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COTTON CORPORATION A SUCCESS?

The question is frequently asked, perhaps, a thousand times daily, "How is the Southern States Cotton Corporation getting along? Do you think it will succeed?" I have been watching it closely. Let us look at our conditions and see if there is a citizen in the south that cannot truthfully and truly answer the question. Then if he can say "Yes it is a success," will he get out of the crowd of "doubting Thomases" and if he has any cotton, act like a real man should and place it with the Corporation and if he has not got any cotton, will he do his duty by explaining it to others and getting them to do theirs?

The work of the Corporation has been done under very trying circumstances such as many would have said made it impossible for the plan to succeed, but it has triumphed in spite of the following almost seeming impossibilities, no one can afford to withhold his support.

We have been taught by example, that under a democratic administration, and especially with a democratic congress, which would undertake to revise the tariff, that cotton would go to five cents a pound. We have also been taught, by example and talk, that tampering with our Monetary System was dangerous and sure to ruin the prices of cotton. We have been taught, by precept and example, that wars made low prices for cotton.

Politicians had so much interest in the poor cotton farmer that only last spring many of them got very prominent and denounced the idea of putting wool on the free list, assuring the cotton producer the bottom would drop out of prices and the country would go to the dogs. All these things have happened since the Southern States Cotton Corporation began its work. A democratic president and democratic congress have been in the saddle and no one to interfere and the "said to be" deadly tariff bill passed, with free wool in it; the Monetary System is having its due consideration and a bloody war has been in progress in both Europe and America all the time, and the end is not yet.

What is the results with cotton? The highest prices this fall that has been known for a third of a century. "Oh!" but the cotton buyer and speculator says, "It is a short crop. Look out for 16 and 18 cent cotton." Let us not deceive ourselves or be deceived by the enemies to a rational marketing system for the cotton of the south.

The time has come for farmers and business men of the south to use the grey matter in their brains and the nerve that is necessary to make a people free and great.

The government told us on the second of November, that the south would make about 36-100 of a bale of cotton per acre this year. This is the best data we have or can get, and we must be governed by it until the crop is gathered. In the past ten years the south has made from 32-100 of a bale to 45-100 of a bale per acre. Four of the crops in the past ten have been shorter than this one. The price was from \$10.00 to \$25.00 per bale less during these short

crop years than now. Then are the high prices due to a short crop? Let everyone honestly answer for himself.

The cotton men are actively proclaiming a short crop and saying there is a possibility of 16 to 18 cent cotton. Why such talk? Did any one ever hear one of them say this before, that there was a short crop? I have been with them all my life and the only song I ever heard was "Georgia, Mississippi, Arkansas and the rest of the south had a bumper crop and you had better sell. When the next ginning report comes in you will see a slump of \$5.00 or more per bale."

Does this sound familiar? I know all have heard it. Why are they talking different this fall? Because the Corporation is a success and they know it, but they do not want the public to realize it. They know if the public sentiment is well started in favor of the Corporation the jig is up and their name is Dennis.

With these things and conditions explained and brought to the minds of the people is there a farmer or business man, doctor or preacher, lawyer or editor, who can afford to be neutral or silent?

If there is one who has not yet placed his cotton with the Corporation, waiting to see if it is going to be a success, can he afford to not come on up like a man and a friend to his own interests and put in his cotton? Farmers, you know the Corporation has made you \$20 to \$25 a bale on this crop and that it will prove to be a sensible business system of selling your cotton for all time to come. Are you short-sighted enough or greedy enough to ignore your interest and duty when such convincing evidence is so clearly shown? I think not and hope to see the large farmers as well as the merchants turn in their holdings and make the success so pronounced that there will be no work and worry another year about prices.

The Southern Cotton Corporation is a success. Let us shake off our lethargy, support it like men and lay our plans for improving our farms, schools, churches and roads and send our children to school as sensible people should do.

Yours very truly,
W. B. YEABY.

Daughters of Confederacy.

The Fitzhugh Lee Chapter, U. D. C., will meet at the home of Mrs. Nat Price, Thursday, Dec. 11, 1913.

Program.

1. Roll call—Answer with the name of some monument erected by the U. D. C. or which they assisted in erecting.
2. Music (song)—Lorena, by Mesdames Nat Price and Sam Dowdle.
3. Reading—Selection from poetic works of Edgar Allen Poe. Mrs. James Porter.
4. Paper—Manassas, the first battle of the war between the states. Brig. Gen. G. T. Beauregard in command, with the army of the Potomac reinforced by Johnston, Jackson, Bee, Hood, etc. Give resume of the important events of the battle and results. Miss Nora Sloan.
5. Biographical sketch of Gen. G. T. Beauregard. Mrs. R. J. McCloud.

