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DISTRICT COURT MEETS SEPT. 1

Grand Jury Will Have Plenty of Work Investigating Numerous Charges.

20 FELONIES TO CONSIDER

Three Cases of Assault With Intent to Murder Being Among the Number.

District court will convene in Graham the first Monday in September, which is the first day of the month. At the last term of court there was very little on the docket and both the district judge and district attorney had little to do, but at this term they will not get so lightly.

Among the charges that will come before the grand jury for investigation will be three for seduction, three for assault with intent to murder, six for burglary, two for the illegal selling of intoxicating liquor, two for theft, two for theft of cattle, two for perjury and two for arson. If indictments are found in all these cases and they are disposed of at this term of court it will keep the court grinding steadily to finish up in the allotted time.

The county attorney and sheriff's departments have been busy since the last term of the district court, letting but little escape them in the way of crime.

How to Kill a Town.

The following directions for killing a town are warranted to do the work quickly, thoroughly and effectually:

Buy of peddlers as much and as often as possible.

Denounce your merchants because they make a profit on their goods.

Make your own town a very bad place and stab it every chance you get.

Refuse to unite in any scheme for the betterment of the material interests of the people.

Keep every cent you get and don't do anything of a public nature unless you can make something out of it directly.

Tell your merchants that you can buy goods a great deal cheaper in another town, and charge them with extortion.

If a stranger comes to your town tell him that everything is overdone and predict a general crash in the near future.

Knife every man who disagrees with you on the best methods of increasing business.

Curse the town you trade in as the meanest place on earth. Talk this to your neighbors and make them think that the business men are robbers and thieves. It will make your property much less valuable, but then you don't care for that.—Graford Herald.

Presbyterian Ladies' Aid.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Rubenkoenig on Thursday last, Mrs. Garrett presiding in the absence of the president. The lesson was an interesting one on our work among the Indians, who have shown in themselves the possibility of becoming desirable citizens. One third of the Indians of America now reside in Oklahoma. The name means literally "the land of the red man."

Our next meeting will be with Mrs. Akin, using the word "Jehovah" for roll call.

Our hostess served delicious fruit punch.

Mail Order Competition.

Although realizing that the big mail order houses of the country take hundreds or thousands of dollars of trade each year, many country merchants sit back complacently and let the business go to their out-of-town competitors without making a move to offset it. Some of these merchants do not realize that they can compete successfully with mail order concerns, while others simply take it as a matter of course.

How a small town merchant successfully combated the efforts of the big mail order houses to get his trade was told the other day by the New York manager of one of the biggest concerns in the business.

Hearing a great deal of comment among his customers about the offering of a prominent catalogue house, this merchant got a catalog of the concern and advertised that he would place orders with that house for his trade without charge. One of his first customers for the rival house was a woman who ordered a shirtwaist priced at \$1.29. On delivery of the waist at his store the merchant called in the customer and then took from his stock a similar waist, better made, that he sold regularly for \$1.25.

While the cost difference was small, the woman recognized the difference in values at once and afterward bought at home. Other cases of this kind, according to Mr. Fish, resulted in a material increase in the merchant's trade, and also helped other dealers of the town.

Mail order houses have built up their business through judicious advertising, and the merchant who freely uses the columns of his local paper will soon find that he is suffering very little from out-of-town competition.

New Road to Graham

S. G. Awaft was in town Tuesday to get material with which to finish the five culverts on the new Graham road. He said they expected to get the culverts all in by Thursday and that all that is lacking is the cutting of the timber.

Quite a good deal of the timber has already been removed and with a little special effort the road could be opened for travel in a short time. This road was started most a year ago and should have been finished long before now. Now let us not wait until cotton picking time, like was done last year, and fail to get the road in shape for travel. It means a great deal to Jermyn's prosperity this coming fall.

The commissioners court was applied to for an overseer for this road several months ago, though we are unable to learn whether one was appointed, and presume not, as those living on the road do not know of it. Those who have most to do with this road should make it their business to further the work on same.—Jermyn News.

W. N. Phariss of Lower Tonk was in the city on business Monday, and to show the results of farming in Young county in a year that people call dry. Mr. Phariss brought in two ears of corn that weighed two pounds, stating that he had ten acres of such corn that would easily yield twenty-five bushels to the acre. While this is not a fair yield by any means, it shows that corn can be grown in this county, even in dry years. The corn was of the bloody butcher and big white varieties.

ENGINE WRECKED ON ROCK ISLAND

Early Friday morning the passenger engine on the Rock Island was run off the dump at the end of the track by the night watchman. He was getting the engine ready for the day's run and started down to the water tank with it, but upon reaching that point could not stop it as the air brakes failed to work.

The passenger coaches were attached to the engine and in them were some of the railroad employees, sound asleep. When the watchman discovered that he could not stop the engine, he hiked back over the tender and into the cars to wake them up. It is said the boys quit the train in their pajamas, landing in a big patch of grass burrs with bare feet.

The train continued down the track, the engine ran off the end of the dump, breaking off the cow catcher and doing some other minor damage. The tender and cars remained on the track and were not damaged. The engine was placed back on the track Monday morning and taken to Ft. Worth for repairs.

Doctor's Certificate of Own Death Held Valid.

Bloomington, Ind., Aug. 10.—A legal question as to whether a physician can sign his own death certificate has been decided by Coroner Harris, who says the certificate signed Monday evening by Dr. Alfred Helton of Paynetown, twelve miles east of Bloomington, five minutes before he died, will hold good. Dr. Helton, who was 62 years old, predicted eight weeks ago that he would die within three months. He was in Bloomington Monday, apparently in good health, but was stricken with heart failure when he returned home late in the afternoon.

He rallied a few minutes before he died and, calling for a physician's certificate, filled out his own death certificate, giving the cause of death and all other data called for on the blank. He also wrote a note to the coroner asking that the certificate be held valid and that no inquest be held. Under the law, unless a certificate filled out by the physician in charge is filed, the coroner must hold an inquest. The law does not specify that the physician in charge shall be alive when the certificate is filed.—Ft. Worth Record.

Another Wilson Plan.

Luke Wilson, a well known Texas and Oklahoma cattleman, has evolved a new scheme for the federal government to assist the farmers who are in financial distress.

Depositors in postal savings depositories are paid 3 per cent by the government. Mr. Wilson would have the powers that be reloan this money to farmers at 5 per cent.

He regards land securities as gilt edged at all times and insists that it would be a great boon to the farmers and that the government would be making the best possible investment of the postal savings deposits.

The Record, which is printed for all the people, gives publicity to this latest plan for the assistance of small land owners who become involved, or large land owners who need money for necessary improvements.—Ft. Worth Record.

JOHN CRUTCHFIELD RECEIVES PARDON

Telegram Received Last Week Announces Unconditional Pardon.

SPENT 6 MONTHS IN PRISON

Was Sentenced for Ten Years for Killing Brother, But Doubt Existed as to Guilt.

John Crutchfield, who was sent to the penitentiary from this place on February 7, 1913, received an unconditional pardon last week.

Mr. Crutchfield was convicted in the September (1911) term of the District Court for killing his brother at Newcastle in March of that year. An appeal was taken and fourteen months after the trial the Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the verdict of the lower Court.

On January 28, 1913, Mr. Crutchfield was re-arrested and placed in the Young county jail, and turned over to the penitentiary agent on February 7.

Immediately after his departure his wife circulated a petition in behalf of a pardon for him, which was signed by the judge and jury who convicted him and several hundred citizens of this locality, many of whom doubted whether he was guilty of the crime for which he was convicted.

Mr. Crutchfield served about six months of his sentence, and at the time this is written (Tuesday) had not yet arrived at home but was expected at any time.

Sunday School Rally and Educational Program.

We are expecting August 24th and 25th to be great days with the First Baptist Church of Graham. The pastor has just heard from all of the out of town speakers who are to be on the program and all of them will be present.

Deacon Wolfe of Dallas will speak three times on Sunday. He will speak from the standpoint of a layman and a business man. "The Layman's Movement," "The Layman's Place in the Kingdom," "Life Profits," "Stewardship," "The Tithing System," and "The Bible in the Lives of Men" are some of the subjects to be discussed.

Rev. J. H. Snow will deliver several addresses on interesting and timely subjects. Mrs. Snow will bring us some helpful messages.

Everybody is cordially invited to all these meetings. It is hoped that Baptists from every church in the county will be present and receive great good from the discussions.

The program will begin with a big Sunday School Rally Aug. 24th at 9:30 a. m. Remember the date, remember to come.

W. D. BOSWELL, Pastor.

Released on Bond.

Dick and Ed Swancy of the Fish Creek country, who were arrested some time ago and placed in jail on the charge of burglary, were released from custody last Friday. Each made bond for \$1000.

J. T. Lanham of Newcastle, who was placed in jail a few weeks ago, indicted by the last grand jury for embezzlement, was given his freedom Saturday upon making bond for \$300.

New Coal Mine

Monday a party of four men, R. E. C. W. and Neal Harris and Fred Tetmeyer were here and secured a lease from E. L. Huff, agreeing to open a coal mine on Mr. Huff's land about three miles west of town.

These gentlemen are all experienced miners and contemplate beginning development at an early date. They are formerly of Newcastle and have recently sunk an air shaft for the Sallie-Alice mine at Loving. It is said the Huff land is underlaid with a vein of coal about five feet, and we are glad to see these gentlemen taking hold of this fine prospect and hope they will make some money for themselves and Mr. Huff.—Jermyn News.

