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IMPROVEMENT IS BEGUN BY ORIENT ROAD

MORE AID IS SECURED; PLAN TO MAKE NEEDED EXTENSIONS

First Electric Lights

Business On Road Increases; Big Lake Oil Field Business Helps

Aglow with electric lights, the early morning Orient passenger train looked like a real up-to-date and modern express as it rolled into the Sweetwater yards Wednesday morning. This was the first Orient train that has ever come into Sweetwater that was equipped with electric lights, and the attention of many people all along the Orient line was attracted Tuesday night and Monday morning as they beheld the brilliant lights shining from the passenger coaches.

A modern electric lighting system has replaced the old gas lights that have been used for years in all the coaches owned by the Orient. Other coaches owned by the company will likewise be improved immediately, according to local officials.

Making Many Improvements

Many improvements are rapidly being made by the Orient, and those interested in the road are now taking hopes of the road becoming a great road. Fifty box cars have just been rebuilt, furnished with modern steel underframes, and turned out from the Wichita shops, says J. W. Butta, local agent. Seven additional engines have been bought and are being put in first class shape, and all of the engines will be made oil burners just as soon as possible. New box cars will also be bought.

Four of his film tons of Sweetwater, being used in the building of tracks all up and down the line, especially in the Big Lake Oil field area. The road workers are laying new cross ties as rapidly as they can be secured. Much money is being spent in the upbuilding of the road in every department.

Plans are being made to extend the line to Chihuahua, Old Mexico, on the south, and to Kansas City on the north. Thus the rich mineral area of Mexico will be opened up to the United States, and Mexico miners will find a direct line to the American market. An increase granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission of \$300,000 or \$400,000 annually is going to aid greatly in the improvement plan.

Oil Field Helps

The Big Lake Oil Field development is a great boom to the Orient. From thirty to forty cars of oil are being shipped from that place daily, to say nothing of the supplies being shipped into the field. Business in general is on the increase. In the past all that the Orient could make was required for upkeep, and with no surplus, such as other roads have, it has been impossible to improve the road.

Simmons To Install Laundry on Plains

R. M. Simmons of Sweetwater and C. W. Clark of Abilene were in Brown field last week making preparations for the installation of a steam laundry at that place. A concrete building was secured and the laundry will be installed as soon as machinery can be bought and sent to that place.

Mr. Simmons owns laundries here, at Coleman and Victoria. Mr. Clark, formerly owner of the local laundry, owns two plants at Abilene.

COUNTY ENGINEER CARRIES ROAD PLANS TO AUSTIN

John A. Focht, county road engineer, left Sunday for Austin to get the final approval of the State Department on the plans for the building of the highway south of town to the Nine-Mile Hill.

Mrs. Focht and John Jr., accompanied Mr. Focht to Dallas where they are spending a few days visiting.

C. M. Johnson, manager of the Jones Dry Goods Store at Colorado, and wife were in Sweetwater Sunday looking over the town.

MOTHER WOULDN'T SEND MONEY; FORGED CHECK

Because his mother wouldn't send him money was the reason given by Stanley Goga for forging a check for \$20.50 on Chas. C. Rogers, local saddle man. Goga appeared before Justice of the Peace I. W. Brashear, Tuesday and was given an examining trial. He is now being held pending the making of a bond for \$1000.00.

Goga said he wired his mother in New York for money three times, and getting no reply he was absolutely forced to do something to get money to live on so he forged the check.

"GOOD ROADS" IS SUBJECT OF MAUZEY'S TALK

URGES CITIZENS OF COUNTY TO BE PATIENT WITH ROAD MOVEMENT

60 Attend Meeting

Secretary McCurdy Suggest Offering Of Prizes To Stimulate Better Cotton Raising

A talk on "Good Roads" by County Judge A. S. Mauzey featured the program of the Sweetwater Luncheon Club at the Wright Hotel at noon Thursday, February 26th. More than sixty members of the club were present at the luncheon.

Judge Mauzey stated that efforts had been made to explain the technicalities involved in the construction of good roads in order that the public might not grow impatient. He emphasized the importance of not being in too big a rush. He stated that the surface would not be put on the highway west until sufficient rains have fallen to harden and settle the road bed, unless public sentiment pushed the officials to do so. "The surfacing of this road will probably be started early in the summer," he said. "And we may be riding on the best of paved roads by next November."

May Spring Surprise

According to Judge Mauzey, the road beds are being built for less money than it was at first expected that they would cost. It is possible, he hinted, that there will be a sensational surprise for the people later on in that even better roads than had been planned will be built. He briefly related the facts of what had been done in road building, so far, and stated that the county and state officials were working together in perfect harmony in the superintending of the work. He brought a hearty applause when he said that Nolan county had one of the very best country road engineers in the entire state.

McCurdy Speaks

Secretary McCurdy made a short talk in which he impressed the need of following the examples set by other towns in urging and encouraging the farmers to raise better cotton through the offering of prizes for the most cotton raised on the fewest number of acres. He stated that last year's county fair was a great success, and that the prospects are that the one this year will be even a greater success. The selling of stock in an organized association is now well under way, and he expects to see from \$10,000 to \$15,000 worth of stock sold.

G. Burton Fain drew the prize of \$5.00 worth of butter offered by the Missette Creamery of Amarillo. Roy W. Thompson reported that he spent the \$5.00, won at the last meeting with the man who offered the prize, Louie Galbraith. The City National Bank is offering the prize for the next week.

The membership committee announced the signing up of seven new members since the last meeting.

Bill Smith of Amarillo, J. Oscar Smith of Dallas, and Judge Neal and Robt. Campbell of San Angelo were visitors to the Luncheon Club.

Oscar Pate, cashier of the City National Bank, acted as toastmaster at the luncheon. Superintendent McLain, of the City Schools, will act as toast master at the next meeting.

ABILENE GROCERY DAMAGED BY FIRE

ABILENE, Feb. 24.—The stock of the Forbes Grocery Company was damaged by fire here to the amount of \$3,000, with a loss of \$600 to the building. The stock was insured for \$2,250, and the building for \$750.

FAIR STOCK SELLING CAMPAIGN OPENS IN SWEETWATER

The committee which is selling stock in the Nolan County Fair Association in the various towns and rural communities of the county are having remarkable success, was brought out at a meeting of Sweetwater citizens at the offices of the Board of City Development Thursday afternoon at 3:30.

At this meeting the stock selling campaign in Sweetwater was begun in earnest, and all present at the meeting expect Sweetwater to come across and do her part when the matter is put up to them. The general phase of the work was discussed at the meeting, and it was pointed out that not less than ten thousand dollars were to be raised and that as much as fifteen thousand were needed. At least one-half of this amount will have to be raised before a charter will be granted the Association.

Shares will be sold at \$25.00 each, \$12.50 to be paid now and \$12.50 on the 1st of November. Up until Thursday night no stock had been sold in Sweetwater, however, committees are scheduled to start out soliciting stock buyers Friday morning.

Committees Named

A large number of men have been placed on the committees to solicit and districts will be assigned to them at the beginning of the campaign.

Colonial Tea Is Saturday Evening

The annual High School Colonial Tea which was scheduled for last week will be held Saturday night of this week at the Hotel Wright. Very elaborate plans have been made for the Tea by the High School Students, and a large crowd of people from Sweetwater are expected to be present at the big entertainment.

Many thrills and surprises are promised by the students, most of them being withheld from the public in order that the guest may find them more entertaining. Barnum and Bailey's motto of "Bigger, Better and Grander Than Ever Before" has been adopted by those in charge of the entertainment, and nothing will be spared in living up to the motto. This is true the third year that the Tea has been held.

The Queens for the various classes of the High School have been lectured, and keen competition is predicted in the decision of the winner in the Colonial Queen contest. Elizabeth McKissick has been elected Senior Queen and the Seniors will put forth every effort to crown her as Queen of the festival. Nine Mae Mjaores is the Junior Queen, M. Bernice Sherridan, the Sophomore, and Lenora Bishop, the Freshman. The winning Queen will be the one that receives the most votes bought at a penny each.

Many other contests will create a great deal of interest. Each class will put on stunts, shows, and other such entertaining features. The classes will also have booths in which they will sell candies, pies and drinks.

The entire town is invited to the Colonial Tea, and preparation is being made for the entertainment of an immense crowd. The last two years the Tea has been a decided success from every standpoint.

Pioneer Citizen Passes Away

Mrs. J. S. McElroy, aged 63, a long time resident of Nolan county passed away at the home of Mrs. Della McElroy Tuesday night and was laid to rest in the City cemetery Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. McElroy had been sick for several days with pneumonia.

Mrs. McElroy was well known here by all the old timers, and her husband having come to this county thirty or thirty-five years ago. Her entire family, several sons and daughters were raised here. Her husband died several years ago.

She was a member of the Christian church, and Elder J. T. McKissick, her pastor, conducted the funeral services Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The body of Mrs. McElroy was laid to rest in the City Cemetery immediately following the services.

Roy Costephens is sick with the "flu" and is unable to be at his work this week.

DAN CUPID PLAYING OFF ON HIS JOB

Little Dan Cupid has evidently been playing off on his job during the past seven days, according to the books of County Clerk, Gus Farrar. Only two marriage licenses have been issued from the Nolan County office in the above mentioned length of time, and one of those was issued to parties from another county.

Those issued were to: H. G. Norris, Roscoe, and Miss Katie Plunkett, Roscoe, on Feb. 21st. N. Grady Stapp, Burnett and Miss Annie L. Holcomb, Brownwood, on Feb. 22nd.

STAGE IS SET FOR DISTRICT COURT OPENING

VERY BUSY SESSION EXPECTED FOR MARCH TERM OF COURT

14 Criminal Cases

Hickox Murder Trial o Attract Interest; Many Minor Civil Cases On Docket

Everything is ready for the opening of the March term of District Court, which is to open here Monday, March 2nd. District Judge W. P. Leslie, of Colorado, will sit on the bench, and District Attorney James T. Brooks, of Big Spring will have charge of the prosecution.