Community Co-Operation

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Did you ever stop to think that goods of known quality are in nearly every instance trademarked or branded and bear the maker's name, and that the price is the same everywhere? Think of some of the best articles of any lines and you will agree that they invariably bear the maker's name, brand or trademark. There is a reason for this. When a manufacturer puts his name on his goods that name is sponsor to the consumer for the quality. When trademarked, branded goods are brought to trial the burden of proof rests on the

producer. And do not send away or go away from home for any article you may want until you have first ascertained whether your local merchant can supply it at the same price quoted elsewhere. Don't send money away which your community produces unless you are sure that it is to your advantage to do so. If the article wanted bears an established brand look for it in the local market. Get acquainted with the stock carried by your local merchant; he as a rule keeps abreast of the times just the same as you do.

Letter From California.

Holtville, Cal., Nov. 23, 1913.
West Texas Reporter,
Graham, Texas.

As a number of my friends have requested me to write a description of this country, will, with your permission, write to them through the columns of The Reporter.

This valley lies 102 miles east of Santiago, on the Pacific coast and 50 miles west of Yuma on the Colorado river and is about forty miles wide by sixty long; it lies from sea level to 180 feet below sea level. The soil varies from stiff sandy to light sandy loam and is very productive.

The leading crops are barley, alfalfa, maize and cotton though they raise cantaloupes, all sorts of fruit, berries and truck in abundance. Barley makes from 40 to 60 bushels per acre. Cotton from one to two bales per acre. Maize from one and a half to three tons per acre (of grain).

Everything is raised by irrigation. The rainfall is very meagre, never exceeding more than two or three inches a year. We have an abundance of water for irrigation from the Colorado river and the cost is light; only two cents per inch for 24 hours run, or in other words, 300 inches of water, running 24 hours will cost \$6.00, which is sufficient to irrigate 40 acres of land in that length of time; this would be 15 cents per acre for each irrigation. It takes from four to five waterings for cotton on the loose land and five to six on the tight land. Alfalfa is cut six to seven times a year and is watered twice between cuttings. It makes an average of one ton at each cutting and sells at nine and ten dollars per ton for loose hay and from \$12.50 to \$15.00 per ton for baled hay.

There is one leading industry of the valley that I haven't spoken of and that is the dairy industry. There are lots of dairymen here and they all seem to be doing well. The cows produce about one pound of butter fat per day per cow. This brings about 35 to 40 cts. a pound.

Well, Mr. Editor, as I don't want to take up too much of your space will close for this time and perhaps tell your good readers more about it later on.

Yours truly,
Alfred Parsons.

If tires are as hard to put on as we hear they are we believe we won't buy until they produce an automobile with only one wheel.

Why Live at Enmity With Fresh Air?

The season is now approaching when the window will compete with the temperature in going down. Despite the hundreds of columns that have been published of the evil effects of closed bedrooms, many are still converts to the ancient theory that night air is noxious. Fresh air contains much oxygen and this is a most indispensable substance, for without it we can not live. The red corpuscles in the blood which, loaded with carbonic acid, the veins convey to the lungs, eagerly absorb the oxygen from the air that we inhale and then convey it to the tissues to satisfy their requirements for this precious element. By absorbing oxygen the elimination of carbonic acid is at the same time facilitated. We must get as much oxygen into our lungs as possible; we shall get more of it from air that is not stagnating, but that is always in circulation. When we are in a closed room, after a time we absorb all of the oxygen present, and this process is expedited in proportion to the number of other persons sharing the room. Instead of recreating via the closed window route, we greet the morning with an enervated feeling.

If one would enjoy the full benefit of nature's tonics, the windows of a sleeping room should be closed only during a storm. Or, better still, we could preserve our health much more effectively if we imitate the Indians and slept in the open air.

At the recent exhibit of the State University at the Texas State Fair there was shown photographs of men and women as they reclined upon their out-door cots in the winter. This is one of the luxuries that not only without cost is conducive to longevity, but sleeping garments, of course are required, but these are easily made at home or may be purchased at small cost. The principle of these are hoods added to the usual night-clothes slumber slippers and good, heavy blankets. When we are well covered, we need not fear contracting cold. As a rule, only those take cold who keep in a warm room and live at enmity with fresh air. None of Nansen's expedition to the North Pole suffered from colds as long as they were in the polar regions. The Indians in Alaska began to die of consumption from the time they

left behind their tents to live in ill-ventilated houses.

