

# THE GRAHAM LEADER

With Malice Toward None; With Charity For All.

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No. 29.

## The New Big Spring Stock Is Now Open For Your Inspection at the Dependon Store

Never in the history of this store has our buyer shown the good judgment and excellent taste in selecting Our Big Spring Stock. Our line comprises all the best staples and **New Things**. He assured us upon his arrival from the market, that he had taken his own good time in selecting this stock, to be absolutely sure that he bought nothing but the **New Things** in best qualities, nor did he lose sight of **Right Prices**. We find that our buyer has saved us from 10 to 25 per cent. Our goods are marked up accordingly, which gives you the benefit of the closest buying and **The Saving We Have Made**.

The fact Easter comes March 23d should inspire you to get busy at once for your Easter dress or suit. We assure you that we have everything in Our Big Spring Stock you will need or want to make them up. You will find such a wide range of new snappy, new things to select from in every department here.

We cordially invite you to call and inspect Our Big Spring Stock whether you buy or not, make yourself at home with us, take advantage of our rest room.

Our Dress Goods Department is full of all the New Silks, Charmuse, Crepes, Messalines, Light Weight Woolens, Wash Goods in Silks, Poplines Crepes, Rattines, Voiles, Piques, Linens and Lawns with all kinds of Novelty Trimmings.

Our Ready-to-wear Department is full of the New Things in House Dresses, White Dresses for both Ladies and Misses, Kimonos, Shirt Waists, Skirts, Drop Skirts, All Colors, Muslin Underwear, Union Suits, Vest and Pants, Fashionia Corsets, Corset Covers and Brassieres.

Our Novelty Department is full of everything in Hand Bags, Collars and Ties, Belt Pins, and all kind of Jewelry, Novelties, Hair Switches and Braids, Gloves of all kinds, Buttons, Face Lotions and Powders, in fact everything in the **New Novelty Line** will be found here.

Our **Big Millinery Department** is a source of great pleasure to us, and to our many customers. Miss Florence Bailiff will have charge of this department. She is a trimmer of taste and of wide experience. She will be ably assisted by Mrs. M. A. Weaver, who has been with us in this department several years.

Our Big Stock of Millinery is the most complete and best assorted stock we have ever had. And we bought this stock 25 per cent. cheaper than we ever did before. This department has the reputation of giving our customers individuality in their hats, and as Miss Bailiff is an artist in her line we assure you that you will get the most stylish hat and at 25 per cent. less than have ever been produced in Graham before. This department will be open for your inspection in a few days. **See the new things in the Dependon Store.**

50 doz. Drummers Sample Gloves at wholesale cost at the Dependon Store. See the new 10c Gingham at the Dependon Store—looks like 12 1-2c and 15c. **We Deliver Goods by the Parcel Post Free from the Dependon Store**

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THE "DEPENDON" STORE

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"The Price is the Thing"

### J. C. Fisher, Dangerously Ill.

The Leader's foreman, Mr. J. C. Fisher, is dangerously ill, and but little hope is entertained for his recovery. This has thrown The Leader in perhaps the hardest position the paper has ever experienced in its thirty-seven years of existence and as a result, it comes to you this week far below its usual standard and two days late.

Mr. Fisher was taken ill in the office on Wednesday morning, February 19, and went home, saying that he would return in an hour or so, or as soon as he felt better, but his condition gradually grew worse and the reports from his bedside tonight are to the effect that the physicians have but little hope for his recovery. It has been a hard struggle with us to get our issue, and we have felt so sad and disheartened, for so many things constantly remind us of the man who had charge of the mechanical part of the paper so long, and bring to memory so many kind acts and favors he has shown the other members of the force, that we have not felt like working. We shall strive hard to give you our usual good paper next week.

Dr. N. B. Blevins, of Loving, sold his last bale of cotton yesterday, for which he received nine and one-eighth of a cent per pound.

D. G. Vick and wife returned Monday from a trip to St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Vick had been to buy the stock of spring dry goods for his store here.

Miss Amy Atwood missed school one day this week on account of having tonsillitis. Mrs. Fred Arnold taught in her place during her absence.

### Mrs. Lamar Smith Dead.

Mrs. Damar Smith, living two miles west of Indian Mound, died last Tuesday morning at 5 o'clock and was buried at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, at the Indian Mound cemetery. Services were held by J. S. Fisher.

Mrs. Smith leaves a husband, father and mother and one brother to mourn her departure.

Hon. B. L. Nance was here Monday and went on to Newcastle Tuesday to fill his appointments in the county. The weather has been unfavorable for his lectures.

Sam McGee, living near Red Top, while drilling in oats and trying to clean out the drill, had his hand caught and two or three of his fingers were crushed by the cog.

Mrs. Josie Thomas, of Bridgeport, was here last Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. Homer Thompson, and went Monday to Newcastle to visit two of her daughters in that place.

M. J. Chowning, the bailiff at Bryson, was here Wednesday looking after some boys who were said to have been fighting at Bryson. He had warrants for several young men whose names we did not learn.

Mrs. Tourelotte, who has been visiting her nephew, James Smith, at Jean, left on the train Tuesday morning for her home in Minnesota. She is seventy years old, but made the trip from Jean to Graham the morning she left and will make the remainder of the journey alone. She is very active for one of her age and bids fair to live many more years.

### Big Woodmen Celebration.

On Friday, March 7, the local Camp of Woodmen of the World expect to dedicate their building, which was recently paid out, and an elaborate program has been arranged for the entertainment of the members of the order from neighboring camps who are invited to be here and take part in the ceremonies.

It is expected to be one of the greatest events a secret order has ever held in West Texas and if the combined membership of the county attends it will bring one of the largest crowds to town we have ever had. Below is the program:

Competitive drill by Woodmen Circle teams at 12 o'clock.  
Dinner—1 to 3 o'clock.  
Free Moving Picture Show—1 to 3 o'clock.  
Street parade—3:30 o'clock.  
W. O. W. Oration—4 o'clock.  
Lunch—6 o'clock.  
Exhibition drill by winning team—8 o'clock.  
Dedication ceremonies—8:30 o'clock.  
Music by Firemen's Band.

J. M. Belcher has been quite sick for about a week with the measles, but is now better.

O. K. Freeman, L. L. Higdon, Joe Timmons, Henry Kelley, and N. Laquey were in Graham today from their homes west of town.

Mrs. C. C. Jones, daughter-in-law of A. H. Jones, and who resides at Clayton, New Mexico, has been visiting her folks here and will start home tomorrow.

E. C. Thigpen, W. K. McBee, Charley Keen, Horace Orr, Pick Stewart, W. H. Millican, Dan Orr, J. J. Dowdy and R. L. Buras are here from north of Graham today.

### Miller-Lindsey

A beautiful home wedding was witnessed at the home of Mrs. C. L. Lindsey on last Wednesday February 19, at 5:30 p. m., when Mr. Robert Miller and Miss Ora Mae Miller were united in marriage, Rev. Olin Harmonson officiating.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. C. L. Lindsey, and is loved by all who know her.

The groom is a prominent young farmer of the same community.

Only a few intimate friends of the family and relatives were present.

We wish for them every blessing this life affords.

A friend.

Try some of our Ground Oyster Shell Meal for your chickens—Graves & Ward.

M. L. Gilmore, William Gilmore, John Gilmore, John Crow, A. C. Anderson, J. H. Carter and others were here today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Parker were visiting Will McComb's family yesterday. Mr. McComb has had a sick child for several days.

H. L. Morrison is expected to return Friday night. He and Rev. Hall both write enthusiastically of the great convention at Memphis.

Col. P. E. Hunt, of Dallas, spent the first of the week here looking after his business interests in the western part of the county.

The Graham Fire Company made a practice run Tuesday. Considering the circumstances, our boys have always wrought well when called upon, and seeing that they serve the town free, they are to be highly commended for their hitherto prompt and faithful service.

### Senior Class Meeting.

The Senior's held their regular meeting last Wednesday. The committees reported and some minor business was attended to before adjournment.

On Monday afternoon, a called meeting of the Seniors was held and at this meeting it was decided that a year book should be published under the auspices of the Seniors as a memorial of their last days at High School. This is something entirely new to the school here and shows, very well, the progressive spirit of the Seniors. Only a few of the larger schools attempted an undertaking similar to this, so this places the school in its proper class, among the largest and best in the State.

After a committee had been appointed and the other committees reported, the class adjourned.

Visit the New Carroll Studio, Akin Building. Photos, Postcards, etc. Kodak Work, a specialty.

Geo. R. White, one of the old timers out on Fish Creek, spent Monday night in Graham.

Dr. S. G. Norris, of Loving, J. M. Wallace and J. W. Cox, of Markley, are in town today.

M. M. Kroft, one of South Bend's farmers, was buying a corn planter here Wednesday.

Don't forget to try a sack of Soft Wheat Missouri Flour at Graves & Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch and Paul Deats attended the Bankers' Convention at Cleburne last week.

John Dowdle, of Fort Worth was here yesterday and will stay a day or so in the county.

### Appreciates The Leader.

Selina, Cal., February 18-13.  
Editor Leader

Dear Sir and Friend: Enclosed find money order for two dollars on subscription to The Leader.

Keep it coming, for it has gotten to be a household necessity with us. It is getting better each year.

Yours very truly,  
J. W. Cornelius.

Walter Steen, who lives on the Dave French place, was doing business in Graham Wednesday.

Rev. F. E. Suttle reports a good meeting at the Baptist church at Tonk Valley last Sunday.

Clyde Bratcher, a citizen of the Loving community, was here yesterday and drove home in a new buggy.

Miss Morgan returned last Thursday to again have charge of the millinery department with The Jno. E. Morrison Co.

Rev. and Mrs. Gaines B. Hall are expected to return home Friday night. Rev. Hall preached Sunday at the place where his father was born.

H. G. Arnold is preparing to move to Bay City, Texas. He loaded his household goods Monday for shipment to his new home.

Earl Kaufman and Bud Farmer, former citizens of this city, but now prominent business men of Goree, were in Graham the first of the week, en route home from Dallas with a fine new Buick automobile. They were accompanied home from here by Mrs. Ben Johnson and children who will spend some time visiting relatives in Goree.

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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Leader, will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publisher.

## What's the Use?

Captain Scott and his band of pole hunters have made the last contribution to the awful total which has given up life in order to acquire fame. The North Pole was for many years the "Will o' the Wisp" which led men to their doom and now that it has been discovered, interest in it has been practically lost, while the failure of Shackleton gave such promise of the South Pole being attainable that Scott was led to gamble, with his life as the stake—and he lost.

Polar expeditions were defended and encouraged in the belief that science badly needed the information which would result. But now that both poles have been located can any one show how science has gained, or is there any one who will seriously contend that the result obtained will commensurate for the price paid?

The world mourns over brave men who have died in vain. The world is all the richer for the possession of the last words penned by Captain Scott and by the splendid example which he and his fellow countrymen gave. In years to come we will have no finer exhibition of self sacrifice and love of humanity than the picture of the man who knew that his presence militated against the chances of his companions to save their own lives and who therefore sacrificed himself and wandered away to perish in order that their chances might be increased. No greater love than this could be shown by man, but the sacrifice was in vain and the conditions which demanded it were needless. The world is no richer because the pole has been located—it is all the poorer for the loss of Scott and of the hundreds of brave men who have gone to their death in the similar endeavor—and when you sum up the profit and loss you cannot but come to the conclusion that science has demanded too high a price.

## What's the use?

### Mothers Can Safely Buy

Dr. King's New Discovery and give it to the little ones when ailing and suffering with colds, coughs, throat or lung troubles, tastes nice, harmless, once used, always used. Mrs. Bruce Crawford, Niaga, Mo., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery changed our boy from a pale weak sick boy to the picture of health." Always helps. Buy it at all druggists. (Advertisement)

We are now fully convinced that our old friend Dick Humphrey has had something more important on his mind than the Legislature or a constitutional convention. Bring the bride around to see us. We will not "less up on you.—The Austin Daily Statesman.

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Soothes irritated throat and lungs, stops chronic and hacking coughs, relieves tickling throat, tastes nice. Take no other; once used, always used. Buy it at all druggists. (Advertisement)

A good newspaper, a live commercial club and a bunch of co-operative thinkers are essential factors in city building.

Factories and immigration are not secured at round table discussions or membership meetings. It requires hard work and concentrated efforts to get results.