A very busy term is expected since there are fourteen cases on the criminal docket, five on the civil jury docket, and sixty on the non-jury civil docket. The case of greatest interest will probably be the case in which T. T. Hickox is charged with murder. The case was transferred here from Upton county. A criminal charge against W. M. Wray will also likely attract a great deal of attention.

Five civil jury cases will be tried during the first week of court. They follow: Isham Wright, et al, vs. Rufus Wright, et al, division of estate; J. D. Posey vs. the Gulf Colorado Santa Fe Railroad Co., personal injury; Emma McClintic vs. Charles A. McClintic, divorce; and division of estate; Mary J. Ewell, et al, vs. G. E. Ramey, usury; T. H. Tyler, et al, vs. T. A. Russell, trespass to try title.

Criminal Docket Full

The criminal docket is as follows: State of Texas vs. M. H. Roberts, two charges of swindling, both cases being continued from last term for death of defending attorney's wife; State vs. T. T. Hickox, murder; State vs. W. M. Wray, carnal knowledge of female under 15 years of age; State vs. N. T. Spiller, driving and operating car while intoxicated, continued by defendant on grounds of witness being absent; Dementro Castro, unlawful possessing and transporting of intoxicating liquor; State vs. Nicholas Naverette, unlawful possessing and transporting of intoxicating liquor; State vs. Wesley Thomas and R. L. Drake, burglary; State vs. Ross Bean, driving and operating automobile while intoxicated, continued; J. T. Underwood, accomplice to theft; State vs. Jim Hughes, theft; State vs. Wesley Thomas, theft; State vs. Wesley Thomas, theft; State vs. Wesley Thomas, theft.

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Roscoe Man Held On Gun-Play Charge

As a result of a scrap in a Roscoe sandwich shop at 9:30 Tuesday night, J. B. McCauley is in the county jail here with two charges for gun play and one for assault and battery against him. He is also charged with attacking Carl Matthews and Ted Rayburn. All three of the young men live at or near Roscoe.

The trouble began when Rayburn and Matthews attempted to pass McCauley, who was drunk, it is alleged. McCauley, it is said pulled a gun on the two and tried to shoot, but for some reason the gun wouldn't go off.

McCauley, witnesses say, then threw the gun away and went and found an old tractor valve and hit Matthews over the head. A large gash was cut in Matthews head. The arrest was made by "Buck" Walker night watchman at Roscoe.

Russell Mitchell of Lamesa was in Sweetwater Monday on business.

SCHOOLS MAY CONSOLIDATE WITH ROSCOE

BLACKLAND AND GOODE SEEK HIGHER RATING FOR SCHOOLS

Plan Better Schools

Trustees of Three Districts Discuss Consolidation in Meeting At Roscoe Monday

At a meeting of the trustees of the Blackland and Goode Schools and the trustees of the Roscoe Public Schools Monday afternoon at Roscoe plans for the consolidation of the three districts and the affiliation of the two rural schools were discussed.

Affiliation with the Roscoe schools and standardization of their curricula is being sought by these two schools in order that students transferring to the High School may get full recognition for the work done in the Rural Schools. To do this it may be necessary to consolidate the districts, making Goode and Blackland ward schools to the Roscoe school, according to County Superintendent Will H. Scott, who attended the meeting.

In case a consolidation of the districts is brought about and affiliation is secured the two Rural Schools will drop their last two years of work, and the Roscoe High School will handle these students. The Rural Schools now teach through the tenth grade. The dropping of two years will enable them to do better and more intensive work in the grades and thereby enable the graduates to enter the fully affiliated school at Roscoe or any other affiliated school in the state, without loss of credits to the transfers or without examination.

If the districts are consolidated, more stress instead of less stress will be laid on the Blackland and Goode schools, much needed additions will be made, and the schools will become ward schools of the Roscoe district. The feasibility of buying and operating school transfer buses at some time in the future, however, no definite steps were taken. In order to consolidate the districts a vote of the citizens concerned will have to be taken.

"The meeting at Roscoe was very profitable," says Superintendent, Scott, "and a closer relationship has already been brought about between the districts as a result of the meeting."

M. L. H. Baze, superintendent of the Roscoe Public Schools, also attended the meeting and offered many helpful suggestions.

Club House To Be Built At Lake

The Sweetwater Country Club is to have a new modern clubhouse was the announcement made the first part of this week by officials of the Club. Money for the erection of the house, which is expected to cost in the neighborhood of \$6,500, is already available, having been raised from membership fees.

The Club has been improving its grounds at the Santa Fe Lake year after year, and the latest improvement will give Sweetwater a modern country club. A first class golf course is maintained by the club. The bathing facilities are among the best in West Texas, and the lake is well stocked with fish for those who love that sport. Ducks swarm the lake in season.

The work on the new club house will start as soon as architects plans can be approved and the contract let. The building will contain a large room for socials, a dining room, large and shady porches, quarters for the keeper, rest room, showers, and a basement containing a heating plant.

Hereford Show To Be Held Monday

The Nolan County Hereford Breeders Show and Sale, which is to be held in Sweetwater Monday, March 2nd, will be held in the wagon yard back of the Nolan County News office on North West 4th Street. At the show a large number Herefords will be sold privately auction.

ORIENT OFFICIAL HERE

J. M. Rutherford, general agent of the Orient Railroad, was in Sweetwater Wednesday on official business. Rutherford makes his headquarters at Chillicothe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harrington of Snyder spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Abbott.

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WOMEN PROVE VALUE OF CANNING MEAT AT HOME

The women of the county are day by day coming to realize the value of canning meat at home. A large number of the farm ladies have bought canning outfits. As a result they are saving a great deal on their grocery bills. The fact that a great saving is made is evidenced by the work two Nolan County women have done at canning demonstrations recently with their cookers and sealers.

Mrs. M. E. Ramsell, of the Decker community, recently canned a beef which would have sold for \$25.00, and as a result her net gain amounted to \$84.95. From the beef Mrs. Ramsell canned 49 No. 3 cans and 11 No. 2 cans of roast, 61 No. 3 cans and 15 No. 2 cans of steak, No. 3 cans of Swiss steak, 34 No. 2 cans of chili, 20 No. 2 cans of loaf meat, 10 No. 3 cans of soup, 2 No. 3 cans of heart, and 6 No. 2 cans of liver. She canned a total of 128 No. 3 cans and 86 No. 2 cans, which would equal 644 pounds at a value of \$19.70. She received \$2.50 for the hide which would bring the actual value to \$122.22. Her cans cost her \$12.50, and subtracting this together with the value of the cow she made a net

profit of \$84.95.

Aside from this Mrs. Ramsell figures that should she have paid for her cooker and sealer out of this she still would have had \$45.70 left, since a cooker and sealer costs only \$39.25.

Mrs. J. T. Hutchens of Hylton community did nearly as well as Mrs. Ramsell when she made a net profit of \$62.40 from 20 pounds of fresh beef, brains and half of the liver. She canned 20 No. 3 cans of chili, 42 cans of steak, 20 of roast, 19 of hash, 2 of liver, 1 of tongue, and 4 of soup stock, or a total of 108 cans. She sold the hide of the yearling at \$3.50 and the cans cost her \$6.00. Aside from her profit of \$62.40 she made nine pounds of soap from the fat that was left.

3,000 APPLE TREES BOUGHT AT CLYDE

CLYDE, February 22.—It is estimated that 3,000 apple trees have been sold to be planted this winter in the famous Clyde fruit belt. Fruit growers of this section recently held a session at which prospects for the new year were discussed.

Club and Society

Mrs. Frank Hill, Editor.

Phone 400

"JEST A-WEARYIN' FER YOU"

Jest a-wearyin' fer you—
All the time a-feelin' blue,
Wishin' fer you, wonderin' when
You'll be comin' home again;
Restless—don't know what to do
—Jest a-wearyin' fer you.

Keep a-mopin' day by day,
Dull—in everybody's way;
Folks they smile and an' pass-along
Wonderin' what on earth is wrong,
'Twouldn't help 'em if they knew
—Jest a-wearyin' fer you.

Room's so lonesome, with your chair
Empty by the fireplace there,
Jest can't stand the sight of it!
Go outdoors an' roam a bit,
But the woods is lonesome too,
—Jest a-wearyin' fer you.

Mornin' comes, the birds awake
(Then that sung fer your sake)
But there's sadness in the notes
That comes thrillin' from their throats.
Seem to feel your absence too—
—Jest a-wearyin' fer you.

Evenin' comes, I miss you more
When dark is in the door,
Pears jest like you orter be
There to open it fer me!
Latch goes tinklin'—thrills me
through—
Sets me a-wearyin' fer you.
—Frank L. Stanton.

MUSICIANS APPEAR IN RECITAL

Mrs. H. D. Carsner of Abilene, well known West Texas pipe organist and Miss Hazel Mikkelsen, violinist, appeared in recital before an appreciative audience at the First Presbyterian church last Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Mrs. Carsner played three groups and Miss Mikkelsen two.

The following was the program:
Scripture Reading.
Prayer.
Tocatta In D Minor.....Nevin
Berceuse.....Dickinson
Spring Song.....Mendelssohn
Adantino.....Lemare
Mrs. H. D. Carsner
Minuet.....Porpora
Serenade.....Randelger, Jr.
Serenade.....Guthabgk
Waltz.....Weber
Londonery Air.....Kreisler
Miss Hazel Mikkelsen
Largo, From Xerxes.....Handel
(Arranged by Whitney)
Miuet.....Beethoven
Evensong.....Edwin Johnson
Mrs. H. D. Carsner
Prelude De Le Deluge.....Saint Saens
Arioso.....Bach
Miss Hazel Mikkelsen
Offertoire in D Minor.....Batiste
The Answer Die Antwort.....Handel
Wolstennolme
Hallilujah Chorus.....Handel
Mrs. H. D. Carsner

Mrs. W. S. Vaughn is very sick with pneumonia.

