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## THREE PRISONERS BREAK JAIL AND MAKE ESCAPE

Three prisoners broke jail Wednesday night about seven o'clock and, so far, have not been apprehended. They were Oliver Wells, Robt. Hidgon and Stewart.

A hole was punched in the north corner of the wall on the third floor of the jail, through which the prisoners made their escape.

They then let themselves to the ground by means of a large rope made of bed quilts. All three of the prisoners were on the third floor in the big cell. By some means they succeeded in unlocking the door of the cell, which was found wide open when the officers went to the third floor after the escape of the prisoners.

A prisoner on the second floor gave the alarm immediately after their escape.

Sheriff Yarbrough was in his room on the lower floor and rushed out after the prisoners who had just left in the dark.

An alarm was turned in by the fire whistle and soon a large crowd had gathered at the jail.

As Jim Dulagey was coming to the supposed fire he met some one running north near the Baptist church. He asked the man where the fire was but the latter only remarked he did not know, as he kept running.

It is thought the prisoners selected an early hour for their escape from the fact that the moon had not risen and the prisoners would have less difficulty in getting away.

### Noted Prisoner

The most noted of the prisoners is the one named Wells, who is charged with the Blackwell burglary. He has a bad reputation in other counties besides this one.

Stewart was brought here a few days ago from Wichita Falls on a charge of check forgery here last fall.

Hidgon was serving out a sentence for a misdemeanor in the county.

### Sheriff on Track

At three o'clock this afternoon, sheriff Yarbrough stated to a Reporter representative that he had a line up on the prisoners and felt sure he would soon have all of them back in jail.

### Check Forger Breaks Jail

A phone message to Sheriff Perkins Tuesday morning stated that H. D. Boyles, former teacher of Rannels county and who it is alleged had confessed to forging checks at Ballinger, escaped jail.

The phone call came to Mr. Perkins to tell him about the man getting out of jail, but before the officers at Stephenville got in touch with the Ballinger sheriff the man had been caught and returned to jail, so the report goes, and when the officers talked to Mr. Perkins they told him about the escape and also about the recapture of the man.

Boyles it will be remembered was arrested at Stephenville several days ago, and Mr. Perkins went to that city and secured a confession to the forgeries here. The man will be brought to Ballinger when he is tried for forgery at Stephenville.—Ballinger Ledger.

## NO BOUNTY ON GAME

A number of subscribers of the Reporter have asked in regard to the bounty paid by the county on different animals killed.

The Reporter is informed by the county authorities that the county has discontinued paying for bounties on any animal caught in bounties on any animal caught in the county.

Read it first in the Daily Reporter.

## HARRY THAW IS CAUGHT

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—Harry Thaw cut his wrist and throat in a private house heretoday after it had been surrounded by the officers. He was taken to a hospital at his request, where he may die.

## THE BEAUTY CONTEST CLOSES

The beauty contest, which has been in progress at the local high school this week, closed Wednesday afternoon. Up until Wednesday afternoon, the voting had been very light, but late in the afternoon it became very heavy.

Each room in the high school put out a candidate. The results of the election were: First place—Allene Fisher, of the Senior class with 1449 votes; Second place—Alice Majors, of the Freshman class with 895 votes; Third place—Mable Frances Hardy, Sophomore class with 593 votes; Fourth place—Anna Winkler, of the Junior class with 303 votes; Fifth place—Josephine Hamner, of the Senior class with 200 votes; Sixth place—Thelma Howard of the Senior class with 50 votes.

The purpose of the contest was to select the prettiest girls in the high school to go on the Beauty Pages of the Annual for this year. Votes were sold at 1c each, but no one was allowed to vote over 25 votes. There will be four pages of the annual set aside for this purpose. On the first page will be the picture of Miss Fisher, on the second the picture of Miss Majors, on the third the picture of Miss Hardy and on the fourth page the picture of Miss Winkler.—Reported.

## FALLS VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA

This morning at 1 o'clock Mrs. S. C. Walker, age 28 died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McGee at Moodyville, after an illness of ten days with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker lived in Clyde and were here on a visit to her parents when she was taken sick.