## To the Voters of Young County.

While the minds of our people are being disturbed by agitation of the county seat, should we not stop and think seriously, and continue thinking 'till all heaviness from our minds is relieved, 'till we feel that we can lay aside personal interest, local prejudice, sympathy or fellow feeling for home town, etc., and study the welfare of the county at large?

As to which town holds our county seat, that is only a matter of contention between the two towns. It is but reasonable to suppose that either town, Graham or Newcastle, would desire the county seat and contend strongly for that prestige. We country people are prone to lean toward one or the other through sympathy or self interest, without having the welfare of our people at large thoughtfully considered.

The majority of our law-abiding citizens have very little business to attend to that require their attendance at the county seat, (provided they keep good company). Only twice a year are our jurors called to the county seat. Only once a year are our taxes to be paid. That being almost the total county seat business of the average law-abiding citizen. What does a few miles from the geographical center of the county amount to?

We would just as soon go to Newcastle as Graham, were it already our county seat. If our court house and jail were there and paid for, I would say "Let them stay there until they are condemned by our Commissioners Court." Then, and not until then, would it be wisdom on our part to contend for removal of the county seat.

Many of our county people are laboring under great difficulties, struggling for support, striving to keep out of debt, making many sacrifices to meet payments on their little homes. Light crops for several years have not lessened their cares or lightened their expenses. Why, oh why, should we for one moment think of adding to their already heavy burden by increasing their taxes to build another court house and jail so long as the ones we now have are declared substantial buildings by every member of our Hon. Commissioners Court?

Let us think of these things, of the struggling masses of humanity when we go to the polls on March 22nd.

I love my home town, Newcastle, with its clever business men and the many old friends of my younger days, yet I cannot stab my people for so small a faction as my home town.

Respectfully,  
 C. E. Grubbs.

Murray, Texas.

The object of the tour of the Rock Island Milo-Kaffir Special which visited Graham on Thursday, February 6, is to get the farmers of Texas to raise kaffir corn and milo maize—the two crops that never fail in either wet or dry years—feeding these crops and supplying their own needs. During 1912 there was an average of a million dollars worth of pork and pork products shipped into Texas weekly. The value of the grain crops produced in the state was \$27,000,000, so that it took all the value of the grain and \$25,000,000 more to pay for the pork bought by Texas people. At the same time Kaffir and Milo yield crops sufficient to produce in the dryest sections of Texas 250 to 400 pounds of pork to the acre. Bermuda grass is a sure crop in the eastern, central and southern sections of Texas, and it is simply ridiculous will put 500 pounds or more gain on hogs. There is no state in the union that has better opportunities for producing pork than Texas, and it is simply ridiculous that the state has to send out a million dollars a week to buy these products.

## From J. J. Gray.

Olney, Texas, Feb. 25.

### Graham Leader:

If you will give me space in your valued paper, I will give my views as to moving the county site from Graham to Newcastle.

First: I believe it would be wrong to do so after so long a lapse of time; in my opinion the purpose of removal is for personal gain and I do not think it wise to use my vote or influence and pay taxes to injure one man for the benefit of another. The principle involved is wrong. We know that there are poor men and women that have been all their lives building for themselves, homes in Graham that the removal of the county site would ruin financially.

Second: I am opposed to the removal because of the amount of expense that would be incurred to build a court house, jail and the other expenses of such a change. Now, who will have this expense to bear? The farmers will pay the bill. The better plan as I see it, is to use our labor and money to build better roads, schools and more manufacturing and fewer towns. This would make farming more desirable and remunerative.

Third: Who will this removal of the county site benefit most? Will it benefit the county generally or just a few? I will answer without fear of successful contradiction; just a very few, probably a half dozen, and the remainder of the people would suffer more or less.

Fourth: The county site now is as near the center as is necessary for the convenience of all concerned, when we consider the rough and smooth part of this county. I live thirty-six miles from Graham in the north west corner of the county and I consider it as convenient to go from my home to Graham as to go from Clay Anderson's in the south-west corner of the county to Graham. We should consider all this before we use our influence or cast our vote and should ask ourselves the question; are we treating our neighbors as we would have them treat us, and are those most to be benefited by our vote, the people of our county or not? I believe we should have more Railroads to develop our county's resources, for the moving of the county site would be money thrown away.

Let us put our heads and money together to build factories, irrigation plants, etc., and we will be better friends and so doing make our selves greater material advancement along all lines. As it stands, I am opposed to moving the county site.

Yours very truly,  
 J. J. Gray.

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### Notice.

All the cedar trees in Oak Grove Cemetery will be trimmed, unless the owners object and instruct the sexton otherwise at once.

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## "Uncle Pink" in Old Mexico.

Culiacan, Mexico, Feb. 19-13

Dear Leader: As I promised to write you, and this being my first opportunity, I will now do so.

My trip was fine. At Fort Worth I met my old friend, Ditto and he, against my wishes, put me in a Pullman car that was all right. I slept well and was as comfortable, or more so, than I would have been at home. Good old Ditto; God bless him, there are few like him. The next morning, Sunday, the snow was still on the ground. When I went into the dining car to breakfast, I asked if the old cow had come up and they informed me that she had not come. We looked out across the snow covered prairie and thought we saw her about two miles away. Then a discussion, or dispute, arose as to who should go after her, but in the meantime the cupboard had been over hauled and some bottled milk was found; then everything was happiness again.

This brought to me the attention of all and I kept them coming my way until the next day when we reached Tucson. There I had to lay over a day, and I met a man who was working for a sugar company in Phoenix Arizona. His company had bought five hundred tons of sugar cane and had sent him to ship it out. He was very much inclined to act the gentleman and would carry my grip; said it balanced with his. We next had to lay over at Guaymas; I am enclosing you a picture of this place. From Guaymas we had a good run down to this place, arriving here on Thursday.

The most trouble I had was with a fool door to the dining car. The car made a lurch and I put my thumb somewhere, when the infernal door grabbed it and held on. To help matters, I caught the door and jerked it the wrong way. There was some strong talk, or thought, occurred in my mind then. My thumb is now as black as a bear or an old burnt stump and I can hardly write.

On Saturday after I got here we went on a hunt; went down the R. R. to Mazatlan about ten or twelve miles and killed two fine deer, one wolf and some smaller game. Preston is a fine shot. I did not kill, but all my hunting instincts were aroused to the highest pitch when I saw that the game was here and my appetite is not behind. Preston has a good outfit; his own team and a two-seated hack made for the purpose. I asked him about taking certain things and he said not to bother he would take it all, and so he did. You can bet when a man's folks take such an interest in his hunting, there is not much trouble. Preston and Lewis both know more in a minute about handling horses than I will ever know.

Preston is in fine health; has the same old quick, elastic step, I would know his and Lewis' walk on a dark night. Preston certainly is doing well now. He has constant work; would be glad if you could see his office, and where he lives, I never was any more surprised. The young man that came with me was as much surprised, and said it was up to anything in the States. All modern. I will send you a picture of it soon.

I will tell you of a little trouble I had when I was not with Preston. I met some one that I am sure is Clay Wilson, and I was so glad to see him I ran up to him and grabbed his hand and said, "hello Clay, when did you get in?" They immediately jerked loose from me and with a fearful mad look at me, said

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# MARCH 23rd, 1913

Easter will be here and it will be almost a century before it ever comes this early again. We have kept in mind this fact and have made early preparations to take care of the wants of our many customers. We want to insist that you come early and make your Easter selections from one of the largest and most complete stocks of up-to-date and fashionable stocks of Dry Goods and Ready-to-Wear Garments that has ever been shown in this section of the state. Our buyers have spared neither time nor money to make our stocks attractive and complete in every respect.



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## MILLINERY

We beg to announce that our trimmer, Miss Claudia Morgan, has just returned from the northern markets and assures us of the fact that she bought the most stylish and fashionable line of Millinery that has ever been shown in this section. Our stock is now in and Easter will soon be here, so it behooves you to come to come to our store early and select your Easter bonnet.

WE RESPECTFULLY SOLICIT A VISIT

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## MEN'S SPRING OXFORDS

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## THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS TAKEN FROM THE OLD FILES OF THE LEADER OF SEPTEMBER 2, 1876, RECALLING MANY INCIDENTS OF THE EARLY DAYS

### Our Village

Graham is located in the loveliest valley we have ever seen. Along its western side meanders Salt creek, its exact position indicated by the luxuriant elms that skirt the stream and shade the flowery, grassy banks, so attractive to anglers and picnickers. Just beyond the creek, like towering battlements, are ranged the mountain bluffs, whose huge boulders would awe the looker on were their precarious hold not hidden by the foliage that imparts such softness to the scenery along the mountain side. From the creek eastward is a gently rising slope—half a mile—to the public square intended to serve the purpose of a park, when that title shall be justified by the increased importance of the town. Just as we reach this commons we enter the post oak timber, which extends a few hundred yards across the ridge to the farther side of the commons where we enter again a "mesquite prairie" valley. This stretches away out for a mile east to the Dry Creek timber, and, passing the Twin Mountains on the north, reaches out towards the Blue Mountains one and a half miles distant. The square itself occupies a broad knoll, slightly elevated above the ridge. From its summit, "there is beauty all around." The various mountain peaks near by or in the distance; the broad green Shawnee valley to the east and Salt Creek valley on the west—both covered with as rich and verdant pasturage as ever bison revealed in—the range of mountains above alluded to beyond the creek in wavy outline against the horizon, the rocks lost in the distance, the various tints of the oak, ash and elm, the mesquite and the sumach, in the cheerful contrast showing, with the salt works and mills at the base of the hills and farm houses here and there half hidden in the groves—altogether the scene is unsurpassed. "Graham City" is a misnomer bestowed by strangers who are so impressed with the eligibility of the site for a metropolis. But we Grahamites are content to realize the increase within eight months from a group of nine or ten little houses, generally with but one room, to a collection of buildings that constitute a town and compare favorably in point of comfort and architectural taste with those in any place "this side the railroad."

We are plain and unpretentious, to be sure, and we are on the frontier, but he who comes here from sections where all the appliances of luxury and refined social enjoyments are within the reach of every one is surprised at the total error of his preconceived ideas of the Texas frontier. But we wander. One of the features of Graham is "Shawnee Springs" in the bed of Shawnee branch where the rocks have been blasted to make a reservoir which covered by a leafy arbor affords daily, a supply of water to the town. Below the springs, along the branch, are deep hollows in its rocky overhanging banks, and these caverns, fringed with lichens and hardy creepers that find foot hold in the crevices and draw subsistence from the moldering leaves, are a favorite resort of strollers and youthful seekers of adventure. "The Falls" are noted too, and though there is here no foaming and cascade to remind one of Niagra, still there is something remarkable.

Salt Creek (we refer to the summer stage of water) flowing in an uninterrupted stream, from five to eight feet deep for three quarters of a mile; just below the mill at the falls acquires its name and changes its character, for here the pavement like bottom ceases, and a sudden descent of twelve or fourteen inches changes the clear fresh fluid almost into brine. Just above this point the water is taken for drink, while immediately below the cattle refuse it. From this point up to the source of the creek the water is good; below to its mouth it is salt. "The falls" fills our beau ideal of a bathing place, for one can take it deep or shallow, salt or fresh, and the shower bath, that almost carries one away is exhilarating.

The bluff descends precipitately to the creek at the falls. At the very verge of its summit is imbedded a boulder as big as a building. When once the climber is persuaded there is no danger, lest it fall, and mounts this mammoth rock, his position commands the view of a village in a valley whose transcendent loveliness we will leave for future artists to describe, feeling assured that no conception can reach the full measure of its glorious beauty.

A map of Graham spread before us, gives dimensions of its parts. The streets are one hundred feet wide, the lots fronting the oblong square are 25 by 145 or 26 8-12 by 150 feet; those in the blocks next back are 42 feet wide and 49 feet deep, and in remaining blocks 50 by 200 feet. College Hill lot is 555 by 940 feet, Oak Hill Cemetery is of same extent. The commons about 500 by 800 feet. Alleys 20 feet wide extend through every block thus passing along the rear of every lot in the town.

Graham, as laid off, is nearly three-fourths of a mile square, and there is room enough around to build a city. There has never been any excitement, the village merely keeping pace with the growth of the surrounding country. Two years ago the people went ten miles to Belknap for their mail, now we have a semi-weekly service between Jacksboro and Fort Griffin, soon to be increased, and a route has been established from Graham to Hills Ferry on Red River. We have a court house and offices, post office, printing office, telegraph office, two hotels, livery stable, saddlery, boot and shoe maker, tin-shop, gun-smith, blacksmith, one drug store, two groceries and four dealers in general merchandise, besides lawyers, doctors, land-agents, etc. People are coming in constantly and embarking in new enterprises. All our merchants have built or are erecting comfortable buildings, contracts are let for several stone and brick dwellings. Everything has an air of stability even the signs being painted on the stores, etc., instead of on canvass, as is customary in unsettled business ventures.

