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## WOULD REMEDY COTTON PRICES

DR. JNO W. OVERTON OF SWEETWATER OFFERS SUGGESTION AND PLAN TO RAISE PRICE OF COTTON

## BELIEVES A STAMP ACT WOULD FURNISH REMEDY

Would Have Hon. W. R. Smith Our Present Congressman, to Introduce a Bill Embracing This Plan—Believes His Plan is Much Better Than That Offered in Recent Proposed Methods

We have the following article from Dr. J. W. Overton, of Sweetwater, which we take pleasure in publishing that our readers may get his views of the situation, and his remedy.

He writes as follows: Sweetwater, Tex. Nov. 24, 1911. Governor Colquitt, Commissioner, Kone, Editors, Ft. Worth Record, Lubbock Avalanche and Sweetwater Reporter.

Your earnest endeavor, laudable efforts, and praise worthy intentions to raise the price of cotton, challenge, deserve and receive the unqualified admiration and endorsement of, not only all Texas and Southerners, but all fair minded people everywhere. The cotton raiser is ground between the upper and nether mill stones of the cotton spinner and necessity, until there is no longer room for argument, and manhood cowers and begs for mercy.

The world needs all the cotton we can raise. But the cotton spinners, like free booters and high way robbers, using the power of money and taking advantage of the poor cotton raiser, are pounding down the price of cotton below a living wage. So your efforts, logical editorials and the magnificent speech of Clarence Ousley at New Orleans have availed naught. Your plan to reduce the production only places a premium on dishonesty, for he who curtails his acreage, and by means of a short crop increase the price of cotton, receives less than he who promises to plant less and plants more. I therefore, disclaiming all hope of political reward, and with an eye single only to public good, offer you a solution, and beg of you that you will lend to plan the mighty influence of your great names, assuring you that my plan will make twelve cent cotton a reality, thereby restoring prosperity to the South, and by that action creating in this country of ours a prosperity such as was never known before.

My plan is simply this: A stamp tax of five cent per pound on middling cotton sold at less than twelve cents a pound, other grade to pay a five cent tax at a proportionate price, a man will not buy cotton at nine cents when he knows a surcharge of five cents will be made for stamps, making fourteen cents, he had rather pay twelve cents and avoid the stamp tax. Now of course, the enemy of the farmer says, "But the farmer pays the tax." Now sir, no such thing, every country where there is a stamp tax, the law says, "The seller shall affix stamps on invoice", but the seller always charges them to the purchaser. In Mexico, for example, there is a stamp tax of three cents for every five dollars or fraction thereof, on all invoices over twenty dollars an invoice always

and invariably reads: 200 kilos cotton at 25 cents kilo, equal \$50.00 Stamps . . . . .30 Total \$50.30

There is no mercantile or industrial establishment in the whole of that republic, but that charges the stamps to the purchaser, even though the law says, "The seller shall affix the stamps." Stamp taxes have always been unpopular in this country, because the tax was not paid by the purchaser, but in this case millions of people will enthusiastically advocate the tax and vox populi is vox dei. You may say the Southern Congressmen are in the minority and cannot pass the law. I say, no great victory was ever won without a struggle. The Kansas farmer knows that if we must lose money raising cotton that we will raise corn, wheat, oats, potatoes and hay and fatten cattle, and that under such conditions he cannot sell his surplus products, therefore, he will help us pass a law to this effect, the automobile manufacturers of Detroit know how they sold automobiles to prosperous Kansas, and the vision of a prosperous South would mean to them an increased out-put, a Detroit of a million population, and he would see that all Michigan voted for a stamp tax of five cents a pound on all cotton sold for less than twelve cents, so with Pennsylvania, her great steel industries, seeing the business to be acquired in the South where labor is recruited at a living wage would vote for our stamp tax of five cents a pound "on middling cotton sold for less than twelve cents per pound."

This is not a party question, — destroy our Southland, and grass will grow in the streets of Pittsburgh and Bethlehem, and birds will build nests in the sky scrapers of New York and Chicago. The Great Isaac Newton never leaped to his conclusions regarding the law of gravitation by simply observing the fall of an apple, the apples fall suggested the thought and aroused the inquiry, but it required years of patient toil and unremitting energy before the great discovery was complete, and in all the fullness of its sublimity startled the philosophical world. So I have studied this question. My plan is:

"No sapling chance shown at Beustade, blooming in summer, in winter to fade," it is the product of midnight oil, it has been laboriously prepared. I have studied every objection and stand ready to defend it in the newspaper form or on the hustings. I feel that, poor advocate as I am, my cause is so just, my plan is so simple, that I can defend it against any and all assailants.

The cotton spinner says: "If the South cannot produce cotton at present prices, why do they

continue to plant it?" My answer is this: Mr. Cotton Spinner, your wife dresses in silks and satins, the cotton raisers wife wears plain calico at five cents per yard; your wife puts on silk hose at five dollars per pair, the cotton raisers wear cotton stockings worth "two pair for a quarter;" the cotton spinners wife has a secretary, a cook a hairdresser, and a chamber maid, the cotton raisers wife is wash-woman, cook and milkmaid; the cotton spinners wife rides in an automobile, the cotton raisers wife rides in a farm wagon; the cotton spinners wife has a check book, the farmers wife takes eggs and butter to market to help pay the grocery bill; the cotton spinners wife lives in luxury, the cotton raisers wife does the chores and helps her husband make both ends meet.

I believe, gentlemen, as surely as it was the duty of the North to emancipate the slaves it is our duty to emancipate the wives and daughters of the cotton raisers. I personally am powerless, but I have suggested to you the plan, with your influence we can change conditions in this country and procure for every farmer twelve cents for every pound of cotton he raises.

Now let me suggest that one of our present congressmen, backed by a campaign of education, inaugurated by you gentlemen introduce a bill the next Congress, carrying this plan into effect. Personally, I would like to have the bill introduced by Hon. W. R. Smith, the able and brilliant representative of this district. If the bill fails to pass, then we will let one of the congressmen at large from the State of Texas be nominated on this platform and have him make his campaign on this measure. We will find our leader. We want no political has-been, no ex-this or that, but a man fresh from the people, a man of sterling integrity, of unswerving patriotism, martyr faith, and unquestionable devotion to the cause that we advocate. The leader will arise. If we want a newspaper man, Clarence Ousley will fill the bill. If we want a banker, Thomas Trammell or O. L. Slaton, of Lubbock, are equal to the occasion. If we want a ranchman, A. B. Robertson of Slaton is our man. If we want a doctor, and a West Texas doctor at that, we have a man, mentally and morally, the equal of any man in the State of Texas, who would fill the office with credit and honor, and lead our cause to a glorious victory, his name is Dr. P. C. Coleman, he lives at Colorado, Texas.

Gentlemen, I have done my part I have suggested the means, you have the power to use them. Get busy, give this plan to the associated press, call a great convention to meet at Fort Worth, Dallas, or Sweetwater, advise other states to do likewise, and let us use all honest and honorable means to emancipate the southern cotton raiser by making twelve cent cotton a reality, now and for ever more. Yours for Twelve Cent Cotton.

JOHN W. OVERTON  
P. S. The scheme for a \$50,000,000.00 syndicate to hold off the market 2,000,000 bales is not half as good as my plan, for my plan will hold off of the market, at least 6,000,000 bales, therefore it is at least three times as effective.

JOHN W. OVERTON.  
B. T. Johnson, of Canyon, was here the latter part of last week. While in the city he was a pleasant caller at this office. He moved his subscription card up on our list a year in advance.

## FIRE AT SLATON

Thomas Tank and Cornice Works Destroyed by Fire 30th —Loss \$1,000

The Slatonite gives the following account of fire in that village last week:

"Early last evening the building occupied by the Thomas Tank & Cornice Works, together with all its contents, was destroyed by fire. The flames were discovered and the alarm turned in at about 6:30 o'clock, but the fire had gained such headway that it was impossible to check it or to save any of the contents of the building.

"The building was owned by C. B. Thomas, proprietor of the Thomas Tank & Cornice Works, he having recently purchased same from W. W. Compton. The loss on building and contents is estimated at near \$1,000, which, we understand, was partially covered by insurance. Mr. Thomas was away from home at the time of the fire, having left only a short while before for Lubbock.

"The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have caught from spontaneous combustion.

"That portion of the city has been very unfortunate of late in having fires, this being the second disaster that it has suffered within a period of two months, the former fire having originated in the Slaton Journal office and destroying it and two other buildings. It is fortunate, however, that the wind was not blowing hard on either occasion, for had it been, other buildings in the vicinity would likely have been destroyed also.

The Commercial Club at Memphis is at the head of an active movement that has for its object the construction of a railroad west from here. Capitalists who have been considering the proposition of financing the project were here recently. They were met by the most influential business men of the city in the rooms of the Commercial Club, where the proposition was discussed. Morgan Jones, a prominent railroad builder of Abilene, was very much interested in the proposed line and consented to go with a committee of citizens over the western part of the State for the purpose of investigating crops and industrial conditions.

What's the use of buying goods made out of the state when we can just as well purchase Texas made articles? Texas factories can, and do, turn out just as good a product as the foreign factory. Such being the case it behooves us to patronize home industries, for when Texas enterprises thrive we the community—the state—profit accordingly.

Texas today produces one-fifth of the world's supply of cotton, yet Texas has to purchase practically all their cotton goods from England and New England. This is an economic error. If not righted, it may, in future, develop into a financial tragedy.

Rev. J. M. Harder, of Plainview, was here last Thursday and was a pleasant caller at this office. He is financial agent for the Wayland College at Plainview, and reports everything moving along in good shape.

Boosting is an advanced, modern study in political economy. Boost for your own town and for "home trade."