Mt. Pleasant Short Course.

Instructors of the Texas A. & M. College were in Mt. Pleasant, Titus county, Texas, last week and conducted a week's short course for farmers.

Instruction in animal and dairy husbandry, soils and crop horticulture, good roads and farm terracing, fertilizing and farm management was given.

The work was offered free and cost of giving the course was defrayed by the Mount Pleasant Chamber of Commerce. The instructors received no pay for their efforts. If the course at Mount Pleasant proves a success similar instruction will be given in other Texas counties where the interest justifies. The instruction was varied to meet the special demands of various sections. C. M. Evans, superintendent of extension; Dr. J. O. Morgan, professor of agronomy; R. J. Potts, in charge of highway engineering, and A. T. Potts, horticulturist, conducted the school.

We can think of no better way for the merchants and farmers, who are able, in this county, to spend some of their money, than in having a similar school conducted in Graham for the benefit of Young county farmers. Many a farmer in this section who is not able to go to College Station would then receive the same benefit that he would get by going there.

And let us suggest that Young county is one that could profit by such teaching. We, to express the conditions fairly, have to fight for every blade of corn and every stalk of cotton raised, when it fails to rain just in the right proportions. This short course would assist many a farmer to understand the possibility of raising a crop on dry land, or raising it before the drouth could destroy it.

Then, too, there is so much that every farmer can learn, things that he never dreamed of before. Farming is like any other business. You can take things easy and make a failure, or study the business you are engaged in and make a success.

The cost of this short course to the people of Young county would be small in comparison to the good that would result, and we trust that enough interest might be displayed in this project, that when another year shall have rolled around, Young county farmers will at least be wiser by having attended one course in scientific farming.

Attention, Little Lights.

I want the Little Lights of the Graham Baptist church to get busy with their mite boxes. The old ship is almost complete. Mrs. S. R. SKIFFERY, Supt. Primary Dept.

AUGUST 20 IS DATE TO INSPECT CITY

The following things will determine the grade on your premises for prizes in clean-up contest:

100% will be basis of grade. Bad outside condition of closet will deduct 30%. Manure in lots will deduct 20%. Trash and other filth will deduct 10%. Dead animals will deduct 10%. Water in open vessels will deduct 10%. Weeds will deduct 5% to 10%. Tin cans and other rubbish will deduct 5% to 10%. Paper, boxes, etc., will deduct 5% to 10%.

The inspection will begin Aug. 20. The following will inspect and award prizes: J. P. McKinley, Henry Criswell and John Pohlman.

By order of city council.
T. E. WALLACE, Secy.

Notice.

All who have trash to be hauled away will please place same in a box or barrel in the alley Saturday, August 16, and wagons will haul it away. This is the last day that wagons will make special trips. Please take notice. JOHN POLHMAN.

The Land Question.

From time to time in recent years The Record has called attention to the fact that the "land question" was on its way to the front in Texas politics. Confirmation of this belief may be found in these two resolutions adopted by the state convention of the Farmers' Union of Texas, in session at San Antonio last week.

7. One of the greatest questions concerning the people of today is the problem of homes for those who till the soil. Therefore, we recommend that our state constitution and statutory laws be so amended as to provide for the issuance of state bonds at a low rate of interest to be sold and the proceeds used in the purchase of farm lands to be sold as homes to actual farmers on long terms and at a low rate of interest.

8. To further facilitate this plan of securing homes for the farmers, we favor amending the constitution, providing for the alienation of large bodies of land held by non-residents of Texas, and a graduated land tax to discourage large holdings of land and to make it unprofitable for any corporation or individual to hold large bodies of land for speculative purposes.

Tenancy is increasing in Texas more rapidly than home owning. The day of cheap land has passed never to return. There is no longer a frontier where the landless man can settle on public land and grow up with the country. Population is increasing, but the land area is not.

Every normal man wants to own his home. Hence the "land question" is always with us. When a majority of the population live in homes owned by others such proposals as were put forth by the Farmers' Union last week may quickly become the paramount issue in a state campaign.—Ft. Worth Record.

Graford's First Bale.

On Wednesday of this week the Howard gin turned out its first bale of cotton since the new stands were put in. The cotton was ginned for Olen Yarbrow.—Graford Herald.

Stinking Bridge and Dr. Williamson's Great Wisdom.

Whatever else may be said about Dr. Williamson, I presume that no one will doubt for a moment that he is long-winded as well as wise, but he is still behind—way behind the excitement, and if he really wants to ride, we would advise him to get in the band wagon. The doctor is way back yonder, groping around, wondering where the corporate limits of his city is. Finally he says, "it is not material to the matter in question and we pass it." Yes, Doctor, but "we" don't pass it, and it "is" material to the matter in question, and we will hold you and the city dads strictly responsible for the time being, for that manure at the bridge, the stinking end of which bridge belongs to the City of Graham. "Pass it?" I guess not, Doctor. We are trying Graham now, and then you may proceed to "romp" on the country. Don't jump on the country, Doctor, until you clean up your city. That would look bad now, since we had to punch you up to get you even to say anything about the matter.

The Doctor intimates that Salt Creek is a navigable stream and that I should register my kick with the authorities at Washington. Behind again, Doctor; if it is a navigable stream it is protected by the stream pollution law of Texas, so you had better "look a leetle out." Doctor or we will pull your city for polluting Salt Creek. Savvy? But, if I'm forced to register a kick at all I believe the surest plan would be to register it with the State Health Officer and let him look after some of his subordinates. See the cat Doctor? This thought is all that saved me from going into "conjunction fits," when I read your terrible threat that I would be prosecuted along with other developments—we little fellows would not care so much for paying a fine, or even wearing a ball and chain if we could have

a doctor with us. I tell you Doctor, that was a terrific, not to say humiliating blow, you dealt upon my already bleeding head, when you insinuated that my premises were not in a sanitary condition, humiliating in that it came from an ordinary city health officer, who does not know where the corporate limits of his city are.

The Doctor wants to lay aside all foolishness in this matter and consider it from the standpoint of facts and not fancy. But Doctor, the position you take in this matter is so inconsistent that it is hard to reply to with facts, why do you not go to work and find out where the western boundary line of your city is, quit taking up filth from one part of the city and dumping it in another part and then prating about cleaning up the town, when you know the mess at the foot of stinking street would stink a buzzard off a cart wagon and is without a doubt within the corporate limits of your otherwise fair little city?

And Doctor, I appreciate the fact that you have owned up to being our County Health Officer. But that was a broad assertion of yours that there is not a farmer in Young county who has complied with the sanitary laws. Yes, this broad, sweeping, unqualified statement was made Doctor, when the fact is, you haven't been seen in our part of the country for a year or more, not since these laws were published at least.

Yes, do your duty Doctor. If it catches Plow Boy let him suffer the consequences, but for the sake of your city begin at stinking bridge. Get your back loose from that rock wall and get out and do something, "beginning at Jerusalem" and I am with you. I will "stick" in this matter. I am ready to make sworn complaint, if necessary, that this filth "is a nuisance." So is every other man who crosses stinking bridge save one I know of, whose kind very likely composed the

juries complained of by you. Do you call them men.

Well Doctor, I must confess that I did not at first fully realize the immensity of this task, but as I plow along after it new prospects arise to my view, one of which is that you and others are going to try to claim the prize for the cleanest town with all this filth in your lap. And this fact forces me to the conclusion that if not indorsing this junk pile you are at least tolerating it.

Now Doctor, I like you as a doctor and as a man, but as city and county health officer I—well I shall wait a few days and watch developments at the bridge.

Plow Boy.

There is a new song going the rounds and it runneth thus: "We don't want to buy at your place, we won't trade there any more; you'll be sorry when you see us going to some other store. You can't sell us any stale goods, we have opened wide our eyes; we don't want to trade at your store, because you do not advertise." Exchange.

In a difficulty on the west side of the square Monday night between Pat Carlton and Claude Bryan, a pistol was discharged by Bryan without damage to anyone, though at the time of the occurrence the street and sidewalk at that place were crowded. The bullet entered the building occupied by Carlton as a tailoring establishment. Deputy Sheriff Will Nesbitt separated the combatants, neither of whom had inflicted serious injury upon the other. Bryan was arrested and charged with assault with intent to murder, and committing an assault with a prohibited weapon. Carlton was charged with a simple assault. Both men made bond and were released.

Dan Keith of True was a business visitor Friday.

Sealed Bids Wanted.

Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of August, 1913, the board of trustees of the Graham Independent School District will receive sealed bids from any banking corporation, association or individual in said district to act as depository of the funds of the Graham Independent School district.

Sealed bids shall state the rate of interest that said banking corporation, association or individual offers to pay on the funds of said district from the 1st day of September, 1913, to the 31st day of August, 1914.

The sealed bids should be filed with J. T. RICKMAN, Pres. School Board.



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RETURN OF POLLY

By S. B. DINKELSPIEL.

Thomas had tasted of success. Verily, he had wallowed in it. His name became a household word.

"Thomas, the man who writes the adventures of Polly O'Han, or, as he is known at his club, 'Tommy, the Polly Man.'"

Once a week the National published a further experience of Polly. The Polly coiffure became popular, and the Polly waltz set all toes prancing.

Polly, be it known, was a pretty Irish nursery maid, who pushed a gurgling go-cart in the park, and pushed it through the walls of impossibility and improbability in a most delightful manner.