Finally, our people are wide awake and being alive to the importance of progress, extend a cordial invitation to good citizens; of whatever calling and from whatever quarter to come to their town and country.

Thirty-six oxen hauling six loads of lumber, passed through town Friday morning going to Griffin.

### Move the Court House.

It makes no difference whether the court house is moved or not, we will still sell Watkins' medicines in old Young county another year. The Watkins' Medicine Co. and the people of Young county and throughout the state of Texas have given our old time enemies the worst drubbing they have gotten for years. There were two very drastic bills introduced in the House against the medicine salesman. They were debated nearly two days before the committee and were finally killed. We almost covered them up in petitions. I know my customers will be glad to know this. That is why I am writing this letter to thank my 2000 customers and signers of my petitions that we appreciate their support in this matter. This means something for the people; more goods and better goods for less money, and the right to buy from whom you please.

We are proud of our Legislature; there are more of its members farmers than there has been in any body of Texas lawmakers for a number of years.

So the "Watkins way" is here to stay. Its much the best, you cannot doubt it.

That is why I am on my way to tell you all about it.

T. J. Dunlap,  
The Watkins Man.  
East Graham. (Adv.)

Victoria—W. S. Holman, President of the Texas Midcoast Industrial Congress has called a meeting of the congress in this city for February 7-8. Col. Henry Exall will deliver an address on soil conversation and others will be made on dairying and banking in the midcoast district.

### Texas Sugar Cane Statistics

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25—

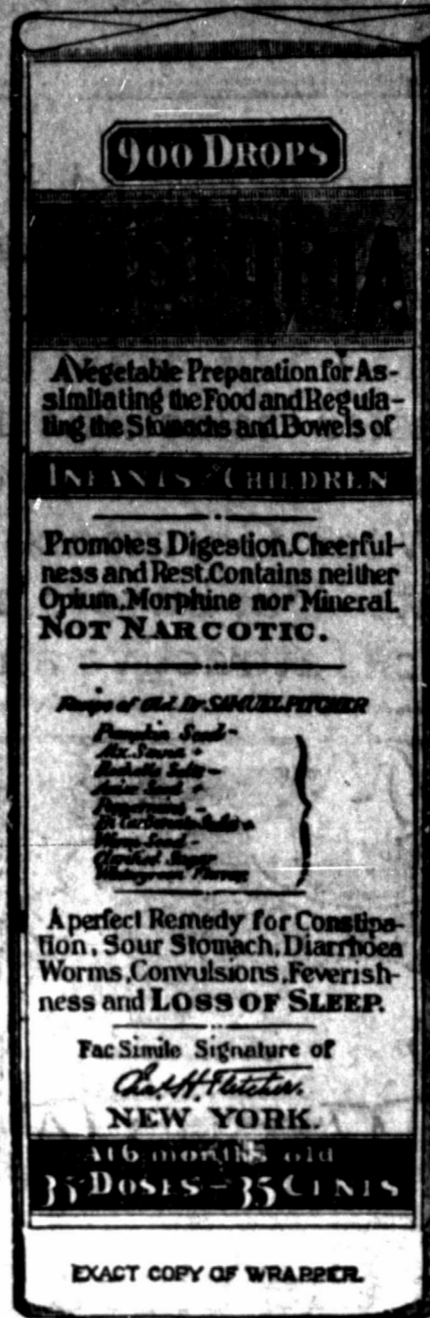
The latest statistics on the sugar crop of the United States recently issued by the Census Bureau show that Texas is third among the states of the Union in the acreage, production and value of this crop. The acreage in sugar cane in 1909 in Texas was 34,315, which produced 307,502 tons of cane valued at \$1,669,683. Ten years previous the acreage devoted to this crop was 17,824 which produced 170,485 tons of cane valued at \$977,053 showing an increase of 16,491 acres, 137,017 tons of cane and \$692,630 in valuation in a decade.

The total acreage in sugar cane in all States in 1909 was 476,849 an increase of 23.2 per cent compared with 1899. The production was 6,240,000 tons or an increase of 48.5 per cent over 1899 and the value was \$26,416,000 and constituted 0.5 per cent of the total value of farm crops in the country.

Of the 6,240,000 tons of sugar cane produced in 1909, 4,639,000 tons were sold, the amount received therefrom being \$16,766,000, in 1899, out of the 4,202,000 produced only 1,126,000 tons, valued at \$3,882,000, were sold. The cane sold was \$3.61 in 1899. The total value of the crop increased 55.4 per cent over 1899.

A heavy cold in the lungs that was expected to cure itself has been the starting point in many cases of disease that ended fatally. The sensible course is to take frequent doses of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It checks the progress of the disorder and assists nature to restore normal conditions. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. (Adv.)

Taylor—Many new homes are being built in this city at the present time. A recent inspection showed 32 residences under construction in different parts of the city.



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HOPE NEWMAN, Prop.

Gen. J. M. Taylor, an old gentleman and a former resident of Florida, sets our people a good example of industry in bringing to market a load of new cotton.

Gray's caravan of eight wagons drawn by thirty oxen arrived last Wednesday bringing four wagon loads of lumber for the new store of Mr. Wadley. Gray is one of the most extensive freighters in the business.

Senator Terrell's joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment which will authorize the voting of improvement bonds by a majority instead of a two-thirds majority, has been passed to engrossment.

Several prominent citizens of the irrigated section of west Texas are in Austin in connection with the proposed legislation affecting the irrigation interests. A bill has been introduced by Hudspeth dealing with the subject of irrigation.

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## GROCERIES

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<b>Batavia Vegetables</b>	<b>Sour and Dill Pickles</b>
<b>Premium and D. C. B. Bacon</b>	<b>Fresh Cakes and Crackers</b>
<b>Premium and D. C. Hams</b>	<b>Pure Cane Syrup</b>

FRESH VEGETABLES FIRST AND LAST OF EACH WEEK

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"WE STUDY TO PLEASE"

## Our Religious Column

The text for the morning service at the Methodist church was "But as for me I will walk in my integrity."—Psalms 26:11. Among other things discussed were "reputation" and "character." That man was to covet a good reputation but especially let it be based on character. The power of the individual was shown by persons who had lived in the past. David wanted others saved but he realized that alone he stood and before God. The power and right of choice to be either a man of integrity or otherwise, that was given to David is given to men today. In conclusion a plea was made for all to walk with God in such a way that it might be said of them as of Enoch of old, "and Enoch walked with God." The sermon was well illustrated and the subject clearly set forth. The League had a profitable study led by Miss Buford Snoddy. The night service was given to a discussion of the man of Gadara from whom the Savior cast out devils. The great cure was discussed, also the fact that Christ was asked to leave that country. Lastly the man cured was made a spokesman for Christ to go home and tell people what Christ had done for him. And so Christ desires men today to speak for him. Both were fine sermons, and attendance was good, especially in the morning.

The Presbyterians had 91 at Sunday School with \$5.07 offering. They decided not to hold a laymen's service so that the congregation could visit morning and evening. At the close of

the Sunday School, their visitor, Col. P. B. Hunt, of Dallas, was called upon for a few remarks. To this he graciously responded, encouraging and stimulating the school. The Endeavor held a very interesting service led by Mrs. Hudson, with the life of David Livingstone as the subject.

The Baptists had 161 at Sunday School, 57 Bibles and \$21.61 offering. A short conference was called just before the sermon in which the Knight Templars, of Jacksboro, were given the use of the church for their service on Easter Sunday. It was decided to set aside five per cent of the income of the church as a fund for the needy of the congregation. Rev. Taylor tendered his resignation, to take effect after the second Sunday in March, the church to take action on same, Wednesday night at prayer meeting. The morning text was "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it." These words were spoken by the mother of Jesus to the servants at the marriage at Cana. When they obeyed His commands they were rewarded and just so now, obedience to Christ always brings large fruitage. There are many practical lessons in this text, discipleship is a heroic thing, self must be crucified before we can render implicit obedience, and Christ must be given the right to choose in our lives. Does it pay them? Some of the results will answer. It gives spiritual rest, brings souls into harmony with God and gives us the priceless gift of the Holy Spirit. The text at the evening service was

John 3:14-15, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up; that whosoever believeth in Him may have eternal life." The disease of sin has entered human nature, perverting our wills, destroying reason and affection, and searing conscience. While sin may for a time be dormant it eventually means death for like the bite of the poisonous serpents, there is no human remedy. God's care for sin is sure for all who will take it in whatever stage the disease may be. The ordinance of baptism was administered at the close of the service.

The Christian church had 136 present at Bible School with \$3.01 offering. In the morning service Bro. Stallings read the 5th chapter of Gal., and his sermon was on the ever helpful theme, "God's Plan for Man's Development." First was pictured the strong analogy between physical and spiritual growth. As a child recognizes his physical members and the function of each, so increases his appreciation and joy in the use of them. Thus in the study of man's history we find that God has led him from the lower to the higher mental and spiritual plane. And in this schooling or process of development, there were certain governing rules. As the school child is subject to his tutor's, so God's people are subject to Him. This is found exemplified in the infancy of God's people when they were subject to the rule of the patriarchal home. Then came the childhood of the race as exemplified in the training received under the leadership of Moses. All this led to the ripe state of preparedness when man

was ready to lay aside the old law as a school master and receive the ideal of a perfect life as revealed in Christ. The law compelled service but Christ only asks for the service of love. He walks with each individual not as king, but as a humble helper. As we are on trial for eternity, He begs of each to render the service of love.

The evening sermon was based on the life of Stephen as found in the 6th chapter of Acts. Through the study of this character, we comprehend the great results that each can accomplish for the Master's cause. As the call for service came to the congregation of the early church, so it comes to each now. As the church then needed men of "good report" so it needs them today. The world has its eyes on christians. They are living epistles read of all men. This fact alone demands thorough preparation and consecrated service. Each individual can do much if he is equipped with the preparation, tact and courage evidenced in the life of Stephen.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for the assistance and kindness rendered during the late sickness and death of Mrs. Lamar Smith.

We feel grateful for your tender sympathy and crave the blessings of Heaven upon you all. Lamar Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Slaughter. Mr. and Mrs. Eli Slaughter.

**Mebane Cotton Seed For Sale!** for sale at my ranch, or I will deliver them in town if desired. Price 50 cents per bushel.

G. W. MeComas. Graham, Texas.

Mrs. Rollie Voules returned last Saturday from Mineral Wells

### STATEWIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Sunday School Workers of all Denominations to Meet in Waco, Texas, March 25-28.

The thirty-ninth annual State-wide Sunday School Convention under the auspices of the Texas Sunday School Association representing each and every denomination in this State, will meet in the city of Waco, Tuesday, March 25th, and running through until Friday night, March 28th.

This Convention is the only annual State-wide Convention in Texas held strictly for Sunday School workers and the biggest affair of the kind which convenes in any state in the south.

Indications point to the largest and most representative attendance of any Convention yet held in the State.

Each year's Conventions have been growing in magnitude and power and now only the largest cities can take care of them, in boarding houses and hotels, as each delegate pays his own expenses. Last year's Convention at Dallas registered 1548 delegates from more than 100 counties, some delegates traveling as many as 1500 miles.

A Tour Party of the World's greatest specialists will attend the meeting, and be the chief instructors in the program, which will be a great school of methods on every phase of Sunday School work. Among those who will be present are the following:

Wm. C. Pearce, of Chicago, Associate General Secretary of the International Sunday School Association, and International Adult Superintendent; Rev. H. M. Hamill, D. D., of Nashville, Educational Chairman of the International Sunday School Association, and Superintendent of Training work in the Methodist Episcopal church, South; Rev. B. W. Spilman, of North Carolina, Sunday School Field Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, in charge of the training in the Colleges, Universities and Seminaries; Rev. P. H. Welshimer, of Canton, Ohio, with the most marvelous record of any pastor, increasing the church membership in eleven years from 200 to 3200, and the Sunday School enrollment to 4300; Mrs. Mary Foster, International Elementary Superintendent, the world leader of the teachers of children under the "teen" age; Prof. E. O. Excell, the world's most noted song leader.

In addition to these outside specialists, we will have many noted State leaders to have part on the program and in conferences.