The closed window is one of the greatest menaces to health. Vitiated air weakens the constitution and renders it susceptible to disease. Infectious diseases, and especially tuberculosis, is frequent among persons confined indoors. The tonic of fresh air is one of the best possible substitutes for medicines, and saves many doctors' bills.—Dallas News.

Love and Liberty.

Love is not enough. There must be respect for one's personality.

The most unbearable tyranny is exercised sometimes under cover of the sentiment; "I would not say this, my dear, if I did not love you so."

There is a good deal of the autocrat in love, and a passionate affection can easily become an intolerable martinet.

To insure permanent love two people must persistently allow each other to work out the peculiar individuality of each. We must love the beloved of what he or she is, and not for what we want him or her to be.

Of course certain things render love impossible. One cannot love another who outrages one's most sacred convictions, arouses disgust and offends decency. In such cases there is nothing to do but separate.

But I speak of less serious causes of difference, such as divergence of opinion and of taste, and other similar idiosyncracies of character.

There can be no abiding love without liberty, toleration, and the acceptance of personal traits. Nothing is more fatal to affection than to feel a sense of restraint in the presence of the one beloved. This inevitably grows into estrangement.—Exchange.

Peanuts Pay Big.

H. C. Hudson, who farms on the R. L. Parminter place north west of this city, made \$1,000 from twenty-eight acres of peanuts this year and a further proof that the peanut is a profitable crop should not be necessary.

We were informed of a man not far from this city who cleared \$1,200 from 100 acres in cotton this season and thought his an exceptionally fine record, but Mr. Hudson certainly went him one or two better.

If the sandy lands in Howard county will produce such fine yields of peanuts in unfavorable years there is no estimating what a peanut crop in a favorable year would produce.

While not advising our farmers to discontinue raising cotton, we would suggest the turning of a portion of their cotton field into a peanut patch. Peanuts will afford a money crop and the price will not fluctuate as is the case with cotton; but should the price decline it is not necessary to sacrifice the crop, as livestock will take care of this and give the farmer a bigger return than if he sold his crop, even at top prices.

It has been demonstrated that peanuts will thrive during unfavorable seasons as well as if not better than cotton and be counted one of the dependable crops for this section.—Big Springs Herald.

Do not nurse a grudge. Sing it to sleep.

NEW MANAGER FOR STEAM LAUNDRY

Jim Norman, who for some time has been living in Sulphur Springs, has bought an interest in the Graham Steam Laundry and will remain in Graham as the active manager of the property.

The laundry, like most institutions of its nature in towns of this size, has had many ups and downs, but it is coming to the front now and turning out a class of work that in every way equals the work of the laundries of the larger cities.

Home institutions, like this, should be given the encouragement and patronage of the whole citizenship. This is not asking anything more than justice, for one reason that a successful enterprise can not be had where the patronage is insufficient to allow the owners to make a profit.

In order for the laundry to make a profit it must have as much patronage as the people can give it. And we venture the assertion that when the Graham Steam Laundry is making money, you will see new equipment and new machinery of the very best kind take the place of that now in use. It is good for the community for any or all of its institutions to prosper.

W. M. S.

On last Wednesday the members of the Womans Missionary Society of the M. E. church met at the beautiful home of Mrs. W. H. Logan in their regular social meeting. The air was fragrant with the perfume of sweet flowers, and beautiful chrysanthemums of every color nodded a welcome in each room. Conspicuously arranged with these were the colors of the Society, yellow and purple.

Soon-tongues and fingers were busy and merry voices and comparisons of work soon passed the hours away.

The program committee, Mesdames Lynch and Norris, arranged a "blue bird pie," the ingredients used being "An Alphabet of Work." Each lady drew a bird and hunted for its mate, pinned to the wall. The one who first succeeded in this received as a remembrance a bow of yellow ribbon. Mrs. Bowman pinned the ribbon on Mrs. Hamilton, with the "hope that she would always be as 'quick' about the work of the Missionary Society." Next came the written suggestion in regard to the betterment of the Missionary Society. All the suggestions were good, but Mrs. C. W. Johnson received the bow of purple ribbon as having the best, presented with the remark that "our president is always in the lead," which was applauded by the Society.

Here was introduced one of the best features of the program, a delicious salad course, with hot chocolate. Salad, nuts and wafers were served by the hostess, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Spivey. The guests left at a late hour with the request that Mrs. Logan will entertain them again soon. The next social meeting will be held with Mrs. A. M. Graham, on Wednesday, December 10th.

Press Superintendent.

As a general thing, when a critic does not get some criticism himself he isn't making much headway.

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Weather for December.