The remains will be taken to Clyde on the early morning train, where interment will take place.

## MOB LAW IN KENTUCKY

Murray, Ky., Jan. 11.—Notified that a mob had threatened the lives of Judge Bush and Commonwealth Attorney, Smith, because a negro charged with murder was removed and not tried, Governor Stanley arrived here today on special train and declares that he "will protect the court with his own life, if necessary."

At least forty carpenters and brick masons are at work on the new court house today.

## SAD DEATH NEAR DORA

Early this morning at the family residence near Dora, Mrs. John Ragan died after an illness of ten days with pneumonia.

Early last fall her husband had typhoid fever and was sick for some weeks. Later their small son developed the same disease and was down for a month. Then Mrs. Ragan was taken sick, with fever and remained in bed nearly three months. About the time she had recovered from the fever, she contracted pneumonia which soon proved fatal.

The deceased was about thirty five years old and leaves a husband and two small children to mourn her loss.

Interment will take place late this afternoon at the Dora cemetery.

The Reporter extends deepest sympathy to the stricken family in their sad affliction.

## TAX NOTICE BY COLLECTOR

All parties who owe taxes for 1916 on personal property and who owe poll taxes should make an effort to pay same before Feb. 1st, as the law compels me to force collections on all insolvent taxes by levying on any personal property that the insolvent may have.

Besides you will not have a poll tax receipt that will allow you to vote. I hope no one will allow his taxes to go unpaid as I shall come same.

G. B. HOWELL,  
Tax Collector, Nolan county.

## BALL TEAM WANTS GAME

The Chicago Baseball club is planning to pass through Sweetwater about the first of April on their way from California to Chicago and might be induced to stop for a game with the local team.

They propose to play for \$250 and seventy five per cent of the gate receipts.

If our base ball fans want to see one of the fastest teams in the base ball world, they now have the opportunity. Ticket agent J. S. Irving, of the Texas & Pacific, is the proper person to confer with if such a game is wanted as he has the letter in regard to the desired game.

## SPECIAL MEETING; METHODIST CHOIR

The Methodist choir met with Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Robertson on Walnut street, Saturday evening for business and a rehearsal for Sunday's music.

During the business Mrs. Robertson was re-elected president of the choir, Mrs. E. O. Collins, vice-president; Miss Lois Pettey, choir director, and Miss Mary Hardy pianist.

They voted to use more advanced musical magazines for the new year, and Mrs. Milton Adams was appointed by the president to order twenty six copies of the choir Herald beginning with February 1st.

After a refreshment course served by the host and hostess, Miss Ruth Morgan contributed pleasure by a number of voice and piano numbers.

The choir will meet at the church for rehearsal Thursday evening at seven thirty o'clock.

## LITTLE COTTON BEING SOLD

The cotton market came in today about the same as the close of Wednesday night. Midling basis is worth 17 1/2 cents on the streets with very little for sale.

It is said that the holders of cotton in the county are unwilling to turn loose at the present price with the result that something like 2,000 bales are being held.

## TRENT BURGLARS ARE ACTIVE

News of a big burglar in Trent Wednesday night reached here today.

However none of the details were learned except that the Taylor county sheriffs force was on the ground and is investigating the matter.

Local officers think it possible that the Trent burglary was committed by the prisoners making their escape from jail here in order to secure necessary clothing to wear as two of the prisoners were thinly clad when they escaped.

## GREAT MEETING SAYS QUAST

P. T. Quast is home from attending the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway in Big Springs Tuesday. He reports a large and enthusiastic attendance.

Every county on the entire proposed line was represented but two.

A civil engineer was employed to go over the entire line and make an estimate of the cost of constructing the road in each county. It is thought he can do this work within the next six months.

Each county can then decide up on plans for financing the building of the road through its own county.

The President, Secretary and civil engineer were appointed delegates to the Good Roads meeting at Austin on the 17th and 18th. Secretary Thomas F. Hodge will represent Sweetwater at the meeting.

Mr. Quast says Big Springs entertained the visitors most royally.

## SUDDEN DEATH IN FISHER

County Commissioner John Nunn of Fisher county was in town Wednesday night for a casket for A. R. Brown, age 60, who died suddenly yesterday near the Busby school house.