Any pastor, superintendent, officer, teacher or pupil in any Sunday School in Texas may become a delegate, and is asked to enroll and pay the registration fee of \$1.00, which entitles one to a reserved seat in the main auditorium, a song book, badge, note book, pencil etc.

The railroads will sell round trip rates of one fare and a fifth, on sale for trains arriving Monday night, March 24, and up to Wednesday morning, good to return until Saturday, March 29.

Words come from every section telling of the plans to bring delegations. Convention "Boosters" are being appointed in various counties, with a view of arousing Sunday Schools to send delegates.

The Convention will discuss every phase of a well organized and managed Sunday School. Conferences will be held for County Officers, for Pastors, Superintendents, Teachers and departmental Leaders, so that each and every person who may come will receive great help. There should be three thousand

delegates to take advantage of the rare feast offered the workers.

The Texas Sunday School Association is the clearing house for all denominations, bringing the very best plans and methods worked out by one, and giving it to all. It is a part of the great International and World's Sunday School Associations, which movement has been the instrument to bring the Sunday Schools up to their present marvelous state of activity and efficiency.

The State Official Family numbers over 300 leaders, and an army of 3000 volunteer County Officers, headed by; Robert H. Coleman, State President; Rev. J. T. McClure, Executive Chairman; M. H. Wolfe, Vice Chairman; Wm. M. Anderson, D. D., Administration Chairman; S. J. McFarland, State Treasurer; W. C. Everett, Finance Chairman; Mrs. R. H. Dearing, Recording Secretary; Rev. A. E. Rector, Galveston; Wm. A. Wilson, Rev. J. L. Gross, Houston; Wm. G. Bell, Frederick Eby, Austin; Rev. G. W. Ray, Fort Worth; C. A. Arnold, Jay E. Adams, San Antonio; Rev. T. L. Garrison, Teahuacana; John Church, McKinney; Vice Presidents: John C. Townes, Austin; Rev. H. A. Boaz, W. N. Wiggins, Dallas; Rev. V. A. Godbey, Past Presidents.

The Administration officers are William Nehemiah Vins, General Secretary; Miss Agnes McKeand, Executive Secretary; Miss Laura Crowell, Office Secretary; Wm. E. Hawkins, Mrs. Wm. N. Wiggins, and John M. Adams, Field Workers, with Rev. C. S. Field, Wm. C. North and Rev. V. A. Godbey, Auxiliary Field Workers.

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### Christian Endeavor Program.

March 2, 1913.

Consecration Meeting. Topic, The Ideal Christian; His Practical service. Observation meeting. Leader—Miss Roberta Akin. Silent Prayer.

One verse of a song interspersed between each of the following one-minute talks:

Matthew 5:13-24—Leader. No. 1 will read scripture; No. 2 make comments; Testifying, Acts 1:6-11, (1) Esteline Price, (2) Mrs. Hudson.

Shining lives, Eph. 5:3-14—(1) Mary Hudson, (2) J. W. Akin. Serving the poor, Matthew 19:16-22—(1) Richard Price (2) Fred Hudson.

Leavening the Nation, Rom. 13:1-10—(1) Miss Clara Price, (2) Mrs. Rose.

Serving the church, Acts 6:17—(1) Mary M. Akin, (2) Henry David Akin.

Serving the lost, Matthew 9:32-38—(1) Marjorie Hudson, (2) Mr. Jones.

Roll call answered by an observation on service that we may do or suggest.

Closing exercises.

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# THE COUNTY SEAT PROPOSITION

## What Distinguishes Men from Animals?

Gratitude is a peculiar quality. You can pay a debt of gratitude, or you can deny it and it is just as fully cancelled. You may want food or clothing or money badly, and try numerous men to get them from, without success. Finally you come to some man who is able and willing to supply your needs, and your heart is warm to that kindly man. Nothing you have is too good for him. You think much of him, and mentally resolve that if you can ever do anything for him as a favor you will jump at the chance.

Circumstances change, and you are able to repay the kind friend with interest. Then this feeling of gratitude may begin to wane. Some Eliphaz, or Bilbad, or Zopher reminds you that your friend was in the business of doing kindly acts of letting out food, or clothing, or money, on poor or no security; that you have returned him the full amount, with interest; that hence he is entitled to no consideration—in fact, that he has profited so much by such transactions that he has grown wealthy; and that, according to the principles of equal rights to all and special privileges to none, you should entirely leave out of consideration this gratitude toward your kind friend, as you have fully repaid him in money, and give some of those who could not or would come to your assistance an equal right to and share of your trade, with the special privilege of also growing wealthy.

Which may remind you of the story of the railroad president and one of his employees who had been with the company a long time and was living in as fine a house and wearing as many diamonds as the president himself. When the president's attention was called to the fact that employee's salary did not seem to justify such a fine house and so many diamonds, and that the company was being robbed and that the employee should be discharged, the president replied that he did not want to fit another man out with a house and diamonds, that this man's wants must be nearly satisfied, and that he would just keep him and watch him a little more closely.

So, even if it is forgotten that gratitude is what distinguishes man from the lower animals, it may be well to remember that the wealthy man who has grown rich on you, may be in a better position to serve you and may be more easily satisfied, than the man who has it all to make on you. G. W. BLACK

## The Court House is Safe and Amply Large

TO THE PEOPLE OF YOUNG COUNTY:

February 14th, 1913

We, the Commissioners and County Judge of Young County, do hereby certify that the Court House in the said County, is in good condition; that no suggestion of condemnation of said building has ever been made to our Court, and that the said building is in every respect adequate and sufficient for many years to come.

E. W. FRY, County Judge;

A. H. JONES, W. E. McCHAREN, A. C. CASEY, J. T. HUNT,  
Commissioners.

## A Pioneer's Experience

Murray, Texas, February 22d, 1913

I have lived in Young County for more than 30 years, I have served the people of Young County as one of their Commissioners. When I went to Graham, the County Seat, I practically had no road to travel on, gates to open, creeks and the river to ford or swim, and when I reached Graham, I had to tie my team up to a tree on the Creek, and had either to camp out or stay at a small, crowded hotel. There were no wagon yards in Graham then, no restaurants, limited hotel facilities, no public water—all the inconveniences incident to the frontier.

Now I go there on a good, first-class graded road, cross the creeks and river on bridges, and when I get there I find good livery stables, good wagon yards, splendid restaurants, ample hotel facilities, and an abundance of filtered water.

If we move the County Seat to Newcastle it will be the same thing over again—gates to open, creeks to ford, no very good accommodations when I get there, and I will not live to enjoy the things that have been so long coming. Hence, I favor leaving the County Seat at Graham. TOM PRICE.

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 Case Double Row Planter  
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## Wagons

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## Local Notes

SOUTHWESTERN PHONE 25-3  
 INDEPENDENT PHONE 30-3

Lewis Rubenkoenig is in Dallas.  
 Mrs. J. T. Rickman is on the sick list.  
 Good corn 6c per can, at Graves & Ward.  
 Larry Pratt, of South Bend, is here today.  
 L. B. Kidwell, Jr. has returned from Dallas.  
 Fresh Vegetables every day—Graves & Ward.  
 Miss Kate Arnold has been sick this week.  
 C. D. Coon was here from Newcastle Tuesday.  
 J. H. Henderson went to Newcastle last Tuesday.  
 A. R. Hill, of Eliasville, was here today on business.  
 J. L. Graves made a flying trip to Fort Worth and back Monday.

J. M. Thomas, of Proffitt, was on the streets Tuesday.  
 Joe Paine returned from a trip to Mineral Wells this week.  
 Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dozier, February 21, a boy.  
 Section Comb Honey at—Graves & Ward.  
 S. M. James, of Ming Bend, was here on business Tuesday.  
 S. H. Bain and family, of Bunker, were trading in town Monday.  
 Odell Johnson was here Tuesday from his home in Ming Bend.  
 Corris Logan came in from Wichita Falls last Saturday night.  
 J. L. Woods' family have just about recovered from the measles.  
 All kind of bulk and packet garden seed—Graves & Ward.  
 A good shower of rain with some hail fell at Graham Wednesday.  
 Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Saye, of Loving, February 26, a boy.  
 See G. C. Mosey for a cheap dwelling house for the summer. Plenty of good water.

R. L. Upham, of Pickwick, was in town on business yesterday.  
 S. M. Burgess, of Stephens county, was trading in Graham Tuesday.  
 Bring your jug and get some of our Fine Ribbon Cane Syrup—Graves & Ward.  
 M. P. Moran was transacting business in the city of Graham Wednesday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Akin returned from Fort Worth Saturday night.  
 L. W. Brooks was here Saturday from his home near the McCan bridge.  
 Visit the New Carroll Studio, Akin-Building. Photos, Postcards, etc. Kodak Work, a specialty.  
 Bert Walsh, late of Wichita Falls, came in yesterday for a few days stay.  
 Wright McClatchey spent the week end with his parents in Olney last week.  
 Try a sack of Hard Wheat Ozark Flour for Light Bread—Graves & Ward.  
 Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Norval Sturdevant, last Thursday, February 20, a girl.  
 J. J. Masters, the merchant at Masters, transacted business in Graham Tuesday.  
 A. W. Roary, of Ming Bend, was here buying farm tools from our merchants Tuesday.  
 Mrs. Gallaher has returned from an extended visit with her children in Fort Worth.  
 We are paying top prices in cash for Chickens, Turkeys, Butter and Eggs—Graves & Ward.  
 Miss Eddie Akers, of Eliasville, was shopping with our merchants last Saturday.  
 W. H. Tucker was in Graham Thursday visiting his mother-in-law, Mrs. W. S. Thedford, who has been quite sick for some time.

Industrial expansion means a larger payroll, a bigger city.  
 Cities are built, not through the operations of nature, but by the co-operation of men.  
 A new man in any city, means new thought, new action, new execution.  
 Villages that are most beautiful are where the inhabitants quibble least and work together most.  
 The highest aim of any citizen should be to reach the acme of perfection in the city development.  
 We cannot stand still in city building. Unless progress is being made, retrogression is in process.  
**For Sale or Trade.**  
 One good Sulkey Plow.  
 W. I. Tidwell & Sons.  
 Mrs. J. C. Fisher shortened her visit to Cleburne and returned home on account of the illness of her husband.  
 Ben Johnson spent the first of the week in Dallas and Fort Worth on business connected with his firm.  
 Homing 7c per can, at—Graves & Ward.  
 Live ones may shock you by the way they act but dead ones sometime deliver the hardest jolt.  
 Three men in a corner can do more work and accomplish greater results than seventy-seven mass meetings.  
 The three greatest things in the development of a county are, civilization, immigration and trans-

Just another five cases of Roy's Best Coffee.—Graves & Ward.  
 G. L. Joiner, a citizen of the Farmer community, was here Tuesday and handed in a wheel to the Leader.  
 A. R. Rutherford, of Red Top, says that oat sowing is about over and corn planting will commence at once.  
 D. B. Davis, of Farmer, says that the farmers are fast getting ready to plant corn up in his part of the county.  
 Highest prices paid for Chickens, Turkeys, Eggs, Butter, Hides and Furs by  
 D. J. Brandon,  
 Hallam & Jones old stand.  
 J. J. Gray, E. B. Kunkle, J. H. Wood and W. P. Reynolds, of Olney, and G. B. Cruikshank, of Jean, are here today.  
 Don't forget that we slice your meat, grind your coffee and deliver your bread—Graves & Ward.  
 Miss Fanny Bye Rogers, a teacher in the Graham High School, was kept from her work two days this week on account of sickness.  
 Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by Sloan Drug Co. (Advertisement)  
 Miss Rella Kelso returned last week to her home in Boyse, Louisiana, after spending several months here visiting her uncle, G. A. Tackett.  
 Mrs. C. Mallett, of Cleburne, Texas, mother of Mrs. J. C. Fisher, is here in response to a message informing her of the dangerous illness of Mr. Fisher.  
 Jno. C. Bower, our popular automobile agent, sold last week, to Dr. W. M. Terrell, one of the very latest model Buick touring cars. This is one of the best automobiles in the county.