R. W. Heim is spending a few days in Crosbyton this week putting up some tanks that he recently sold and delivered to Crosbyton parties.

## PUBLIC WORK PROGRESSING NICELY

WATER WORKS SYSTEM BEING INSTALLED AS FAST AS MEN AND MACHINERY CAN ACCOMPLISH THE TASK

## WATER WORKS PROBABLY COMPLETE JANUARY 15TH

All The Material for the Water Works System Has Been Shipped and With no Delay the Plant Will be in Operation by January 15th—City Well a Fine One—Other Improvements

With the present status of affairs before us, it looks very much like Lubbock is going to have a full fledged water works system within the next few weeks.

In conversation with Mr. Shaw the city secretary, he stated that there was nothing to hinder the rapid progress of the work now, so far as he is aware of. Every thing is in good working order and the city has been notified of the shipment of the entire amount of piping and other necessary material for the water works system, and it is expected that it will arrive as fast as it can be used by the construction gang. The tower and storage tank is about completed and work on the big concrete reservoir is being pushed with all possible haste. These two water storage equipments have a combined capacity of 256,000 gallons.

It is Mr. Shaw's belief that by the 15th of January 1912 the water can be turned into the mains and Lubbock will have one of the best systems of water supply on the Plains. Its capacity

## OPPOSES DISCOUNT WARRANTS

Governor Colquitt Declares Tax Rate Fixed by Preceding Administration

- Austin, Tex., Dec. 2.—General revenue is on a deficiency basis and will probably continue in that condition through this month and part of January. Some local people are offering to shave pension warrants, and as a result Gov. Colquitt today addressed the following letter to D. J. Cartwright, Forest, Tex.:

"Your letter of Nov. 23, to which you attach circular letter of a report of a loan company of Austin, offering you \$10 for your Confederate pension warrant of \$10.50, which will be issued in December, is received.

"Unfortunately there was approximately a \$400,000 deficit in the State Treasury at the close of business Nov. 29, which was due entirely to the policy of the administration of Gov. Campbell, who used the Waters-Pierce Oil Company's fine to pay the expenses of the State Government and to enable himself to reduce the tax rate beyond what was required to meet the State's expenditures.

"Practically no money has been collected as yet and paid into the State Treasury on the tax rate for the present year. The 4 per cent tax rate on the assessments for 1910 was not enough to meet the expenses of the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1911. The fiscal year, beginning Sept. 1, 1910, was commenced with \$1,424,641 in the State Treasurer but on account of the very low tax rate all this balance and all the tax rate produced was expended, and the State Treasury

is equal to that of cities much larger than Lubbock and a great deal better than in many of the towns that claim more population and greater wealth than this.

At the completion of the water system the contractors will enter immediately upon the work of putting in the sewerage system which will likewise be up-to-date in every particular.

Lubbock is very much alive. There is work here of some kind for every person who wants work, and is not too particular about what job he has.

The building in the business part of town goes merrily on. The First National Bank building is, beginning to look like it will be ready for occupancy within a short time now, and the Caraway building along with the one adjoining it on the South is nearing completion and all will be occupied by the first of the year.

The contract will be let for the Lubbock Mercantile building Saturday, also the Cope and Vickers and the Morrow buildings on the South side of the square.

began the fiscal year, commencing Sept. 1, 1911, practically with no money in the Treasury after August expenses were met and with a prospective deficit of \$500,000 or \$600,000, with a deficit also of something like \$225,000 in the expenses of the penitentiary system.

"The tax rate fixed by Gov. Campbell during the last year of his administration produced at least \$1,000,000 less than should have been raised. We have had to take care of this deficit in revenue by increasing the tax rate this year, but there will be ample money to pay your warrant within a short time without discount, and my advice to the holders of obligations against the State is not to discount them."

## Married

Monday evening at 7:00 o'clock at the residence of Emory Buttler, Mr. O. J. Chamberlain and Miss Cordelia Logan were united in marriage. Judge Jno. R. McGee performed the ceremony in his usual impressive manner.

These people are not very extensively known in this part of the country, but the few that do know them recommend them very highly as good citizens and neighbors. Mr. Chamberlain has been a resident of Clovis, N. M., till recently he took up his abode in Post City where he and wife will reside in the future.

Miss Logan is a sister of Mrs. Butler, and came from Belleville Friday of last week.

The Avalanche extends best wishes to the couple.

M. M. Harney last week had his residence moved into town from the vicinity of Abernathy and has located it in the north west part of town.



**MANY MEN OF MANY MINDS MAKE A REPUBLIC**

Many people of this part of the country are of the same mind when they want groceries and racket goods and that is to get them from me. They are right.

**J. H. MOORE, The "Close" Price Store**

**Test 'em! Best 'em!**

**THAT IS THE BUICK WAY**

If the Buick is not the best car, the manufacturers want to know. If by test you can prove that they are not the best you get a car free.

See us for repairs of all kinds and get your fittings, tubes, casings, oils, gas, etc. from us.

**Cass Auto Co.**

**Notice of Stockholders Meeting**

Of the Crosbyton-Southplains Railroad Company, to be held Wednesday, February 7th, 1912, for the purpose of authorizing the directors thereof to issue bonds, etc.

To the Stockholders of the Crosbyton-Southplains Railroad Company:

You and each of you, are hereby notified that on the 28th day of October, 1911, at special meeting of the Board of Directors of said Company a resolution was unanimously adopted calling a meeting of the stockholders of said company to be held on Wednesday, February 7th, 1912, at the offices of the Company in Crosbyton, Texas, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of authorizing the directors thereof to execute a mortgage upon the property of the company and to issue bonds hereunder to an amount and for a period to be fixed by the stockholders at said meeting; and to authorize the directors to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue such bonds; and to take such further and other steps as may be necessary under the laws of Texas for the final approval by said Commission of said bonds; and to obtain the authority of said Commissioner to register said bonds when issued in the office of the Secretary of the State of Texas.

Dated this 28th day of October 1911, at Crosbyton, Texas. 208t [SEAL] R. M. BASSETT, Secretary

**Are You? A Woman?**

**TAKE CARDUI**

**The Woman's Tonic**

For the first time in the history of the product, kaffir corn has been listed by grain exchanges. In other words, kaffir corn has forced commercial recognition along with wheat, oats, rye, corn and barley. Carry the news to the farmer man of West Texas and the Panhandle.

There'll be something doing in those districts next year. —Fort Worth Telegram.

**W** hat case is for indigestion or other ailments? Ask for Miller's & Mullen's also. Phone 95

**Keeping up Appearances**

Hundreds of young men are in the penitentiary as the result of trying to keep up appearance.

They made their bluff among their friends and associates that they were prospering far beyond the degree reflected by their monthly pay check, and foolishly thought they had to make good.

They dipped into the bank's or the company's funds, they forged their employer's name, thinking at the time that they would pay it back by a lucky turn of the "market," and now they are paying it back in grinding toil, in prison stripes, in the shame of relations and the coin of women's tears.

There's no use in bluffing. Be

what you are, and be not ashamed of your daily task and your daily wage, for if you are, you are impelled daily to a condition of real shame.

Young wives you can't escape your share of the responsibility.

If you are more anxious to impress your friends with the fact that you have made a good catch than you are to help your husband stay out of debt, you will remember it when the judge pronounces sentence.

Appear merely what you are, striving always to attain a better place, where you can appear to better advantage. If you try to fool society by appearing what you are not, society may be revenged. —Ex.

**Auction Sale**

Of unclaimed and refused freight and satisfaction of outstanding receipts and storage charges.

To be held at V. & N. T. Ry. Freight Station at 10 a. m., Dec. 19th, 1911.

ARTICLES TO BE SOLD One Derrick and one roll of cable, weighing about 500 pound. Shipper and consignee, W. M. Rice. C. H. HINTON, Agt. 19 4t

Mrs. Thompson, of Pueblo, Colorado, is here and will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Shackelford.

J. C. Beal, of Meadow, was here Friday and was a pleasant caller at this office. He authorized us to place his name on our subscription books for awhile.

**Notice**

I have bought the auto road from Lubbock to Brownfield. Gentlemen who wish to travel over the road will call at the Red Cross Pharmacy and procure a pass. 21 2t

Respectfully W. N. Copeland

**THESE ARE LOVELY DAYS** in which to build that home. We have the material and the prices are not to be beat. See us. It pays. **W. C. BOWMAN LUMBER COMPANY**



**"John, If Figure That Telephone Has Paid Big."**

"It has enabled us to secure such good prices for our products," says the up-to-date farmer, "that we have had a far more profitable season than ever before. Both farm and home have benefited."

You may have a profit-producing telephone by means of our Rural Line Plan.

Write for booklet.

**The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Co.** DALLAS, TEXAS



**The Don't Worry Club**

No man can prosper unless he holds active membership in the "Don't Worry Club."

Dues are paid in human hand-clasps, grins and cheerful words, and it is the only benevolent organization in the world that pays cash dividends.

Don't misunderstand—the fellow who feels no responsibility to his family, to society and himself, but goes his carefree way, regardless of others, the present and the future—he don't belong.

Noah Webster, that excellent authority, defines "worry" thus: "To feel or express great care or anxiety; to manifest inquietude or pain; chaf, as 'the child worries.'"

Notice his illustration—"the child worries."

Worrying is essentially a childish act. But unfits a man for the immediate duties of the hour; it repels his friends; it interferes with his business success, and makes his home unhappy. There's no limit to the membership. Get the pass word today—"Be Cheerful."

Will McPhaul, was here the latter part of the week. He met his sister who came in on the northbound passenger train Friday.

**"Lest We Forget"**

To prepare for next year's reading in time The Avalanche desires to say that all who want to keep up with passing events at home should subscribe for this paper now.