She pushed it into a world of gold dollars, where she adapted herself easily to the most agreeable new state of affairs and set about to bring to her feet—in a thrilling series of adventures published every Friday—the sons of the wealthy of the land, even as she before had tied to her go-cart the park police and the paper picker, and the toy balloon man.

Finally Thomas decided to wed Polly in one of the many adventures, and announced that fact to the National editorial staff.

Whereupon the staff and Tommy and Miss Gilhully, the stenographer, and her girl friend went out to fittingly celebrate the event.

Over the lobster—Miss Gilhully sang the Polly waltz song, and over the coffee Tommy sang some choice lines of his own—and to go into no further details of the supper, the following morning Mr. Thomas found himself in the throes of ptomaine poisoning. To the doctor's surprise he lived.

Polly, on the other hand, after a few feeble clutches at life, passed away. Try as he would, the Polly man could not rouse sufficient enthusiasm in himself to even offer as a final supreme adventure "The Marriage of Polly."

And what happened then, you ask?

How shall I tell in my few pages of the years that turned Tommy to W. K. Thomas, then William K. Thomas, Esq., and finally Old Man Thomas?

He lived, grew prosperous, and slightly bald. He gambled a bit, and drank a bit, and enjoyed the best cigars. He had written his last story before the Polly supper.

His adventures on "change were as successful as Polly's adventures had been in the National.

And then the slump came. At the age of fifty-five William Thomas lit a quarter cigar and remarked to the lined face that grimaced at him in his mirror, "Tommy, my boy, do you realize you are broke? Boy, do you realize it?"

He had seen the startling condition impending for some time, the mind that had schemed so many adventures for his heroine could not now scare up an adventure to bring him in a dollar.

His credit was still good at the club. There he went each morning and breakfasted and lit a club cigar. Then he read his paper, and toward noon was invited, or, as it was all on the books, invited a fellow member to luncheon. A game of chess in the afternoon, a buffet supper; and, after all, the day was not so long.

Then one evil morning he was invited into the offices and received a suggestion that his account had been increasing rapidly for some time. Thomas thanked the office for reminding him, passed round club cigars, and then, in a cold perspiration, sought his rooms. All night he sat at his table, dozing and pulling at a cold cigar, seeking in the faces of the passers-by and the flickering lights a way out.

In the morning he bathed and changed his clothes. Discouraged, he passed down the street. A friend greeted him and took him into a hotel for a drink. They sat through the morning, chatting in the lobby. Two ladies entered.

"Alicia, my dear," said one, "you must see the colonial pendant dad has given me. I do think this revival of old fashions is so interesting."

Then they passed on and Thomas went home. He lay on his bed and pulled his mustache. He had come to the end of his tether.

He rose, opened his desk, and aimlessly ran through his papers. He picked up the revolver that lay there,

glared at it, laughed, and held it to his head.

Then he threw it back among the papers. Again he lay on his bed. The word of the lady in the lobby occurred to him—"this revival of old fashions is so interesting."

"Old fashions," muttered Thomas, sentimentally. "Old fashions—old friend—old friend—John Gleason—and Polly—Jove!" What had made him think of Polly? And so he mused and then sprang to his feet.

Why not? It could do no harm to try. Why not revive Polly—introduce her to the daughters of the women who had chuckled over her thirty years ago?

"Old fashions are so interesting!" It was sure to succeed. A man could not lose all his skill in thirty years. The National was still appearing Fridays.

Thomas plunged for his desk and pulled out a roll of paper, filled his pen—and then sank back and chewed his mustache. Should she be married—a widow—a divorcee? It was hard to choose. Should she still be young? Or should it be a tale of Polly's daughter?

An hour passed. Thomas had not written a word. Then an idea offered itself. He commenced to write. It was slow work. The lines did not sound clever when he re-read them. He scratched and rewrote and remodeled and finally became enthusiastic. The night was hot.

He set his bottle of Scotch within reach. His coat and collar were on the floor. A wet towel was bound about his head. And so he wrote, his blood on fire, his thoughts racing far ahead of his pen. He paused only to drink of the Scotch or moisten the towel.

His work swept him away—he was Tommy—the old Polly man again—he could feel the young blood coursing through his veins—and Polly—the Polly of old, was dashing through the pages an iridescent, irresistible bit of Irish humanity, adorably impish and lovable.

"I'm in love with her myself," swore Tommy, as he measured a drink.

All night he wrote, and then, when the sun awoke the flies on the window screen, the old man dropped his pen and sobbed and fell asleep on his arms.

He awoke hours later.

The sun was setting. He rubbed his eyes and looked about him. Then he remembered Polly. He stepped into the bath room and plunged his head and arms in cold water. Then he turned to his desk and picked up the bunch of papers.

The first page was blank. Thomas yawned and crumpled it and threw it in the basket. The next was blank also. And the third, and the fourth.

All the mass of papers were not touched by a pen.

In a frenzy he sprang to his feet. A few pages lay on the floor. Not a word was written upon them.

The man snarled and trampled them. Then his eyes fell on the whisky flask.

He lifted it—it was empty. He understood then.

It had all been a nightmare—a drunken fantasy. He had not written a word. He buried his head in his arm and his hand touched the pistol.

Slowly he drew it out and set it before him. He lit a cigar. The blue smoke curled to the ceiling.

Then he held the thing to his head and pulled the trigger.

The National on Friday showed a handsome photograph of William Thomas, Esq.

It lamented his death—his fall—his debaucheries.

Finally it announced that the following week would be published a story by him, found by his housekeeper, good soil, while he was drunk.

She had taken it to her room to preserve it.

The public owed her a vote of thanks.

It was a tale of Polly—Polly whom our mothers had read of thirty years ago—a tale of Polly's return.—Houston Post.

QUITE A JOKER.

"Dilks is a factious chap."

"Yes?"

"He refers to the stock exchange as one of our best known watering places."

VERY MUCH SO.

"So Mayme is going to marry a man in the upper circles."

"Yes, I understand he is an aviator."

We Thank You

For your patronage, so far, during our big Remodeling Sale. It has been a success far beyond our expectations. We specially urge those that haven't yet taken advantage of this great sale to do so at once. The reduced prices will hold good until Saturday, the 16th. Don't let this rare opportunity pass without you getting your share of the best and highest grades of merchandise at most extremely low prices. We guarantee satisfaction with every purchase.

Tailoring Opening

You are cordially invited to attend our Fall Tailoring Opening to be held here August 18th, 19th and 20th.

An expert cutter and fitter from Schloss Bros. & Co., Baltimore, will be present to show the new styles and fabrics and to take your measurement. We will appreciate a call from you.

The John E. Morrison Company
GRAHAM, TEXAS

W. C. T. U.

Items for this column are furnished by local Union.

A Mother's Opportunity.

It has been said: "In the divine economy, mothers and homes determine the character and conditions of any people. Alike in heathen and in Christian lands, as are the mothers so are the people, or in other words, no people rises higher than the mothers."

To the mother in the civilized lands comes boundless opportunity to help the world. From her own hearthstone she can radiate an influence that will bless not only her own home but other homes. It is this sacred spot that the W. C. T. U. seeks to protect.

When we remember the terrible pitfalls the saloon opens to the children and youth of today, and recall the noble efforts of the W. C. T. U. to save these same children and youth from the snares about them, there comes at once a recognition of the mother's call into the great temperance reform. I have heard of some mother's boy who, though wealthy, good parentage and innumerable blessings were his portion, fell into wickedness and crime. When he was committed to prison he cried in despair, "The drink brought me here," and later he confessed to the chaplain, "I took my first drink at my mother's table."

I hear some mother respond: "I never drink intoxicants myself, my family never do; so you see we are all temperance folks."

Granted this be true, you have a duty that reaches beyond your own home. Even though you and all the members of your family be safe, there are others who are endangered, and many others have made the startling discovery that even their own were not so secure as they supposed. There is no telling just where the insidious enemy may invade the purity of home.

Recently when a woman was picked up in the slums dead, some little articles were found about her that spoke of the refinements of another life. Who knows but some mother knelt above her in infancy, blessing and loving her, never dreaming of such an end? Ah, what mother does not look into the future of her child over whose pillow at night she has lingered prayerfully? She may not associate with that little life her duty in the work of reform, but will she not be glad some day to have that child say, "What I am I owe to my mother."

It is not enough that the parents be merely temperate, but precept upon precept must be given; effort upon effort made. Little evils lead to giant evils. Vigilance of the direst character is imperative.

Mothers everywhere need to be aroused for the sake of their own sex. It is growing to be a well known fact that the high as well as the low use intoxicants, the rich as well as the poor, and the women as well as men. A few years ago in a distant city, the police were gathered about a drunken woman who during her arrest had spoken four different languages. Later a little girl, so small the keeper had to help her up the steps, came to the station house.

"Did you put my mamma in jail?" she asked.

"Your mamma; why no, my little one," replied the astonished keeper.

"But you did, sir," persisted the little one.

At that moment the woman called to the child from her cell. Then the keeper understood and wondered how the mother of so beautiful a child could be in such a state. In response to the childish command, "Take me to my mamma," he led her through the corridor to the cell, allowing her to speak to her mother through the grate.

"Mamma, why are you in jail?" questioned the baby, at which the woman drew back as if ashamed, and then the tiny girl knelt down and prayed, "Now I lay me down to sleep," adding the words "O God, take my mamma out of jail." The next day the judge said to the woman, "Go home and be a mother to your child."