Mrs. G. W. Black is slowly improving.  
 John Lynch has the measles this week.  
 A. R. Rutherford was in Graham Wednesday.  
 Miss Vera Gatlin has recovered from the measles.  
 Rev. J. Hall Bowman is on the sick list this week.  
 Bob Holcomb was here Monday from South Bend.  
 R. M. Summers, one of Loving's best citizens, was in town on business Thursday.  
 Mrs. E. M. Fisher, of Fort Worth, is here to be at the bedside of her son, J. C. Fisher.  
**Lost Watch**  
 A Junior Ingersoll Watch was lost on Elm Street near the Christian church. It had a leather fob with a small metal saddle attached. Finder please return to this office.  
 Waxahachie—The new Texas Baptist Orphans Home will be opened here within a very short time. This home is designed to care for orphan children of Baptist parentage from all over the State.  
 Pecos—The Business Men's League is seriously considering the erection of a small packing plant here. A proposition looking to the investment of \$5,000 for this purpose has been made to the business men of the city. No definite action has as yet been taken.  
 Mercedes—According to a report issued by the real estate dealers here there were twelve hundred homeseekers in this section during last week. Four trainloads arrived over the Frisco in a single day. The prospectors came from Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and some from Minnesota. Over 500 acres of land were purchased the price ranging from \$175 to \$225 per acre.

# County Correspondence

## Jean

We have been having some nice spring weather for the last few days, but we are badly in need of a good rain, as it is too dry to plant gardens.

Mrs. E. T. Tatum, of Olney, visited relatives and friends here from Friday until Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Tatum had lived here for several years until recently and we are always glad to see them in our midst.

J. R. Connally who is working for Jess & Sturdy Buggy Company spent Sunday with his family here.

Mrs. Will Lynch left Saturday for Aspermont, Texas, where she will get her little son who has been there with his grandmother some time.

Quite a number of the Loving school came over Friday and played ball with our school boys. The game was 8 to 11 favoring Loving.

Miss Ollie Keen, of Farmer, spent a few days last week here with her sister, Mrs. Gray.

Some Loving parties were here last week getting signers to a petition to order a County seat election.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lynch gave a party Friday night. Those fortunate enough to be present declare Mr. and Mrs. Lynch to be ideal host and hostess.

Mrs. W. H. Alcorn was buried here Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. She had been sick about one week, on last Friday she underwent an operation, and only survived it a little more than twenty-four hours. Mrs. Alcorn was 62 years of age, had been a member of the M. E. Church forty years. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. W. Noble, of Loving, and J. L. Roach of Olney. The deceased leaves an aged husband and several children to mourn her death. We extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.

## Flat Rock

We are all rejoicing over a fine rain that fell here Thursday night, think it will stop the plowing for a while.

Our Sunday School was not so well attended Sunday on account of bad weather and sickness.

Mrs. Hodges and Adolphus Cook were sick last week.

J. H. Robbins is suffering with this back this week.

Mrs. Burton and daughter, Miss Georgia spent Sunday with J. M. Taylor and family.

C. L. Cook and Herbert Parsons were in town Saturday evening.

I haven't much news this week, so will ring off.

## School Girl.

Well, here comes "Old Bill" again after being absent two weeks; don't guess he was missed though, eh?

Health is not good in this community at present, but the Dolans children have almost recovered from the measles. We hope they will start to school again as soon as possible.

J. S. and W. P. Fisher were shopping in Graham Monday.

Miss Jennie Bird visited Misses Ivy and Jeanneva Bryan Sunday.

Misses Lue and Grace James and brother, Chas, visited at Mr. Taylor's Sunday afternoon.

Miss Minnie Fisher spent Monday night with her nieces, Misses Ivy and Jeanneva Bryan.

Say isn't "School Girl" writing interesting letters? I hear some one answering, 'yes', well I think she is top.

Well, as news is scarce I will hand my pen over to Cowpuncher "Steamboat Bill."

## South Bend

Bro. Chunn filled his regular appointment here Sunday with a very good crowd attending.

Mrs. P. C. West left Sunday morning to visit her niece in Fort Worth.

Everett Harrell came in Saturday night from Fort Worth.

Misses Mary McBrayer and Loretta Atkinson visited Fannie Goode Sunday.

Jake Cunningham, of Eliasville, attended church and Sunday School here Sunday.

Mr. Stovall is having a concrete dam put across the Clear Fork below the bridge so he can get plenty of water to irrigate with.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Harrell returned from Gainesville last Tuesday night. They left Mrs. Harrell's mother much improved.

Roy Corbett was able to be at Sunday School Sunday evening.

A few more cases of measles are in our community.

Eugene Dickey, of Lone Star, attended Sunday School here Sunday.

## Tempest and Sunshine.

### CULTIVATOR TALK

We have a big shipment of the FAMOUS OHIO CULTIVATORS coming in the six-shovel. These are the latest patterns out and has the double pointed shovels with the lynch pin to hold the wheel on, and the three-ply beam. We ask you to come in and look at the best cultivator ever come to the town.

Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

### Red Top

The rain last Thursday night was very much help to the grain crops.

Bro. Black filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Harper Dowdy spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks.

Mises Irene Rutherford and Dema Waters, of Graham, spent Sunday with Miss Isla Rutherford.

There are several new cases of measles here this week.

Miss Emily Rhodes spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Vera Dowdy.

The musical at C. C. McBride's Saturday night was well attended and all reported a pleasant time.

Miss Rosa Dowdy has not been able to attend school this week on account of a sore eye.

Joe McGee, of Wichita is visiting relatives at this place.

Albert Harrison, of Proffitt, was visiting here Saturday night and Sunday.

Emmet Ramsey made a flying trip to Graham Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Dowdy visited Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Slater Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A. R. Rutherford visited Mrs. Chess Ramsey Monday.

Joe Johnson and daughter, Miss Jennie, were in our community Sunday.

George Walker made a business trip to Graham Tuesday.

Mrs. A. J. Graves spent Saturday night with her daughter, Mrs. W. K. McBee.

Miss Allie Reid was out to church Sunday. We are glad she is able to be out again.

Miss Eureka Slater is on the sick list this week.

### Bachelor Girl.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel very much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and paves the way for more serious diseases that so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Sloan Drug Co. (Adv.)

## Murray

We are still having winter in this part of the country. We had a nice little rain Thursday night, but not enough to make stock water which is getting very scarce in some places.

Rev. Mobley failed to fill his regular appointment here Sunday morning on account of sickness.

Mrs. Trimble, of Meyers Branch, is visiting in our neighborhood this week.

Several of our people attended a school entertainment and pie supper at Live Oak school house last Friday night. An admission fee was charged and the proceeds will go to help buy an organ for the school. A nice program was rendered after which pies were served to all present. A cake was then put up for the girl getting the largest number of votes for being the prettiest girl present. Several were nominated, but Misses Bettie Dawson and Ocie Artist received the most votes; Miss Dawson receiving 111 votes and Miss Artist 118. Every one reported a good time.

Joe Wootton visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Jewell Donnell, the little girl who was so badly burned Christmas, was worse last week, but is reported to be better at this writing and able to sit up some.

A number of our people met at the tabernacle Saturday night for the discussion of the removal of the county site. The Murray boys were given the first chance. Only a few of them spoke as they knew there were more gifted speakers present. Rev. Wilson, Messrs. Nance, Whiteley, and Shipley were present to represent Newcastle. Messrs. M. K. Graham, W. L. Chandler, Jack Fawks and Dr. Williamson represented Graham. It was decided to limit each speaker to thirty minutes and Dr. Williamson should start the discussion. He spoke twenty minutes and asked for ten minutes rejoinder. Rev. Wilson, of Newcastle, was then called to the stand, and he was followed by M. K. Graham, who interested the audience for a few minutes. Mr. Graham was followed by Mr. Shipley, of Newcastle, then Dr. Williamson was allowed his ten minutes which closed the discussion. We think Graham put up the best argument, but of course, there were some present who did not think so. They are wanting the railroad that is reported to be surveyed through here within thirty days after the election, if it goes in favor of Newcastle. They decided to meet again next Saturday night.

### Cowpuncher, Jr.

#### Lane Star

Well, Mr. Editor, as I have not seen anything from this part of the county for some time, I will try to scribble down a few dots.

The farmers are very busy preparing their ground for the 1913 crop.

J. C. Akers, Willie Akers, P. G. Cunningham and Bill Timmons took bulls to Loving last week.

Master Robert Vaughn and Ellis Langford visited Master Willie and Raymond Akers Sunday afternoon.

Miss Emma and Merrit Cunningham visited their uncle, Mr. Spain, of Ivan, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Poindexter visited Mr. Kirkland, of Ivan, Saturday and Sunday.

The road crew are certainly making some fine roads for us, which we are very proud of. I believe if the people knew what good roads we have at Lone Star they would move the court house down here.

### Bright Eyes.

Progress and prosperity go hand in hand.

## Pickwick

Mrs. J. A. Johnson received a message Friday morning that her brother, J. L. White, of Dallas, was shot and instantly killed Thursday afternoon, February 20. She and her brother, Tom White, of Graford, took the train for Dallas Saturday. Mrs. Johnson's sister was burned to death little over two years ago.

A. L. Agee and brother, Mike, had an accident this morning. The engine came uncoupled and broke the cylinder all to pieces. As it happened, Mr. Agee had just left the front of the engine, and no one was hurt. It is fortunate that it did not break in the fall, as the ginning season is about over.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Perry Nicklas, on the 12th, a boy.

Little Miss Flora Agee fell and hurt her arm on the 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun went to Gordon Tuesday evening to see Mrs. Calhoun's sister-in-law, who was very sick. Mr. Calhoun started home Wednesday evening and stopped on the way to spend the night, and received word next morning that she was dead. He taught school again Friday.

Born, recently, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laton, a boy.

Miss Maud Oliver, of Chick Bend, and Mr. Causby, of Shut Inn, were at the High Bluff Sunday School on the third Sunday.

We are informed that Messrs. George and John Weldon have bought the Longino pasture, comprising about 3700 acres, at ten dollars an acre, amounting to \$37000.

The R. A. E. Club met with Mrs. W. O. Porter, Wednesday, February 19. There were present Mesdames J. A. Johnson, E. L. Dalton, W. S. and G. S. Wester, and S. J. Tate, Misses Ina and Bessie Johnson and Grace Wester, and Dr. S. J. Tate. After having transacted the business the guests enjoyed delicious cake served by the hostess.

Tom Wester, of Whitt, is visiting his brother, Dan, at present.

### Proffitt

The Literary and Debating Society met in its second regular session Friday night and was well attended. The debating question was: Resolved, that the doctor is more beneficial to humanity than the lawyer. Both sides were well discussed and the negative side won. We want all to remember that the Society meets every two weeks. Come and visit us.

Pick Campbell and sister, Miss Willie, made a business trip to Newcastle Saturday.

H. C. Woodriddle's family have been real sick with the measles but are better now.

Henry Boyles, of Joy, Texas, has been visiting Tom Pritchett and family and, also looking after his farm. He returned home Monday.

The singing at T. P. Wilkinson's was a grand success. All who attended report a nice time.

Bora, to Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Thomas, Sunday, February 23rd, a girl.

Messrs. Roy Coffield, B. B. Ward and John Proffitt attended the Masonic Lodge here Saturday night.

H. O. Holbert and mother went to Throckmorton Wednesday on business, and also to visit Tom Black and family.

Mrs. C. A. Harmonson, of Newcastle, is visiting her daughters, Mrs. Will Dent and Mrs. Dusky Wells of this place. She has had a severe attack of asthma, but is able to be up now.

Roy Thomas came in from the R. R. to visit home folks.

Waugh Reid made a flying trip to Newcastle Saturday.

Dr. Cagle has had a severe attack of lagrippe.

Oscar Wilkinson made a pleasure trip to Throckmorton Saturday and Sunday.

The party given at C. T. Holbert's last Wednesday night in honor of Mr. Boyles, was well attended.

### The Star.

# Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

A pure, wholesome, reliable Grape Cream of Tartar Baking Powder. Improves the flavor and adds to the healthfulness of the food.

### Content

Dear Mr. Editor: As all are quite well in this corner of the county I hope The Leader is the same.

Mrs. J. E. Courtney returned from Olney where she has been nursing her sister's children who have the measles. They are on the road to recovery, we are glad to report.

Mrs. Mary Rutherford, of Olney, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Shearer.

Mr. Puffenberg passed through Content a few days ago and stayed a few days at the Miller oil well.

The oil wells were shot one day this week but we do not know how it is effecting them.

Dr. and Mrs. Miller, of California, are spending a few days in these parts.

George Snyder spent a few days this week at the Miller wells.

We are sorry to report Miss Ethel Sartain's death. Miss Ethel was one of our dear young girls loved by all who knew her. She left these parts only a short time ago and little did we dream of such a return. This writer mourns her death with her great host of friends and loved ones.