While you are about, why not take advantage of our clubbing offer

and get The Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News also for a year?

Both papers for the small sum of \$1.75, giving you three papers a week and supplying the whole family with good, wholesome, up-to-date reading matter.

If you for get this offer both yourself and the publishers are losers, but you are the greater

loser. Don't lose out, but subscribe now.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**  
THE GENUINE BRAND  
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

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**THE CHOICEST OF CANDIES CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE RETREAT MADE FRESH DAILY AND PACKED IN BOXES TO SUIT THE PURCHASER.**

Mr. Marlin cordially invites the people to inspect his line of Christmas candies before buying elsewhere. Don't fail to see him at

**The Retreat**

**ROCKY ROADS ON THE PLAINS ARE THE ROADS THAT PEOPLE TRAVEL WHO DO NOT TRADE WITH US**

They should learn where to go and the going is fine. We offer the best at all times, in feed and coal. Seeing is believing. Come and see.

**W. B. DOWNING & COMPANY "PRICEMAKERS"**



# SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS ON BOY'S SUITS AND CHILDREN'S SHOES

During the CHRISTMAS SEASON, and we are going to offer a large number of Men's and Boy's up-to-date Worth Hats, popular sizes, all new stock absolutely

## AT COST

### THE GUESSING CONTEST

which we put on several weeks ago was a great success in every respect, and below we present the names of each boy who guessed at the number of bales of cotton that the two Lubbock gins would turn out by the 24th of December, together with the number that he guessed, and the prizes will be awarded in accordance with these guesses, upon the terms of the contest. The names and guesses are as follows:

Name	Guess	Name	Guess
Guy O. Vaughn	975	Wayne Hutson	1292
Dillard Schenck	1775	W. F. Jackson	1399
Roland Schenck	1810	Jewel Potts	1000
Sam Stone	2400	B. F. Jackson	1346
Newton Stokes	900	Jim Taylor	1339
Everett Wisenborn	2175	Roy Taylor	1344
Guy Lowry	450	Theron Bradley	1156
Earnest Agnew	1200	Clyde Caldwell	1468
Walter L. Schenck	1795	Adolph Caldwell	1386
Toney Stockings	1450	Cecil Flanagan	1437
Frank Mackey	1055	Robt. Fry	1465
Delburn Scott	1200	Austin Marlow	1560
Auto Grant	1427	Dow Constable	1237
Oscar Merideth	1900	Donald Constable	1373
Virgil Cowart	1400	Paul Lokey	1275
Roy Cowart	1300	Charlie Fry	1535
R. F. Criswell	2730	Edwin Glenn	1200
Orville Davis	1497	Clifford McReynolds	1225
Charence Lokey	1000	Lattie Rankin	1700
Horance Fry	1000	Girard Lokey	1303
Geo. Atkins	1000	Bill Richards	1332
Alton Hutson	1017	Royse Watters	1245
Louis B. Elliott	1100	Dewey Flanagan	1530
Robby McReynolds	1250	Paul Clark	2000
Willie Galley	2338	Everett Agnew	1150
Claude Davis	1362	Otto Anderson a guess of 1800 or 2000 this could not be counted.	
Thomas Spurrier	1423		
Virgil Davis	1382		

After the number of bales have been ascertained from the ginner's records the prizes will be awarded by the counting committee. The time for rewards to be made known later.

Remember while we are making special offers in the lines mentioned above, we will make you attractive prices on any article in our store. We want you to call and let us prove to you that we mean what we say. Don't forget to visit our store when you come to town.

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### ATTENDED ASSOCIATION

Large Per Cent of Lubbock Teachers Attended Teachers Association at Plainview

Lubbock was well represented at the Panhandle Teacher's Institute which convened in Plainview last Friday. The following teachers from Lubbock High School and Ward building, composing the representation from this point.

Prof. J. K. Wester  
Prof. G. N. Atkinson  
Prof. P. F. Brown  
Prof. Webb  
Mrs. J. K. Wester  
Mrs. E. R. Haynes  
Miss Maude Burns  
Miss Maude Nevils  
Miss Jewel Watkins  
Miss Grace Rucker  
Miss Flora McGee  
Miss Mae Murfee and Miss Crossett. They left Thursday and returned Saturday afternoon. They report an interesting session.

The question of the location of a Summer Normal at some place on the South Plains was not settled at this meeting, some conditions having been brought to bear that would not permit the final location on this question. The matter will be settled between now and the holidays, and it is believed that Lubbock will have a very fair chance to secure the next summer session.

Canyon was selected as the next annual meeting of the Panhandle Association.

The Lubbock people were very enthusiastic over the location of the Summer Normal here, and were fully equipped to land it, had not the conditions existed as they did.

### Texas Industrial Notes

Victoria contemplates a \$200,000 bond issue for road improvement in the vicinity of the city.

A vegetable packing house will be established at Harlington and ready for operation January 1st.

Contract has been let for the building of a branch plant of Armour & Co., at Stamford.

Last week, Hereford shipped out the first carload of sugar beets raised in Texas.

An experimental station will be established in Nolan county.

The Burnett county Commissioners Court last week appropriated a sum for the purpose of establishing a demonstration farm.

A carload of snap beans was shipped from Wharton station last week to Eastern markets.

Galveston is the world's greatest cotton exporting port.

The Commercial Club of Rockport has taken charge of the construction of an automobile drive which will run along Redfish Bay and Arkansas Bay to Nine Mile Point, thence across to Capaho Bay, and back along shell roads to Rockport.

United States Army Engineers have recommended an appropriation of \$1,370,000 for Texas waterways.

A large number of Wilbarger County farmers have declared their intention of attending the farm demonstration to be conducted in that county.

Citizens of Midland are planning a big irrigation well celebration on December 8th. Railroads are making reduced rates for the occasion.

The Pecos Commercial Club has a movement under way to secure a railroad from that city to Texico, New Mexico. The proposed line will be 182 miles in length and will have its general offices, round house and machine shops in Pecos.

The L X ranch near Amarillo has purchased from the Turkey Track ranch in New Mexico, 8,000 head of cattle at a cost of \$250,000.

Survey has been made for the extension of the Brownwood North and South railroad from May to Rising Star.

A Saratoga chip factory will be erected at Greenville.

Arrangements have recently been made for the settlement of between 200 and 300 families near Midland.

### RED CROSS SEALS

Must Be Placed on Back of Mail Matter—Not Good for Postage—Postal Officials—Permit Use

With the sale of Red Cross Seals in progress in almost every state and city of the United States, The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis is issuing the following instructions to its fifty thousand and paid and volunteer workers engaged in selling the seals, and to the millions who will buy these holiday stickers for use on their Christmas mail.

The Post Office Department has approved of the Red Cross Seal design, and they may, therefore, in accordance with order No. 5020 of the Post Office Department "be affixed to the reverse side of domestic mail matter." Red Cross Seals must be placed only on the back of letters and not on the address side of any packages that are going through the mail. They may be placed anywhere on matter going by express. As many seals may be used on the back of a letter or package as may be desired. Everyone is urged to use them liberally, since every seal is a bullet in the fight against tuberculosis.

Care should be exercised in sending merchandise through the mails not to place seals over the string with which the package is tied, since this seals the package against inspection and subjects it to first-class postage rates.

Red Cross Seals may be used also on the reverse side of mail matter sent to Austria, Germany, Great Britain and most of the British Colonies except India and Australia. Guatemala, Uruguay and Portugal refuse to admit mail bearing non-postage stamps.

Red Cross Seals may be used on the face of checks, on bills, on legal documents, and on any commercial paper.

These Christmas seals are not good for postage. They will not carry any mail matter, but any kind of mail matter will carry them. The slogan of the campaign this year is "A million for tuberculosis from Red Cross Seals." Every letter or parcel sent out during the holiday season should bear one or more seals.

"Christmas," wrote Dickens, "is the only holiday of the year that brings the whole human family into common communion." We are scattered in many lands, yet the bond of union that has long held us together seems to strengthen with years. Many Christmas anniversaries have come and gone since we first assembled, in spirit if not in presence, to hang the holly and pledge our faith and friendship; and each recurring Christmas time has found us more closely united. Let us hope and believe that when even the toddlers of our family shall have seen their heads grow gray the spirit of Christmas shall still make young their hearts.

D. C. Worsham is looking after his dry goods business in Ralls this week.

### NEW THE SEWING MACHINE OF QUALITY.

NOT SOLD UNDER ANY OTHER NAME

WARRANTED FOR ALL TIME.

If you prefer the NEW HOME you will have a life asset at the price you pay, and will not have an endless chain of repairs.

Quality Considered it is the Cheapest in the end to buy.

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**Church Notes**

[We will be glad to make any announcements of Church Service, Programs, etc., in this column free of charge, where no revenue is received from the services. — Editor.]

**JUNIOR B. Y. F. U. PROGRAM**  
 Sunday Dec. 10 1911.  
 Subject, "What the Bible Teaches about the Resurrection—Leader, Marshall Glenn.  
 Scripture-reading, 1 Cor. 15:32-44.

The Reminders of the Resurrection—Kathleen Farris.  
 Topic Explained, Resurrection—Bertha Bullock.  
 Short paper on Resurrection—1. Jesus rose from the dead, Matt. 28:1-8—Mabel Guinn.  
 2. Jesus the first fruits of the Resurrection—Homer Arbuckle.  
 3. The Resurrection of the dead—Ruth Earhart.  
 4. One risen body—Jewel Burrus.  
 5. The Resurrection a comforting doctrine—Alvin Patterson.  
 Music—Maxeen Marshall.  
 Benediction.