CHRISTIAN LADIES MET FRIDAY.

The Christian Ladies Aid Society met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. G. W. Davis, 506 Cedar St., in their regular meeting. An interesting program was rendered. Misses Clonnis and Cooper and Lydia Givens furnished the first part of the program. Misses Helen and Ruth Davis entertained the guests with several readings. Mrs. Nicholson gave vocal and piano numbers.

Mrs. Davis had a large basket with little packages in it, tied with long strings, so the members could draw for their gifts. Twenty-seven dollars was made from this package sale.

Sandwiches and tea were served by the hostess.

BAPTIST LADIES TAKE EXAMS

At the meeting of the Baptist Aid last Monday afternoon at the church, Dr. Morony gave the ladies an examination, and talked on the subject "All over the world in all the word."

Mrs. Sloan, who was here when the local church was first founded, told of the early days and the work at that time.

The Aid will meet in regular business session at the next meeting Monday afternoon at 3:20 p. m.

SELF CULTURE CLUB TO MEET.

The Self Culture Club will meet with Mrs. Jim Butler, Friday, March 6th, in their regular meeting. The program is a continuation from last week's program, "Marriage and Divorce." Mrs. W. E. Morton will direct the program.

"Uniform Divorce Law, proposed by the National Congress," will be discussed by Miss Minnie Fowler.

Round table discussion by Mrs. G. M. Ramsey; also "Epics of Divorce" will be discussed.

STEWARDS TO HOLD OYSTER SUPPER.

The Stewards and their families of the First Methodist church will hold an oyster supper in the basement of the church building next Tuesday night. The wives will prepare the supper.

A business meeting will follow the supper, at which a number of important issues will be discussed and attended to.

CHORAL CLUB TO PRESENT CANTATA.

The Choral Club held their weekly meeting at the Wright Hotel last Tuesday afternoon. The Club is making preparations for the presentation of "Hiawatha" in the Spring. Much work is required on the piece before it can be presented.

The cantata promises to be one of the best and most beautiful musical numbers ever presented in Sweetwater.

GLEANERS SOCIETY MEETS

The Gleaners Society met Monday at 3 o'clock with Mrs. E. B. Hull. There were eleven members present at the meeting. The lesson was on "The Life of Christ."

The study period was followed by a social hour at which refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips, olives, tea and cake were served the guests.

The next meeting of the Gleaners society will meet with Mrs. M. C. Manroe.

ELKS TO DANCE FRIDAY

A dance will be held Friday night, February 27th, in the Elks Club rooms on the west side of the square. The dance will be for Elks and Junior Elks and their friends. The "Brownwood Troubadours," famous WBAP radio artists, will furnish the music for the occasion.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MET MONDAY

The Women Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Methodist church, with their regular Bible lesson. Mrs. N. L. Hall directed the lesson, "The Life of Christ."

PRESBYTERIANS STUDY CHINA.

The Auxiliary Society met at the church Monday afternoon. Their lesson was taken from the book of "China." The program was postponed until the fourth Monday in March, on the account of sickness.

Miss Ola Brashear has been seriously sick with the influenza the past few days, and has been unable to be on the job at the Post Office.

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LODGE MEMBERS VISIT DORA

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IN GROGAN WELLS SANATORIUM

Among the out of town people in Grogan Wells this week are: Mrs. Mattie Bishop, Paint Rock; Mr. Robert Byrd, Sylvester; Mrs. J. P. Peoples, Longworth, and Mrs. J. P. Jobble, Roscoe.

RADIO FACTS

There are 563 broadcasting stations in the United States.
There are 3,000,000 receiving sets.
There are 12,000,000 radio listeners.
There are 250,000 people connected with the radio industry.

MAKES BIG DEAL

BIG SPRING, Feb. 23.—A big cattle deal was closed here when W. P. Edwards, banker and ranchman, bought from W. L. Foster of Sterling City 500 head of 2 and 3-year-old steers, from Bob Foster of Sterling City 425 2 and 3-year-old steers from J. J. Hubbard of Garden City 50 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers and from M. Skales of Terry County 200 head of stock cattle.

Dr. J. E. Busby, Dr. T. J. Maddox and Dr. Roy Crowder drove over from Abilene Tuesday afternoon to visit Dr. A. W. Canfil of Grogan Wells.

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If elected Mayor of your city I shall go in free to give the very best administration of city affairs I am able to give. I would administer the government in the interest of the entire citizenship of the city without fear or favor of anyone. I would favor a clean city morally and physically. I favor the improvement and beautifying of public parks and grounds. I am in favor of good streets, and would be in favor of using the street funds of the city to make as good streets over the entire city as is possible with the funds available for such purpose. I am opposed to public waste, and would favor such economy in the administration of the affairs of the city as is consistent with good government. In short, if elected, I shall give your city the very best service of which I am capable, using my time, energy, and whatever ability I may have to promote the interests of the entire citizenship.

Trusting my candidacy may meet with your favorable consideration, I am,

Very respectfully,

Jno. J. Ford

MANROE RUNNING FOR STREET COMMISSIONER

M. C. Manroe, active in the up-building of Sweetwater for a number of years and a leader in many progressive movements, has asked The News to place his name in its political announcement column as a candidate for Street Commissioner. Mr. Manroe considers it his duty to serve the city and he is glad to do so. He has been in business here a number of years and has at the same time been willing at any and all times to assist in any movement that was for the best of the town and country.

Mr. Manroe says that he will see, so far as is in his power, if elected, that the city gets 100 per cent worth for every dollar spent; and he promises a progressive administration without going too far for the good of the town. To the ladies, he pledges himself to be as instrumental as possible in bringing about a better civic and moral town. He is wholeheartedly for Sweetwater and her people, and is eager to do his part in developing conditions.

All of the voters will be seen if possible, but if any are missed, Mr. Manroe says, it will not be purposefully.

PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR TRAINING COURSE

The following program has been announced for the fourth meeting of the Boy Scout Leadership Training Course.

Program for Next Meeting
The program for the next meeting is divided into the following sections:

Group activities—Hat Ball, Skunk Tag, and Chase The Tail.

Scout Songs—One of a Jolly Crew, The Scout Company, Here's to B. S. A., and Three Good Turns.

Prayer.

Business—Attendance and Dues, Reports on Patrol and Troup contests.

Patrol Meetings—Patrol Records, The Troup Committee.

Patrol Contests—Pass Ball, Match Box Race.

Patrol Challenges—Swat the Fly, Hand Wrestling, and Tractor Pull.

Tenderfoot Investiture.

Patrol Leaders Council—Discuss program for next meeting.

Reading assignment for next meeting.

Closing by singing Taps.

E. B. Hull visited his mother in Snyder last week-end.

R. K. McAdams, Clyde Payne, and Dr. K. M. Hodges are among those who are on the sick list this week.

E. H. Rowley was in Sweetwater Wednesday looking after the interest of the R and R Theater Enterprises.



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The people of our city are enjoying the lowest rates of any town our size. The patronage that we receive will determine and will govern our rates from time to time. When from sound business judgment and from increased patronage from the citizens of our city—we can make further reductions of Yellow Cab rates. We will gladly do so.

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Scenes Being 'Shot' Here For Film

J. W. Stephenson, Fox News Man, has been in Sweetwater several days "shooting" pictures of the town and surrounding country. Among the places to be shown on the film will be the Sweetwater Cotton Oil Mill, the Chicken Hatchery, the Laundry, Sweetwater Dry Goods, and a number of other places which have already been "shot". Many other spots of interest will be included in the film.

In addition to taking the pictures, the photographer is giving to the county a projecting machine to be used by the County Agent, W. C. Calver left a film shot of Sweetwater of Dora in connection with various educational films to be shown in the different communities of the county.

Mr. Stephenson is an experienced man in his line having had several years experience in the picture taking business both with the International Film Service and the Fox News.

MRS. COKER DIED HERE LAST MONDAY

Mrs. W. T. Coker, an early settler in this section, died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Jess Hubbard, Orange, Street, last Monday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. The cause of her death was neuralgia of the heart.

Mrs. Coker came to Fisher county many years ago, but recently has been with her daughter here. She is well known, especially in Fisher county, as an early comer and a pioneer in settling up this part of the state. She is survived by two daughters, who live in Sweetwater, Mrs. Bob Weatherby and Mrs. Jess Hubbard.

The body was carried to Roby for burial.

ROSCOE SCHOOL CHILDREN PLANT TREES ON CAMPUS

The Roscoe Public Schools declared a half holiday Monday and devoted the time to the planting of trees on the campus of the school. Thirty trees, furnished by the members of the Junior Class, were planted during the day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Goble, 300 Orange Street, are tearing their old home down and preparing to build a beautiful modern brick home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harkins and niece Christine, of Roscoe were visiting in the home of Mrs. H. P. Harkins, Tuesday.

♦♦♦♦♦ Your Conversation ♦♦♦♦♦
"NEMESIS"
Nemesis, in the religion of the ancient Greeks, was the Goddess of Retributive Justice. The justice which slowly but surely pursues a man until punishment finally is administered is known as his nemesis. Nemesis is the theme of such works as Hawthorne's "The Scarlet Letter" or George Elliot's "Silas Marner."

MOTHER

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

I HEARD a man say once that he did not want to send his grown son away from home because the boy's going would separate him, he felt, from his mother's influence. It was a foolish thought. There is nothing in time or in distance that can separate one from such an influence. You can feel it today with ten thousand miles or twenty years intervening as strongly as you did when as a child you lay with your head upon her breast and felt her gentle hand upon your hair. You can hear her voice and see her face as if she were now in the room with you.

"I lost my mother forty years ago," an old man said to me recently, "and yet I have never ceased to feel a daily sense of loneliness and loss." And so many of us feel.