Farm work is in progress here. Most of the farmers will soon be planting corn and it cannot be too soon for we hunger for the fresh ears to go with all the chickens, we feel sure the farmers' wives are going to raise.

G. C. Shearer and Chas. Saunders went to third Monday at Newcastle.

We are surrounded by the measles, but this healthy little nook has none and they dare not molest our peaceful quarters.

The people of this community are anxious to know how the court house election goes, and the writer is no little interested in it.

We are glad to report W. L. Shearer, who has been on the sick list for some time, a little improved.

### Venus.



### THE FARMER'S FIRST AID IN SICKNESS.

WHEN there is sickness or an accident on the farm, haste in calling the doctor is vital. Life may rest on minutes—Don't wait until sickness occurs, and THEN wish you had a safe remedy. Order it NOW from our nearest manager, or write THE SOUTHWESTERN TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CO. DALLAS, TEXAS.



### Orth Items

The winter weather will surely be over soon, as I understand we are to have a County seat election. I suppose business will pick up then. Well, just let her roar I have a storm cellar.

Miss Alyne Young, of Bowie visited her aunt, Mrs. Smedley, of this place during last week, returning home Friday.

Rev. Kilpatrick, of Jean, preached at the Baptist church here on last Sunday.

Miss Fay Leberman who has been quite sick has fully recovered we are glad to say.

Messrs. Husted and Singleton made a trip to Newcastle Friday night returning Saturday.

Messrs. T. J. Routon, Geo. E. Leberman and J. N. Newman made a business trip to Fort Worth last week.

Mrs. Goggins, of True, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. W. R. Smedley.

Mrs. W. R. Smedley has been quite sick for the past two weeks, but is able to be up again and we trust she will be fully recovered soon.

Miss Mae Still has been suffering with a large boil on her cheek, but she is better.

J. T. Lowe is on the sick list this week with a very severe cold which has held him confined to his home for several days.

A. W. Jones, our accommodating R. F. D. man, accompanied by his family and sister, Miss Minta, spent the week end at Olney.

Supt. B. W. King addressed the patrons of this community at the school house on last Tuesday night. All were well pleased with his talk.

We had a nice shower on last Thursday night which was of great benefit to the grain crops, also to the farmers who haven't finished their spring plowing.

### Cowpuncher.

#### Have You Farmer!

While they last, we will sell 75 tooth drag harrows with 1-2 inch tooth for \$15.00 and 75 tooth harrows with 5-8 tooth for \$16.50. This is the best price ever offered on this size harrows.

Come early and get one while you can.

#### Norris-Johnson Hdw. Co.

### Aid Society

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church met Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the church.

The lesson was on Moses, with Mrs. Martin as leader.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. W. C. Bell, Sr., and "ask" will be the answering word. The lesson is to be a missionary one with Mrs. Stallings as leader.

Do you know that more real danger lurks in a common cold than in any other of the minor ailments? The safe way is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a thoroughly reliable preparation, and rid yourself of the cold as quickly as possible. This remedy is for sale by Sloan Drug Co. (Advertisement)

### Bundle Sorghum Hay

I have some 500 bundles of Sorghum hay that was cut with row binder seven miles west of town, on farm, for 2 cents per bundle. See Sam Fitzgerald, who has charge of my place, to get the hay.

J. H. Fisher.



## THE HISTORY OF YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS

By JUDGE P. A. MARTIN.

To the men of iron nerve and dauntless courage, who opened up the wilderness of the west and made possible the civilization we now enjoy, this series of articles is respectfully dedicated.

### CHAPTER II.

When Texas gained her independence from Mexico by force of arms and found herself a full-fledged Republic, her people were confronted with conditions of a more seriously distressing nature than that of any people under the sun. Our broad frontier was all exposed, the Mexicans and Indians on the south and the Indians on the north and west, so there was no peace for the early settlers anywhere in our vast domain.

At that time this county was the home and habitation of the wild Comanche-Indians, who claimed the hunting grounds from the Red River on the north to the Pecos and Rio Grande on the south and west and as far east as the Trinity. They were the terror, not only of the white man, but of the other weaker tribes of Indians who inhabited the new Republic.

No organized effort was put forth to conquer them, however, until the year 1840, when, during the administration of President M. B. Lamar, an act was passed providing for the organization of a "Ranger Force" of volunteers, to "dislodge the hostile Indians on the Upper Brazos River. This was the beginning of the now famous constabulary force known as the Texas Rangers, who have played an important part in the history of the State and have ever since been a bulwark of protection against savagery and crime. A small force was organized and made an expedition to this country, but the savages scattered at their approach and but little was accomplished.

In 1843 President Sam Houston, who understood the Indian better perhaps than any man in the Republic, having spent several years of his life with them, formulated a plan, which, had it been carried out, would have saved the lives of hundreds of people on the frontier. He opened negotiations looking towards a general treaty of peace with all of the wild tribes and in March 1843, sent Joseph C. Eldridge as a special commissioner, Thomas Torrey and H. P. Bee, with Indian guides and interpreters, to gather the tribes together and make a treaty with them. Houston himself was to meet the delegates and chiefs of the tribes at Bird's Fort (where Birdville, Tarrant county now stands.) The expedition sought this country over for the head chiefs of the Comanches and at last found the principal camp of the tribe on the Plains. But Houston had come and gone before they returned to Bird's Fort and the Comanches did not enter the general treaty, though the Deleware, Wacos, Tehuacanas, Tonkawas, Caddos and several others did so as a result of the expedition.

In the meantime the breach between the white settlers and the wild tribe continued to widen as the tide of immigration encroached more and more upon the hunting grounds of the savages and a bitter spirit of vengeance actuated and characterized the many wars that swept over the

February 6, 1854, Texas having now become a state of the Union, ceded to the United States, conditionally, twelve leagues of land to be used for Indian reservation purposes. One of these reservations was located

immediately south of where Graham now stands and was known as the Brazos River Indian Reserve. Another was located about fifty miles west of the Clear Fork near Fort Griffin, and the chain of forts, Fort Richardson (Jacksboro), Fort Belknap, and Fort Griffin, were occupied by the national military to keep the Indians in check and protect the settlers.

In truth and in fact the soldiers wholly failed to accomplish this purpose. They not only failed to keep the Indians on the reservations, but there were hundreds of them who were never placed on them at all, and it is really a question of much doubt whether the military in Texas ever did any good at all in dealing with the red man.

So we find that resolution after resolution was passed by the early Texas legislatures, praying the national government to remove the Indians to the Indian Territory or furnish better protection to the settlers in this country. There was a constant clash between the ranger forces of the State (aided by the settlers) and the military and Indian agents and their employers. The wily Comanches were good Indians at the agencies and the military posts, where Uncle Sam fed them bounteously and "fire-water" was to be had from illicit dealers in the "white male" and "pine top" brands of liquid refreshments but when they got into the unprotected settlements they stole everything they could lay hands on and murdered the settlers and their families by the score.

Conditions became so bad that in April, 1858, Governor Runnels sent Captain John S. Ford with one hundred rangers to operate against the Comanches. He came to the Brazos reservation where he was joined by Captain S. P. Ross with a hundred friendly Indians, mostly Tonkawas, and they marched north to the Little Wichita river where they successfully attacked and routed the Comanches, killing seventy-six and losing only one ranger and one Waco Indian. They captured Noh-po the little son of the Comanche chief, Iron Jacket, who was taken back to Waco and reared in the Ross family, and accompanied the late Governor L. S. Ross when he entered the Confederate service in the Civil war. Ford's expedition produced good fruit for a time, but in the following year, 1859, several collisions took place between the Indians and the settlers in Young and adjoining counties and Captain J. R. Baylor organized a force of citizens from north and west Texas, some from as far east as Collin county, and repaired to the Brazos reservation, in this county, bent upon the recovery of stolen property and vengeance for other depredations. The Indian Agent, Major Neighbors, applied for military assistance and two companies of U. S. soldiers were ordered to the agency to protect the "government pets," as the settlers called them. Baylor's men were fired upon from the hills as they marched through the reservation and for a time there was a prospect of a serious conflict, but wiser counsels prevailed and Baylor and his men, unwilling to fight both Indians and soldiers, returned to their homes and reported the facts as they had found them to Governor Runnels, who ap-

pointed George B. Erath, Richard Coke, John Henry Brown, Joseph Smith and Dr. J. M. Steiner to visit the Brazos agency and investigate conditions and report to him. They visited the agency and conferred with the settlers and reported such a serious condition of affairs that the Governor sent Captain John Henry Brown with a hundred men to guard both agencies until the Indians were removed, a step which the government had decided at last to take. So, in August, 1859, Major George H. Thomas, (afterwards a Major-general in the U. S. army), with an escort of some three hundred troops, conducted the Indians to their future homes in the Indian Territory. Brown, with his Texas followers in the rear to guard against straggling and his whole party were taken to Fort Cobb. On his return to Texas, Major Neighbors was murdered at Belknap by some one concealed in the brush. His slayer was never arrested and it was never known who fired the fatal shot. Neighbors was so cordially hated by the settlers however, that it is probable that no very strenuous effort was made to capture and convict his slayer. Thus it was that Texas got rid of the Indian and thus it was that the general government undertook to provide for him and keep him segregated from the whites. How poorly this duty was performed will be told in the future chapters of this work.

Note: The Author acknowledges the receipt of much of the information contained in this chapter from the pages of John Henry Brown's Texas History.

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Our new Refrigerator, Meat Slicing Machine and Glass Tubs containing Relishes, Pickles, Chow Chow, etc., are sanitary.

Come in and see us. We treat our customers right.

### Dallas Entertains Saddle Dealers

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—According to a report recently issued by the Federal Department of Commerce and Labor, Dallas, Texas, ranks first of all other cities in the United States in the manufacture of saddlery and harness. Dallas leads the world in this industry. The next convention of the Southwestern Retail Saddlery and Harness Makers will meet here February 11, 12 and 13th and delegates from all States in the Union are expected to attend.

**No Need to Stop Work**  
When the doctor orders you to stop work it staggers you. I can't you say. You know you are weak, run down and falling in health day by day, but you must work as long as you can stand. What you need is Electric Bitters to give tone, strength and vigor to your system, to prevent break down and build you up. Don't be weak, sickly or ailing when Electric Bitters will benefit you from the first dose. Thousands bless them for their glorious health and strength. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50c at all druggists. (Advertisement)

The divorce question is up for consideration by the State Legislature, and if the measure now proposed carries, Texas will not offer inducements to a "divorce colony" Representative R. L. Templeton has introduced a bill making it hard to procure a divorce and still harder for the divorced person to re-marry.

The Supreme Court in a recent ruling held that the home rule of cities amendment to the State Constitution was legally submitted at the general election on Nov. 5th, 1912. Now that the amendment has been passed upon by the Supreme Court the Legislature will probably pass an enabling act defining the owners of cities and towns as to the procedure in charter elections.

### Agricultural Train.

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 25.—Livestock and banking interests of Fort Worth were well represented on the Rock Island Kaffir Corn-Milo Maize Special which left here recently for an eight day tour of the Panhandle. The bankers who accompanied the train were Ben O. Smith, President Farmers and Mechanics Bank and John N. Sparks, President of the Stockyards National Bank. The Stockyards Company was represented by C. C. French, Armour and Company by E. J. Hosey head of the hog department and Swift and Company by R. J. Hammann. A number of the commission companies and other business enterprises in the city also sent representatives.

The object of the train is to show the farmer the advantages of kaffir corn and milo maize as feed crops for cattle and hogs in Texas. A circular letter sent to all bankers and livestock men in the Panhandle, by the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, fully sets forth the objects of the train and urges a full attendance at all stopping points en route.

**Are You a Cold Sufferer?**  
Take Dr. King's New Discovery. The Best Cough, Cold, Throat and Lung medicine made. Money refunded if it fails to cure you. Do not hesitate—take it at our risk. First dose helps. J. R. Wells, Floydada, Texas, writes: Dr. King's New Discovery cured my terrible cough and cold. I gained 15 pounds. Buy it at all druggists. (Advertisement)

Governor Colquitt has sent in his list of appointments for the next two years to the Senate for confirmation. Notable among the appointments are J. T. Bowman, Private Secretary to the Governor; John L. Wortham, Secretary of State; Commissioner of Insurance and Banking, B. L. Gil; State Health Officer, Dr. Ralph Steiner; and Adjutant General, Henry B. Hutchings.