**PROGRAM FOR JUVENILE**  
 Missionary meeting Dec. 10th.  
 Song, 157.  
 Prayer.  
 Song, 163.  
 Scripture-reading, Matt. 2:1-11—By President.  
 Roll Call, Respond with verse of scripture.  
 Minutes.  
 Special Work to be Done—By Curtis Ratliff.  
 Mission Band Lesson.  
 Child Life in Korea.—By Bernice Wolffarth.  
 Benediction.

**WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**  
 The Woman's Missionary Society held their regular business meeting Monday afternoon at the Methodist church. Rev. W. M. Lane held the devotional services, after which the following business was taken up:

It was decided upon to put a majestic range in the parsonage. It was decided to send \$50 at once to the Virginia Johnson Home at Dallas, to furnish one of the rooms, the room to be named "Elizabeth Hardy" in memory of Rev. and sister Hardy's deceased child.  
 The committee for the bazaar reported everything completed and it was decided to hold same at the store of W. E. Robinson, December 15.

The following officers were elected for next year:  
 Mrs. Geo. C. Wolffarth, President; Mrs. W. E. Robinson, First Vice-President; Mrs. C. W. Rathff, Second Vice-President; Mrs. T. C. Greenhill, Third Vice-President; Mrs. R. I. Tubbs, Fourth Vice-President; Mrs. Jno. Penney, Connectional Treasurer; Mrs. James O'Neal, Local Treasurer; Mrs. W. M. Lane, Corresponding Secretary of the home department; Mrs. O. L. Slaton, Recording Secretary; Mrs. S. R. Pierce, Press Reporter; Mrs. W. B. Downing, Agent for Missionary Voice; Mrs. T. O. Henry, Pianist.  
 The officers will be installed Jan. 1.  
 There being no futher business, Rev. Lane dismissed the society.

We are requested to announce that there will be no preaching service in the Baptist church in this city next Sunday on account of the absence of the pastor.

Rev. Edwin Weary of the Episcopal church will preach at Towle building Sunday evening at 7:30. Communion service, Monday morning at 10 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

**JUNIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETY**  
 Last Sunday afternoon a number of the young people of the town assembled at the Methodist church and organized the Junior Missionary Society, which takes place of the Senior League

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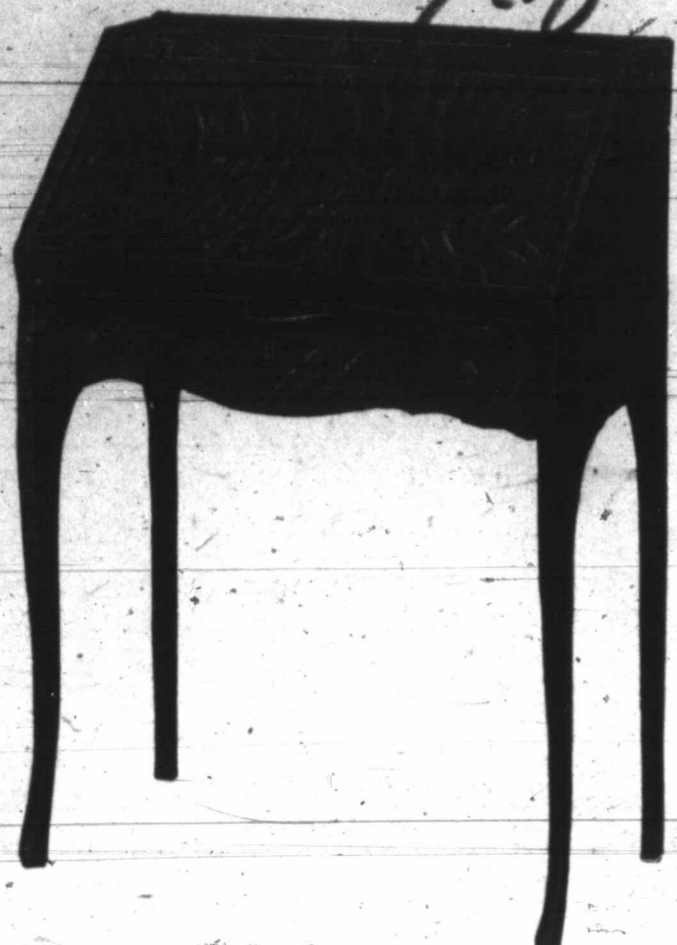
and the following officers were elected for the first term: Miss Neil, President; Owen McWhorter, 2nd Vice President; Miss Bess Norton, 3rd Vice President; Tommie Earhart, 4th Vice President; Miss Johnnie May Harper, Recording Secretary; Miss Martha Lane, Corresponding Secretary; Davis Aynes, Treasurer; Moneta Abney, Program Officer; and Miss Eva Wheelock, Organist.

The Women's Missionary Society will give a Bazaar December 15th at Ed Robinson's furniture store. There will be a box at Jno. P. Lewis' store to receive donations. There will be lots of good things for old and young. Don't fail to come. 22-1t

**Novelty in Name**  
 The Avalanche is in receipt of a new paper published at Hamlin called The Four County News, Jones, Fisher, Stonewall and Haskell Counties. They say in their announcement to the public that "We are publishing The Four County News at or about the corner of Jones, Fisher,

Stonewall and Haskell Counties. We intend to serve a large portion of the population of this section with a modern country newspaper that does not recognize geographical boundaries as a limitation on its news printing service, and to publish the news in such a way that it will be welcome in practically every home, and our headline eagerly anticipated each week." "With reference to our religion and politics we will briefly state that we are neither heathen or anarchists. Between these broad parallels we hope to be able to steer clear of narrowness and have room to adjust ourselves to

the changing conditions of modern times." This publication is brought forth by the Hamlin Printing Company, with G. W. Power, as guardian angel, who will watch over the destiny of the paper.  
 The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist Church will have a "Cake Sale" on the square Friday, December 22nd. This will be a good time to buy your Christmas cakes. Mrs. J. B. Mobley, Corresponding Secretary. 22-1t  
 E. L. Crosser left Sunday afternoon for Altus, Oklahoma, and other points north of here, and will be absent a week or more.



I am this week unloading two big cars of new furniture, composing a large assortment and we are busy unpacking and getting it in shape for your inspection. I can supply your wants in anything in the house furnishing line. I will tell you about this big stock in greater detail later. In the meantime come in and see for yourself that I have the largest stock of furniture on the South Plains, and will be sold at right prices.

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**Classified Ads.**

FOR SALE—Span of young mules. See W. J. Salcup seven miles east of town. 21 tf

FOR SALE—Span of four and five year old mules. See Jno. S. Abel, Lubbock, Texas. 21 tf

FOR SALE—Five room bungalow bath, pantry and attic, four lots, Overton Addition, four blocks from High School. J. W. Agnew. 22-2t

FOR SALE—The pure Burnett cotton seed. The earliest cotton known in the Panhandle. Address W. A. Copeland, Lakeview, Texas. 21 2t

FOR SALE—Kellerstross strain, Crystal White, morphing on cockerels and pullets from \$30 matings. Good in all points. Also barred rocks and Wyandottes. Mrs. G. W. Robertson, Lubbock, Texas. 22-1t

ROOMS FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished. Phone 349. Mrs. Dolph Robinson. 21-4tp

FOR RENT—House for light house-keeping. Apply to Mrs. W. F. Essex, Lubbock, Texas. 20 tf

FOR RENT—Farm of 250 acres. Good house, barn and water, near Lubbock. Apply to Morton Smith, Lubbock, Texas. 22 tf

If you want to buy or sell horses call on or phone me at the Lubbock Livery barn. E. B. Penney, Commission Co. Lubbock, Texas. 16 tf

WANTED—Woman to cook and do house work. Apply Mrs. O. L. Slaton. 22-1t

WANTED—To buy one or two good heifer calves. Apply to A. L. Pascal, Lubbock, Texas. 22-1t

LOST—One Olive green blanket branded U. S. in center. One Navajo blanket, black and white stripe. \$5.00 reward for return to R. L. Slaughter, care of this office. 21 4tp

FOUND—Woolen lap robe, near White School house. Owner may have same by paying for this notice and describing the article. 22 1t

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Avalanche will place the names of candidates for the following offices at the rates given below. This carries your name up to the primaries and should you be the successful nominee your name will appear in the proper column up to the general election:  
 District Offices \$20.00  
 County Offices \$12.50  
 Commissioners \$ 7.50  
 Justice of the Peace \$ 5.00  
 Congress \$25.00

**FOR TAX ASSESSOR**  
 We are authorized to announce J. H. (Hurd) Standefer as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Lubbock and attached counties, subject to the action of Democratic Primaries of 1912.

We are authorized to announce S. C. Spikes, as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Lubbock and adjoining counties, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, in 1912.

We are authorized to announce the name of H. K. Porter as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor, (re-election) for Lubbock and attached counties, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries, 1912.

**FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR**  
 We are authorized to announce W. H. Flynn as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector for Lubbock and attached Counties, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, in July, 1912.

**Another Hung Jury**  
 In the second trial of J. J. Reynolds, charged with selling intoxicating liquors in prohibition territory, the jury failed to agree, and were discharged without a verdict having been reached. The first jury it will be remembered stood six and six and the second jury eleven for acquittal and one against. It is expected that the case will not be tried any more this term of court.

I will give a liberal discount on all monuments in stock at Lubbock or Amarillo till January 1. Call me at my residence. 22-tf L. O. BURPROD.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Frank left Tuesday for Lubbock, where Mr. Frank has a contract to do some painting work on the new First National Bank building at that place. —Plainview Herald.

**UPON EXAMINATION**

of our records for the year, we find that our business has increased with each succeeding month, a fact for which we are profoundly grateful to all our patrons. This makes us very anxious that December should be our banner month and we shall make a special effort to make it so, and we ask our customers to co-operate with us because we shall make it to their interests. We believe we have the merchandise, the prices, the service to insure such a result.