A special case, you say? Would that it were! A popu-

home, and it is an avowed enemy of the church, the school and the state. Hundreds fall yearly. Do not be deceived, for the best are among the victims. Young women as well as young men are lured into vice and crime too terrible to be depicted. Is it not sufficient that we see manhood demoralized, womanhood debased, and childhood robbed of its rights? What more is needed to

perance leave no stone unturned to overthrow the saloon. To every person her work, and to every mother her opportunity in the W. C. T. U. You say you are only one. Make that one so strong and so true that your influence will be felt. One with God can put to flight a host. Provide good temperance literature in your home; inspire meetings by your presence; wear the

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arnold who have been visiting Mrs. Arnold's parents in Llano, returned Friday night.

Miss Vera Norman returned from Mineral Wells Monday.

Tom Alford has the position of nightwatch at the oil mill this week.

Mrs. Whitley of Newcastle was shopping in Graham Monday.

The Priscilla Club.

The pretty spacious home of Mrs. R. E. Bryan was thrown open to the Priscilla Club and several guests Tuesday afternoon. Three contests were the pleasant features of the afternoon which were so out of the ordinary of the regular club meetings. The yellow and white color motif was used during the entire party, it being used in the folders for the contest prizes and invigorating ice punch which was served the entire afternoon.

In the first contest the greatest number of boys' names derived from a certain number of letters given, the prize, a guest towel, was awarded Mrs. Rose. In the second contest the one answering the most questions to a list of words containing "ice," Mrs. J. W. Loving in a cut with Mrs. E. H. Morrison, received a lovely dresser cover. Third contest, in a cut with others Mrs. Hudson won a pretty pin cushion in answering questions as to the officers of the United States. In a cut with everyone present Miss Allen was given a dainty hatpin holder as consolation.

Piano selections were given by different ones.

Guests were Mesdames Loving of Jermyn, Allen of Hillsboro, Rose, Morrison, Tankersley, E. P. Stovall, M. Norman, Q. Street and Wadsworth, Misses Lois Loving of Jermyn, Zella Allen, Vera Maurine and Lucile Norman.

Mrs. F. M. Burkett will receive the club next week.

School Notice.

The Graham Public Schools will open Tuesday morning, Sept. 9, at 9 o'clock. There will be a meeting of the teachers in the school building Monday morning, Sept. 8. A more extended notice will be given next week. EDGAR McLENDON, Supt. of Schools.

Strange Conduct of Mules.

Mules are naturally queer creatures and are capable of causing a great deal of excitement at times. This statement can be especially vouched for by our good friend, Joe Taylor, of the Indian Mound community.

One day last week just after the postman passed by Joe's place, Joe drove his team of mules up to the house and proceeded to devour the morning's mail. In one of the letters was a red label, bearing the words, "Old Crow" or something similar, but Joe wasn't interested in this so threw it in a tub close to where the mules were standing. Joe went into the house and in a few minutes looked out to see his mules running away at about a thirty mile gait. Joe says he doesn't know how to account for the runaway unless the mules got tipsy on the whiskey soaked out of that label.

Christian Endeavor Program.

Time 7:30 p. m.
Topic lesson from the Forests and Fields.
Leader, Miss Minnie Rubenkoenig.
Song.
Scripture reading, Ps. 104:1-35.
Prayer.
Object talks, followed by one stanza of song.
Leader talk.
Prayer.
Song.
One minute talks by H. P. Rose, C. P. Hutchison, Richard Price, Nat Price, H. L. Morrison, Z. A. Hudson, Pat Tackett, E. A. Kessler, C. B. Jones, G. B. Hall, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Hudson.

S. W. Ratcliff and H. L. Shahan of Finis, E. E. and A. C. Shahan of Denton were in the city Friday and called to pay their respects to The Reporter while here.

Dr. J. L. Williamson is in Cisco on business.

An Open Letter to the Buyers of Dry Goods

MODERN merchandising calls for modern means and ideas. Realizing this, twenty-two merchants, representing twenty-nine stores, met in Dallas, Texas in January and organized The Dealers Mercantile Company to be located on Elm St., in Dallas, Texas, to sell merchandise at wholesale exclusively. This enables us to get the net wholesale rate and prices for all these retail stores, eliminating the middle man and doing away with the drummer and his big expense account.

All the merchandise that we buy comes to us direct from the factory, but billed through our wholesale house so that we may get the jobber's price. As members of this affiliation we are associated with some of the best and largest stores in the State. The Graham-Jarrell Co. with 18 big stores, in such towns as Hillsboro, Waco, Greenville, Beaumont, Marshall, etc. and the Hudson-Davis Co. with nine big stores in as many good towns.

With this outlet we can make very attractive orders for the mills. These goods are now coming in and we are more than pleased with the results. Shipped direct from the factory, only one profit between you and the factory price. We are going to give our customers the benefit of this deal and if you will come in and allow us to prove that these are facts and not an advertising scheme, but a legitimate and straight business proposition that will save you money. We want you to investigate this now, before you are thinking of buying any fall goods. Let any clerk in our store show you the merchandise, measure it, weigh it and compare the price.

This new buying deal will appeal to any man of reason, that the less men that handle an article the cheaper it can be sold.

These are real money saving facts that will save you from 10 to 35 per cent on your dry goods. You owe it to yourself to investigate our claims and if we cannot prove that what we say are facts we will not ask you for your business.

We will meet any mail order competition and ask you for your trade on a legitimate saving. All goods marked in plain figures.

Respectfully,

R. F. Short & Company

THE DEPENDON STORE

THE PRICE IS THE THING

lar journal tells us that women, young and old, drink intoxicants with their meals in restaurants and hotels. The tired clerk claims that it is a stimulus for her work. Sad! Some day she will cry, "I cannot live without it." The woman of wealth after a few hours of shopping, calls for wine with her luncheon. Thus the enemy works insidiously in society, in business, and in the

stir the latent motherhood of our land? You ask, "What can be done?" I will tell you: Make the saloon so unpopular that a community will be ashamed to have it set in its midst; the church must preach against it; the home must array itself against it, and the state must also vote against it. As the friends of the saloon use every means in its favor, so must the friends of tem-

white ribbon; create temperance sentiment, and thus help destroy the saloon's influence.

Oh, for the magnet touch of God in the mother-heart of the world! Rev. Mary L. Moreland.

Will Benson of Olney was in the city this week.

H. Ward, of Graves & Ward, has returned to his home in Jack county.

Wallace Finlay is visiting his sister in Wichita Falls.

Bill Johnson of Newcastle was in the city Friday.

Manager Vaughan has installed a new machine in his popular moving picture show and is giving the highest class of entertainments. Don't fail to visit these nightly shows—they are a great treat.

The News from our County Correspondents

South Bend.

Miss Hugh Weaver of Graham visited several days with Miss Bettie Scott last week.

Mrs. Eva Davis of Gainesville came in Monday night to visit her sister, Mrs. F. E. Harrell.

Edd Ribble and family took dinner with J. L. Smith Sunday.

Mrs. Emma West spent a very pleasant day with the families of Lynch and Brown, who are camped on the Clear Fork.

The Baptist meeting began at this place last Friday night. Bros. Black and Mayes are doing the preaching.

Misses Lela and Ola McCluskey of Graham are visiting relatives and friends here.

J. R. Holcomb and family spent Sunday with W. A. Corbett.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Goode and family of Graham spent several days last week in the Bend.

Everett Harrell spent Monday with Robert Brown, a Polytechnic college chum, who is fishing on the Clear Fork.

Misses Bettie Dawson and Annie Smith took dinner with the Misses Harrell Monday.

W. H. Lindsey and daughters, Maude and Minnie, left Monday for their home in Snyder. B. F. Scott returned with them for a visit.

Walter McDonald and family left Tuesday evening to visit M. S. Patterson at Olney.

A number of young folks went to the big tank on the Graham ranch kodaking Sunday afternoon. Merritt Cunningham has a new kodak and says if he did not break it Sunday he will go again.

HONEYSUCKLE.

Tonk Valley.

John Sadberry and family visited John Knight Sunday evening.

W. D. Gossett returned Saturday night from a visit to his daughters.

Mac Pond of Proffitt is visiting his brother Hiram and other relatives here.

Miss Minnie Gann is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gossett.

Miss Elsie Sadberry visited Miss Ada Gossett Sunday.

Horace Busch and Newt Gossett went fishing last week on the Clear Fork.

Harry Hand spent Saturday night with his brother David.

Mrs. Ida Cherryholmes and daughter shopped in Graham Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Macey and daughter visited W. D. Gossett Sunday.

Miss Ruth Knight took dinner with Miss Jessie Rogers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gossett went to the city Tuesday.

If you want a bronc driver call on George Jones.

Misses Ada Gossett and Minnie Gann went to Graham Monday.

Walter Hand spent Saturday with his parents in Graham.

SUNSHINE.

To the Public.

Until further notice my office and place of business will be at the Graham Land Office. E. S. Graham and I have made arrangements to jointly transact a Real Estate Sale and Exchange business. We shall handle any sized tracts of land, improved or otherwise Strictly on a Commission Basis. My business dealings with the public in the past may be taken as a guide as to what you may expect in the future.

A Desk and Free Writing Material has been placed in our office for the convenience of our friends, patrons and prospective customers. Remember that you will be welcome at all times. Your patronage is solicited.

Respectfully,
J. R. JAMESON.

Oakland.

Well, here we are once again but not much more than able to make our appearance for the dry hot wind has burnt everything and about to get us now.