And yet no matter how long she has been gone or how far away she is, you know very well what she would say if she were with you today, and what she would have you do. She wants you first of all to be good—to be clean and honest and strong and self-controlled. She wants you to do the day's work manfully and well without whimpering and without complaint. She may never have said these things to you in so many words, but you know without the words having been spoken.

If through your endeavor there should come to you honor or recognition her heart will thrill with joy to you inevitably. If unhappily you should encounter defeat or disgrace the pain which she will suffer you will never quite understand. Her love and her faith will follow you through every diversity of experience, and no matter who deceive or turn against you, she can be counted on.

"My boy is a good boy," mothers say to me often in the innocence of their trust. "I know he hasn't a single bad habit."

I am surprised that most college men turn out well when for so many years I have seen what faith and confidence their mothers have in them and what hope is built upon their future. He would be craven indeed who disappointed his mother and who lived up to a lower ideal than she set for him.

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MRS. W. S. VAUGHAN DIED THURSDAY FROM PNEUMONIA

Mrs. W. S. Vaughan, wife of W. F. Vaughan, died early Thursday morning at the family home on West North 6th Street. Mrs. Vaughan was a victim of pneumonia, her death followed two weeks of serious illness.

She has been living in Sweetwater for a number of years, and was a member of the Church of Christ. Mrs. Vaughan leaves her husband, a son, a daughter, and her father to mourn her death. Her father who lives in East Texas was here at the time of her death. She died at the age of forty.

Funeral services were held at the Church of Christ at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, Elder W. D. Black, conducting the services. Her body was buried in the City Cemetery immediately following.

COUNTY COURT SESSION RE-OPENED THURSDAY

County Court was re-opened this afternoon (Thursday) at 1:30 by A. S. Mauzey. A number of cases for minor offences are up for trial. Little interest seemed to be manifested in the court proceedings Thursday afternoon. A number of cases will come up Friday.

FIRE RISK RATE CUT IN 22 TEXAS TOWNS

AUSTIN, Feb. 26.—Twenty-two Texas towns were granted a maximum credit of 15 per cent on the final rate of fire insurance by the State Fire Insurance Commission because of good fire record for the past three years, while three were granted a credit of 12 per cent, two 9 per cent, one 3 per cent and one 6 per cent.

Towns granted the maximum credit are Bloomington, Burkburnett, Canyon, Chillicothe, Crockett, El Paso, Flatonia, Fort Stockton, Jourdanton, Livingston, Lexington, Merkel, Mullin, Roaring Springs, Rosenberg, Rottan, Runge, Seguin, Santa Anna, Taylor, Valley Mills, and Weimer.

The three getting 12 per cent credit are Donna, Grandview and Kemp.

Nine per cent was granted Mount Pleasant and Minerals, Shamrock was allowed 6 per cent, and Denison 3 per cent.

These credits apply on all policies written on or after March 1, and extend to February 28, 1926. Policies taking effect prior to March 1, are not affected, except by cancellation.

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WATSON-FOCHT PLANT WELL EQUIPPED PRINTING PLANT

Since the addition of several thousand dollars worth of new equipment The Watson-Focht Printing Company publishers of The Nolan County News, is one of the best equipped plants in this section of West Texas for doing job work and newspaper printing.

Among the new equipment purchased is the best linotype machine for practical work that money will buy. The machine is known as the Single Keyboard Model 14, and is the latest thing out in the way of typesetting machinery. The machine is fully equipped with an electric metal melting pot and an individual motor. The machine carries three regular sized magazines and an auxiliary magazine, and it is possible to set four different sizes of type with eight different faces. The new machine not only is adaptable for newspaper work, but it enables the shop to turn out better job work at a more rapid rate.

In the future the Company will be much better equipped to do job work than it has in the past. Several hundred dollars have been spent on new job equipment, and more than a thousand dollars on new advertising and job type. A Babcock Reliance printing press has been added, and the shop is now able to do the best of work on store sale bills. A Portland Multiple Punching machine, type cabinets and make-up stones are among the new equipment.

One of the most remarkable inventions to be found in The News office is the Miller Automatic Job Press Feeder. This self-feeder enables us to do large jobs of long runs at a comparatively low price. The feeder is the only one in Nolan county, and one of the few in West Texas.

Every piece of machinery in the shop, including both of the job presses, the Linotype, and the cylinder press, is operated by individual motors. The News will install other new machinery in the near future, and will put in other new equipment as needed. However the plant now owns the best job printing equipment in this section.

The people of Sweetwater and Nolan county are invited to pay the office a visit and see its first class machinery in operation.

BEALL IS CANDIDATE OFFICE OF MAYOR

The political announcement column of The News carries the name of James H. Beall, Jr., as a candidate for the office of Mayor. Mr. Beall is well known in Sweetwater as a citizen and as a member of the law firm of Beall, Beall and Beall. He promises the voters, if elected to put forth an honest effort to do all that he can in the interest of the city during the term of office.

BRASHEAR DISPOSES OF MANY CIVIL CASES

Twenty civil cases were disposed of Monday in Justice Court before Judge I. W. Brashear. Some of these cases had been pending for nearly two years. Monday was declared clean-up day in Justice Court by the Judge and all of these old cases were disposed of.

LAST WORDS OF GREAT MEN

- Washington—It is well.
J. Q. Adams—It is the last of earth.
Byron—I must sleep now.
Cromwell—Then I am safe.
Goethe—Let the light enter.
Samuel Johnson—I am about to die.
John Adams—Independence forever.
Jefferson—I resign my soul to God, my daughter to my country.
Edward VI—Lord, take my spirit.
Lord Nelson—I thank God I have done my duty.
Lawrence—Don't give up the ship.
Walter Scott—I feel as if I were myself again.
John Wesley—The best of all, God is with us.
Voltaire—I am taking a fearful leap in the dark.
Schiller—Many things are becoming clearer to me.
John Keats—I feel the daisies growing over me.
Mirabeau—Let me die to the sounds of delicious music.
Mozart—Let me hear those notes so long my solace and delight.
Philip Sydney—I would not change my joy for the empires of the world.
Sir Humphrey Gilbert—We are as near heaven by sea as by land.
Stonewall Jackson—Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees.
Raleigh—It matters little how the head lieth.
Stephen—Lord, lay not this sin to their charge.
Paul—Grace be with you. Amen.
Jesus Christ—It is finished.—
—Illinois Baptist.

E. H. Pass Died At Home Here

E. H. Pass, who resided in the Bradford Addition to the city of Sweetwater, died at his home last Saturday night at about midnight.

The body of Mr. Pass was buried Sunday afternoon at 3:30 at the Nolan cemetery. Rev. J. C. Farris conducted the funeral services which were held at Nolan school house. Mr. Pass is survived by a wife, three daughters and one son.

NOLAN MAN WRITES

"I received your first edition of The News today," said C. Y. Butler, merchant at Nolan, in a letter to The News on Friday, February 20, "I was vrey much impressed with the appearance of the paper and the news it carried." He further states that he will be glad to give us the news from Nolan each week. We welcome Mr. Butler as a correspondent.

CHESTERFIELD MINSTRELS APPEAR AT THE LYRIC

The "Chesterfield" Minstrels, with an all star white cast of twenty people, appeared at the Lyric Theatre Monday and Tuesday of this week. Jim Swor, formerly with Al G. Fields was the leading comedian. A large number of Sweetwater people saw the show.

COMMISSIONERS NAME OFFICERS FOR ELECTIONS

COURT MET HERE MONDAY; APPOINTED OFFICERS FOR ALL PRECINCTS

Overseers Appointed

Others to Be Named Later; Little Business of Importance Is Transacted

At a meeting of the Commissioners Court at the Court House Monday election officers for the coming two years were appointed. These election officers will hold all general and special elections ordered by the county, however they do not hold the primary elections.

A number of road overseers were also appointed at the meeting Monday. The court passed on a few accounts. No other business of importance was transacted.

The following election officers for the County were appointed: Precinct No. 1, L. S. Polk, presiding officer, T. E. Crutcher, E. B. Hull, and A. T. Bruce; No. 2, Grover Montgomery and Bob Bardwell; No. 3, Geo. Kegons and A. H. McElmurray; No. 4, Tom Bloxom and Albert Elliott; No. 5, Jim Payne and E. Ottinger; No. 6, J. W. Kinsey and R. L. Burwick; No. 7, Jess Mauzey and J. E. Derrick; No. 8, Horace Cook and A. M. Reed; No. 9, F. M. Lockett, W. A. Sloan, J. I. Bowerman and W. P. Copeland; No. 10, Nat Elroy and C. C. Boyd; No. 11, W. Ezra Lackey, Louis Horne, Luther Ault and W. E. Smith; No. 12, Mr. Demere and N. I. Noel; No. 13, W. B. Hartgraves and W. N. Norton; No. 14, Leonard May and M. A. Daugherty; No. 15, W. C. Cleckler and J. E. Johnson; No. 16, C. M. Rogers and F. C. Childers; No. 17, W. E. Morton, C. R. Simmons, presiding; J. A. Daniel and I. L. Fry; No. 18, G. H. Sheppard, presiding; J. M. Bennett, R. S. Calvert, and F. G. Robertson.

In addition to appointing the election officers the Commissioners Court appointed the road overseers for four precincts. Other overseers will be appointed later. Those appointed follow:

Precinct No. 1—Rex Olive, city, Claytonville road; I. L. Fry, city, Ada Church to mountain; L. E. Jordan, Lake to Ada Church; M. L. Rice, Ada Church to town section.

Precinct No. 2—Nat McElroy; L. M. Martin, Eskota; Grover Montgomery, Eskota; Bob Bardwell; Tom

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Love, Dora; Lee Phillips, south of Dora; Earl Wallace, Dora; G. Boyd, Mulberry Canyon road; Jess Oakley, Nolan west end; Ollie Reed, Mulberry Canyon.