Our stock is comparatively large for the time of year, especially as regards mens and boys suits, overcoats, shoes, hats, gloves and furnishings, but as the time for inventory approaches, we wish to reduce stock as rapidly and as much is practicable. We need the money, you need the goods, because most of winter is yet to come.

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### PREDICTS REDUCTION

President of Farmers Union Believes Promises Will Be Kept

President Radford of the Farmers' Union is pleased with the manner in which the farmers over the State are receiving the plan of the New Orleans conference to reduce the cotton acreage next year.

President Radford had a conference with National Secretary Davis Saturday and was assured that the national organization would conduct an active acreage campaign in every Southern State.

"You can tell the people that

those who imagine that the farmers will not keep their reduction pledges don't know the farmers," President Radford said. "In 149 counties canvassers appointed by the Governor are getting the pledges of farmers who promise to reduce the acreage in cotton and these men will keep their word."

"Acreage reduction will unquestionably result in better prices for cotton next year but whether cotton brings a better price or not, the man who plants less cotton and devotes more land and more attention to raising feed crops will profit. He will have his cotton as his money crop and will not have to spend all of his profits on feed for his mules and horses and hogs

through the winter. Not only should the every farmer plant corn but he should plant peanuts, peas, kaffir corn and milo maize, depending upon soil conditions to supplement his corn crop should his corn crop fail."

President Radford points out that after the big crop and low prices of 1904, the union succeeded in getting a 5 per cent reduction cotton acreage the next year as the result of its campaign. The union is urging a 25 per cent reduction this year. — Fort Worth Telegram.

### Notice

To my customers and friends: I am very much in need of money to meet my obligations, and will steam it a very great personal favor for all who know themselves indebted to me to call at once and settle the accounts. Yours for business, B. F. Daugherty, Gen'l Mgr.

### Judge Dillard Was Here

Judge Dillard of Lubbock, was here Monday and Tuesday attending District Court. He is Representative in the Legislature from that District. At the last session he created a ripple of excitement by making a speech advocating the division of Texas into two states because he thought East Texas was hogging the West on everything politically. He has not yet decided as to whether he will offer for reelection. — Plainview News.

### Big Telephone Deal

Amarillo, Tex., Dec. 2. — Formal transfer of the property of the Panhandle Telegraph & Telephone Company to A. L. Waterbury and associates of Chicago, was made Saturday by J. E. Nunn and S. A. Sanborn, joint owners. The consideration was \$172,500.

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### FARMERS INSTITUTES

B. L. Nance, Representing State Department of Agriculture Will Visit Lubbock 13th.

Under the direction of the State Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes will be held at the following places: Tulia, Dec. 11, 1:30 p. m., Plainview, Dec. 12, 1:30 p. m., Lubbock, Dec. 13, 1:30 p. m., Post City, Dec. 14, 1:30 p. m., Snyder, Dec. 15, 1:30 p. m., Sweetwater, Dec. 16, 1:30 p. m.

The place of meeting will be announced by the local committee at each point.

These institutes will be conducted by Mr. B. L. Nance, who will discuss diversification, rotation, seed selection and better cultural methods.

Officers of institutes already organized will please assist in getting the farmers out to hear these important questions discussed.

The State Department of Agriculture publishes, from time to time, valuable reports upon topics of vital interests to the

farmers of the State. All institutes will receive copies of all bulletins issued by the Department free of cost, and will be placed on the regular mailing list for future bulletins and reports.

These institutes are farmers' meetings devoted to the upbuilding of the best interests of the farmer. It is urged therefore, that farmers bring their families and devote at least one day to a careful study and discussion of the agricultural questions which lie nearest their hearts.

ED. R. KONE, Commissioner.

With reference to the above, we will state that many of the farmers in this county have heard Mr. Nance on this line of work, and they consider him an able man, and it will be time well spent if all of the farmers who possibly can will make arrangements to hear him at this meeting.

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Miss Willie Burgess came in from Prairieview the latter part of last week, and went to Plainview to attend the Panhandle

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**FARMER LIVES OFF FARM**  
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Mr. J. C. Witt, of near Ralls, was in Crosbyton since our last issue and gives us some facts as to his methods and success on his farm. He says that he raises his hogs to make his meat and lard, and has some to sell; then he raises all his beans and peas, having put up more than two hundred pounds of the Mexican brown beans this year, as well as

from Amarillo for the low price of fifty cents per hundred pound.

Mr. Witt says there is absolutely no excuse for a farmer buying either meat or lard and the same can be said of beans and peas, and vegetables as well as fruits.

He tells us that when he came to Crosby county that on nearly every section of the land in the community where he now lives had at one time been occupied by a settler, who had give up and left only his old dug-out, and that most people and especially the cattle and sheep men, would tell you that the country was no

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plenty of peas. He states that he cans fruits and vegetables that keep the year round, which are even better than those bought out of the stores. He owns one of the best sections of land in Crosby county, and states that he was here when land could be bought at one dollar per acre. He remarked in that connection, that the fellows who come here now has even a better chance to hold the lands than the old timer had, as then he had to freight from Amarillo, or Colorado City, which was a long trip, and stated that he had hauled freight

good and, cite you to the vacant dug-outs as evidence of the same.

This year Mr. Witt planted four acres of sorghum and has manufactured 350 gallons of as fine syrup as one ever saw off of the same, and he states that he has sold most of it or will sell all he does not care to keep for home consumption, at sixty-five cents per gallon. How is that for four acres of land? If you would only look into the way these old timers manage their home affairs you would soon see that any man who wants to work

can not only make a living in Crosby county on the farm but can as well make a lot of money. Now is the time to begin to diversify. Raise what you need at home and some to spare, then plant your cotton in the corner of the fence and all of it will be profit.

We are always glad to have the old timers like Mr. Witt call on us and give us their experience in Crosby county, and some day we expect to print in one issue the experience of every old timer in the county. This will prove a great history for our county.—Crosbyton Review.

J. M. Payeat, of Claude, was here the latter part of last week, looking after his interests in this city. He is well pleased with the conditions in

the Panhandle this year, and says things are showing up in Lubbock right along the lines that the Avalanche keeps him informed on every week. He

says the Avalanche is the best county paper he ever saw, and it deals with subjects about the development of the county and upbuilding of the town in a very conservative manner.

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### ACROSS THE SANDS

After Leaving Hagerman Pasture Makes Half Circle Thence Back to This City

According to the Assistant Territorial Engineer, J. V. Lewis of Carlsbad, who returned from the Plains a few days ago where he has been doing the preliminary work on the new road across the sand. Work will be started in earnest about the first of the year. He has prepared his report and sent it in to the board. Following this it will

have to be advertised for several weeks as the work will be done by contract. This will take until about the first of January, when it is thought that teams will be put at work on the excavation of the sand.

The road leaves the valley two miles and a half north of Second street and passes through the Hagerman pasture on this line.

After leaving the Hagerman pasture, it makes a half circle and comes back on a line with Second street, again, following this line across the sand.

Where it crosses the sand the

length is about six miles. There is one place about four miles across, but the scarcity of road building material at this place, made it unadvisable to cross here. At this place the road has been covered with bear grass, by private work, making a very good road, but not lasting. — Roswell Times-Tribune.

The above has reference to the road mention of which was made in the Avalanche last week, and to which considerable importance was attached for the future growth of Lubbock.

T. E. Michael was here doing jury service the first of the week.

### Frozen Body Found

Higgins, Lipscomb County, Tex., Dec. 1. — Frozen to death, the thinly clad body of Leslie Kutchins, was found on the Plains near this place Tuesday morning by a man named George Roberts.

It was evident that the man had become confused and lost his bearings, and realizing that he was being overcome by the cold, had attempted to write a note, but managed only to scrawl his name on a piece of paper which was found on the body. Kutchins' father lives about twenty miles north of El Paso, in New Mexico, and was communicated with. The body was sent to the father.

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### FIVE CHILDREN BURNED

Three Texas Children—Two From Okla.—Two Homes Destroyed by Fire at Stamford

Stamford, Tex., Dec. 1.—Two children, aged 4 and 3 years, respectively, were burned to death this afternoon at four o'clock in a fire in Bomer Heights. The mothers of the children, Mesdames Will Miller and James Brooks, were at Mrs. Miller's home, leaving the little ones at Mr. Brooks' home, which is next

door. Before anyone had warning the Brooks cottage was a mass of flames and the children perished before assistance could be secured. The mothers were distracted with grief. The fathers, who are carpenters, were notified at once, but there was no aid that could be given.

Mrs. Miller, mother of one of the little ones, and Mr. Brooks, the father of the other child, are brother and sister.

The home of J. N. Halé, which was next door, was also consumed by the fire.

No insurance was carried on

the cottages and both were a total loss.

The origin of the fire is unknown.

Fred Spikes was over from Floydada Monday looking after business matters. He is one of the new members of the Lubbock Mercantile Company, and will probably become a citizen of the town soon. The Avalanche extends to him and his family a cordial invitation to come and be numbered with many other live and progressive citizens in this city.

Percy Spencer, one of Brownfield's prominent attorneys was here Friday and Saturday of this week, looking after legal business.

Jim Earhart and family, of New Mexico, who have been visiting the family of E. P. Earhart and other relatives, returned home Friday afternoon.

O. E. Patterson is absent from the city this week attending the Grand Lodge of the A. F. & A. M. at Waco.

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## TO ALL

As the Christmas season, with its joyous spirit of good-tidings will again soon be with us, I trust that the year 1911 now drawing to a close has futhered your interest, has brought prosperity and happiness to you and yours in heaping measure, and that you will enjoy the holiday season that is fast approaching to the utmost.