### Activity Shown in Interurban

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 25.—A record kept by the Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association on interurban railroad construction in Texas during the year 1912, shows that this class of transportation led its rivals by a wide margin in percentage of growth during the year, having constructed and placed in operation 85 miles of new line and graded an additional 143 miles. The new interurban projects now under course of construction aggregate 445 miles and we now have in operation in the State 277 miles.

One mile of interurban line was built to every two miles of steel rail laid on steam roads in Texas in 1912, and our interurban mileage increased 214 per cent compared with an increase of one percent in steam line mileage during the year. In 1911 there were 10 miles of steam railway built to each mile of interurban. Sixty-three miles of the interurban constructed during the past year was in north Texas while 22 miles was in the southern part of the State. Two hundred and twenty-eight miles of additional interurban lines are under construction in south Texas and 217 miles in north Texas.

Texas has one mile of interurban to every 5.1-2 miles of railroad and 14,500 people to every mile of interurban line.

**Plenty of Money to Loan.**  
We can loan you any amount of money, from \$200 up to \$10,000. REMEMBER, we do our own inspecting; don't have to wait two or three months for an inspector to come from a distant city. You get your money at once, NO EXPENSE.

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Longview.—The finishing touches are being placed on the Baptist Church here. The structure will cost about \$50,000 when completed.



"Another Cup, Please—I Can't Resist"  
—everybody wants more—just as surely as you offer, more is the answer—if the offering is

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The very aroma is thick with deliciousness—a promise that the taste of the coffee itself more than fulfills.

Every reason to drink it—every reason to buy it—full flavor, full strength, full quality—full weight. A conscientious package of conscientiously selected, roasted and packed coffee.

Ask your grocer—he will compliment your selection.

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### Practical Help for Farmers.

In a recent speech made in the United States Senate, Senator Gronna of North Dakota, said:

"It is not true that there is a shortage of farm products in this country; it is not true that the high cost of living is due to the high cost of agricultural products. In my town we have as good a market as can be found anywhere in the western country, and yet last fall we were compelled to sell our wheat as low as 67 cents per bushel; we had to sell our oats at 20 cents per bushel; we received from 30 to 32 cents for barley, and I presume that those who drink beer pay the same price as heretofore to those patriotic brewers who were here about a year ago and who were making such clamor all over the country against the high cost of living. I suppose that they are receiving the same amount for their beer now that they did when they paid \$1.54 per bushel for barley."

"If you want to help the farmer, if you want to help the people of the country, do something for them that will aid distribution. If those of you who living in the cities and are complaining because of the high cost of living will help us to devise some method whereby we can distribute all this immense amount of products that are now going to waste, you will be benefitted you will get your products at a lower cost, and the farmer will get a fair and reasonable price for the products of his labor."

All of which is worthy of consideration. There can be no doubt but that there is too wide a difference between the price of products on the farm and their cost to the ultimate consumer. Also we know that improper methods of distribution result in a wasteful surplus as some points, while there is a market craving these products elsewhere. A government bureau of market reports and the distribution of information by the government means that the needed link will connect producer with consumer; crops will automatically flow to the point where most needed and equal distribution will result in that strange anomaly of assured profit for the farmer, while the cost of living is materially reduced.

Longview—The city council has decided to sink an artesian well to the depth of 2500 feet for the purpose of improving the city's water supply.

Jacksboro—New engines are being installed in the plant of the Jacksboro Ice and Power Company. As soon as installed the lighting facilities of the city will be greatly increased.

Belton—According to the reports of the tax collector's office, there are 402 automobiles in Bell county. These are distributed as follows: Temple 124, Bartlett 46, Belton 44, Rogers 40, Holland 29, Killen 25, Troy 19, Cenaville 9, Heimerheimer 7, Salado 10, Moody 6, Pendleton 5, Prairie Dell 3, Sparta 5, Maffet 5, Nolanville 2, Summers 2, Eddy 2, Bell Falls 2, Youngsport 1, Bland 1 and Jarrett 1.

### Texas Coming to Front

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25—Texas ranks first among the States of the Union in the bee-keeping industry, according to the report of the Thirteenth Federal Census recently issued. The actual production in 1910 was 3,093,097 pounds of honey, valued at \$308,488, and 58,402 pounds of wax, valued at \$14,310 or a total valuation of \$322,798 for the product.

The average yield per colony for the State of Texas was 25 to 30 pounds of comb honey and 40 to 50 pounds of extracted honey, the former bringing the producer from 15 to 25 cents per pound when sold directly to the consumer. The quality and flavor of the Texas honey produced in 1909 was unexcelled and the last decade shows a great expansion and marked improvement in all phases of the industry in the Lone Star State. About nine farms in every hundred reported bees in 1910, but during the last two years this average has been increased as the tendency of all apiarists has been to keep more bees and for others to engage in the industry.

The following races of bees are found in Texas: Italian, Black, Cyprian, Palestine, Caribian, Banat and Caucasian.

Bees-wax is a valuable by-product of the apiary, bringing 20 to 30 cents per pound to the producer.

There is no better medicine made for colds than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions, aids expectoration and restores the system to a healthy condition. For sale by Sloan Drug Co. (Advertisement)

Greenville—The Commercial National Bank of this city has received notice from the Comptroller of Currency that its application to increase its capitalization from \$100,000 to \$150,000 has been approved.

Childress—According to the latest census taken by a directory company, Childress has a population of 4,171.

Conroe—H. C. Addison is having a two-story brick building erected for store purposes. It will be 40 by 130 feet and will cost \$10,000. This will make 21 brick buildings in Conroe, 18 of which have been erected in the last eighteen months.

### Texas Dairy Industry Growing

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25—While the dairying industry in Texas shows substantial growth in the report of the thirteenth federal census recently issued over the census of 1899, this industry is still in its infancy in the Lone Star State and offers opportunity in its development.

There were 268,684 farms in Texas reporting dairy products in 1909 valued at \$15,679,924. 260,032 farms reported producing 197,040,000 gallons of milk in 1909 there being 833,000 dairy cows on these farms on April 15, 1910. The average per cow was 237 gallons of milk while the value of dairy products per farm reporting in 1909 was \$58.35.

The cream sold in 1909, was 452,072 gallons while in 1899 there was 35,406 gallons of cream sold, showing an increase of 405,666 gallons. The last census shows 1,247,618 pounds of butter fat sold while the twelfth census did not make any report on this product. There was 64,924 pounds of butter, and 194,910 pounds of cheese produced in Texas in 1899. Of the quantity of butter produced 12,441,021 pounds were sold while of the total amount of cheese produced 63,700 pounds were sold.

Fred W. Fay, living out east of town, was in Graham on business last Saturday and remembered The Leader in a nice, substantial manner. He says his sons, who have been in Oregon and Washington are now at home and will remain with him this summer and they have all gone to farming in earnest. Mr. Fay has been renting, most of his land heretofore, but with his boys, he expects to tend it all this year.

Galveston—Bids have been asked for the construction of four highway swing bridges over the inland waterway between the Brazos River and Matagorda Bay. Under the terms, three of the bridges are to be completed in three and a half months after contract is approved and one in one and a half months.

### Cracked Cake Meal and Hulls.

We have only a limited quantity of cracked meal and hulls on hand and those who wish to purchase will please see us at once. We wish to supply our local trade, before shipping our

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## SELECT YOUR SPRING CLOTHES NOW

The Springtime will soon be here and you are thinking of what you will wear this Spring. If you want to decide the matter with little trouble, come in and look over our big line of samples.

TWO LOTS OF 500 SAMPLES EACH IN THE SWARTZ LINE

FIFTY TWO-SQUARE YARD ENDS

TWO LARGE SAMPLE BOOKS

AMERICAN LADIES' TAILORING COMPANY'S SAMPLES

This is positively the largest line of samples for Tailor-made clothes ever shown in Graham, and you are sure to get the fabric, weave and pattern that will please you.

### MEN'S CLOTHES

Our men's clothes are tailored to fit each individual purchaser—no hit and miss proposition with us. You'll get a fit if we take your measure, and the quality of the goods is the best that can be had for the price.

SUITS, \$15.00 UP

### LADIES' COAT SUITS A SPECIALTY

If you want a nice Coat Suit for Spring wear, look at our superb line of samples from the American Ladies' Tailoring Company. There's something here that will surely please you and we guarantee a correct fit.

If not convenient for you to call in and see the samples, we will be pleased to send the sample book to your home, from which you can make your selections.

### CLEANING, PRESSING AND ALTERING DEPARTMENT

We have the only steam presser in this part of the State and all work turned out by us for both men and women is guaranteed absolutely first-class. Phone us to come and get your next work. We have a closed delivery wagon, which insures your clothes being delivered to you without getting full of dust and dirt on the way.

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## MONEY TO LOAN

At a low rate of interest, without expense on farms, ranches and Vendor Lien notes. All loans closed promptly as in most cases do my own inspecting, so if you are in need of money at 8%, bring your abstract and other land papers and come to see me at once or phone or write me at Graham. I represent companies that loan their own money and are able to carry you during hard years. We can loan in Young, Archer, Baylor, Throckmorton and Stephens counties.

### BIG LOANS A SPECIALTY

E. C. STOVALL, Graham, Texas

Yoakum—Fire losses in 1912 in this city were the lowest ever recorded here being only \$3,360 or a trifle over 55 cents per capita on a population of 6,000.

Albany—Up to the present date a local pecan grower has shipped 367,216 pounds of pecans, and he is still shipping. The prices ranged from 12 to 17 1/2 cents a pound.

Anahuac—The contract has been let for the building of the bulkhead for the lock and dam on the Trinity river. The work will cost \$59,800. The water will be utilized for irrigation purposes.

Orange—Grading work on the Orange Northeastern Railroad has started. Six miles of grade from Vinton, Louisiana, to a point connecting with the Gulf Sabine and Red River Railroad has been completed.

When the bowels become irregular you are uncomfortable and the longer this condition exists the worse you feel. You can get rid of this misery quickly by using HERBINE. Take a dose on going to bed and see how fine you feel next day. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. (Advertisement)

Marshall—The Marshall Mfg. Co. of this city, which is the largest exclusive basket factory in the South, produced over two million baskets during 1912. Practically the entire output of the plant was consumed in Texas.

Cuero—The key rate for this town has been lowered to 37 cents making a saving of about \$3.80 per \$1,000 in insurance. The reduction was made because of the laying of the large mains and the offer of a reward for the conviction of any person for arson.

Denton—From reports received here the wheat crop throughout the county is looking fine. The recent rains have given the ground a good soaking. The wheat which was thought to be in bad condition has come up and is green. The warm weather has also been a great aid to the wheat.

A child that has intestinal worms is handicapped in its growth. A few doses of WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE destroys and expels worms; the child immediately improves and thrives wonderfully. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. (Advertisement)

Alpine—Business men are considering a plan to finance a co-operative telephone exchange for this city.

Fort Stockton—The Orient Railroad has placed orders for six new combination baggage and mail cars and for ten passenger cars to be put in service over its line out of this city.

Newton—The Houston Oil Company has announced that it will establish an experimental farm on its lands south of Kirbyville this spring, to demonstrate what can be raised after the lumber has been cut off the land.

Waco—Local baseball fans are making great preparations for the welcoming of the St. Louis Browns who are expected to arrive here to begin their annual training for the season. Cotton Palace Park, the home of the Browns is being placed in excellent condition.

CLEANEASY NAPHTHOLENE Laundry soap saves your time, your strength, your clothes and your money. Use in hard or soft, hot or cold water. At all live grocers, 5c.

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## In the Realm of Society

### C. L. E. C.

The Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle met Wednesday afternoon, February 19, at the home of Mrs. E. W. Fry. The president being absent, the vice-president, Mrs. Hudson, presided. Members responded to roll call by telling something about the origin and way of celebrating St. Valentine's Day. In business session, Mrs. Miller was unanimously elected to associate membership. The following program was carried out: Mrs. J. T. Rickman gave us a charming piano number, "Lily Dale"; The paper on the lesson, "The Great Century the Seventeenth" by Mrs. Rose, showed a thorough mastery of the subject, she gave so well and so interestingly the condition of France during this century.

After a review of the lesson, the Circle adjourned to meet again the following Wednesday.

Mrs. E. W. Fry,  
Reporter pro tem.

### Will Trade Auto.

I will trade Buick auto for young horses.  
R. Barnett,  
Ranger, Texas.

### Priscilla Club.

Mrs. E. C. Stovall was the charming hostess for the Priscilla's this week. Eleven of the members enjoyed her hospitality. This being a business meeting, no visitors were present.