Precinct No. 3—Henry Armstrong, Valley Creek; B. N. Walls, Blackwell; Chas. Hester, Hylton; Geo. Wash, Hylton; Robert Burwick, Hylton; J. H. Crain, Nolan.

Precinct No. 4—J. I. Blair, Blackwell; Ray Hartgraves, Maryqneal.

Colorado Secretary Extends Congratulations.

Among the numerous letters of congratulations received by The News on its first issue is one from W. S. Cooper, secretary of the Colorado Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Cooper will be remembered as a former citizen of Sweetwater. He is one of the liveliest and widest awake C. of C. secretaries in one of the best towns in West Texas.

An excerpt from his letter follows:

"We have received a copy of the initial number of 'The News', and wish to address you a letter of congratulations. The paper is well edited, well printed, and we predict a liberal portion of success for you in this venture.

"As one who delights in the founding of new industrial enterprises in West Texas, such as are to have an important place in our development programs, I am pleased to state Colorado welcomes the addition of the paper you have launched."

WHITE WAY FOR SLATON

SLATON, February 2: Slaton County Comp. stalling o fabout special lights that will give Slaton a white way. This lighting system will cover the entire business section.

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—YOU KNOW COWEN'S QUALITY—

Marshal Porter Died Here Monday Morn.

Marshal Porter, a long time resident of Nolan County and a farmer of the Dora community, died in the Sweetwater Sanitarium at 12:40 o'clock Monday morning from pneumonia and complications. The death came after a sickness of fifteen days.

Porter has lived in Nolan county for twenty years, having come here when he was eleven years of age. At the time of his death he was 31 years old. Mr. Porter was a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. (Buck) Johnson, having married their daughter here several years ago.

Besides his wife, the deceased left three small daughters, Mildred Althea and Rachael. He was a member of the Baptist church.

Dr. L. G. Morony conducted the funeral service which was held at Slater's Chapel at 4:00 o'clock Monday afternoon. Interment took place in the cemetery at that place.

Besides his immediate family, Mr. Porter left a mother, Mrs. F. D. of Dora, three brothers and two sisters, all of whom were at the funeral with the exception of E. L. Porter of Wellington. The other

brothers and sisters are: W. R. Porter, of Dora; O. Z. Porter, Munday; Mrs. Miley Burress, Munday; and Mrs. J. A. Rhodes, Nolan.

CLIPPED ARTICLE IS MISLEADING SAYS JUDGE

An article clipped from Roby paper and appearing in the columns of the News last week is a bit misleading according to County Judge A. S. Mauzey. The article stated that Nolan county bought a car for its sheriff and paid the running expenses for same. The county did buy a Ford car for the sheriff at \$470.00, states the County Judge, however a deduction of \$25.00 per month was made from the sheriff's salary in order to pay for the car. Judge Mauzey says that no money whatever is allowed for running expenses of the car.

GIN BURNS AT ROTAN

ROTAN, Fisher County, Texas, Feb. 23.—The Farmer's Union Gin, one of the largest plants in this section, burned Saturday night. Origin of the fire is undetermined. The plant was owned by a large number of farmers and operated on a co-operative basis. It was valued at \$40,000 and insured for \$20,000.

CO-OPERATIVE BODIES WILL BE EXEMPT FROM TAXES

WASHINGTON, February 25.—In accordance with the suggestions from President Coolidge in relation to cooperation of the Treasury Department and agricultural interests, as recommended by the recent Agricultural Conference, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon made public new regulations pertaining to the tax exemption of co-operative marketing associations.

A further study of the law is being made by Solicitor Hartson of the Bureau of Internal Revenue to determine whether or not the bureau can follow out all suggestions of the conference.

A co-operative marketing association, preferred stock of which has been sold to persons other than producers who market their produce through it and which has made no provision for early redemption or retirement of stock, is excluded from exemption, the Treasury held.

Co-operative associations, acting as sales agents for farmers, fruit growers, livestock growers, dairymen and others engaged in marketing from products and turning back to the producer the proceeds of sales, less operating costs, are exempt from tax Hartson said.

"If the proceeds of the business are distributed in any other way than on such a proportionate basis, the association does not meet the requirement and is not exempt," Internal Revenue Commissioner Blair said.

The decision said the maintenance of a reasonable reserve for depreciation or losses, reserves required by State statutes, reasonable surplus to provide for erection of buildings or purchase of other facilities, or to retire indebtedness incurred to meet improvements, does not destroy exemption.

In case stock is owned in co-operative associations by persons other than producers, satisfactory explanation must be made in the application for exemption. Ownership of a share of stock by a non-producer to qualify him as an officer under statutory requirement does not invalidate an exemption claim.

The restriction is not placed on stock issued temporarily for the sole purpose of providing working capital or acquiring property, provided such stock is not entitled to participate in the profits or control of the association.

Under the same restrictions, co-operative associations acting as purchasing agents for farmers are exempt from Federal taxation.

WORKERS CONFERENCE TO MEET AT ABILENE

An excellent program has been prepared for the Worker's Council of the Sweetwater Association of the Baptist church which is to be held in Abilene on Monday, March 2nd. A number of Sweetwater Baptists will likely attend the meeting. The meeting will be held in the College Heights Baptist church.

A lunch will be served by the Ladies of the Abilene church at the noon hour. The general topic of the meeting will be "Efficiency and Standardization." A number of West Texas educational leaders have parts on the program. The entire program follows:

10:00 A. M. Devotional—R. C. Pender.

10:30 A. M. The Efficient Preacher—W. F. Fry, Joe Perry.

11:00 A. M. The Efficient Teacher—Rupert Richardson, C. S. Williams.

11:30 A. M. The Efficient Layman—J. H. Fisher, N. E. McGuire.

1:30 P. M. Board Meeting.

2:00 P. M. The Standard Church—M. A. Jenkins, R. H. Williams.

2:30 P. M. The Standard Association—W. H. Albertson, J. B. Adams.

3:00 P. M. The Place of Gospel Music in a Standard Church—Grady Harlan, Lee Stulce.

3:20 P. M. A Go of our West Texas Interests—Sam Malone, C. M. Caldwell.

W. M. U. PROGRAM

(The Ladies Will Meet in the Basement of the Church.)

10:30 A. M. Devotional—Led by Mrs. L. A. Ingram.

Song.

Recognition of Officers.

Let Us Forget—Mrs. J. D. Sandefer.

Report from Executive Board—Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.

Lunch.

1:30 P. M. Devotional—Led by Mrs. J. C. Burkett.

Special Music.

Reports from Societies and Committees.

Talk—Mrs. R. M. White.

Drama—By Local Y. W. A.

POPULAR ROSCOE COUPLE MARRIED LAST SATURDAY

H. Grady Norris and Miss Katie Plunkett, both of whom are popular young people of Roscoe, were united in marriage last Sunday in their home city by Rev. G. W. Parks.

Mrs. Norris is well known in Roscoe and all over Nolan county, she having lived in this county practically all of her life. Mr. Norris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Norris of Roscoe, and he likewise was reared in this country. Mr. Norris is connected with the Farmers State Bank at Roscoe.

The young couple will make their home in Roscoe.

LOCAL GIRL MARRIES MAN FROM BUSBY

Miss Iuela Berry of this city was united in marriage to Mr. Albert Guelker of Busby on February 14th by Rev. J. C. Moore. The young people will make their home at Busby.

COTTON OIL CO. FEEDING MANY HEAD OF CATTLE

Three thousand head of cattle are being fed in the pens north of the city by the Sweetwater Cotton Oil Company for a number of cattlemen of this section. A larger part of the cattle are being fed for the market, while a number will be returned to the ranches.

SELLS STORE

J. W. Rudd has sold his little store near the High School to Mr. Revel of Fisher county and formerly of Sweetwater. The store is a very popular place for the students of the High School.

George Gray returned Sunday from the eastern portion of the state. George says spring is showing up over there, and that the fruit trees are beginning to blossom.

Sheriff Hise of Brownwood passed through Sweetwater Monday with two prisoners arrested in El Paso on charges of burglary.

The Priscilla Club was to meet with Mrs. M. B. Howard last Thursday, but on account of sickness, the meeting was postponed until March 5th.

Mrs. Ada Bradford left Tuesday for Temple where she will enter the Sanitarium.

Mr. J. D. Dulaney is sick this week with the flu.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY FARM BUREAU

ABILENE, Feb. 24.—Officers and directors for the ensuing year have been elected here by the Taylor County Farm Bureau. W. B. Wade was re-elected president, the other officers being J. W. Clark, vice-pres. Lucian Webb, treasurer. Directors are Jess Higgins, Merkel; Lloyd Bynum, Abilene; S. W. Clark, Abilene, and J. H. Herrington, Guion.

MANY IN JAIL

Sheriff Jack Yarbrough reports that he now has twenty-three violators of the law behind the bars in the County Bastle. All of the prisoners are being boarded by the county because of felony and misdemeanor charges being filed against them.

Baptist Will Begin Revival March 22

Dr. Millard A. Jenkins has been secured to do the preaching at the spring revival of the First Baptist church, according to the announcement of the pastor, Dr. L. G. Morony. Dr. Jenkins is pastor of the First Baptist church at Abilene, and is generally conceded to be one of the very best preachers in West Texas. The revival will begin on Sunday, March 22nd. The meeting will be held in the church building.

The services of a capable choir director have been secured.

Mrs. M. G. Cooper returned from Hamlin Saturday, where she had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Edkins.

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MIDLAND LIBRARY WILL BE REOPENED

MIDLAND, Feb. 25.—The public library of Midland will be formally reopened Saturday with a book show. The library has been closed for several months, due to the lack of operating funds. Money has been collected, however, to keep the building open. Mrs. Sam Preston, president of the Library Association, and Mrs. Homer Rowe, secretary, will be in charge of the formalities next Saturday.