With my many servicable sets, such as ties, handkerchiefs, and sox to match, and others to many in number to mention. May I not contribute toward your Christmas enjoyment? If you will permit me to do so, I will make your Christmas this year one long to be pleasantly remembered. I am more than willing to do my part, for the past year has been an unusually successful one with me, and right now at the approach of the holiday season, I feel in the mood to share my prosperity with my friends and customers.

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Ties with handkerchief and sox to match in the following colors: Tan, lavender, black, grey, red, purple, navy, sky blue, all silk, in price from \$1.25 to \$2.50 per set. The most beautiful and servicable present that can be had for husband or sweetheart. Tie rings, colors bronze, nickel, brass, black, priced at \$1 each. Laundry bags with hoops made of steel and with one extra bag, in tan only with easy attachment for the wall, priced at \$2 to \$2.50 each. Romeo slippers men's, all felt the best at \$1.75 per pair. Mullifers all of the best kid at \$2 per pair. Hand bags, all leather, hand made, in tan, black, light tan, prices from \$5 to \$20, "Herkert & Meisel" absolutely the best made in United States. Same in suit cases. Leather wallet, with four linen handkerchiefs making the neatest present that can be had in the handkerchiefs for men, price \$1.50 each. Sweaters of all kinds, Jerseys in all colors price \$2 to \$4 men and boys. Sweater Coats, of colors and sizes men's and boy's 50c to \$5. Folding parasols for men and ladies, making a most valuable remembrance, and one to be appreciated, can be carried in short hand bags.

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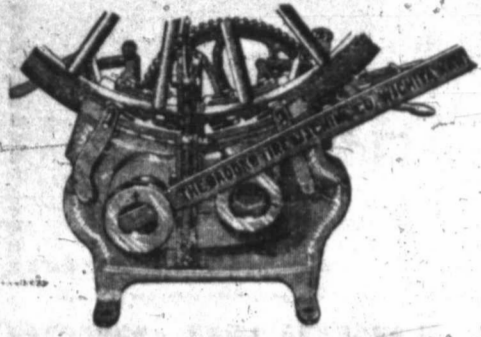


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#### McNAMARA BROS. GUILTY

One Pleads Guilty to Wrecking Printing Plant—One Blew Up Iron Works.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 1.—James B. McNamara pleaded guilty to murder in the first degree in Judge Walter Bordwell's court today.

His brother, John J. McNamara, secretary of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers, entered a plea of guilty to having dynamited the Llewellyn Iron Works in Los Angeles on Christmas Day, 1910.

James B. McNamara's confession clears up absolutely the tragedy of the explosion and fire which at 1:07 o'clock on the morning of Oct. 1, 1910, wrecked the plant of the Los Angeles Times at First and Broadway and caused the death of twenty-one persons.

INDICTED FOR NINETEEN DEATHS. For nineteen of these deaths the McNamara brothers were indicted, and J. B. McNamara was on trial specifically for the murder of Charles J. Haggerty, a machinist, whose body was found nearer than that of any other to the spot where the dynamite was supposed to have been placed.

Dec. 5, was set as the date to sentence both men, and it is expected District Attorney John D. Fredericks will ask life imprisonment for James B. McNamara, the confessed murderer, and probably fourteen years for his brother.

The men's lives are considered saved. The great contention that the Los Angeles Times was not dynamited is dead beyond resurrection or argument.

BIG QUESTION: "WHY DID HE CONFESS?"

Tonight as the two brothers sat together in the county jail, refusing to see anyone or make any statement, an interest sec-

ond only to the occurrence itself, hung about the question with reference to James B. McNamara—"why did he confess?"

To this opposing counsel gave the same answer.

"He confessed because he was guilty and that's all there is to it," declared District Attorney Fredericks.

"He was counseled to confess because that was the best thing he could do, in the opinion of counsel," said Attorney Clarence S. Darrow, chief of counsel. "I will say now that there was no other reason or motive in it. I've studied this case for months. It presented a stone wall."

REFERENCES TO SOME RECENT ARRESTS.

Darrow's statement was made as looking squarely in the faces of the charges that the recent arrest of Bert H. Franklin, an investigator employed by the defense, and two others with him, might have precipitated a situation untenable save by the confession of the prisoner.

"Negotiations have been on for two weeks," asserted Darrow, and this was corroborated by District Attorney Fredericks.

"We expected at one time that Jim would confess last Monday, but he did not," said Darrow.

QUIET IN COURT ROOM

The pleadings of the men aroused no stir in the court room. No bailiff pounded for order. No relative was there to weep or make a demonstration. A civil case could not have been more quietly conducted and no amount of hysteria could have emphasized or equaled the impression of tense anxiety which pervaded the room.

Once, for a moment, before J. J. McNamara stood up to plead, a baby cried. It's startled mother hustled it out of the room and the prisoner did not even look around.

Two floors above the court room, a few minutes after adjournment, the offices of the District Attorney were alive with a throng of people—friends of the prosecution, newspaper men and photographers. The District Attorney threw wide the doors and they trailed in.

Exhibits of all kinds in connection with the case were conspicuous and the very steel beam upon which James B. McNamara was supposed to have placed the dynamite bomb that wrecked the Times, was exhibited to visitors. It was related that only a few nights ago a dynamite explosion was conducted by the State on the outskirts of the city in much the same way that the Times is believed to have been destroyed.

Gas and dynamite both played their part but dynamite started the trouble and caused the explosion proper—this was Attorney Darrow's explanation from his talks with the defendants.

Political Candidates

Now that the candidates are floating around like snowflakes in winter and many clues are being formed to give us a new constellation in the political heavens, it is well for those who place the public welfare above partisan pride and fractional greed to squarely face the situation and be up and doing.

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## Thursday the 14th

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kitchen. We must know what we have, where it is and what we need. The great trouble is that many of our politicians know Texas about like a hog knows the pasture; they can find the feeding trough, the wallow and the shade, but the unbounded possibilities of our soil and minerals and our industrial opportunities constitute a strange world, as vague and incomprehensible as the great beyond and we await the hand of time to develop our resources as patiently as we await the morning of the resurrection.

Let us send to Austin men who can see the world forces of progress marshalling in the dim horizon of the future and who can swing civilization around Texas like planets around a central sun. Paraphrasing the language of the vaudeville poet "we have the time and the place, but it is dog-gone hard to find the men."—Contributed.

Sidney Koerpel, and wife of Sweetwater were here visiting the first of the week. Mr. Koerpel returned home Sunday afternoon, and Mrs. Koerpel will remain here a few days longer visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Jno. F. Turner, accompanied by her three children have gone to Florence, where they will spend several weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, her parents. Jno. F. accompanied them as far as Fort Worth, where he transacted business a few days.

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**DR. FLY DEAD**

President of State Medical Association Dies in Fort Worth After Lingering Illness.

Dr. David R. Fly of Amarillo, president of the State Medical Association, a recognized authority on tuberculosis and one of the state's best known physicians, died at 12:15 Thursday morning at St. Joseph's infirmary. His illness had been an extended one.

Dr. Fly was in his forty-sixth year. Although his health had not been good for some time he was able to continue his large practice at Amarillo up until last September. He was at Marlin for a time in the hope of getting some benefit but did not improve

and came to Fort Worth to St. Joseph's three weeks ago.

Dr. Fly was one of the leaders in the state antituberculosis campaign. He was chairman of the committee on publicity of the state association and delivered lectures throughout Texas cities. He was a demonstrator in the Fort Worth Medical College. He was for seven years councillor in the state association and a recognized leader among his associates. He had been mentioned a number of times for political office but had always declined preferring to remain in private life. Fort Worth Telegram.

Dr. Fly was well known to most of our physicians, having attended the medical association at this place once or twice. He was recognized as a physician of

unusual ability, and was well liked by the fraternity throughout the state.

H. T. Kimbro has just about completed a five room tenant house on his farm six miles southwest of Lubbock. This is our idea of settling the country up. Land owners should build houses and put in farms and invite tenants to come in and work their land. Give them a chance to become acclimated and show them that you have the greatest of faith in this country, and that they can make good here if they will only try.

Simeon O'Neal is having some nice improvements made on his residence property, which he recently purchased of W. R. Payne in the southwest part of town.

**NATIONAL AIR FOR CHINA.**

The last expiring act of the board of rites was to recommend a change in official music, which the emperor approved by decree of July 15. It appears that the Marquis Tseng evolved a national air when in London as minister thirty years ago, but it has never been officially notified to the army and navy. The western nations, and even Japan, all know each other's airs, which they strike up at banquets and solemn occasions; the make-shift air now semi-officially used by China is far from being suited to her dignity. It is not proposed to abandon entirely the old Chinese principles of music, but the envoys abroad have been directed to send all foreign national airs to the musical department of the board of rites, when competent trained ears will judge how best to combine Chinese notions with foreign and evolve something really good.

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J. H. Pettit of Crovesville community, was here Saturday and paid this office a pleasant call. Mr. Pettit is one of the South Plains substantial stock-farmers, and has been very successful in his business in this country. He keeps his father and brothers as well as a number of other people posted about this country, by sending them the Avalanche the year round.

J. A. Cannon was here Friday from the Slide community, and reports everything moving along in good shape.

**PARENTS!** The best Christmas gift for a boy and girl is a year's good reading. To get it send 50 cents today for reading boys' monthly magazine of American stories, adventures, sports, science, electrical, mechanical, carpentry, aviation, poultry, pets, camping, trapping and sports depth. Costs \$1.00 boys' and \$1.25 girls'. Send to three homes a whole year for \$1.00 to THE NATIONAL YOUTH, Kelsie Building, Chicago, Ill.