The deceased seemed well ten minutes before he dropped dead.

## CAME TO SEE FINE STOCK

C. M. Largent and son, Tom Largent, the big dealers in registered Hereford cattle at Merkel, were in Sweetwater Wednesday to see the fine cattle owned by the stockmen here. After looking at the stock of J. D. Dulaney, they motored down to the ranch of Walter Boothe to see his cattle before returning home.

It will be remembered that Messrs Dulaney and Boothe have recently gotten in a lot of extra high grade Herefords from Kansas City and the Merkel men wanted to see them. They were very much pleased with what they found.

## WAR NEWS FROM FRONT

By Associated Press:

### Ship Sunk

London, Jan. 11.—The British admiralty ship, Cornwallis, has been sunk by a submarine. The sea lane carrier, Bennyehree, has been also sunk.

### Take Prisoners

London, Jan. 11.—Six lines of entrenchments, covering town of Rafa, has been captured by the British. Sixteen hundred Turks were captured.

### Reply Friday

Paris, Jan. 11.—The Allies reply to President Wilson's peace will be published in the paper here Friday, before which time the president will already have received a copy of the note.

The note will express deep gratitude to president Wilson for his attitude toward the Belgian people and other acts during the war.

## BASKET BALL SEASON OPENS

Friday afternoon will mark the opening of the basket ball season in Sweetwater this year. The Roscoe high school team will be here in strong numbers in an effort to give a good account of themselves. Last year Sweetwater beat Roscoe at basket ball twice, but whether they can do so again this year remains to be seen. Of course past records do not count for much, but the writer believes S. H. S. can take care of themselves in a manner that will be satisfactory to all, as practically all of last year's men are back again this year. Last year the local team won 12 games and lost two.

Last Friday the local team strolled down to Blackwell where they amused themselves for the afternoon by playing the Blackwell high school team and incidentally beat them by a score of 25 to 22.

Coach Paschall put the team through a hard workout yesterday afternoon and a fine practice was reported. It is thought that the line-up, which will be sent in against Roscoe, will be a little different from the one that played at Blackwell Friday.

The line-up will probably be: Preston Campbell and Roy Holley, forwards; John Embury, center; Ernest Seales and Elvin Steamps, guards. The game will be called at 4:00. Everyone come out and encourage the team and enjoy a good game.—Reported.

## SEND JUDGE TO ROAD MEETING

The county commissioners' court which adjourned Tuesday afternoon voted to pay the expenses of Judge Overshiner to attend the highway meeting at Big Springs.

The court awarded the contract for the printing of letterheads, bill heads, envelopes, printed to order legal blanks and all stock from legal blanks, at the present schedule of the Dorsey Company of Dallas, less 25 percent discount to the Taylor county Times of Abilene, which submitted the only bid.

J. J. Denton broke all records when he presented claims for bounty on twenty wolves and four wildcats, the county paying him \$22 for the lot. J. P. Wells was next with nine wolves and two cats.—Abilene Reporter.

Mrs. J. W. Broome of Colorado City died Monday and her remains were interred at the Odd Fellows Cemetery at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

## AGAINST LEAK RESOLUTIONS

By Associated Press:

Washington, Jan. 11.—Before the Rule Committee today a Wall Street Journal Editor said that it was picked up on Wall street by the Dow Jones Dispatches that President Wilson was about to send the peace note ten hours before the note was made public.

The Democratic members of the committee voted to report the Leak Resolution adversely. The Republican members were for the resolution.

## FIVE PERISH IN BIG FIRE

By Associated Press:

Montreal, Jan. 11.—Four children and the maid of the family of Dr. J. N. Leblanc, dentist, were burned when a fire destroyed their apartments over a picture theatre this morning.

## WALLER TRIAL NEXT MONDAY

Late Thursday evening the grand jury, after a three days investigation of the killing of Dr. N. J. Phenix, returned a true bill against George Waller, for murder. Judge Beall set the case for Monday, January 15, and a special venire of 100 men have been summoned.

Sheppard & Sandusky have been retained to assist the District Attorney W. P. Leslie in the prosecution, while Judge Cunningham, of Abilene, we understand, has been employed by the defense.