LIKES NEWS

Mrs. Lem Herrin of Maryneal writes that they were very much pleased with the first issue of the News and states that she will be glad to furnish the news from Maryneal. Maryneal boasts of being "the highest place between Alpine, Texas, and Altus, Oklahoma, on the Orient Rail Road, with the best water to drink and the coolest summer breeze."

TRY CIVIL CASES

A civil case was tried in County court Wednesday morning in which M. E. Smith of Roscoe sued P. B. McVain on an account. Judgment by default was rendered.

BIRTHDAY OF GEORGE WASHINGTON OBSERVED

Sweetwater merchants hung out flags and other patriotic decorations Monday in celebration of the birthday of George Washington, the first President of the United States and "father of the country." Though Sunday was Washington's birthday, the banks and the postoffice observed Monday as a holiday.

ASSESSOR BUSY

County Tax Assessor, H. P. Harkins reports that he is very busy these days assessing taxes. Mr. Harkins has been working at Roscoe the past few days.

Mrs. Floyd Bowen of Lubbock is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Majors.

Mrs. Minnie Fowler is building a beautiful home on Elm Street.

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We shall constantly strive to make The News a better paper. Through your suggestions and criticisms, we may improve our paper at an even more rapid rate.

Cross-word puzzles and radio—what'll be next?

Health doesn't count in this world; it's the person who has the "stuff that MEN are made off."

If you don't believe in co-operation just observe what happens to a wagon when one wheel comes off.—Clipped.

On entering the chair car, what is more provoking than for the man just ahead of you to take the only remaining seat—the one you've had your eye on since entering the car.

Take that frown off your face, smile, and keep smiling! You give your neighbor the "heebie-jeebies." As some has said, "Don't quit 'till the hearse calls for you."

And furthermore, it is the booster and never the knocker who makes the greatest success in business and gets the most out of living.

It is said that grasshoppers are growing more numerous in Texas year by year. Mr. Farmer, the grasshoppers will git ye ef ye don't watch out.

According to Roger W. Babson, one of the nation's greatest statisticians, 1924 was the leading farm year since 1919. The farmers of the nation had a billion dollars more money to spend during the past year than they had during 1923. He contributes two main factors to this improvement: "First and foremost has been the rapid and substantial recovery in the price that he receives for his product and second, the trend of those non-agricultural commodities which he buys has been downwards." Therefore, the recovery of the farmer will have and is already having a good effect on the business of the nation. Babson forecasts that 1925 is to be even more prosperous for us all than any previous year has been in some time. Nolan county has more than held its own during the past year and will continue to do so during this year of '25.

NEW WEEKLY

The first issue of a new weekly newspaper, The Nolan County News made its appearance Friday. It is being published by the Watson-Focht Printing Co. in the building formerly occupied by the Sweetwater Reporter.

Luther M. Watson is publisher, with Frank Hill, son of E. I. Hill, editor.

The first issue was a most creditable undertaking and the Reporter extends to its contemporary best wishes for success and prosperity.—Sweetwater Daily Reporter.

A NEW ENTERPRISE

When your town gives birth to a new enterprise.
 Don't shake your head in doubt.
 But feed it the "milk of human kindness"
 And watch it grow firm and stout.

However small and weak it may seem,
 (Most young things do at birth.)
 With proper support and encouragement,
 It's fame may encircle the earth.

What would you think of a father?
 When told of another new son
 Who would shake his head and sarcastically smile—
 "I can't possibly support but the one."

There's always room for another new enterprise
 In a loyal town, however small;
 Lend a hand to its first faltering steps
 And watch it keep pace with them all.

(Editor's Note: After reading the first issue of the new paper, Mrs. J. R. Headrick, 511 W. N. 2nd St., wrote the above verses and sent them to The News.)

tem. The cost of conducting the investigation was something less than \$2,500. If it results in wiping out the disgraceful conditions of our prisons it will be worth many times that amount.—Fort Worth Record.

A PORK BARREL ON EVERY FARM

(By C. C. French, Industrial Agent Fort Worth Stockyards Company.)
 According to press reports, one of the great manufacturing companies of this nation is making a saving of \$11,000 per day on what was formerly wasted. The writer well remembers when cotton seed was wasted; it is now a valuable article of commerce. It is generally understood that the packing industry could never have been such a great success as it now is were it not for the way it has converted into valuable by-products, what was formerly wasted. Paraffin was at one time worthless; it is now a valuable by-product from petroleum. Only a few years ago the sugar cane, after being crushed, was practically a waste; now it is manufactured into a valuable article of commerce.

On a cotton farm that is properly fenced, the hog is a by-product, or a side line, and it is a consumer of by-products—the waste that is now taking place on nearly every cotton farm. The value of good brood sow on the farm was never before so well known as in he work done at the A. & M. College by G. W. Warren, Swine Husbandman of the experiment station, W. L. Stangel in charge of school of agriculture, A. & M. and A. L. Ward, secretary Texas Swine Breeders Association. From a 260 pound hog, they produced the following:

Home Curing Value of a 260 pound hog—	
Hams, 38 pounds at 32c	\$12.16
Breakfast Bacon, 26 pounds at 30c	7.80
Pork Products, 80 pounds at 40c	32.00
Pure Lard, 4 gallons at \$2.00	8.00
Live Weight Value	\$56.96
	26.00
	\$33.96

The feeding of a litter of 14 pigs by Edgar F. Laird at Amarillo for 180 and making a profit of \$225.00 in 180 days, producing 4,291 pounds of pork days, shows the value of a good brood sow.

When something near these two demonstrations are combined on each cotton farm in Texas, the people of this State will not have to spend seventy-five million dollars for imported pork products.

The Commissioner of Agriculture of Texas tells us that the cotton crop of 1924 will cost 24 1-2 cents per pound to produce.

The writer has seen cotton sell from 3 1-2 to 4c per pound at the present cost of production. If cotton goes back to 8c or 10c what will happen? Bankruptcy.

HERE HAPPINESS IS

"How You Gonna Keep 'Em on the Farm" queries a recent "popular" song, which in words, sentiment and music is about on a par with the average "popular" song. This, painting the delights of Broadway, and considering the farm as a cold storage plant for all joy, is popular in the crowded centers.

The truth is that farmers' children generally have more reason to be happy, and are than any city child. Child hood loves the outdoors; it loves growing things, and animals, and going barefooted, and fishing with a bent pin, and shooting rabbits and mothering kittens instead of dolls.

Any boy would rather have a dog than go to a movie.
 Any girl would prefer a pet lamb to a kewpie doll.

Farm children live the natural life of childhood.

The farm boy who has his own saddle horse, and his own little drove of pigs, and his own herd of heifers, has more to keep him happy than any city child can have, and the farmer who is a wise father will see to it that his children become partners with him at an early age. City minded juveniles who must feel asphalt through their tight shoes and who must have a movie mellerdrama a day will be of no value on the farm, or anywhere else, until they have earned the art of living rationally, simply and, therefore, happily.—Hereford Brand.

W. C. Breedlove has recently been engaged as exploitation manager of the R and R Theaters here. Mr. Breedlove was recently connected with the R and R Theaters at Abilene and Lubbock.

Mrs. H. C. Hord visited her daughters, Mrs. Ben L. Cox and Mrs. Earl Hopper, in Abilene last week, and returned home Sunday afternoon.

STAGE IS SET FOR DIST. COURT OPENING

(Continued from First Page)

Geo. Ayers, robbery with fire arms, mis-trial; State vs. J. H. Fields, forgery, dismissed previous term.

Jurors to Appear

The following is the list of men drawn to appear as jurors:
 Felton Graham, Burl Carr, L. C. Gregg, R. W. Rogge, T. A. Carlisle, Lace Sanders, C. M. Ragland, Bob Lanier, Henry Goff, W. W. Youngblood, Tom Whiterenberg, Will Waggoner, C. A. Allgood, Walter Plunkett, Will Chapman, A. C. Forgy, J. B. Dunn, W. P. Copeland, W. G. Oliver, S. W. Browning, J. A. Parker, R. M. Daily, W. L. Witherspoon, B. F. Younger, D. J. McLeod, J. T. Harmon, Jess Mauzey.

Second week, beginning March 9: Austin Jordan, John Perry, Geo. Boyd, Leslie Butler, D. Rotan, L. M. Hubbard, J. L. Hawkins, Joe Hunter, K. S. Davidson, Morrison Henson, B. C. McCall, L. M. Wight, J. H. Henderson, H. M. Rose, Billy Whitesides, Ed Voss, Horace Cook, J. S. Montgomery, Elmer Grimes, W. J. McKee, M. G. Spinks, Dave Henry, Fred Gardner, W. E. Woodward, Haynes Sturdivant, J. C. Pratt, Arthur Wimberly, Louis West.

Third beginning March 15th: S. A. Estes, J. N. Walls, W. F. Hollowell, R. B. Kirk, W. A. Hampton, O. J. Blocher, Eugene Cooper, Ed Gabler, H. H. Davis, J. M. Craig, Frank Headrick, John B. Kelley, Jim Magness, J. E. Taylor, W. E. Lackey, L. D. Monroe, S. R. Wit, L. M. Penn, T. D. Wiman, John Rowland, E. V. Glass, Walter Potter, Ben Mueller, J. L. Powell, R. Berger, R. L. Kent, Sam Sneed, Oscar, Russell, L. G. Kirby, E. A. Ater.

Fourth week, beginning March 23rd: R. J. English, J. E. Hipp, A. J. Belle, Tom Fox, F. C. Hale, A. J. McMurray, P. E. Harkins, Chas. Hastings, R. H. Whorton, Max Hantsche, N. F. Hand, J. H. Freeze, J. E. Stewart, W. H. Whaley, T. J. Kent, Louis Williams, Oxford Raney, Albert Elliott, Chester Freeman, Edgar George, D. W. Jones, I. L. Fry, Fred Scudday, Geo. Alderman, Ray Ramzell, Claude Rogers, Joe Franks, Oscar Everett, W. B. Thomas, Dock Sheppard.