Bud, Goldston was in town Saturday.

Messrs. Edgar Craig and Willie Keplinger were at Sunday school.

No one seems to be stirring around. Suppose they think as I do, it is too warm.

Messrs. Bill Porter and Keplinger were at Josh Moore's Sunday real early.

J. D. Beaty and O. M. Blount and little boy were in town this week.

Most everyone will have to begin hauling water in a few days if it don't rain.

Clarence Blount was in town Saturday.

Quite a few attended the concert at Graham Friday night.

We saw our editor in town a few days since and are certainly glad he has returned. Hope he had a royal time during his vacation. Why don't you tell us about your trip, Mr. Editor?

A FRIEND.

Cedar Creek.

So many things have happened this week, not altogether pleasant ones either, that it is rather difficult to screw mental faculties to the proper tension and to pitch the exact tune required for a cheerful chat with The Reporter correspondents. But there, I've gotten side-tracked and will have to leave my subject for some future time.

A vein of salt water has been struck at the Corbett oil well and the briny water is gushing out at the top of the well at the rate of three gallons per minute.

Lewis Rickles is having his dwelling house remodeled and a new porch added.

Plow Boy, allow me to inform you that you have lost your million dollar bet. Perhaps this will interest you more than the speeches made by Dr. Williamson and the editor, for you will now be compelled to hand over the greenbacks.

Uncle George Winter who spent the past three months in Colorado and Mexico has returned home and says old Stephens county is all o. k. and the best what is.

The Burgess Bros. are threshing in this vicinity this week. Earl seems to be getting tired of helping with the thrasher; wonder if Rainy Day could tell us why Earl is getting tired?

Yes, Goose, the dinner at Fox Hollow was fine and no one enjoyed it more than I unless, of course, it was the Goose.

We haven't very many grasshoppers here now; guess they have emigrated to Indian Mound. But we sure have an army of the socialist boll weevils, and they divide the cotton equally too, that is they divide the forms from the stalk.

Lila Ritchey has been on the sick list the past two weeks.

Say, Bert, take our advice and get a buggy next time you want to take a girl home. We think it would be safer than Jess' horse don't you?

Beg pardon, Gander, if I was mistaken about your guessing, but remember please that an old maid is awfully hard to be convinced that she is mistaken about anything, however I'll take your word.

Honeysuckle, I was glad to know that there was one correspondent, at least, who missed me. Many thanks, I'm here this week with my silly chatter. Come on with some more of your good letters, they are very interesting to this kid I assure you.

SILVER BELL.

Loving.

Chas. E. Burton and wife came in from Oklahoma Sunday where they had been visiting their daughter. They also visited their son at Gainesville.

Grandma Beard has been visiting Mrs. Verna Wheat a few days this week.

Green McClure and C. J. Harlan have received their silos and will put them up this week.

D. Dickenson is repainting his house which will be the neatest looking house in the community when finished.

Claud Reeves has lately returned from Arkansas where he and his wife visited their relatives. They made the trip in their automobile.

Another coal shaft will be opened soon just east of Loving which will widen the coal field at Loving.

Claud Reeves has bought the Thompson blacksmith shop and dwelling in Loving and will move here soon to take charge.

Relatives from Cundiff, Jack county, are visiting Green McClure's family.

The Loving band gave a concert Friday night in the school auditorium and a large crowd was out. The band is progressing very fast and will soon be able to furnish good music for the Loving people. They took in \$28 at their concert.

COR.

Flat Rock.

We are sorry to say that Mr. Robbins has sold his place and is talking of leaving us. We truly hope he will settle close by as Flat Rock would feel lost without them.

A nice crowd attended Sunday school.

Rev. Dillinger, on his way to Connor Creek to begin a meeting, stopped and spent Saturday night with Mr. Robbins.

Bro. Brewton preached Saturday and Sunday night; large crowds attended both services.

Miss Willie Hodges returned Wednesday from an extended visit with relatives at Bowie. She was accompanied by her uncle, L. A. Ray and family, who visited with them until Saturday.

Mad Martin and family went to Newcastle Thursday to visit Mrs. Martin's sister, Mrs. Minnie Pounds.

Mr. Robbins attended services at Connor Creek Sunday night.

The party at Mr. Hodges' was well attended Thursday night and enjoyed by every one present.

Bob Corley and sisters, Lona and Corene visited Horace Fain and Maggie Corley Saturday afternoon.

Jim Vincent and Dave Edgin are visiting their uncle, John Taylor.

Miss Bessie Burk of Rock Creek visited Miss Delilah Robbins last week.

Jim Corley and sister, Lona, called at Mr. Burton's Sunday afternoon.

Jessie Martin returned last week from a visit with friends in Oklahoma.

Brit Alford and wife spent Sunday with E. H. Corley and family.

Willie Martin and family are visiting in Collin county.

Misses Delilah Robbins and Bessie Burk visited Miss Lona Corley Friday and they had a pleasant time kodaking.

Miss Verda Martin of Graham visited last week with her grandparents here.

The little Graves girls spent Sunday at Mr. Cook's.

Miss Jessie Alford is visiting at Crystal Falls.

Bro. Brewton spent Saturday night at the Corley home.

Miss Maggie Taylor and cousin took dinner at Mr. Robbins' Sunday.

Bob Corley and Bro. Brewton attended church at Graham Sunday.

Dan Burk and wife spent Sunday night with J. H. Robbins.

CANDY KID.

Hunt.

It is still hot and dry in this community. The people as well as the cotton are looking sick over the dry weather.

The christian meeting closed Saturday night with ten additions by baptism. They were baptized at Mr. Mayhand's tank. People from Olney and Newcastle attended.

W. E. Reeves and family are spending this week with relatives at Newcastle and attending the Christian meeting.

Mrs. McCraighren and daughter, Mamie, left Tuesday for Hill county to visit relatives.

Mrs. Joe Matthews of Brath county returned home Sunday after a two weeks' pleasant stay in this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin of Johnson county are visiting relatives here.

Several from here attended the Baptist Association at Jean last week.

Master Thomas Smith has a bad foot caused by a barbed wire cut.

G. R. Smith and daughter, Mrs. Rayburn, attended services at Jean Friday.

Mr. Butler and family and Homer Howard are visiting in Denton county.

Henry Bloodworth is building a new house.

Bro. Richardson of Olney is holding a meeting at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard and daughter spent Friday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Rushain.

Misses Neucie and Edna Rogers and Lena Choate spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Rayburn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thuett are visiting relatives in Tarrant Co.

ROSEBUD.

Gooseneck.

Here I come begging to be excused for not sending in a letter last week. I know Mr. Editor will excuse me for he knows that we had a debate between the Campbellites and Baptists and we got so interested that we did not take time to eat, much less to write.

The debate was well attended; some say there were seven hundred persons there last Sunday. There were people from Jacksboro, Bryson, Ivan, Graham and other places. It closed on Tuesday and left everybody friendly.

Following the debate the Baptists had a protracted meeting; one addition to the church.

Our Sunday school was o. k. and we were glad to have our superintendent back again.

Ben Smith and boys of Coleman county are visiting relatives here.

Mr. Newman and family started to their home in Concho county this morning.

Some of the girls look so pleasing since Herman Johnson and Ben Smith have returned.

Mr. Bain has sold his crop and furniture to Deacon Brown. The Deacon says he has the cage and if he can beat Ben Smith's time he will have the bird.

The young folks enjoyed a fine singing at Andrew Smith's Sunday.

Grandma Mahaney has been seriously sick but is some better.

John Laster and family of Connor Creek have been visiting R. L. McLaren and family.

Miss Alta Parsons of Graham was visiting relatives here last week.

Mrs. Charlie Holt who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Taylor, in Graham returned Saturday night. Charlie looks better since he does not have to cook.

John Clark and family visited with the Parsons family Sunday.

Sam Sparks says he is going to marry the first chance.

Mrs. Rose spent Monday with Mrs. Clark.

Mrs. Oscar James has returned from a visit to her mother, Mrs. Caudill.

What has become of Miss Silver Bell and the Goose?

GANDER.

Ming Bend.

The debate closed last Tuesday. Large crowds attended and heard an interesting discussion.

Miss Margie Ribble and Earl Pickard visited Mr. Owen's melon patch Sunday evening.

Charlie Newby and family of Burkburnett are visiting relatives in Ming Bend.

Harry Ribble of Parker county is visiting relatives here.

Bud Kirkling and wife are visiting her father, Mr. Joe Gibbs.

Mr. Askew of Mt. Home visited his daughter, Mrs. Williams, Saturday night and Sunday.

Earl Jones of Oran was in Ming Bend Saturday.

Chester Gibbs and Everett Newby went to Laclede Sunday.

Will Gibbs and wife returned to their home near Proffitt last Wednesday after a few days' visit with Mrs. Gibbs' mother, Mrs. Newby.

RAINY DAY.

Proffitt

The young people enjoyed a cream supper at Mr. Dooley's Friday night.

George Wilhoit and Walter Dent are baling hay for Mr. Hudson.

W. M. Gibbs, W. R. Gibbs and families, Mrs. Wilhoit and children attended the debate at Goose-neck.

Alice and Ida Norton and Jennie Dooley spent Sunday evening with Miss Maggie Weatherbee.

C. L. Griffin and Mr. Putman went to Newcastle Wednesday.

Mr. Bellamy took a load of wheat to Newcastle Friday.