1st to 4th, Mild Period. 5th to 10th, Cloudy Period. 11th to 15th, Great Storm Period. 16th to 20th, Damp Period. 21st to 23rd, Rain-Wave. 24th to 27th, Cold-Wave. 28th to 31st, Mild Wave. Temperature normal.

The jack rabbits have increased so rapidly of late that great injury has been done by them to the wheat and other crops. In many parts of the county the farmers are shooting them at leisure hours but still they are very numerous. How would a rabbit drive do? Some of the farmers are offering to furnish shells for careful hunters as an inducement to slay them.

How about the machinery in the field this weather? Lumber is high, but binders, cultivators, wagons and general farm tools and implements also cost some money. A shed of brush or cane on the side of some part of the barn or outhouse might, in five years, save enough to buy a good lumber shed. People may live longer in the open air, but all machinery in this country will be benefitted by protection.

A town cow that roams the streets and eats up feed and groceries, licking the paint off the wagons, should either be kept in the lot, put in a pasture, or driven to the pound. That might look hard on the owner but it is not quite so hard as on the man who doesn't own her, and yet has to feed her on dried apples, shirts and whip crackers, besides having his feed wasted and his disposition slightly spoiled.

How much more is a good milch cow worth than a poor one? For illustration we shall take two cows and feed them the same, one giving three gallons, the other giving one gallon per day. Selling all the milk at thirty cents a gallon one would bring in \$27.00 a month, the other \$9.00. From one you receive \$20.00 profit, from the other only \$2.00 profit, showing the three-gallon cow to be ten times as profitable as the other. Does it pay to keep a poor milker?

Something new will be seen each week in my advertisements shown in this paper.

Don't fail to read them.
J. L. Woods, Jeweler & Optician

A called meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Akin Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, Dec. 11, it being the regular time for the election of officers. All the members are cordially invited to be present. A social hour and entertainment for the honorary members will also be a feature of the evening.

Mrs. J. W. AKIN,
Local Pres. W. C. T. U.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Graham left Monday morning for Henrietta, where they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Featherstone.

8 per cent money. E. C. Stovall.

Flint Creek.

You Correspondents were giving thanks last week, I am sure thankful that the hail quit before it got me.

Mr. John Taylor of Loving came down to Mr. Clay Smith's and got his daughter Winnie and drove up to Rev. Dickson's house at Monument and asked him to say the ceremony for them last Sunday. It was a shock to all of Flint Creek community, so they had to go down to Mr. Smith's and see for certain. John said my advice was good, that was to come rain or shine. So that will shorten my next letter some.

But don't be surprised if you hear another wedding bell ring, for Marvin Stephens, a boy that hasn't gone with a girl since 1903 got a buggy and carried Miss Della Smith, the school teacher, down to see if the glad news (to John) was true. John I would congratulate you thru the paper but it might not be best.

Mr. Holman and wife of Red Top community were visiting in this community Sunday.

A few of the boys took in the picture show last Saturday night.

Mr. W. P. Stephens and family spent the day with Mr. W. D. Doolin and wife Sunday.

M. Fred Rubenkoenig and family took dinner with Mr. Henry Sluder and family Sunday.

Miss Surilla Wyatt called on Miss Worsham Sunday.

Mr. Dan Doolin and wife spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting relatives in Graham.

Mr. W. E. Stephens and Jim Clark spent the afternoon at Mr. Clay Smith's Sunday.

Mr. Joe Doolin and family visited in the Rocky Mound community Sunday.

Men are going to meet at the school house Saturday for the purpose of ceiling the building.

Kid I don't believe you knew any more news last week or you would have told us. I think that was the longest letter that has been published since I have been writing, but come on with another one.

Well as the school has got my time will have to close.

Jack o' Diamonds.

Henry Chapel.

Well, Mr. Editor, I don't know why Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson didn't invite me to her wedding, and I don't know why I haven't been called on to go over to Mexico and help whip out those rebels and I didn't know any of those Canaanites, and Hittites and the Hivites and the Perrizites and the Girgashites and the Amorites nor the Jebusites but I know it's rained a sight and the roads are in an awful plight. There has been several full developed cases of bog down the past week.

L. P. Moreland has been appointed general overseer in this district and watches the roads night and morn so when the school children stick up, he throws a rope around them, calls on old Beck and Jude and drags them out. We are going to have "egicatin" down our way, rain or shine.

S. W. Ratcliffe has been appointed Sunday school superintendent, taking the place of A. Bowers. Bro. Bowers has made us a splendid superintendent, always at his post on time.