Waller was brought into open court Monday morning and the indictment, charging him with the killing of Dr. Phenix, was read, to which he pleaded not guilty.—Colorado Clipper.

## BIG SUIT IS SETTLED

Austin, Jan. 10.—John L. Wroe, private secretary to Governor Ferguson today gave out copies of a Statement dated Jan. 5, 1917, signed by C. H. Morris at Wimsboro and attested before a notary public, in which Mr. Morris disclaims and disavows a statement published in the course of the primary election campaign in last July, when he was a candidate for Governor in opposition to Governor Ferguson.

Governor Ferguson will withdraw his suit for \$50,000 damages against C. H. Morris, his opponent in the July primary. The governor said tonight that as Mr. Morris has repudiated the charges against him and furnished an affidavit to that effect he has agreed to withdraw the suit.

## MOTHERS CLUB

Mrs. W. R. Carr was hostess for a splendidly attended meeting of the Mothers' Club Wednesday evening.

Mrs. W. W. Beall directed the study on Home Economics and the round table discussions added interest to the subject.

Mrs. Ed Bradford, Huckabee and Weathers shared Mrs. Carr's hospitality with the club members.

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J. L. ROSS

## LATE NEWS OVER WIRE

**Came Near Being Buried Alive**  
Brownwood, Tex., Jan. 10.—A Mrs. Jones, living in the Winchell section of Brown county narrowly escaped being buried alive last Saturday afternoon, according to reports which reached Brownwood today. Mrs. Jones had been suffering from the effects of pneumonia for several days when she was pronounced dead by physicians. Her body was prepared for burial in a neighboring cemetery and her relatives were notified of the death. A few minutes before the funeral services were to be held, Mrs. Jones arose in her casket. It is believed now she will get well.

### Votes Bonds

The bonds were voted by 33 majority.

The bond election yesterday to get \$25,000 with which to repair the wood block paving passed off very quietly,—in fact, so quietly that when the votes were being counted soon after the polls closed it looked like the issue had been defeated.

All told, there were 227 ballots cast, 130 for the bonds and 97 against. Just what caused the "slump" in San Angelo's voting strength no one seems to be in a position to explain, but that there was a slump is not gainsaid by anyone.—San Angelo Standard.

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## GOVERNOR'S NARROW ESCAPE

Austin, Jan. 10.—Governor Ferguson while crossing Congress avenue near the entrance of the capital grounds about 12:30 o'clock this afternoon narrowly escaped being run down by a motor driven delivery truck which was being operated at rapid speed. Witnesses to the near accident say that the driver of the truck did not make any signal of his approach and the heavy car was within a few feet of the governor before the Texas executive knew of the danger.

Governor Ferguson for a moment was startled, but recovered in time to get out of the way of the fast and recklessly driven automobile. He proceeded on his way to dinner at the time of the incident.

## LIQUOR FLOWS IN STREETS

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 10.—Five hundred gallons of confiscated whisky, wine and beer were poured into a city water wagon yesterday and the streets of the business section sprinkled with the liquor. Two hundred automobiles and several floats formed a parade that followed the water wagon.

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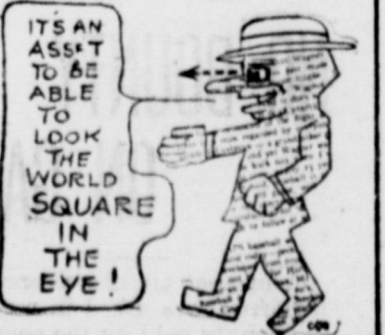
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MONEY**

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Fifteen pounds of butter also ran.

**FORMER GRAIN MAN  
HERE IS MARRIED**

William H. Wortham, formerly with Fort Worth grain firms, but now engaged in the grain business for himself at Sweetwater, and Miss Minnie Catherine Lockett were married Monday at the home of the bride's mother in Navasota.

They were in Fort Worth Tuesday on their way to Sweetwater.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

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## Doings With Legislators

By Associated Press:

**Many Bills**  
Austin, Jan. 11.—Two bills, mileage per diem and contingent expense bill, passed the House today, which is the first of scores of bills to be acted upon soon.