Fifth week, beginning March 23rd: Ed Evens, N. H. McElroy, D. T. McDonald, Elgin Costephens, J. E. Clayton, L. G. Kelley, J. L. Paxtoft, J. R. Wheelch, Claude McGinley, J. H. Hastings, Arthur Hazlewood, T. B. Porter, Nath Noel, Walter Leech, N. J. Montgomery, Roy Prim, Ben Willford, J. H. Crain, Mike Seberry, Gus Rea, Burris Walls, C. H. Boyd, W. A. George, Bud Brown.

BOOST WEST TEXAS AT AUSTIN DINNER

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 25.—West Texas was glorified Wednesday at the dinner given the Franklin Webster Club by Homer D. Wade, assistant manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, who also evolved a saucy menu headed by "Texas grapefruit a la Miriam," concluded with "veto coffee" and interspersed with "baby beef steak a la Swenson ranch." The Franklin Webster Club is composed of newspaper men in the Legislature and those at work with the session.

Mr. Wade also heralded the approach of the seventh annual meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at Mineral Wells, May 4-6 and branded it the "largest attendance of any business organization meeting in America." He also did not permit others to froget West Texas has the Texas Tech at Lubbock and the State Teacher College at Canyon and then distributed the following facts covering the glory of West Texas:

Area embraced, 160,000 square miles, or 102,144,000 acres.
 Population of area, 1,594,829.
 Taxable valuation, \$1,064,100,000.
 Crop yield of 1924, 19,000,000 bushels wheat, 34,000,000 bushels grain sorghums, 1,629,449 bales cotton, 1,731,632 bushels of peanuts, 2,000,000 pounds pecans, 10,186,000 pounds wool and mohair.
 Minerals, oil, 46,000,000 barrels, worth \$83,000,000.
 Gas and carbon black, \$25,000,250,000.
 Cattle—3,085,782, worth \$77,250,000.
 Sheep, 2,573,485, worth \$15,449,910.
 Horses, 442,187, worth \$17,287,480.

RUNNELS FAIR TO OPEN OCTOBER 13

BALLINGER, Feb. 25.—Dates for the Runnels County Fair have been fixed for Oct. 13, 14, 15 and 16. Concessions and attractions are being Concessions and attractions are being



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HEAD OF LUBBOCK SCHOOLS IS DEAD

LUBBOCK, Feb. 25.—M. M. Dupree, superintendent of schools here for 11 years, died last night at his home following five weeks' illness. He had been an active educator 40 years, 34 of which he spent in Texas. Dupree came to Lubbock in 1914 and under his guidance the school system has grown from a two-teacher school in a frame building to a six-teacher school housed by one of the best brick school buildings in West Texas.

He is survived by a wife and eight children, four of whom are army or navy officers.

R. J. Anderson was over from Eskota Wednesday.

WORK HAS STARTED ON RUNNELS JAIL

BALLINGER, Feb. 25.—Work on Runnels County's new \$50,000 jail began this week. The contract will be awarded Feb. 27 for the new \$100,000 high school. The city has four school buildings, constructed at a cost of about \$100,000. The citizens recently voted \$100,000 bonds for the new high school, which is to be three stories and modern in every detail.

The West Texas Utilities Company is spending \$300,000 in improving its holdings here and a number of new residences are going up.

CORRESPONDENTS WANTED

It is the desire of The News editors to publish a paper in which every man, woman and child in Nolan county and the southern part of Fisher county may find reading matter of direct interest. We can best do this by having a regular correspondent in every community of this section who will be willing to furnish us the news of his community weekly. It makes no difference whether the writer has ever corresponded to a newspaper or not. All we want is merely facts of news value, such as personals, socials, church and school activities, deaths, weddings, community conditions, etc. If further information is desired prospective correspondents are asked to write the editor of The Nolan County News.

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SWEETWATER

Twenty-Four Attend B. S. Training Course

Roscoe Patrol Leads; Colorado Men
Report Good Meeting Last
Monday

Twenty-four men attended the Boys Scout Leadership Training Course at the Presbyterian church Tuesday night. Scout Executive W. S. Barcus, of the Buffalo Trail Council, is giving the course for Nolan county men interested in Boy work.

played a number of the Boy Scouts in baseball games. In the Scout baseball game on the Tenderfoot Test, the Raven Patrol, which scored one run last week, held the Bull Pat-

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BILL PROVIDES FOR CRE- ATION OF MARKETING BOARD

Creation of a Federal marketing board to encourage and aid in the formation of cooperating marketing associations is provided for in a bill which has been introduced in congress by Representative Williams of Michigan. This measure is a substitute for the Capper-Williams bill which was introduced at the last session of Congress. Besides helping to form cooperative associations, the board which would be set up under the measure would promote the organization of cooperative clearing-house associations and terminal market associations. It would seek to correlate the activities of such bodies and to work out efficient means of distributing and marketing farm products.

Authority would be given the board to make loans to cooperative associations for organization and administrative expenses. These loans would be repaid from the proceeds of a charge on commodities marketed through the associations. Funds would be made available out of an appropriation of \$5,000,000, which would be used as a revolving fund. For other purposes of the bill \$2,000,000 would be appropriated.

The proposed Federal marketing board would have seven members. Five members would be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, and the other members would be the Secretary of Agriculture and the bill directs the board to adopt them. Authority is also conferred on the board to provide for and supervise the inspection and reinspection of agricultural products.

Other powers instructed to the marketing board cover the arbitration disputes, the investigation of matters affecting production and distribution of farm products, and the chartering of cooperative associations as members of the Federal marketing system. Membership in the system would be voluntary. Member associations would be required to submit their books to periodical audit by the Federal board, to abide by grades and standards promulgated by the board, and observe rules and regulations relating to marketing.

As a means of promoting orderly marketing, the bill authorizes the formation of cooperative clearing house associations. These bodies would be located at central points in producing territories. Their membership, in addition to cooperative associations, might include individuals or firms not organized cooperatively. The object of this provision, according to the bill, is to increase the proportion of any product capable of being handled through clearing houses.

Representative Barbour, of California, has introduced a bill providing for Federal inspection of all manufactured canned food products marketed in interstate commerce. The act would be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture "for the enforcement of the pure food laws and for the proper regulation of the manufacture of canned products."

Senator Fletcher of Florida, is the author of a bill to amend the Federal farm loan act and the agricultural credits act of 1923. It would reapportion the joint expenses incurred under the Federal land banks, the joint stock land banks, and the Federal intermediate credit banks, and would assess against these institutions their proportionate shares.

As finally passed by the House on

December 11, the agricultural appropriations bill embodied only three changes from the bill as reported by the Appropriations Committee. These changes meant a net increase of \$25,758 over the committee recommendation. An increase of \$10,000 was allowed for the investigation, eradication, and control of nail-head rust in tomatoes, \$12,000 for the construction of a road through Sullys National Park, and \$3,758 for the investigation of marketing and distribution problems.

MARRIED

Mr. Price Jamison and Miss Lois Haley were united in marriage at the bride's home last Thursday evening about eight o'clock, Rev. S. J. Upton, pastor of the Methodist church officiating. There were only a few friends and relatives present to witness the ceremony.

Miss Haley is a charming young lady of sterling character. She was reared from girlhood at Paris, Lamar county, Texas, where she has a host of friends.

Mr. Jamison is an industrious upright young man, and is the son of W. J. Jamison, a highly respected citizen of Granbury, Hood county.

We join with their friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.—Roscoe Times.

W. D. WHITLOW DEAD.

William D. Whitlow, a resident of the Roscoe community a number of years ago, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harris, near Decker Wednesday. He was an old man, being eighty years, six months and twenty-nine days old when he died.

He was a member of the Baptist Church and the Masonic Lodge. He had been a member of the church for 68 years and of the lodge for more than fifty years.

Rev. G. W. Parks conducted the funeral service. After he had finished his message the Masonic Lodge of Hylton assisted by a few members from the Roscoe Lodge, took charge of the service and laid him to rest in the Decker cemetery with Masonic honors.—Roscoe Times.

Federation Meets At Roscoe Wed.

A number of club ladies from Sweetwater will go to Roscoe next Wednesday, March 4th, to attend the meeting of the Nolan County Federation of Women's Clubs to be held at that place. At the meeting Thursday the women will elect delegates to attend the district and state conventions of the Federation. Much other important business will be attended to, and a large number of ladies are expected to be present, according to information given The News. The Roscoe ladies are making plans for the entertainment of the ladies.

The following are the Federation officers of the county's organization: Mrs. H. R. Bondies of Sweetwater, president; Mrs. R. C. Ledford, vice-president; Mrs. J. P. Maddox, of Maryneal, first vice-president; Mrs. S. F. Neeley, Roscoe, second vice-president; Mrs. Tom Hughes, Sweetwater, third vice-president; Mrs. Walter Boothe of Sweetwater, corresponding secretary; Mrs. L. C. Vinson of Sweetwater, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. L. H. Baze of Roscoe, treasurer; and Mrs. Ray Cross, parliamentarian.

FORD IS CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OF SWEETWATER

Judge John J. Ford has authorized The News to place his name in the Announcement Column as a candidate for the office of Mayor of the city of Sweetwater. Judge Ford served the city several years ago as Mayor, and he states that he would be glad for any one to investigate his past record. He has lived in Sweetwater for a number of years, having been engaged in the practice of law. He asks the voters to carefully consider his candidacy.

COTTONWOOD AND BOLIN SCHOOLS BREAK RECORDS

The Cottonwood and Bolin Schools had the highest average attendance of students of any school in the county last month according to Will H. Scott, County Superintendent of Public Instruction. These two schools broke all records. Having an average attendance for each student of 19 1-2 days present out of a possible 20 days. This is an unusually good attendance record considering the fact that an epidemic of the "flu" is raging.