We had no prayer meeting Sunday night but a full grown case of singing instead.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Miller Ratcliffe, last Friday, the 28th, a boy. Miller says he can sit up all night now listening to the mocking bird.

Elmer Criswell and family moved to our community last week.

Gene Martin of Center Ridge is finding some attraction at the Chapel these days. For

further information ask Louvella.

Kid you spoke about those hoppers that couldn't stand so much water. Bless your life, they've all turned to bull frogs, and such a squawking you never heard before.

Brunette you are mistaken about me getting founded at the big dinner. I failed to be there, but if you could see me you would think I was shaping up for the next one.

H. L. Ribble and family spent last Sunday with Eddie Ribble's folks.

Lawrence McLaren says he has always heard it said this old world was three fourths water, but he never could believe it till now.

Louie Anderson and family of Finis attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Miss Bertie Hogue, who is teaching the Finis school, accompanied by the Misses Chestnut, were Chapel visitors last Sunday.

Rev. C. M. Dellinger will not be able to fill his appointment Sunday at Henry Chapel, Connor and Flat Rock.

O. L. Campbell and family, W. H. Jarnagin and family of Graham took Thanksgiving dinner with Mrs. M. R. Jarnagin.

I want to stop long enough to tell you it is raining another shower since I began to write, Mr. Editor. You may think I am exaggerating about this business, but if you will come down to the Chapel before you get here you will declare the half has never yet been told, of water and mud so free. It reminds me of those people crossing over Jordan.

Miss Dora Ratcliffe, who is attending school in Graham visited home folks from Wednesday till Sunday.

Mr. Editor, I've been thinking how lucky it was that you had that reunion before all this rain, for all those who attended that big dinner would have bogged down before they got home.

If I don't see this scribbling in your paper I will know it got stuck up in the mud before it reached its destination.

Dago.

DR. ROY W. RUTHERFORD
Graduate of Kansas City
Veterinary College
Ind. Phone. Graham, Texas.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
B. F. Stallings, Minister.
The commencement exercises which were to have been given Monday night were postponed on account of the rain and will be held Sunday night at 7 o'clock. Everybody invited.

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Live News from our Correspondents

Jean.

Dear Mr. Editor and Correspondents: I will have to beg pardon again for the sin of omission, but circumstances have been such that I could not write regularly. All the Correspondents certainly did well in the Thanksgiving number. The Kid over-did himself. I believe by the time he gets out of the Kid stage he will be running a news joint of his own, and if he does I sure want to take his paper, for I like his style of standing firm to the things he thinks are right. I never had much patience with a fellow that is always on the fence about anything. I have known some people that put me in mind of a shepherd dog my father had. He would be anybody's dog that would hunt with him. I admire a man with courage enough to take a stand for what he sees to be right. There are men in most every community that when a question comes up that there is a division on, they try to be on both sides. And I think a man of that kind, if his backbone was a twine string it would be unsafe to tie a June bug with it, or any other sort of bug that you wanted "stay put."

I sure am sorry I had to miss the reunion of the Correspondents, for I am sure you all had a good time. I still have a faint recollection of attending the first reunion. The pleasant things of life I try never to forget, while the unpleasant I try to forget as quickly as possible. I believe in spreading flowers for the living as well as for the dead.

If anyone has any flowers for Buster please pass them around while I can enjoy them, for when I am dead I hope to be where flowers are always blooming. I think it best if you can't say something good of your neighbor, for Heaven's sake say nothing, and especially in the presence of your children; if you have hatred in your heart don't let the little ones know it, for you might be at fault instead of your neighbor. If you want to be loved and respected love and respect others.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Prof. Kilpatrick, with Miss Logan as primary teacher. The pupils and visitors enjoyed a game of basket ball on Thanksgiving day, and we are glad also to state that instruction was given in the school room as on any other day.

Miss Allie Thompson has returned home after spending several days with the Misses Cornelius of Briar Branch.

Miss Veta Logan visited her parents at Markley from Friday until Sunday.

Miss Maud Thompson who is teaching in the Loving High school visited her sister, Mrs. H. K. Weems Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Anna Cantwell who has been quite sick is convalescent.

Mrs. McBrayer was shopping in Jean Saturday. She informed us that her sons, Herman and Fred are progressing nicely in the Denton school.

Mrs. Henry Crocker and wife of Olney are visiting Mrs. Crocker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Petty.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazier gave a turkey dinner Thanksgiving that was very much enjoyed by a few friends and relatives. W. A. says one turkey on the table is worth two in the "car."

Bud Carpenter, who has been bookkeeper at the Simmons' gin this season returned to his home at Olney last week. We sure do miss old Bud, he is a

jolly good fellow—when he is asleep.