So far one hundred and five bills and eight resolutions have been introduced.

The prohibition amendment will be voted on in July and if adopted will become effective next January.

### None But Democrats

Austin, Jan. 11.—For the first time since the Civil war the law making body of Texas is exclusively in the hands of the Democrats. There is not a Republican in either house.

Thomas J. Martin of Fredericksburg succeeded Representative Bierschwale, who served in several previous sessions and who was the last Republican to be elected to the legislature.

### West Texas A. & M.

Austin, Jan. 10.—After making a careful check of the legislature, Thomas F. Hodge of Sweetwater, secretary-treasurer of the West Texas A. & M. College Association, is convinced that the bill providing for a branch Agricultural & Mechanical College in West Texas will pass without much difficulty.

The bill will be introduced in the senate by Hudspeth of El Paso and in the house it will be signed by all the representatives from districts in the territory of the nineteenth meridian. The bill provides for establishment of a branch institution having practically the same curriculum as that at College Station.

The significant section in this respects reads as follows:

"It is hereby declared to be the intention of this act to create a full and complete agricultural and mechanical college, and the board of directors of said college shall provide a course of instruction at said college covering practically the same subject matter as that provided at the present Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, located at College Station, with such modifications as may be necessary to render such college useful and of the most practical benefit to the people residing in the territory described in section 1 of this act."

### Chief Feature of West Texas A. & M. Measure

Governor, commissioner of agriculture and speaker of the house constituted a committee to select the site for the new school.

Government of college shall be in hands of board of directors of A. & M. assisted by eight associate directors, who shall be appointed by the governor in four classes.

Intention is to create a full and complete agricultural and mechanical college and the directors shall provide a course of instruction equal to that offered at the College Station A. & M. with such modifications as may be necessary to meet territorial or climatic conditions.

Right of eminent domain is conferred on directors.

**DON'T Buy until you try**—Don't sell until you tell—New Second Hand Furniture Store. Phone 684.—M. T. Bowden, Mgr. 111fd-w

Grover Montgomery is reported quite ill, at home on the ranch.

## Maryneal Happenings

Geo. Morton has a severe case of La Grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Morton, of Snyder, motored down Tuesday to spend a few days with Geo. Morton. Misses Inez Wade and Myrtle Boatright have returned to Simmons college at Abilene.

We are glad to report Mrs. R. H. Carey improving from La Grippe. Mr. John Chitwood and the Newsom Brothers from Haskell were in Maryneal Saturday looking for ranch property.

Prospectors are coming to Maryneal every day and we would be glad to have good people locate here.

G. W. Arledge and G. O. Davis left for Toyah Saturday.

Rev. Elliott of Loraine preached here Sunday morning and evening.

W. A. Clark sold his confectionery to Robert Kelley.

Mr. Ebner from Brownwood came in Sunday morning to accompany his wife home.

Mrs. Ebner has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McCormack.

Mrs. B. D. Clark returned home Tuesday morning from Harpersville.

Mr. John Arledge from Bonham spent Friday and Saturday on the ranch with J. S. Arledge looking after the interests of the ranch in general.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kelley got hold of a bottle of turpentine Saturday morning and drank quite a lot. Dr. Filmore was called at once and by skillful treatment the baby is recovering.

Mr. Geo. Netherland's mother died Wednesday morning. She had made her home with Geo. Netherland for sometime. She had been suffering with La Grippe for several days and did not have the constitution to stand a hard spell.

### NOTICE, BANKS & BANKERS

To The Banks and Bankers of Nolan County, Texas:

On the 14th day of February A. D. 1917 at 3:00 o'clock P. M. The Commissioners Court of Nolan County, Texas, will receive and consider bids for the County Depository of the funds for the ensuing two years.

Each banking firm or association may bid separately on the School Funds but the depository selected will be required to handle all the funds of the County and the Commissioners Court will in their discretion select what they consider to be the best bid.

File your bids with the County Judge before the date above stated together with a certified check for an amount not less than one half of one per cent of the County revenue for the year 1916, which amount all told is approximately \$70,399.12.