**MARRIAGE.**

Marriage, which has been the bourn of so many narratives, is still a great beginning, as it was to Adam and Eve, who kept their honeymoon in Eden, but had their first little one among the thorns and thistles of the wilderness. It is still the beginning of the home epic—the gradual conquest or irremediable loss of that complete union which makes the advancing years a climax, and age the harvest of sweet memories in common.

Some set out, like Crusaders of old, with a glorious equipment of hope and enthusiasm, and get broken by the way, wanting patience with each other and the world.—George Elliot.

L. T. Lester, of Canyon City, was here this week attending district court.

**Party From Plains**

A party of Plains people autoed in last Friday and spent the day here looking over the town and transacting business in their different capacities. The party was composed of R. M. Kendrick, cashier of the First State Bank, the County Clerk of Yoakum county, S. H. Weaver and Mr. Young.

Mark Lowry, who has been confined to his bed for several months, is reported to be improving considerably, and hopes are now entertained for his recovery. The Avalanche is pleased to know this, and his great circle of friends will receive the news with great delight.

**THE DYSPEPTIC'S OPPORTUNITY.**

Among what may be called death-bed jests that of the Rev. James Guthrie of Stirling, one of the Covenanter martyrs, deserves a high place. Lord Guthrie recalls the story in "From a Northern Window." Mr. Guthrie was executed at the cross in High street, Edinburgh. The night before he asked for cheese for supper. His friends wondered, for the physicians had forbidden him to eat cheese. But he said, with a smile, "I am beyond the hazard of all earthly diseases."

D. M. Jay was over from Estacado the latter part of last week looking after business matters. He paid this office a pleasant call and advanced his subscription a year, and ordered the paper continued to his address.

E. E. Carlson was here last week and purchased a nice bill of lumber from the Houston Lumber Company, with which to build a four room residence on his farm seven miles northeast of town.

Rev. J. T. Hicks, presiding elder of the Methodist church, of Plainview, District, was here the latter part of last week en route to Crosbyton, where he held the first quarterly conference of the new year.

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The Young Girl—The best thing to seal a proposal is a kiss, is it not? The Widow—No; a witness.

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## A Christmas Present

for the different members of the family is the upmost thought in the minds of the people of this great country. Let me suggest that you subscribe for the Ladies Home Journal to be sent to them. They will all enjoy it. I am agent in Lubbock and will take your subscription or renewal for the Journal or the Saturday Evening Post.

MRS. W. M. SHAW

### School Happenings

Ten new pupils entered school this week.

Mr. Burgess is in school again after a severe spell of grippe.

Miss McGee was called to Amarillo on account of the serious illness of her mother. We are glad to report her condition very much improved.

The basket ball girls report a delightful time with the girls of Post-City, notwithstanding their defeat.

Miss Wilson, Medames Meredith, Pierce, Howard, Bradley, Maidens, Webb, Hinton, King and Earhart visited the Ward building during the Thanksgiving exercises.

Mother, if you could see the look of sorrow depicted on your little child's face, and wipe away the tears from his little cheek, when he arrives at school and finds he is tardy, you would make a great sacrifice to get him there on time.

The County Institute will convene Saturday week.

Among those who gladdened our hearts last Wednesday were Mesdames Knight, Gilliland, Schenck, Wolfarth, Greenhill, Mackey, Atkins, Douglas and Friedrich.

The Sixth grade pupils had a real interesting Thanksgiving program. The pupils were very artistic in their drawings, beginning with Uncle Sam riding the turkey and closing with Sam to

trying to ride one.

The second and first grades also had a nice time representing the Pilgrims. Indians visit to grandfathers and the making of the pumpkin pies.

Misses Brown and Word will give a recital Friday evening. The proceeds will go to the library fund. You are especially invited.

The Lubbock School was well represented at the Panhandle Teachers Association. All the teachers being present but two.

The teachers report a jolly good time especially those who started on the local and about five hours later had to flag the passenger, three miles this side of the first station. We all got home safe except Miss Burns. When last seen she was standing near the steps and a young man was near her, pleading very earnestly. She never got on that train.

The first and second grades in the High School building will have a Christmas tree Friday week, the parents have a special invitation to be present.

The examinations will be postponed till the middle of January.

"The Parents and Teachers Association" or what has been known as "The Mothers Club" would like to have a call meeting next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. There has been so many things to employ our time we have not met this fall. Our children should be first, and there is some important business to attend to. Every mother who reads this, is requested to be present and help us.

### Not Gone Yet

A. S. Alexander says he is not gone yet. He says the country around Plainview (N. M.) is good, but Lubbock also looks good to him yet. It will be remembered that we copied a local mention from the paper of that town, stating that he was going to move there right away. Mr. Alexander states that if he moves at all it will be next spring or summer. We hope he will remain a citizen of Lubbock as we do not give up such men as Mr. Alexander very willingly.

A. M. Sowell was up from Slaton Monday and Tuesday attending District Court.

### Acuff Items

Still some cotton in the patch, most all other crops out.

Mr. Landers of Abernathy, is in this community with his thrasher and is at present on the Ludeman farm.

Joe Baldrige and wife of O'Donnell are up visiting his sister and family, Mrs. L. O. Burford and helping A. M. Ludeman thrash.

Marion Haddock is moving to Lubbock today.

H. A. Spencer of Lubbock has moved out to the Ludeman farm.

John S. Able attended court at Lubbock last week and a good part of this week.

P. B. Penney was out the latter part of the week looking after his cattle.

L. O. Burford bought a bunch of cows and calves from P. B. Penney last week.

Mrs. Loula Pounds was out visiting her mother Mrs. W. D. Davis, Sunday.

J. T. Brown bought 160 acres of land from George Burt last week. Mr. Burt will leave the first of the week for some other county.

Jim Caudle of Oklahoma, is visiting his daughter Mrs. W. P. Rush.

Happy Jack.

### How Does This Sound?

We have a letter from one of our readers in Galesburg, Ill., that sounds good to us. It has a ring to it that sounds like appreciation. Many of our home people, we are afraid do not appreciate our efforts as they might. Our Galesburg subscriber says:

"Enclosed find one dollar (\$1) for a continuance of my subscription to your esteemed paper.

"Never thing of losing me from your list for I will stay by the Avalanche while there's a button on its coat.

"If the people in your immediate vicinity appreciate a paper with ginger and push as I do you should have at least 5,000 subscribers, all stayers."

### PRINCESS A MOTOR "FAN."

Princess Victoria, the only unmarried daughter of the late King Edward and Queen Alexandra, is said to be very much interested in motoring and this summer has been seen every day at Harrogate, starting out for a trip through the country. She has been taking the cure there this summer, which may, however, not mean that she is sick, as it is fashionable to take the "cure" after a winter in society.

Rev. W. M. Lane, pastor of the Methodist church at this place, is attending the Missionary Institute at Floydada this week which will be in session three days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The District Stewards will also meet at that place.

Will Ingram and Frank Higgins this week purchased the big Pope-Hartford auto from G. W. Reed. They will establish a passenger service between Crosbyton and Spur, within a few days. They are both experienced young men and will succeed we are sure.

Tommie and Compton Pritchett, of Mitchell county, are spending a few days here prospecting. They are delighted with the Lubbock country, and would like to locate here, but have not at this time made a deal for any property.

S. C. Wilson has been spending several days at Waco, where he has been attending to lodge business in connection with the Royal Arch Lodge, as a delegate to the Grand Chapter.

Mrs. C. E. Moore, of Brownfield, was visiting in town this week and buying goods from our merchants. Her daughter, Mrs. J. W. DeShazo and baby Mona, accompanied her home for a short visit.

Arther Alexander made a business trip to Terry county the first of this week.

Miss Mabel McLarry visited a few days in Plainview last week.

## THIS SUNNY WEATHER

should make us feel brighter, especially when we remember the good business our friends are favoring us with.

The best way to insure brightness in this life is to have a good bank account. Several boys are opening accounts with us, and we urge others to do so. No deposit too small for us to accept and appreciate.

A bank account should be kept for many reasons and one reason is that is the best way to establish credit, and none of us know just when we will need some help.

We make a special point to care for our customers and hope you will come to us when in need and we will extend every favor consistent with good banking.

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### Purchased Residence

T. M. Atkins has purchased the residence property northwest of the square belonging to B. O. McWhorter and will make that his home in the future. This is a good piece of property and well worth the money paid for it. Mr. McWhorter will occupy the Scott Cochran place on the corner of North first and Mesquite street, now occupied by Henry C. Ghent.

### J. H. Standefer from the

Southeast part of the county, was here Monday mixing with the voters who are attending the District Court in the county seat town, and says he is "running as fast as he can." He states that the farmers in his community have about completed the work of gathering their crops, and things are shaping up for the new crop year.

### Rev. Arbuckle is absent this

week. He will visit a number of places in central and east Texas before returning home.

H. D. Phillips, formerly the local manager of the Lubbock Exchange, now District Commercial Manager, with headquarters at Amarillo, was here Monday looking after business matters in his official capacity.

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### Mrs. Cope Improving

Mrs. Jesse Cope, of Lawn, who was operated on at a local sanitarium a few days ago for appendicitis, is reported to be doing nicely and will soon be able to be carried to her home in the Jim Ned Valley.—Abilene Reporter.

It will be gratifying news to the many friends of the Cope family that this lady has undergone the treatment with no bad results.

### Claude Hamilton, who has

been in charge of the Worsham stock of dry goods at Ralls, is spending a few days here, but will return to that place a few days later and resume his duties there. He reports conditions very favorable in that part of the country.

Luther E. Akers, of El Paso, passed through the city this week, en route to Amarillo.

### BORN—Last Saturday Mr. O.

E. Patterson, of this city, received news by wire of the arrival of another son into his household at the home of his wife's parents in San Antonio. Pat left Sunday for Waco, and will visit San Antonio before returning.

