.

Those who are impressed with the idea that all western towns are of the frontier nature will quickly have such a thought dispelled on looking over the improvements of our city.

This is no idle boast. We have the improvements and they are here as actual convincing material.

Sweetwater is a city with three trunk line railroads, giving it outlets and inlets in six different directions, opening up a trade territory of a hundred mile radius. Kindly tell us what can prevent it from becoming a natural distributing point as well as a manufacturing point right at the base of supplies of raw material.

With the new Santa Fe Shops that will distribute \$100,000.00 per month in pay rolls each month the steady increase of business is assured. There will always be ready cash in Sweetwater.

to the stairway. The quiet elegance of the living room both as to finish of woodwork and furnishings are most impressive and gives one a feeling of welcome hospitality from the time that it is first brought to view. The woodwork in this room is mahogany, with massive furniture to match, with an inviting and cheery grate finished with a pure white Texas stone resembling white marble directly opposite the entrance, over which, to complete the first impulsive feeling of hospitality one can imagine a pictured motto worded: "Through this wide open gate, none arrive too early and none leave too late."

To the right of the entrance, cut off only by a beautifully designed grill work, is the sitting room, furnished as is the living room, in mahogany, with solid mahogany furniture of exclusive design. Opening from this room

Leading to the upper story is a solid quarter sawed oak stairway and balustrade of a unique and original pattern.

To the right of the stair landing and the spacious hallway, and in the front part of the second story, is the guests' room, furnished in quarter sawed oak furniture.

Across the hall is the bedroom of Miss Minnie Hamner, furnished in the finest of birds-eye maple. This room also has a chiffoniere built in the closet and the closet door is a full size French beveled plate glass mirror.

The rear rooms are reserved for Edward J. Jr., and the two Misses Hamner. The former's room is elegantly furnished with antique Circassian walnut exceptionally attractive for its wonderful natural grain and most artistically furnished in birds eye maple. The Misses room

The dining room is everything that can be imagined from a standpoint of attractiveness. Over the heavy dining room table is a chandelier of wonderful design, solid brass with colored art glass shades which shed a mellow and restful light. The woodwork is quarter-sawed oak with the Old English finish, with the furniture to match.

Leading back toward the kitchen is a small breakfast room, finished in spotless white enamel, and so is the kitchen, the realization of the fondest dreams of an exacting housewife, with its large white enameled sink and sanitary drainboards on both sides, a built-in pantry, enclosed hot water tank, inlaid linoleum and every convenience to the smallest detail, it is truly the perfection of convenience and arrangement.

Leading from the hall that extends beyond the stairway to the left is the bed room of Mr. and Mrs. Hamner. This room is one that creates the greatest delight of all the rooms in the house. While the balance of the house is finished with new and latest design furnishings, here is found the old furniture that has a sacredness to the home providers that none can appreciate except the two who have used this same furniture for many years. A comfortable and roomy settee extends along the length of one side of the room and the furniture is arranged in the same order that it has occupied in their other homes for years and will ever serve to bring forth cherished reminiscences to the old folks. This room has a large fireplace, and with beveled heavy French plate mirrored doors leading to two closets, in which chiffonieres are built.

Directly adjoining this chamber is a bath room that is a dream of all bath rooms in appointment and size, with a full sized enameled bath tub, stationery wash stand and toilets, opal glass shelving and French plate mirrors, with tile floor. A large built-in linen closet is also a most desirable feature. This also serves as a dressing room for Mrs. Hamner and is furnished with every convenience for this purpose.

Through a door leading below the stairs one enters a basement room finished in white that serves as a sewing room. This is an exceptionally cheery and well lighted room with an entrance from the outside, thus saving the annoyance of bringing trunks and other goods to be stored through the entire house. A chute from the bath room conveys soiled linen and clothes to the hamper in the cellar room, and the ashes from the fireplaces in the floors above are dumped into a closed ash receptacle built into the foundation of the fireplaces. A dust chute also empties into a proper receptacle in the cellar all dust and sweepings from the second story.

Each room has its individual cut-off for lights and the fixtures throughout are of solid brass and massive design.

In the selection of materials for the building and the articles of furnishings nothing has been installed that is not of the very best that could be purchased. Rooms are all covered with Schuttelworth velvet carpets and rugs of fabric and texture that make them veritable cushions, and were woven especially for this residence.

The servants' quarters, carriage room and stables are all fitted with every convenience and are in keeping with the balance of this modern home.

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# North Highland Traction Company

A Factor in Promoting Metropolitan Sweetwater

The North Highland Traction Company offers an investment that has no equal in this section of the country from a stand point of certain increase in value and easy terms.

They have for sale lots in the choicest and most desirable suburban site of Sweetwater, just north of Sweetwater 1400 lots 50X140 feet are included in the addition. None of which will be over three blocks from the proposed street car line which they will build when fifty per cent of the lots on sale have been disposed of. A twenty thousand dollar school house under guarantee will also be built by this company on fourth tier of blocks from street car line. The line is absolutely guaranteed and will serve as a natural improvement to the property and the enhancement of the valuation can readily be appreciated. Prices range from a minimum of \$90 to \$390 per lot according to location and distance from street car line, and the terms of sale are such that one of these lots can be purchased by any one without missing the money. Terms—Ten Dollars Cash and ten dollars per month until paid. Seven per cent discount for cash and free deed to lot in case of death before full purchase price is paid provided all payments are made up to date contract for deed is issued on receipt of first payment and on full payment warranty deed is issued.

What more liberal terms could be offered? The saving feature should appeal to every one. Sweetwater property, any place is a good investment at the present time, but everything considered this is absolutely the best proposition offered in this section. With the improvement of the Santa Fe lake and the city lake and the erection of the Santa Fe shops, giving employment to hundreds of men all in this part of town is bound to make this property the most desirable and valuable in Sweetwater.

The promoters of this addition are known to be most reliable and their recommendations and financial responsibility are of the order to insure the faithful execution of every guarantee.

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The entire second floor, the kitchen, breakfast room, and the old folk's bed-room are finished with white enamel woodwork, and great pains have been taken to secure proper ventilation and light.

One very noticeable feature of the bedrooms and bathrooms is the placing of the windows near the ceiling, excluding any interior view from outsiders and insuring natural ventilation, and seclusion.

The finished hardware, light fixtures, rugs and carpets are all in perfect harmony with the finish and furnishings of each separate room as well as the general harmony of the entire house.

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Before beginning the practice of law in 1881 Judge Hamner was engaged in the newspaper business, and the success that he attained in both of these vocations is history with which we are well acquainted. Judge Hamner deserves credit for the erection of this modern and elaborately furnished home in our city, and it is our sincere hope that it will have its influence in prompting others to display as much civic pride in building their homes as has Judge Hamner.