Sweetwater, Texas, January 9th 1917.  
JNO. H. COCHRAN, JR.,  
County Judge Nolan Co., Texas.  
10-1td-5tw.

### NOTICE

The Chesney Barber Shop has changed hands. It is now being conducted by A. D. Dies and R. L. DeBusk. We solicit your work.

Our prices:  
Hair cut ..... 25c  
Shave ..... 15c  
Shampoo ..... 25c  
Massage ..... 25c  
Razors Honed ..... 25c

Our work is as good as the best. 12-1tw.

## TAX PAYERS ARE SLOW

Wednesday was another dull day with both the city and county tax collectors, and, if things don't pick up, there will be less voters in Nolan county for 1917 than there were in 1916.

It takes a real poll tax receipt of an exemption, to get by at the polls on election day. The man, who intends to pay later and by chance is taken sick or forgets to pay until it is too late, will have no more voice in the elections than he who refuses to pay because he has not interest enough to vote in the election.

Collector Howell issued only nine poll tax receipts Wednesday, which brought the total number for his office up to 672.

City Secretary Bartlett issued only five, bringing the city list up to 79. The last man to pay in the county office Wednesday was City Secretary W. H. Bartlett and the last party in the city office was W. Y. Rockwell.

Collector Howell and Assessor Sheppard will go to Blackwell Saturday to collect taxes down there from people who prefer paying there instead of coming to Sweetwater. They will be out for the month or till the close of the tax paying season for the year 1916.

### Double Taxes

Sweetwater has several citizens who are threatened with having to pay two poll taxes this season in order to get a poll tax receipt. They lived in cities of more than 10,000 people at the beginning of 1916, when they rendered their taxes for the year.

The law requires that taxes must be paid in person in such cases in order to obtain a poll tax receipt. To go back to these cities would require the expenditure of several dollars. It is cheaper to pay taxes back there and then another poll tax here than go back and pay in person. Many tax payers think this is an unjust feature of the tax law.

## TERMS MADE KNOWN

London, Jan. 11.—Bulletin at 3:30 p. m.—The Associated Press learns that the Entente reply to President Wilson makes specific designation of its peace terms, including the restoration of Belgium, Serbia, and Montenegro and a complete reparation for the damage they sustained, and the evacuation of the invaded territory of France, Russia and Roumania, with such reparation as is considered just.

### SAN SOUCI CLUB

Miss Ruth Hamilton was charming hostess for a jolly meeting of the San Souci club girls Tuesday evening.

Music, songs and pleasant conversation filled the evening with pleasure.

A delightful salad course concluded the meeting.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

C. W. Clark was a business visit or to Mineral Wells Wednesday.

Three pounds Morning Cup Coffee. \$1.00.—Davis Cash Grocery 7f

Rufus Wright and wife were Russee visitors this morning.

The Starr Meat Market delivers meat to any part of the city. Phone 17. 6-1f

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Graves of Palava son and little daughter traded with our merchants today.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hanna are the happy parents of a fine 12 1-2 pound boy who arrived last night.

Ten pound Cottolene \$1.90.—Davis Cash Grocery. 5-1f

Mrs. Ed Sinnott entertained the Clover Leaf club this afternoon.

Mrs. Isham Wright is still confined to her room with an attack of the La Grippe.

Mr. Sam Edwards on the west side is reported improving from an attack of pneumonia.

No. 2 tomatoes 10 cents.—Davis Cash Grocery. 5-1f

Misses Gussie Ragland and Lois Pettey visited Mrs. Cap Newman in Sylvester Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Reed and son are spending the day in the city as they are enroute from O'Brien to Post City to make their home.

B. F. Russell, a pioneer citizen of Hamlin, died at this home Monday after a lingering illness.

Mrs. P. L. Estes has returned to Fort Worth after a visit to her daughters, Messdames E. K. Burge and Earl Mashburn.

Choice eating apples 20 and 25 cents per dozen, Perry's Cash Grocery. Phone 71.

Buy your shoes at the Herndon Shoe Store and get the best.—"The Selz." 9-1f

Sweet potatoes, nine pounds 25 cents per dozen, Jerry's Cash Grocery. Phone 71.