Miss Brunette I am proud your prize fighters got a sentence to Jack county instead of coming this way.

Plow Boy, if you can't blow a horn don't be fooling with the Holiness Band Wagon.

Buster.

Oakland.

We certainly have had rain enough to lay the dust for a while.

And the roads are almost so bad we have to stay at home. I don't believe I have ever seen them so bad before, and that is what everyone says whom I have conversed with.

Mr. J. D. Baty was in Graham Friday. He said he was expecting to find only muddy spots, and he only found one; that was from his house to town.

Miss Carmack found it quite muddy as it took her several hours to go home.

Yes, Jack o' Diamonds, I suppose the dinner changed our looks as much as our name, but it is a pity but what you could run across something to change your looks, for if you don't there will be no use of your proposal.

Well, Thanksgiving has come and gone. Suppose the Gander and Goose have more to be thankful for than any of us and that they are in sympathy with Mr. Turkey, for no one wants a Gander or Goose for Thanksgiving.

Miss Ethel Baty was at Miss Dora Robertson's one day last week.

Mrs. May Caskey was visiting in our community last week.

Say Dago, I am sorry you had no rooster for Thanksgiving and that you got so frightened. We heard an awful lumbering over toward Henry Chapel but no one could decide what it was, but now we know what it was. Sorry none of the little Dagos will have nothing to do with you.

Noticed we had lots of new writers this week. Come on all of you and let's be a crowd next year. What has become of Blabmouth? Did you get the cake at the box supper and haven't gotten it eaten up yet? If so send a piece to the Gander and Goose. Yes, you could send a piece to Dago for Tige.

Mr. Bill Porter did not get to move last week on account of so much rain.

Ambrose Lewis and family stopped at Mr. Whitfield's last Thursday as they were on their way to Bryson, where Mr. Lewis was to sell the boxes at the box supper. They started Saturday for their home in Lubbock, where they have lived for several years.

Everyone in our community knows Mr. Lewis and will be glad to hear of his whereabouts as he lived here when a boy and taught school close here after he was grown.

As news is scarce for now will ring off for this week, with lots of good wishes to all.

Carrie Nation.

Bunger

The Goose and Gander got in the river and drifted so far down they never got back in time for Thanksgiving but we read the many good letters that were written.

Mr. H. A. Driver and guest came very near getting scared to death on turkey day. There was a score or more boys and men came marching in from the west to the store and he thot it was a Mexican advance guard and it took him all that afternoon to rebuild his cow pen.

The storm we had Friday

night excited the bachelors and their guest. Charlie McLaren, the oldest of the three put his shirt on so it buttoned on his back.

Some folks don't know how to take this weather. You all remember in 1881 the earthquakes we had in old Mexico and California. They shook Texas 261 miles farther south than before that time; that's why it rains so much here of late.

Mr. S. H. James has taught us something about plowing. He hooked up two of his sons-in-law and two sons and one grandson and a visiting friend to a twelve-inch plow and made a ditch to drain the water off his turnip patch.

Mr. Tom Lisle came in the store Saturday with a big two-gallon jug. Mr. Driver says, "something Mr. Lisle?" "Fill

this 'bout half full of meal, Henry, please."

The candy breaking at Mr. Joe Boyce's was just fine Friday night.

Miss Lula Bridges and her brother were here from Pickwick this week.

Mr. G. W. Wiley and Oscar James are on a land trade.

Mrs. F. M. Berry has been right sick but is better.

Mr. Jim Ferguson is visiting S. H. James in Ming Bend this week.

Charlie McLaren, while at Ft. Worth crossed main street just in front of an automobile, slipped and fell and a motorcycle ran over him. He jumped up as quick as he could and a woman ran into him. She asked him if he was hurt and he said to her "I didn't know the durn thing had a colt," and she left him, I guess. Goose.

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Live News from our Correspondents

Lone Star.

As it has been so long since Lone Star has been represented I thought I would write a few dots.

Health in this community is very good at present.

My! we sure have had a good rain and it was appreciated by all.

Mr. Claud Ingram and family are visiting Mrs. Ingram's mother, Mrs. B. F. Langford.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Dooley gave a big dinner Thanksgiving and it was enjoyed by quite a number, among whom were Mrs. F. M. Danley and children, Mr. Dee Poindexter and family, Mrs. Sam Brock and children and Miss Mabel Vaughan.

Misses Emma and Ethel Cunningham visited Misses Beulah Bradberry and Addie Akers on Wednesday.

Miss Vela Poindexter says she is tired of freezing on these cold Sunday afternoons, so she has had a flue built.