M. G. Coper spent the day in Abilene Monday.



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SWEETWATER

Edmondson Store At Roscoe Robbed

(From The Roscoe Times)

Early Thursday morning three Mexicans went into the W. L. Edmondson store, two of them were buying a few articles, while the other one proceeded to fill a sack with dress goods. No one was in the store at the time except Mr. Absher and his son. The baby saw the Mexicans leave the store with some goods and officers were notified at once. Constable Floyd Williamson found them with the goods at the depot. They were placed under arrest and carried to Sweetwater where they plead guilty to the charge and were placed in jail. Goods to the amount of a little over \$45.00 were stolen.

Sunday afternoon about one o'clock the N. J. Turner home was almost completely destroyed by fire, including the contents. The origin of the fire is unknown.

house was in flames before it was discovered, and the family barely had time to escape. Quick work on the part of the firemen after the alarm was turned in saved a small portion of the house. When they reached the scene it looked to be impossible to save anything, but they fought desperately and succeeded in subduing the blaze.

Fire again broke out in the house about two o'clock Sunday night, but was promptly put out without any more damage being done. \$2,500 insurance was carried on the house, but none on the contents.

E. L. Ledbetter received a message Tuesday that his father was dead. He left at once for Mineral Wells to attend the funeral.

Mr. John Mullins and Miss Nolie Farris of the Fairview community were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, February 14th at the Bourland Hotel. Rev. G. W. Butler performed the ceremony.

Mrs. L. E. Graham and Miss Marie Graham went to Sweetwater Saturday afternoon and while coming home after dark their lights went out and they ran off the highway turning the truck over. Fortunately no damage was done.

Two barber shops in Roscoe have changed hands this week. Check Farmer bought the E. B. Cox shop and E. B. Cox bought the Ledbetter shop which was sold last week to Pete Wade.

A deal was consummated this week whereby Messrs Hutchins and Hall of Loraine became owners of the Hutchins and Lowery Drug store. Mr. Hall having bought the interest of R. J. Lowery in the business. J. H. Morton will manage the business for them.

Mrs. L. E. Graham and Miss Marie soon for some health resort for Mrs. Lowery's health. They have many friends here who will be sorry to see them leave.

Demonstration Club At Blackwell Elects

At a meeting of the Blackwell Home Demonstration Club the following officers for the year 1925 were elected: Mrs. W. W. Odom, president; Mrs. Sweet, vice-president; Miss Effie Copeland, Secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Sweet, chairman of the Year Book committee; Mrs. Chas. Lewis, chairman of the social committee and Mrs. R. H. Reaves, chairman of the membership committee.

The club began the year's work with fifteen members. Each member will be assessed ten cents a month in dues.

Many interesting programs are being planned by the Club, and the members will touch on everything from poultry to millinery in their meetings. Plans are already being made for an all-day dress-making demonstration some time during the first part of May by Mrs. Barnes, an expert in this line. The Blackwell Club is extending a special invitation to all of the women of that community to join the club and attend the meetings. Worth-while programs are guaranteed.

COLORADO SHOWS GROWTH

COLORADO, Mitchell Co, Texas, Feb. 21.—The resident population of Colorado has reached 4,000, according to the Colorado Lions' Club, which has just completed a census of the city. These figures show an increase in population of more than 225 per cent during the last five years. The Federal census of 1920 listed Colorado as having 1,780 inhabitants.

BLACKWELL TO HEAR J. FRANK NORFLEET

According to a notice in the Blackwell Times, J. Frank Norfleet is scheduled to lecture in Blackwell some time during the next few days, the date of the lecture to be announced later.

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\$125.00 four piece Suits specially priced for this week \$91.00

\$120.00 Wicker Suits, 3 pieces this week \$85.00 and \$95.00

Dining Room Furniture

Excellent indeed, are the values it is possible for you to obtain during this sale of Dining Room Furniture and Breakfast Sets. Unusually low priced as these prices prove.

Special Five Piece Breakfast Set \$23.50 and \$18.00

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A real closing out on Stoves. We mean to turn these stoves, sacrificing all profits.

\$25.00 Hot Blast Heaters \$17.50

27 Upright Self-Adjusting Grate \$18.00

Large lot of Air Tight Wood Heaters, \$4.00 Values. This Sale \$2.50

A few used wood and cial cook stoves.

Special Prices on Kitchen Furniture

Every housewife needs one or more items for her kitchen. This sale offers her a chance to buy many items at worth while savings.

A large line of new and used Cabinets, ranging in price from \$97.50 down to \$18

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Cobb Wallis, our undertaker, has the best assorted stock of funeral supplies that we have ever carried and at old-time pre-war prices. Mr. Wallis has had years of experience in this line, and long since learned that at the time of the loss of your friends and loved ones is the time that low prices and service is appreciated.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following citizens have announced their candidacy for election to the various city offices for the coming two-year term, subject to the action of the voters at the city election to be held April 7, 1925.

For Mayor:

JAS. H. BEALL, Jr.
JNO. J. FORD

For Water Commissioner:

L. E. MUSGROVE (re-election)
ROY BARDWELL

For Street Commissioner:

M. C. MANROE

For Chief of Police:

W. R. (BUCK) JOHNSON
(re-election)

For City Secretary:

W. H. BARTLETT (re-election)

RUTLEDGE BOY IMPROVING

Cecil Rutledge who was operated on at the Sweetwater Sanitarium on Wednesday night of last week is reported to be getting along nicely. It is thought that he may be able to leave the Sanitarium in a day or two.

ABILENE CONTINUES BUILDING ACTIVITY

ABILENE, Feb. 24.—Building permits here for the first three weeks of February totaled \$65,765. Seven permits, having a value of \$11,115, were issued last week. Six of them were for residences.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Focht are sick with the flu this week.

Carl Hamilton of Longworth was in Sweetwater Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Harden Barrow of Plainview, has been visiting Mrs. John Perry.

Dr. J. P. Howard of Merkel visited his sister, Mrs. Frank Hill, Sunday.

Ed C. Abbott of Lubbock has been visiting his mother Mrs. J. L. Abbott and sister in this city.

W. M. Mitchell, formerly of Sweetwater was down from O'Donnell Sunday. "Mitch" is in the garage business in that rapidly growing little city of the South Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Williams, 201 Ash Street, are the proud parents of a new eight-pound son born Wednesday morning. The lad has been named Jack Russell Williams.

Mr. B. Howard is back on the job at the Post Office after having been confined to his home for several days with the "flu."

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Scudday are sick this week, and Mr. Scudday is unable to be at his work.

Mrs. John Perry and mother motored to Colorado Monday.

FAIR STOCK SELLING CAMPAIGN BEGINS

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less than ten thousand dollars, divided into 400 or more shares at par value of twenty-five dollars, each;

Now, therefore, we, the undersigned, in consideration of the mutual promise of the subscribers hereto, as hereinafter set forth, do severally agree to take the number of shares of the capital stock of such corporation, set opposite our respective names and to pay said shares as follows: One-half now paid over in cash to the person (viz: selected as Directors for the first year, one-half to be paid on November 1, 1925, the deferred payment to bear interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from and after maturity thereof as set out above, and evidencing the deferred payment or amount subscribed for and agreed to be paid by us, respectively, we have severally executed and delivered to the Directors aforesaid (for delivery by them to the corporation aforesaid when the charter is issued) our promissory notes. It is further agreed and understood that no share of stock in said corporation shall be issued or sold for less than \$25.00 per share, and no stock certificate shall be issued or sold to any subscriber until the share or shares of stock represented thereby is fully paid for at the price of \$25.00 per share. Said corporation shall have a lien on all stock subscribed and also on all dividends which may be declared, to secure payment of such subscriptions and notes, and no sale or transfer of stock or shares shall avoid such liens.

It is understood that the name of this corporation is to be "The Nolan County Fair Association," and that said corporation is to be organized under the laws of the State of Texas within sixty days of date of this agreement. The persons above named as directors of this corporation for the first year are hereby authorized and requested to subscribe and acknowledge the necessary articles of agreement or charter for said corporation, and file same in the office of the Secretary of State as soon as may be conveniently done after the capital stock of said corporation is fully subscribed and five thousand dollars thereof paid in.

This is one of—similar subscription lists or agreements, all of even date and contemporaneously circulated for subscriptions and signatures, and all—struments when signed shall be held to be a part each other and in fact constitute one and the same instrument and the subscribers of each of said subscription lists shall be deemed and held to be subscribers to all and each of such instruments as fully, to all intents and purposes, as they had executed each of same.

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red Eggs Prices \$1.50 to \$3.50 per setting of 15. A limited number of choice baby Chicks. Stock can be seen at my place one mile south of Sweetwater.—R. L. SHAFFER, Sweetwater, Texas.

Mrs. O. Stephenson is going to Corpus Christi to spend a month to recuperate from a severe case of influenza.

County Attorney R. D. Cox carried his wife to Ballinger Monday so that she might be with some of her relatives who are sick.

R. M. Simmons has gone to San Antonio, Victoria and Corpus Christi on business. Also Mr. Simmons spent Sunday with his son, Jack in San Marcos.

Roscoe Masonic Orders Banquet

Monday evening was a great evening for members of the Eastern Star and the Masonic Lodges at Roscoe. A banquet given by the Masons at the Methodist church at which 135 men and women were present.

Prior to the banquet a program was held in the main auditorium of the church. The banquet itself was held in the basement.

The following numbers were included on the program:

A short History of the Eastern Star—Miss Maude Williams.

Solo—Mr. M. L. H. Baze.

Reading—Mrs. Dr. Risinger.

Quartet—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Adams, W. P. Lee, and Mrs. Thurman Smith.

A talk on "Washington, The Man and the Mason"—R. E. Gracey.

An illustrated lecture featuring the historic spots of the nation of interest to Masons was given by Mr. Baze.

Several Sweetwater people attended the banquet.

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