The usual nimble fingers, busy with something to adorn the person or home, and merry voices and laughter soon passed the hours away, till only too soon it was time to leave.

Mrs. Will Norman in her pleasant way gave some piano numbers.

After a short business meeting, the two new members were added to the Club, Mesdames Crabb and A. B. Eddleman. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Bowman.

### Surprise Your Friends

For our weeks regularly use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They stimulate the liver, improve digestion, remove blood impurities, pimples and eruptions disappear from your face and body and you feel better. Begin at once. But at all druggists. (Advertisement)

### China Anniversary Celebration.

On Friday afternoon, February 21st, a very few of Mrs. H. L. Morrison's friends were invited to spend the afternoon and bring their needle work. Some of these found out that it had been just twenty years before this that this hospitable lady was a bride, so a few appropriate little remembrances in china were brought.

After spending the time most pleasantly while fingers flew busily, we were invited into the dining room and seated around the table which was loaded with many good things the preparation of which showed a master hand. The table was set entirely with china and was indeed pretty with its centre decoration of natural flowers. After doing full justice to the sumptuous repast, all heartily wished the hostess many happy returns and hoped they would again be present.

### A Guest.

### Seed! Seed! Seed!!!

I have opened a first class seed store. All seed handled have been re-cleaned and are fresh. There is in stock now, seed corn, Berghum, Makee, Kaffir and Millet. Also have feed in connection. It will pay you to figure with me before buying your seed. Wholesale and retail.

W. L. Howry,  
Old Finch Building, Northwest corner of square, Graham, Texas

### Literary Club

On last Wednesday afternoon, February 26, occurred another delightful social meeting of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, at the residence of Mrs. E. W. Fry, who was assisted in entertaining by Mesdames Rose and Akin the two preceding hostesses of the Club. Mrs. Gaines B. Hall was programmed to be one of the hostesses, but was out of town.

The rainy afternoon presaged a small attendance, nevertheless a fair percent of the membership reported at roll call, with interesting current news of the world. Mrs. Gallaher, the president, was welcomed by the Club, after an absence of several weeks, and directed a program full of interest to every lover of art and literature. Mrs. Rose sang in her usual pleasing manner the happy number, "At Parting," by Rogers, and "Since We Parted" by Addison. The lesson for the afternoon was chosen from "Mornings with Masters of Art" two interesting chapters engrossing the attention for the hour. "The Contribution of Pisa" was the subject of a well prepared paper by Mrs. Rickman, and "Ghiberti, the Painter in Bronze" offered much useful and entertaining information concerning the art of sculpture. Mrs. Gallaher conducted the Table Talk. Mrs. J. W. Akin gave a delightful reading, "The Girl I Love" by Riley, responding at encore with the laughable "Saying Good-bye."

An appetizing nut salad was served with brown bread sandwiches and hot chocolate.

Invited guests for this pleasant affair were Mesdames Crawford, W. H. Vaughan, N. S. Farmer, R. E. Mabry, J. H. Rubenkoenig, H. P. Miller and Miss Akin.

Mrs. Miller has recently been made an associate member of this interesting Club.

### For Lease.

My Young County ranch, known as Drummond Farm and ranch, containing 4238 acres, 250 of which is in cultivation, twelve miles west of Graham, all fences in fair repair, good six room two-story stone dwelling, with large barn and tenant houses for the farmers. Water in all the pastures, fine crop of last year's grass.

Possession can be given at once. Ed Parsons, tax collector, will show the property to anyone who wishes to lease.

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### Ladies Aid Society.

The Ladies Aid and Missionary Society, of the Presbyterian church, met on Thursday, February 20th, with Mrs. A. A. Morrison. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Hallam, Mrs. McJimsey conducted a short devotional service. Roll call was made interesting with bits of news from the different fields. Mrs. McJimsey then took charge of the lesson on Home Missions, all present taking part in the reading and discussion. One article was from Lewis Cunningham well known to many in this vicinity, who is now laboring in the far west.

All felt well repaid for going out on the bad afternoon and the society felt in good spirits over the good attendance.

Mrs. McJimsey will be the next hostess, when "everlasting" is the key word.

### Reporter pro tem.

WANTED—To correspond with retiring business men, school teachers and others who have some spare time to devote to a very profitable business in which no investment of capital is necessary.—E. P. Greenwood, Box 1023, Wichita Falls, Texas.

# NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY GROCERIES CHEAP FOR CASH

We are making some very low prices on Staple Groceries. We have just unloaded a car of pure Soft Wheat Missouri Flour, every sack guaranteed or money back, which we are selling at a price to meet all competition. We carry no "cheap John" Groceries, but if you want good goods at reasonable prices we have them.

We give below some of our bargains:

Pure Soft Wheat Majesty Flour, no better made	\$2.80 per cwt.
Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup	60c per gal.
5 pounds good Bulk Coffee	\$1.00
5-pound Bucket Coffee, with cup and saucer	\$1.00
Fancy Greely Colorado Potatoes	\$1.00 per bu.
6 packages Soda	25c
Velva Syrup	65c per gal.
3-pound Wapco Tomatoes	10c per can
12 cans Wapco Corn	\$1.00
White Swan Corn	12½c per can
18 pound best Granulated Sugar	\$1.00
25-pound sack Granulated Sugar	\$1.30
White Pearl Meal	60c per sack
Pure Corn Chops	\$1.30 per cwt.
Mill Run Bran	\$1.35 per cwt.

We have many other bargains which we have not space to mention. We want your trade and have the goods and prices to get it. Remember we give honest weights and measures and guarantee everything we sell. If not satisfied you get your money back.

## GRAVES & WARD

### Don't Let Your Opportunity Slip

"One day when President Cleveland was called upon for some extra work, he asked the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General to send a good stenographer up to the White House. The Fourth Assistant Postmaster General returned to his office and sent up George B. Cortelyou—because he was on the job and he had shown he could do the thing right."

There are no boundaries and no barriers to the young man or young woman who has a practical working knowledge of shorthand and Typewriting. Wherever people live and wherever the United States mail penetrates, there are opportunities awaiting the Stenographer—either young man or young woman. It is no longer a question of securing a position if you are a stenographer. The position awaits you if you are "on the job" and can show that you can "do the right thing" when "opportunity knocks at your door." No business college receives more calls for its graduates than the Bowie Commercial College does, and not one of its graduates ever failed to "make good."

Visitors are always welcome. Students are enrolled at any time. School is in session the entire year. Backward students are given private help. There are no entrance examinations. One student is not held back for another. Our scholarships are unlimited. If interested in your future, write us.

BOWIE COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, Bowie, Texas.

"There is no calamity like ignorance."

We can make you a loan on land for 5 or 7 years time or we can make you a loan payable 1, 2, 3 and 5 years. See C. W. Hinson, Graham, Texas.



Mrs. Hortense Ward

Austin, Texas, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Hortense Ward, of Houston, is asking the Legislature to pass a law giving married women contractual rights. The proposed measure has the endorsement of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. Similar legislation has been placed on the statute books of many states. The Texas homestead law was the first of its kind in the world and was enacted primarily to protect wives against the business recklessness of husbands, and the women now ask that the principle involved be expanded and extended to all property.

There are other important measures before the legislature of exclusive interest to women. A bill granting the right of suffrage to women has a favorable committee report in the House, and the struggle for the keys to the Alamo is always exclusively a ladies' affair.

The women do not lobby; they "appeal to reason," but they are much more successful in promoting legislation than men. This session of the Legislature has witnessed more women appearing before committees than that of any assembly in the history of Texas law making.

Lytle—The Medina Valley Irrigation Company is setting out a pecan orchard of 1,000 acres on its land near this city. This is said to be the largest pecan orchard in the world. Twenty-seven trees are being planted to the acre and the grove is divided into four tracts of 250 acres each.

Texarcana—Former Mayor DeLoach had sixteen votes more than his nearest competitor in the recent postmaster primary held here. Senator Sheppard says he will support the choice of the primary.

El Paso—The actual work of construction on the El Paso-Ysleta Interurban has been started. Work will be rushed to completion and the total cost of road will be \$236,000.

Gainesville—If the plans of a Minnesota taxidermist, who is here, are carried out, this city will soon boast of one of the few skunk farms and the fur will be shipped throughout the country.



Chester H. Terrell

Austin, Texas, Feb. 26.—Hon. Chester H. Terrell, Speaker of the House, took the floor last week and plead with the members to lay aside their differences and transact the State's business.

The cost of running the Legislature approximates \$1500 per day, and much time during the present session has been wasted in factional strife and useless investigations.

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Jno. W. Woods

Austin, Texas, Feb. 26—Hon. Jno. W. Woods, representing the 121st District in the Lower House has introduced a bill providing for compulsory education of children between the ages of 8 and 14 years. The Legislature is giving preferred attention to educational matters and some of the strongest members of the Legislature are on the committees dealing with educational subjects.

Many interesting statistics and instructive comparisons have been presented by Mr. Woods, who is authority on educational matters as well as an earnest friend of the children. Only 65 per cent of our scholastic population is enrolled in school, and the average schooling now received by each child in Texas, is 55 days per annum. The bill provides one hundred and twenty days schooling per annum for each child, but school trustees are permitted to reduce the compulsory attendance to 72 days if they see proper. In California the average number of days schooling each child receives is 97 and the expenditure per capita of average attendance is \$59.01 against \$18.55 in Texas.

The passage of the bill will result in practically doubling the school attendance in this State.

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Cuero—The South Texas Wholesale Grocer's Association will hold its next meeting in this city April 12.

Richmond—The First National Bank of Richmond, with a capital stock of \$50,000 will soon open for business. This makes Richmond's second financial institution.

Mercedes—The Mercedes Enterprise has just moved its new home. An order has also been placed for a big cylinder press with a folder capable of meeting the requirements of a city of 15,000 inhabitants.

San Antonio—The first number of the Southern Truck Growers' Journal was issued under date of February 5, from this city. The Journal is designated as the official publication of the Southern Truck Growers' Association and is edited by Chester T. Crowell recently editor of the Austin Statesman.

Midland—Scarbauer Brothers, owners of the famous Lone Star herd of Hereford cattle have contracted with Fred Lech to take the entire calf production of 700 high class Hereford cows during the next three years.

Trenton—A new state bank is to open here within a few days with a capital of \$25,000.

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San Antonio—Plans are on foot in this city, for the erection of a new \$250,000 cold storage plant. Construction is contemplated to start within the next few days.

San Angelo—C. W. Hobbs, a wool commission merchant proposes to build a \$15,000 warehouse to be absolutely fireproof for the storage of wool.

Sherman—The school board has purchased a lot paying \$9,000 for it in North Sherman. It is the intention to build another ward school on this property. An annex to the high school is also contemplated.

Hillsboro—Five acres near the Katy tracks have been purchased by a company which will erect a new gin here. It will be a 20 stand plant and cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

Palestine—At a mass meeting of the voters of this county, it was resolved that a bond issue of \$150,000 was needed to rebuild the county courthouse and the commissioner's court will be petitioned to order the election.

Granger—The Business Men's League at a meeting, recently held, adopted resolutions to encourage a trade day in this city and to circulate a petition for a new modern brick depot here.

Wichita Falls—A farmer near here has an irrigated farm from which he expects to gather 10,000 pounds of onions from the acre, an increased production of over 60 per cent over the ordinary methods of cultivation.

Victoria—According to a local statistician Victoria has the oldest literary society in the entire State of Texas.

Brownsville—A big land deal was consummated near this city in which 3,000 acres located in Cameron county changed hands for a consideration of \$100,000. W. E. Stewart, of Laferia, is the new owner.

Lytle—A new State Bank is being organized in this city. It is to be capitalized at \$25,000 and will take advantage of the State guaranty fund law. Eighteen thousand dollars of the stock has already been subscribed.

Mission—Work has been started upon the construction of the \$75,000 water, ice and light plant for this city and it is expected that the plant will be in operation in time to handle this summer's trade.

Wichita Falls—The Chamber of Commerce at a recent meeting took steps for the organization of a \$50,000 stock company for the purpose of holding an annual inter-state fair here.

Amarillo—The contract has been awarded for the erection of a new theater here. C. D. Anding is to have the new building in charge and promises some extra fine attractions when completed.

Port Arthur—Dr. H. B. Ferrell, the government expert, who has been conducting investigations here reports that he has been unable to find any indications of hookworm in this vicinity.

San Antonio—The contract for the building of St. John's Orphanage to replace the one destroyed by fire has been let. It calls for an amount slightly under \$175,000 and the buildings are to be modern and fireproof in every respect.

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