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LUBBOCK, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1911

## CROSBYTON-SOUTH-PLAINS

### Railroad Asks for Issuance of Bonds to Extend the Road to Eastern Connections

The following from the Fort Worth Telegram gives information that many of the people of this section and those interested in a more direct eastern connection of railroad from Lubbock have been looking for. It reads as follows:

"A direct line of railroad from Lubbock to Fort Worth by way of either Spur or by Seymour and Jacksboro is in contemplation by officials of the Crosbyton-South-Plains railroad, according to officials of the line.

J. W. Burton, General Attorney, and Dr. G. S. Murphy, Chief Surgeon, were in Fort Worth Monday on their way from Austin to Crosbyton. They had been at the capital before the Texas railroad commission on an application for a bond issue of \$1,000,000 for extension east from Crosbyton. It is proposed to spend \$25,000 per mile. Following an inspection of the property of the road by the chief engineer of the commission, the bonds will be sold and construction commenced.

#### LINE FORTY MILES LONG

The Crosbyton-South-Plains road now operates forty miles of road. It extends from Crosbyton to Lubbock. The line will be extended eastward and the ultimate objective point is understood to be Fort Worth.

One plan of the officials is said to be a track arrangement with the Gulf, Texas & Western from Seymour, if that line is extended from Jacksboro to Oran. Another plan in view, it is said, is to be the Wichita Valley and Denver from Spur or Seymour to Fort Worth.

Mr. Burton would not indicate which route the road plans upon. No matter which route is selected, a new short line route across the Plains would be offered Fort Worth.

#### CROSBYTON PROSPEROUS

Crosbyton, which is at the east end of the line is a comparatively new town. It is a town of 1,000 inhabitants and was only recently named as the county seat of Crosby, over Emma. This practically moved the town of Emma to Crosbyton. It has a waterworks plant, four miles of cement sidewalks and a telephone system. The gin is working eighteen hours a day, Mr. Burton says, and turning out thirty bales of cotton. Livestock men owning the acreage around the town are putting more than 10,000 acres of it in cultivation. Illustrating its

prosperity, it is said not a vendor's lien note has been foreclosed in five years.

"Dr. Murphy says that Lubbock has been making rapid strides since the building of the Coleman-Texico cutoff of the Santa Fe and the Crosbyton-South Plains road. The town has a waterworks plant, a complete system of cement sidewalks and two new bank buildings now are being built. Work on the new post office has commenced and it is expected it will be ready within sixty days."

#### Resolution

On motion of C. E. Parks, seconded by N. R. Porter, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolution determining the necessity of assessing the cost of improving North First Street and Broadway in the city of Lubbock by constructing and putting in fourteen foot concrete sidewalks in front of and abutting Lots 11 and 12 in Block No. 105; Lots 12 and 14 in Block No. 106; and Lots 9 and 10 in Block No. 107, on North First Street and Lot numbered 16 and 17 in Block No. 134 on Broadway against the owners of said property and their property and ordering a hearing of owners of said property, and notice thereof and fixing the time and place for such hearing:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Lubbock Texas:

Whereas, the City Council has heretofore, by resolution directed the improvement of North First Street and Broadway by the construction of fourteen foot concrete sidewalks in front of and abutting Lots Numbered 11 and 12 in Block No. 105; Lots No. 12 and 14 in Block No. 106; and Lots No's. 9 and 10 in Block No. 107, on North First Street and Lots Numbered 16 and 17 in Block No. 134 on Broadway; and whereas, thereafter plans and specifications were prepared by L. A. Hitchcock, consulting engineer, for said improvements, and advertisements were made for bids therefor, and thereafter bids were received therefor, and opened and considered by the City Council and thereafter the bid of Willmering and Mullen for the said work of improvement was adopted by the Council; and, whereas, thereafter said Engineer prepared and filed with the Council his report, stating the total cost of such improvement and the proportion of such costs payable by each owner of said abutting property and the costs of such improvement per front foot of abutting property, and the names of the persons, firms, corporations and estates owning the property abutting on the proposed improvement, with a description of their property, and the total costs of such improvement to each parcel of property; and, whereas, said report was approved by the Council by resolution; and

Whereas, the City Council has finally determined to assess the cost of said improvement against

the owners of the said abutting property and their property:

1. That it is finally determined hereby to assess the cost of said improvement against the owners of the property abutting upon said streets and their property, as herein provided. That a hearing shall be given before the city Council to the owners of said abutting property, their attorneys or agents, which hearing shall be held in the Council Chamber in the City of Lubbock, Texas, on the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1911, at 2 o'clock p. m., and shall continue from time to time and day to day, until all persons interested in said property shall be fully heard, at which time the owners of said property or any person interested therein shall be entitled to a hearing as to the benefits of said improvements to their property or as to any invalidity or irregularity with reference to said proceeding, or as to any other matter of objection connected with the said proceedings, and at which hearing said owners or any other person interested in said property may produce evidence in support of any objections.

2. That, after said hearing, said Council will, by ordinance, assess against the owners of said property and their property, such sums as shall be determined to be just and equitable, and that said assessment will be made in accordance with the front plan and rule, as the frontage to each owner is to the whole fronting to be improved, provided if the said rule or plan shall be determined in any case to be unjust or inequitable, then that the Council will adopt such rule of apportionment as shall be just and equitable, having in view the benefits to each owner and burdens imposed upon them, provided that no assessment shall be made against any owner or his property in excess of the benefits to said property in the enhanced value thereof by reason of said improvement.

3. That the total estimated cost of said improvements is the sum of Six Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars and Twenty-four Cents (\$678.24) and that the amount per front foot, which it is proposed to assess against each parcel of property and its owner is Three and 16-100 Dollars.

That the names of the persons, firms, corporations and estates owning property abutting said improvements, the description of their property and the total amount to be assessed against each parcel of property and its owner is as follows, to-wit:

LIST OF PROPERTY ABUTTING SAID IMPROVEMENTS.  
J. M. Iyeatt, Block 105, Lot 11-12, Front 50 Feet, Costs \$159.00. R. K. White, Block 106; Lot 12, Front 25 Feet, Costs \$79.00. Frank Bowles, Block 106; Lot 14, Front 25 Feet, Costs \$79.00. S. B. Norwood, Block 107, Lot 9-10, Front 50 Feet, Costs \$159.00. Mrs. M. G. Abernathy, Block 134, Lot 16-17 Front 64 Feet, Costs \$202.24.

4. That the city Secretary of the City of Lubbock is hereby directed to give notice hereof by publication of this Resolution, signed by him, which publication shall be by advertisement inserted three times in The Lubbock Avalanche, a newspaper published in said City of Lubbock, the first publication of which shall be at least ten days before the date of the aforesaid hearing, and such notice will be further given by the City Secretary mailing a copy of hereof, signed by him, by registered mail to each of said owners at their addresses, if known, or if unknown, then to their agent or attorney, if known, which said notice shall be deposited in the Post Office of the City of Lubbock at least ten days before the date set for said hearing aforesaid.

5. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

On motion duly seconded the Council adjourned subject to the call of the Mayor. 22-3t

J. W. Ellison was here Saturday from his farm in the Slide community.

## How Do You Feel

About conditions in this section?

ARE YOU SATISFIED? If not, put the right price on your land and let us help to fill this country with farmers.

## The Bullock Land Co.

### PERILS OF MODERN LIFE

Aviator Citas Case of Jerkins Shows Walker is in as Great Danger as Flyer.

Mrs. Harriet Quimby, after one of her daring airplane flights at Mineola, L. I., smiled lightly at a reporter's mention of the danger of flying.

"Oh, there's danger everywhere," she said. "The walker is in as much danger almost as the flyer. Did you never hear about the fate of Jerkins?"

"Jerkins, poor fellow, came from the country to New York. The noise and confusion of New York quite upset him. Threading his way across the busy street, he thought he would go mad.

"Clank! Clank!" "Jerkins leaped to the right just in time to escape a motor car. "Ding-a-ling! Ding-dong." "He darted to the left from under the very wheels of an automobile fire engine.

"Hum-m-m!" "Jerkins, looking up in the air, now saw a monoplane, its tail smashed, falling straight upon him. He glared wildly round, caught sight of a manhole, lifted the cover and jumped down into a black hole just in time to be cut in half by an underground electric train."

The Avalanche is pleased to announce that J. P. Elliott, who for some time has been very seriously ill with typhoid fever, is improving, and it is believed that he will recover in due time. His many friends were very apprehensive of his condition for quite a while.

### HERE TO BUY FEED

Erath County Farmer Here to Purchase Feed to Operate His Farm This Winter

J. W. Shopp, one of Erath county's prominent farmers was here last week. His main business here being to purchase a large amount of grain, which he is shipping back to his farm in Erath county to feed his work teams necessary to operate his farm till the next crop season arrives. He purchased, so we understand twenty-five cars of

kaffir and maize, which he loaded on his cars and sent home.

Mr. Shopp owns and operates a farm of twelve hundred acres but it seems that he has not made enough grain on the entire farm this year to operate the farm this winter.

It is very few years, in fact we don't recall one, that this country has not raised enough feed to operate the farms from one year to the other.

If Mr. Shopp would come to the Plains and cultivate twelve hundred acres of this land he would not have room on ten acres of land to store away the crops he would harvest.

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### For Christmas

Silver mesh, Beaded, Velvet, Leather and Tapestry Purses.

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MRS. LOUISE FRIEDRICH

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As a man grows older his earning power dwindles away. So THE SAFE THING to do is to BANK money while young manhood lasts, and earning power is great. COMFORT late in life can come only from ECONOMY early in life.

Let OUR Bank be YOUR Bank.

The Lubbock State Bank

## THE MAN ON THE ROOF

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