Chas. Hester and wife and M. E. Smith and wife left Tuesday for Nolan county to visit relatives.

The cream supper at Mr. Norton's Tuesday night was enjoyed by all.

Rev. Black will fill his appointments here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. McCluskey were in Newcastle Thursday.

Sure, Snow Bird, you receive a hearty welcome from

SNOWFLAKE.

Shinola.

Well, Mr. Editor, we are still dry and no rain yet, but are living in hopes. We all know it is the best to look on the bright side of life but when a fellow looks around and sees his cotton twisted up and his feed crop cut short it puts him to thinking.

J. L. Graves, J. L. Jordan, J. P. Haire and son, Dan, went to Graham Monday.

Our singing was strictly fine Sunday as we had several visitors from Jean who helped us out. Come again.

Mrs. Dana Cope from Wellington is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Duncan this week.

Mr. Johnston is putting his gin in first-class condition for our bumper crop of cotton that we hope to get.

A. C. Casey and W. J. Jennings made a business trip to Ft. Worth last week.

J. G. Johnson and family are visiting his brother at Cundiff, Jack county this week.

Grover Laney is visiting his sister, Mrs. Will Jennings this week.

Jim Robinson from Jacksboro is visiting his father, Mac, for a few days.

Mr. Jennings took a load of poultry to Graham Big Monday.

Several of the young people attended church at Jean Sunday night.

We learn that Joe Cole has bought land in Denton county and will move there this week. We regret very much to lose Mr. Cole as he has been a true citizen and has made many friends.

Ott Logan and wife from Hill county are visiting Mrs. Logan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Biggers.

Mr. Veach and family from Jean took dinner with Mr. Crumpton and family Sunday.

SNOWBIRD.

Briar Branch.

The Baptist revival closed Sunday with good attendance and three conversions.

The Nazerines will commence a meeting soon.

Miss Nona Cornelius is expected home this week from a three weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Frazier at Olney.

Little Miss Mantha Garvin has been right sick for several days, but we are glad to report her better.

The young folks enjoyed a singing at Mr. Cornelius' Sunday night.

Luther Bishop and sister, Miss Gracie, from Graham attended church services here Sunday morning.

Miss India Newman visited her sister, Mrs. Stevens, and attended the meeting last week.

Miss Ruth Stevens visited near Loving last week.

Guy Wignal at the mines lost a fine mule last week.

Mr. Cornelius is preparing land for another oat crop.

The thrasher is in our community this week.

Most everybody are gone to take in Big Monday so guess I had better go 'long.

BONNIE.

Mount Pleasant.

Miss Minnie Moore returned home Monday after several days' stay at her brother's, Wylie Moore.

John and Herschel Timmons, John Steadham of Miller Bend and Roy Pardue of Komo, and their families all went to Clear Fork Friday and came back Saturday. They report plenty of fish.

J. E. Martin took the train at Graham last Monday enroute to visit his brother, R. C. Tittsworth, at Alma, Ark.

B. A. McClain and family have gone to Hunt county on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Moore attended the fifth Sunday meeting at Jean.

Mrs. A. A. Timmons and Miss Sallie of Tonk Valley were visiting at John Timmons' one day last week.

Ottie Higgins of Miller Bend has completed the addition to Mr. Steadham's house.

The weather local bureau is out of commission since Mr. McClain went away.

Say, Little Boy, did you know Salemite is giving you good advice?

Mr. Myrick of Stevens county is visiting at Mr. Anderson's this week.

On last Saturday night J. A. Wright had the misfortune of getting his barn burned with all the contents, consisting of about 800 bushels of corn, 300 bushels of wheat, 120 bushels of oats, 300 bales of oats, and a lot of oats in the bundle. 200 bushels of the wheat belonged to J. W. Nesbitt. All of Mr. Wright's harness, a buggy, wagon, and a mowing machine were also burned. The origin of the fire is unknown. Mr. Wright estimates his loss at about \$2,500.

It affords me great pleasure at this writing to say that the prospects at stinking bridge look better, at least. A part of the filth is being dumped around the bend above the bridge, out of sight and where we can't smell it, in fact they are setting fire to it. Well, we feel hopeful about the matter.

PLOW BOY.

Who Owns Him?

There is a bay horse, 15 hands high, about 12 years old, branded SD on left shoulder, in my pasture. I would like for the owner to call for him. You will be expected to pay the expense of this ad. W. P. STINSON, Eliasville, Tex.

N. Gegg of Farmer was a business visitor in Graham Saturday.

John Proffitt of Newcastle was in the city Saturday.

J. P. Hodges of the Flat Rock community was here Saturday.

Markley.

Mr. Dean has been very sick but is better. Mr. Bowder is not expected to live but a short time.

Mrs. J. C. Butler, son and daughter of Carnegie, Okla., have been with us a few days and we were all truly glad to see them.

Trav. Eddleman has been with us again. He tells me the drouth has hit his saddle shop as hard as it has the farmer.

Miss Ollie Harbour of Charley, Clay county, is with us for a few days.

Mrs. Sarah Smith and family and Mr. Cheatum and family of Clay county are visiting Joe McDaniel.

Web Wallace and family are visiting homefolks this week.

Joe W. Akin has bought property in Markley and it is reported he is coming here to learn the new game of forty-two.

The Baptist people are holding a protracted meeting here with Bro. Gee at the bat, and we are expecting to see some grass-cutters.

The Misses Logan and Annie Price have returned from the teachers' normal and report having had a pleasant time.

Prideaux Bros. are well satisfied with the price they got for the last load of cattle shipped. Grass and water are quite an object in this section. Boxo.

Bryson.

The Baptist meeting began Saturday night.

Jones & Jones are preparing to move into their new building.

A. B. Kuykendall has a nice lot of new buggies in his new building.

Wif and Tullie Helvey went to Graham Saturday.

Miss Lena Henderson has returned from a visit in Dallas.

Dan Sewell and family of Jacksboro spent Sunday with A. D. Bryson.

Miss Effie Anderson of Bridgeport is visiting Miss Lena Henderson and other friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jones attended church at Jermyn Saturday and Sunday.

Arthur Anderson has returned home after a visit with friends here.

Mrs. R. H. Birdwell left Saturday to visit her daughter at Roanoak.

Dee Chambers went to Graham Monday.

Several Bryson people attended the debate at Gooseneck.

BLAIRMOUTH.

Lone Oak

A. J. Lowe has purchased a Ford run-a-bout.

Messrs. A. P. Stewart, Dan Orr and Mrs. Stewart went as delegates to the Farmers' Union convention at San Antonio last week.

R. T. Carter and J. V. Hamm were business visitors to the city Monday.

A number of the Lone Oak people attended the meeting at Jean last week.

Clarence Simmons and family of Jean spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lowe.

Miss Maude Willis of Orth was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Minnie Orr last week.

Homer Brigham and Ada Workman were in our community Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Dan Orr spent last week with Mrs. Gideon of Graham.

Fred Moreland and Bess Allcorn attended church at Red Top Sunday.

J. W. Allcorn was right sick last week.

G. E. Boyle and children called on R. E. Boyle Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Arnold and family visited at C. C. McBride's Monday.

Lon and Nat Sockwell were in Graham Monday.

Prof. D. B. Wood of Graham spent Monday and Tuesday with C. C. McBride.

A. P. Stewart was trading in Graham Monday. BRUNETTE.

Miller Bend.

Here comes Little Boy again, but don't know whether he will be able to come any more, for if it don't rain he will dry up and blow away, but wont starve as long as grasshoppers and green lizards last. Think I will order a silo and preserve some for future use, for we will need them before winter is over and they are about the only green things to be found and they are getting scarce.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Arnold are visiting her parents at Boggy this week.

Mrs. Winnie Ratliff spent last Tuesday with Mrs. Ona Cole.

Bro. Higgins is holding a meeting in the Bend this week.

J. H. Wright and family went to Newcastle Tuesday to see the Bloomers play ball, but were disappointed.

Mr. McAlister went to Newcastle Monday.

J. P. Ratliff of True is among us this week.

Rev. Hopkins of Knox City and Rev. Gaines of Oklahoma preaching interesting sermons at Mr. McAlister's Sunday night.

Miss Hazel Dozier is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fitzgerald, in Seymour.

Lene Wright came in from East Texas for an extended visit with relatives here.

G. W. McAlister is doing some tanking.

John Walker visited J. H. Wright Thursday.

L. E. Wright visited his brother J. W. Wright Friday.

Bob Arnold has returned from a visit to Boggy.

Willie Mounce and family of Eastland county are visiting relatives here.

J. W. Wright spent Saturday evening with J. H. Wright.

Eddie Reeves went to Newcastle Saturday.

John Steadham went fishing on the Clear Fork this week.

LITTLE BOY.

Lower Tonk.

Murry Moore and Ernest Beckham took a load of watermelons to Graham Saturday.

Guy Nored was in the Valley last week.

Miss Alma George has been right puny the last two or three days.

Miss Minnie Moore has returned from a visit with her brother at Mt. Pleasant.

The Baptist meeting will start at Lower Tonk next Friday night.

The Methodist meeting at Lower Tonk closed last week.

G. W. Gowens and James were in Graham Monday. James bought a pig so guess he is going into the swine business.

Mr. Moore and son Kemp were in Graham Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones are visiting at Boggy.

Mr. and Mrs. McClahan and daughters, Ethel and Della, are visiting in East Texas.

Stella Gowens has been pretty sick the past week but is better.