Nice bananas 25 cents per dozen, Perry's Cash Grocery. Phone 71.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McCoy are moving into the house recently vacated by Mr. Farris on West Third street.

Get the best shoe, at the price, and that will be the Selz.—Herndon Shoe Co. 9-1f

L. C. Vinson went to Hamlin on business for the Robertson Grain Co. last night.

Mrs. Cynthia Mashburn returned to her home in Oklahoma Tuesday night after being called here to the death bed of her sister, Mrs. L. J. Mashburn.

Marshall Allen student in Draughans college of Abilene visited his relatives, Mrs. B. F. Rogers and Mr. R. O. Allen and families of the Ada community, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. R. H. Looney, Miss Marguerite Looney, Mrs. Hooper and Mother, Mrs. White, Miss Elsie Hooper and Mrs. John L. Doss motored to Sweetwater and returned Monday.—Colorado Clipper.

## TIRED HE COMMITS SUICIDE

New Orleans, Jan. 10.—O. P. Moss of New Iberia, La., sauce manufacturer, known as the "Tabasco King," shot himself through the head today, declaring he was "tired of the hypocrisy of the world" in a note to his wife.

Crisco, \$1.25.—Davis Cash Grocery. 5-1f



Some Banks Solicit only large accounts.

**This Bank** is equally the Bank of the laboring man, the mechanic, the business man, the house-wife, the child or the man of leisure. All accounts, large or small, will be given the same treatment. We are a bank for the people and extend to you a

Welcome.



## SPLENDID BUSINESS IS SHOWN

On Tuesday the annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Texas Bank & Trust Co. was held in the parlors of the bank building with all the home officers and the following out of town officers and directors present:

D. R. Couch of Aspermont, H. S. Record of Monument, N. M., H. B. Mattador, Ben Van Tuyl of Colorado, M. D. Alexander of Lometa, J. V. Riley of Snyder and M. H. Gillian of Haskell.

The financial condition of this institution was found to be in excellent shape. The regular five per cent semi-annual dividend was declared and \$5,000 were placed in the surplus fund, raising this amount of the bank to \$75,000, while the capital remains at \$100,000.

The following officers and directors were re-elected for the new year:

Ellis Douthit, President; R. A. Ragland, Vice-President; H. B. Reed, Vice-President; H. S. Record, Vice-President; D. R. Couch, Vice-President; G. E. Bradford, Cashier; Geo. W. Willis, Assistant Cashier; Paul Bertram, Assistant Cashier.

FOUND.—A baby's picture in small button on the high school ground. Call for at Reporter office.

### A Few Bargains At

**W A PERRY'S CASH GROCERY**

Good brooms, 35 and 45 cents, each.

Lemons, 20 cents per dozen.

Nice barrel vinegar, 35 cents per gallon.

24 pounds of nice clean rice for \$1.00.

25 pounds pure granulated sugar for \$2.00.

Five gallons best kerosene oil for 45 cents.

East Texas ribbon cane syrup, the pure article, per gallon bucket, 75 cents.

Fresh corn meal \$1.00 per 35 pound sack.

Four pounds ground Arbuckle coffee for 90 cents.

Let Perry's Cash Grocery figure your next grocery bill and be convinced that they can save you money.

### INSPECTING RURAL SCHOOLS

County Superintendent A. D. Hill left this morning to inspect the Hilton and Vallie View Schools today.

The professor is taking advantage of the fine weather to make his inspection of all the rural schools.



### LOOKING FOR FEED

If you are looking for Feed of fine quality, make a purchase here.

We spare no effort to procure

Bran, Corn, Oats, Hay etc

which possess all the qualities which make them desirable. We know where, when and what to buy. Our prices are the lowest, too. Try our molasses mixed feed.

**S. EDWARDS GRAIN COMPANY**

## Round Trip Excursions

**American Live Stock Ass'n., Cheyenne, Wyo. \$32.55**

**National Western Stock Show, Denver, Colo., \$28.20**

**On Sale January 15, 16 and 18.**

**Limit January 31st.**

**For further information see**

**E. T. BRADY, Agent.**