Some of our young people gave Mr. and Mrs. Dee Poindexter a surprise party Thursday night. Some real nice music was had and Mrs. Poindexter sang some special songs which were enjoyed by all present.

Mr. C. W. Akers and brother visited Mr. J. C. Akers a few days last week.

Mr. Ellis Langford seemed to be very badly disappointed Sunday afternoon as some of the neighbors had gone visiting.

As this is my first time will ring off. Silver Moon.

(Right now a Silver Moon is thrice welcome, as the nights have been pretty dark and we imagine it is kinder hard for the boys to have to ride through the country on a dark night with mud two or three feet deep to visit so many of our young lady readers. And Silver Moon naturally sounds good. It makes us think of the days when our overcoat wasn't quite so old as it is now. But for goodness sakes don't let Plow Boy know we said anything about an overcoat. As I was going to say, Silver Moon is a good name and we hope Silver Moon's efforts will bring as much joy to the readers of Lone Star as the recollection of silver moons does to us. Editor.)

Britton.

Dear Editor and correspondents. I was glad to enjoy one more Thanksgiving, although it was raining down here.

Cotton is about all out in this section now and I sure am glad it is, for it has been raining off and on ever since Saturday night.

Grain is sure looking fine now and some of the farmers are still sowing when it is dry enough to sow.

Well, Mr. Editor, how have the gins been running out there this fall? Our Britton gin has ginned over 1400 bales this fall and is still ginning some.

Will Allcorn and wife and Mr. Fred Moreland and wife are going to leave us in a few days, so it is reported, to spend Christmas in Young county with relatives, after which they will return to near Mansfield for another year. I would be glad if they would settle in our community.

All of you people who like tender beef come to Britton. Fred Moreland and Will Allcorn killed a beef in our settlement the other day and it sure was nice.

I was sure sorry that I was not able to write last week. I have been sick a few days, but will try and write every week from this on. Hoot Owl.

No doubt a number of our readers and all our Correspondents were disappointed on last week when they found that we did not have a full representation from our Correspondents. We were very much disappointed and could not understand the reason until Thursday morning. At the postoffice there were quite a number of letters, one marked missent, others were mailed too late to reach us on time and still others were evidently mailed in plenty of time but for some reason did not reach us. We are truly sorry that such was the case and feel sure that it will not occur again in possibly a whole year. Let us hope so at least. We appreciate the large number of letters sent in, even if some of them did get here too late to appear last week. Lest we forget, a full representation is wanted for the Christmas issue.

Shinola.

We are sure having lots of rain, but nevertheless, let it come for we will need it next summer I guess.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Duncan went to Olney Saturday.

Our school is progressing fine and every one seems to be well pleased with the teacher that we have this year.

W. J. Jennings, W. W. Johnson and Marvin Edwards have gone into the skunk hide business. One thing sure, we can always tell when these gents are coming. But press onward boys and you will come out winners.

Mr. John Robinson intends leaving this country and trying Knox county another year.

Jess Webb of Krum, Texas, is visiting in our community this week.

Howton Haire of Loving visited home folks last Sunday week.

Marvin Edwards was drilling wheat for O. E. Cook last week.

Mr. J. W. Thomas, who is in very bad health is reported to be some better.

A. C. Casey was in Graham Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cumpton went to Olney last week.

J. L. Jordan and Earl Haire went to Graham last Tuesday after a bunch of young mules that J. P. Haire bought second Monday.

J. G. Elliott, a progressive farmer of this part of the country has purchased a new gang plow.

Jess Edwards and Burton Webb of the road crew spent Saturday night with J. P. Haire and family.

J. L. Jordan has painted his house which helps the looks very much.

Rev. Kilpatrick who has been confined to his bed for two months or more is reported to be some better.

Jess Kilpatrick has gone to Haskell county with a bunch of stock to pasture.

Since our last writing and boosting of Jim Duncan doing such good work plowing he has taken the whole field in one land to plow.

As news is scarce and I am left alone I will play quits for this time. Snowbird.

Buy a Singer Sewing Machine from me, on easy terms. 9-20 C. E. Turner, Agt.

Do not kick a man when he is down. Drag up some more and make a pavement of them.

If an automobile could be made to run on hot air we know some drivers who would never have to buy any gasoline.

Lower Tonk.

My! haven't we had lots of rain. The roads are a sight. A fellow can't hardly go to see his girl for getting in a mud hole.

There are certainly lots of good letters coming in every week now. We are sure glad to see the new Correspondents that are coming in with us to make The Reporter interesting. I guess the rest of you Correspondents are feeling better after Thanksgiving. Plow Boy, come on the roads are clear, so don't get scared, but watch out, you might get in a bog hole.