W. N. Phariss was in town Monday.

Murry Moore, Vernon George and Sylvester Gowens took in Big Monday.

T. C. Wadley was in Graham Monday.

Mr. Clark and son Joe, were in Graham Monday.

Misses Jewel and Eppie Moore attended Big Monday.

Mr. Young, C. A. Ferguson and Jim Buntun were in Graham Monday.

Several from here attended church at Upper Tonk Sunday.

Miss Eunice Moon spent several days last week with her brother.

James Gowens is helping Mr. Phariss stack his millet.

Little Girl, I think you are wrong. I agree with Little Boy and think that is no way for a girl to ride; if she wants to ride let her ride like a lady and not like a boy. HAPPY GIRL.

Indian Mound.

For goodness' sake, quit staring at me so; it's nobody but me. I do hope you haven't forgotten me in my absence.

Mrs. A. J. Bryan and children of Dakin spent Friday at Uncle Joe Fisher's.

Misses Annie and Pat Bird of Olney visited several days last week and this with their grandparents.

The young folks greatly enjoyed an ice cream supper at J. S. Fisher's Saturday night. The time was spent so pleasantly that before we were aware of the fact the hands of the clock pointed to almost twelve.

John McCommas went to Graham Saturday.

Our revival meeting has been put off till September on account of Rev. Wilson being unable to come at this time.

We had a full attendance at Sunday school; hope we will continue to have such crowds and invite everybody to come again.

Bud Stockings of Red Top attended Sunday school and singing here Sunday.

Miss Minnie Fisher took Sunday dinner with Miss Zetta Dollins.

Miss Jean Bryan is visiting a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Andrew Bryan, at Dakin.

The singing at W. R. Dollins' Sunday was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Huckaby of White Rose visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

George Slaughter and wife ate dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Dollins Sunday.

Grandpa and Grandma Dunn of Farmer spent several days last week with their son, B. W.

Misses Annie, Pat and Jimmie Bird and Messrs. Floyd and John McCommas took dinner Sunday with Austin Bird.

C. H. Ledbetter and family of True spent Sunday night at J. S. Fisher's and took in Big Monday in Graham.

Miss Leila Grubbs and brother Willie attended Sunday school and singing here.

Lee Ledbetter spent Sunday night with Gentry Williamson.

W. F. Grubbs went to Newcastle Monday.

Everybody in our country went to Graham Big Monday. It certainly was a big day, too. I suppose most of the correspondents were there.

Our page is as good as ever, isn't it? and I believe it is growing more interesting all the time.

WESTERN GIRL.

Henry Chapel.

A light shower fell over part of the community Tuesday, but too light to do any good.

J. L. McLaren and family left last week for King county to attend the family reunion of Mrs. McLaren's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gibson. We wish them a pleasant trip. They will be gone about three weeks.

Quite a number of the Chapel people are attending the Presbyterian meeting which is in progress at Connor Creek.

Mr. Ray and wife of Milford, Texas, are visiting Mrs. Ray's brother, H. P. Young and family.

Quite a number of the Flat Rock young folks are among us this week after the fishes. Suppose they brought the loaves with them.

The entire family of Mrs. W. R. Jarnagin was poisoned last Sunday morning, supposed to have been caused by eating rice which had been stored away in a bucket. Dr. Duncan was called and administered to their needs. Some of them were much improved before the physician arrived, but the entire family, five in number was very sick for several hours. At this writing they are getting along fine. This should be a lesson to all. Exercise care in storing away food that shows signs of rot.

Mrs. Mollie Dowdle and children of Ft. Worth are visiting

relatives here.

Dillard Hinson and wife, Elmer Criswell and family, Misses Maggie Morew, Edna Jarnagin and Mattie Shannon spent two days on the Clear Fork and report a fine time.

A. Bowers and family have just returned from a visit to Fish Creek.

What has become of Happy Girl? We missed your letter last week, you must stay with The Reporter staff of correspondents and be happy.

Strayed or stolen, a three-foot rain one thousand miles square last heard of in 1908. Any information leading to the capture of same will be greatly appreciated by the Dago.

Swimming Party.

Five cars of Young people enjoyed a swimming party on Saturday night at the usual swimming hole down at the river. A delicious lunch was spread consisting of fried chicken, sandwiches, chips, olives, pickles, stuffed eggs, and cake. The following were there: Misses Eula and Allie Logan, Aline Johnson, Corinne and Camille Gallaber, Lillian Manning, Dorothy Graham and Nancy Bell, and Messrs. Wright McClatchey, Paul K. Deats, Ed and Karl Arnold, Henry Porter, Hal Jackson, Wesley Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arnold and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Clark as chaperons.

The Jno. E. Morrison Co. have placed a large Herrick refrigerator in the grocery department.

Sam Casey and Gordon Durham of Farmer were here Monday.

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All advertising will be run and charged for until ordered out, unless contracted for a specified time.

Miss Jennie Bell Hunter, who has been visiting in Ft. Worth is now in Wolfe City. Before returning to Graham she will attend a four days' session at McKinney, Texas.

Frank Forbes of Houston arrived in Graham Monday and will remain during the cotton season.

For cheap money on land apply to Arnold & Arnold

Bridge Party.

Corinne and Camille Gallaher gave a Bridge party on last Friday afternoon from 4 to 6:30 o'clock in honor of Miss Nancy Bell of Baird. Four games of Bridge were played and during the afternoon the hostess assisted by Mrs. H. B. Graham served fried chicken, pimento sandwiches, olives, potato chips and ice tea. The high score prize was won by Miss Dorothy Graham and the consolation was given to Mrs. Frank Parrish. These prizes were presented to the guest of honor. Those present were Misses Lillian Manning, Dorothy Graham, Aline Johnson, Eula and Allie Logan, Nancy Bell and Mrs. Frank Parrish.

Miss Sydney Blackburn of the Newcastle Register and Miss Verla Cooper of Newcastle were in the city Monday.

Col. S. R. Crawford returned this week from New Mexico, where he had been to visit his brother who has been quite ill.

G. L. Joiner of Farmer was in the city Monday.

Dr. G. W. Durham of Farmer was here Big Monday.

John Graves spent Sunday in Jacksboro, his wife returning with him after a week's visit with her parents.

Jo R. Gray of Jean was here on business Monday.

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Lard, butter, eggs and cheese;

So bring or phone your orders.

We know you will be pleased.

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In buying groceries do you always get just what you want? It is our aim to give you what you want when you want it, to be prompt, courteous and honest, full weight, full measure, one hundred cents on the dollar.

We wish to call your attention to a few of the many high grade lines that we handle

Belle of Wichita Flour, extra high-grade, very fine for light bread, biscuit and pastry—every sack guaranteed.

Chase & Sanborns Teas, a blend of the very best and splendidly recommended for ice tea.

Dr. Price's flavoring extracts, guaranteed to be absolutely pure and of very great strength.

Brown's Crackers and Cakes, a full line always fresh and crisp.

Canned Goods. We have a full line and everything of the very best.

Diamond C Hams and Breakfast Bacon, sugar coated and always fresh and nice.

Gasoline. Remember that in buying gasoline from our filling station you are always sure of getting the very best grade doubly filtered and full measure.

Everything in our store is sold at the right price consistent with quality. Every article you buy is guaranteed to be first class, full weight or measure and our prices are reasonable. You get what you pay for and you pay no more than is just and right.

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Local and Personal Mention

W. E. Hill of near Olney was transacting business in Graham Monday.

Misses Stella Wilson and Mitis Brown of the Mt. Pleasant community were in Graham Monday. They visited The Reporter while in the city.

We have the Crescent Carpet Sweep in 3 lb. cans. The thing for fine rugs and carpets. The Graham Printing Co.

Misses Lena Owens, Stella Shoemate, Ollie Grimshaw and Georgia Shoemate of the Mountain Home community called on The Reporter while in the city Monday.

N. B. Cole, who has been spending some time in Truscott, Texas, returned to Graham Saturday.

We deliver your bread as you need it.—W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

C. T. Kelley of Newcastle was here on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Blackwood of Medlan Chapel were in Graham Monday.

Gold ink, white ink, gold paint at The Graham Printing Co.

L. S. Benson of Medlan Chapel was transacting business in the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pohlman, Judge Akin and two children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Jeffery at the Ingleside ranch a day last week.

Have your piano or organ tuned by an expert of eleven years' factory experience. Carroll's Studio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. H. Crabb and Mrs. Moseley went to Ingleside Saturday for a short visit. Mr. and Mrs. Crabb go from there to Stamford, where they will visit Mr. Crabb's parents.

Mrs. H. F. Short of Eagle Lake is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. F. A. Kessler.

We pay cash or trade you groceries for your chickens and eggs. See us. Owen Bros.

W. E. Baker of Loving spent Tuesday in the city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Zack Wyatt of the Lone Oak community were in the city on a trading expedition Tuesday.

Fountain pen inks, Carter's and Sanford's, 10c up, at The Graham Printing Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gossett of Tonk Valley were shopping in Graham Tuesday.

Lee Thornton and family of South Bend were Big Monday visitors.

Initial Stationery Tablets 15c. Graham Ptg. Co.

Hugh Henderson and family of Henry Chapel spent the day in Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Anderson of Henry Chapel were Big Monday visitors in the city.

Best chocolate creams on ice at W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

A. J. Cantwell and family of Jean were in the city Monday and made The Reporter a pleasant call.

J. H. Price, the enterprising photographer of Jacksboro, came in Monday night and will spend a few days on the Stovall plantation. While there he will make a number of views of the place.

Fill your fountain pen at our showcase well.—The Graham Printing Co.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall requests us to announce that the regular morning and evening services will be conducted at the Presbyterian church.

J. W. Clavin of Red Top was a pleasant visitor at The Reporter office Monday.

Bring us all your chickens, we pay highest market price. Owen Bros.

P. E. Mayes of Flat Rock was in the city Monday and paid us a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fain of Center Ridge were shopping in the city Monday and called at The Reporter office.

Numbering machine inks, red, green, blue and purple, all sizes, at The Graham Printing Co.

Miss Lena Corley of Flat Rock paid us a visit while in the city Monday.

Miss Jimmie Bird of Indian Mound, and her nieces, Miss Annie and Pat Bird of Olney, were callers at The Reporter office Monday.

Try a Davis Automatic Inkstand—neat, lasts forever, and keeps ink fresh and clean. \$1.00 and \$1.50. Graham Ptg. Co.

A. D. Stewart was reported being in Tonk Valley on business last Friday.

A. J. Wheat of Loving was a business visitor here Monday.

We call your attention to a correction in the ad of R. F. Short & Co. The saving they advertised to you should have read 10 to 35 per cent instead of 10 to 25 per cent.

Mr. and Mrs. Mattheas of Eliasville were shopping in the city Monday.

Sliced boiled ham; breakfast bacon, cooked luncheon meats, bologna, full cream cheese, etc., on ice every day.—W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Dan Keith of True was here Monday.

Among those in the city from Gooseneck Monday were J. T. Farrar, A. H. Gordon and Dec and Jack Howry.

Mark Your Laundry

With Carter's, Payson's or Sanford's indelible ink.—The Graham Printing Co.

John Conger of Cedar Creek paid Graham a visit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Griffin of Fish Creek were trading in Graham Thursday.

Horace Ribble and son, H. L. of Henry Chapel were here on business Thursday.

To our out-of-town readers—We invite you to call on us when in town and examine our stock of—tablets, inks, pencils, pens, fancy box stationery and sundries. Graham Printing Co.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hipson of Salem visited in Graham Friday.

Will Costello and wife of Palo Pinto were trading in the city Friday.

Veterinary Surgeon.

N. B. Blevins of Loving will answer all calls promptly when in need of veterinary aid. Call over Independent phone.

Lane Benson and sister, Miss Jewel of Pleasant Hill were in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bratcher of Loving were here Friday.

L. M. Anderson of Finis spent Saturday in Graham.

Mend Your Broken Plates.

Try a bottle of Carter's Cement; it will mend china, glass and crockery. 10c per bottle, at The Graham Printing Co.

Albert Askew of Mountain Home spent Saturday in Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Owens of Henry Chapel shopped in town Saturday.

Mrs. Ellis Richardson of Holloway, N. M. is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary L. Manning.

Want Ads

A few brood-mares and geldings for sale, also some young jacks. For prices apply to W. E. Moore.

I will do general veterinary practice until spring; will be in Graham each Big Monday. Call over Independent phone.

N. B. BLEVINS.

FOR SALE—Three good residences in Graham for sale cheap. See me for prices and terms. 4751 M. A. Wallace.

Please hold your nursery orders for me. I will see you during the season. W. D. Spivey. 4249

For Sale.

I have several good farms for sale including my own. For description, prices and terms, see or write F. HERRON, Graham, Tex.

FOR SALE—Two horse sorghum mill, in good condition, and new evaporator. Can be seen at my place three miles southwest of Graham. W. D. GOSSETT.

FOR SALE—Seven Red Jersey pigs, just weaned. Good Stock. Will deliver to Graham, if desired. Independent phone. W. D. GOSSETT.

For Sale or Trade.—A few pieces of residence property in Graham. Apply to Dr. J. L. Williamson.

FOR SALE—One Blakesley 5-h. p. horizontal gasoline engine, in perfect condition, for sale at a bargain. This is an exceptionally good engine, running steadily as a steam engine. Have installed electric power reason for selling. If you are needing such an engine call in and see this one. GRAHAM PRINTING CO.

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Will receive bids on tank work per yard. Ingleside Ranch. 4749 S. R. Jeffery.

Woodcutters wanted, to cut 100 cords of green wood at once. Apply to Reporter office for information. 4748

Wanted—An experienced ginner; one who thoroughly understands his work.

FARMERS UNION GIN CO. A. H. Jones, Mgr., Graham.

FOR SALE—Belmont Hotel; unincumbered. Buy now in time for fall business. See E. E. HALL.

Iced Tea.

Nothing so refreshing these warm days. We have the best teas, skillfully blended, just right to make a perfect drink. W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

J. S. McGee of Red Top was here on business Friday.

Messrs. Will McClanahan and Will Wadley of Briar Bend were in the city Friday and brought with them some fine grapes from the place of J. R. McClanahan. The grapes were similar to those recently sent in by A. P. Stewart and were of a very fine flavor.

J. R. McClanahan and family of Briar Bend left Friday for Palestine, where they will spend a month with relatives.

Lee Clark, of Geronimo, Okla., eldest son of Elder D. J. E. Clark has been visiting his parents. Before returning home he will visit relatives in Hood and Parker counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Loving of Jermyn are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Norman.

J. H. Davis of Farmer was in town Monday.

The John E. Morrison Co. has recently installed electric lights throughout their big store and are preparing to remodel the interior of the building, in order to better accommodate their many patrons.

Bryson Visitors.

Big Mondays usually attract large crowds from neighboring towns and last Monday was no exception to the rule, unless a larger crowd of outside people were present.

From Bryson were Messrs. W. A. Tripp, Chas. Denning, S. H. Denning, Willie Simpson, E. L. McElroy, Travis Cook, Claude McElroy, Ben Roberts, Vesta Chambers, Lester Fields, Claude Foster, Ellis King; Mrs. Chas. Denning and Miss Emma Denning.

You are extended a cordial invitation to come to Graham at any time, assuring you that you are always welcome.

Miss Theola Yates has returned to her home in Olney after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Lum Hinson.

School Books.

The school book publishers expect and demand us to sell school books strictly for cash so we will favor no one this year. Therefore, please do not embarrass us by asking for credit, for we will absolutely not make one single charge ticket.

The Racket Store.

Frank Forbes of Houston, is in town the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parrish.

Bruce Street left Tuesday for a week's stay in Winslow, Ark.

Mrs. E. McLendon was called to Dallas Tuesday morning to be with her mother, Mrs. S. E. Harris, who was to be operated upon at the Baptist Sanitarium. She will be gone several days.

S. B. Street & Co. have given the ceiling in their store a coat of white paint, making it much lighter and allowing them to display their goods to a better advantage.

Mrs. Madie Nix of Bradley, Okla., and her sister, Mrs. C. H. Weaver, of Jacksboro, were in the city this week, guests of their uncle, J. L. Graves.

Mrs. H. B. Graham after visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Gallaher, returned to Fort Worth Tuesday, accompanied by Mrs. Gallaher.

D. G. Vick and family returned Sunday night from an extensive trip into New Mexico and points in West Texas. They report an excellent time. The entire trip was made in Mr. Vick's Ford touring car, covering over 1400 miles.

J. T. Marshall and family of Loving will move to Graham next week in order that the children of the family may attend the next session of the Graham high school.

Children's Day for foreign missions will be observed next Sunday at the Christian church. A nice program entitled "The Cry of the Nations" will be rendered at the evening service. Public is cordially invited.

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SECOND GRADE PIANO MEDAL—This medal is given for the best record on attendance during the session, and best record of PRACTICE AT HOME.

THIRD GRADE PIANO MEDAL—This medal is given for the best record of attendance during the session—best record of practice done at home and best repertoire of pieces played from memory at the close of the session.

FOURTH GRADE PIANO MEDAL—This medal is given for the best record in attendance during the session—best record of practice during the session and the best record of SCALE EXECUTION.

THE PIANO SCALE MEDAL—The highest honor of the School publicly contested for at the close of the session. Only THIRD and FOURTH grade students are contestants for this medal.

PRIMARY WRITING MEDAL—This medal is contested for only by the FIRST and SECOND grade music pupils ON ANY INSTRUMENT. (All pupils on piano in the First and Second grade are required to write all major and minor scales and their respective appoggios, in all kinds of time used.)

THEORY MEDAL—This is given for the THIRD and FOURTH grade students of the piano. Will be given to the one who has the greatest number of HEAD MARKS at the close of the session. (Theory class to meet one evening in each week.)

RULES OF ALL CONTESTS

FIRST: All contestants must enter the first Monday in September. Contest begins September 29. It is indeed very necessary for all students to enter at once before the contest begins, so they may know what constitutes an EXCEPTIONAL HONOR.

SECOND: No made up lesson will be recorded to the credit of any pupil in any contest.

THIRD: All First and Second grade pupils are required to do a certain amount of writing each week.

FOURTH: All Third and Fourth grade pupils must be present at Theory class ONE LESSON IN EACH WEEK.

We solicit only those pupils who have enough energy to practice, and children of parents that will take enough interest in their children to see that they put in not less than ONE HALF HOUR at the piano EACH DAY and ONE HOUR ON SATURDAYS. We do not want numbers, but pupils who mean business, and parents who will see that they get value received for their money by seeing that their children meet our requirements. Remember, we furnish written directions so that any parent who can read may know what we want their child to do. Very respectfully,

J. F. H. CRABB.