How many of you had turkey for Thanksgiving dinner? I got my share the day of the reunion. Did you?

Everything is looking fine: The grass is as green as if it were spring time, and the grain looks splendid.

Cotton picking is about a thing of the past.

Messrs. T. C. and Willie Wadley, G. W. Gowens, Jim and Bill McClain, Jim Buntin, Bine Wadley, W. E. Moore and Murray Moore all went to Graham Tuesday.

A. H. Jones went to Fort Worth Monday.

Lee Jones was at G. W. Gowens Monday afternoon.

Miss Anna Belle Wadley attended Thanksgiving dinner given by Mrs. Bill Butler of South Bend.

Mesdames J. F. Clark, Laura Wadley, Grandma Sneed and G. W. Gowens and Misses Effie Wadley and Crystal Gowens visited Miss Emma Youngblood Thursday. Miss Emma is still confined to her bed.

There was a box supper at Upper Tonk Thursday night; a very nice crowd, considering the bad weather. They collected a little over \$25.00, with which to purchase an organ.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jones visited Sam Jones Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. A. A. Timmons and Grandma Howard visited Mrs. Bill Wadley Friday afternoon.

J. R. McClanahan and Sam and Lee Jones went to Graham Friday.

Miss Anna Belle Wadley made a trip to Graham Friday.

Grandma George and family were visiting John George last Friday.

Miss Eppie Moore spent Friday afternoon with Miss Alma George.

Bill Wadley and Misses Effie Wadley and Ollie Phillips went to Graham Saturday.

Miss Ollie Phillips' friend of Ivan visited her Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Alma George visited the Misses Moore Friday night and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wadley and Master J. T. visited Mr. McClanahan Saturday night and Sunday.

John Clark of Gooseneck visited J. F. Clark on Wednesday night.

Miss Maud Clark visited Mrs. Lee Jones Sunday.

G. W. Gowens and family visited Bill Wadley Sunday.

Harry Cutchall was a pleasant visitor at T. C. Wadley's Sunday afternoon.

Roy Jones visited Estes Wadley Sunday.

George Jones is at home for a few days. He will return to Loving to finish ginning.

Well, it is thundering around again and looking very much like rain.

Mrs. Matlock from San Saba and Mrs. Clifton from near Elbert are visiting their sister Mrs. J. T. Rogers.

Uncle Jesse Rogers has been quite sick but glad to say he is able to be up again.

We were sorry to hear of the death of little May Wixom.

Grandma George is on the puny list. X. Y. Z.

Cedar Creek.

A Thanksgiving greeting to you all. Did I hear someone say "behind time as usual?" Yes, I'm late again; dad forgot to mail my letter last week. Now, aren't you all thankful for that?

I am glad that there were 19 of the Correspondents who had the pleasure of attending the reunion, and right here I want to say that I think Plow Boy is very much mistaken in regard to the absence of the correspondents who were not present. It was not because we did not have the "grit" to come out and show our colors, but because we were not so fortunate as some of our comrades. As for myself, I'm 20 miles from Graham and was also sick. But honestly, Plow Boy, I don't believe you intended to hurt anyone's feelings by what you said, so will not take exceptions for you are one of our best correspondents.

When it rains it pours. It has been raining here for the past three days and nights, both in and out of doors.

J. W. Gann of Pickwick visited relatives here last Saturday and Sunday.

Yes, School Boy, you may have this seat here by me. I will welcome you gladly. How are school days by now?

D. A. Upham left here Saturday with a load of chickens and eggs. He took them to Strawn to market.

No, Brunette, I did not get my share of the good eatables at the reunion, as I, like you, had the misfortune of not being there.

But say, Brunette, what do you suppose Happy Lucille thinks by now about the Leader being in the lead? We had 30 letters last week. They are gaining on us in a hurry, aren't they?—I imagine our good editor is having "a hot time in the old town tonight" since we, his "wise and witty correspondents" have all become "hot air."

Uncle Jimmie Creigh's oil tank caught full of rain water during the big rain, but we think it is a little consolation to Uncle Jimmie to know that there are still some indications of oil. However, we believe the rain water is of the most use after all.

Thank you, Goose, for your kind wish, but I don't believe you wanted me to be with you correspondents half as much as I wanted to be with you all.

Welcome, Sorrel Top! How is it you waited so long before you came forward? I know you are not timid.

Look out for my cousin, Candy Kid, he says he is coming to Flat Rock soon with a pocket full of candy.

Well, as news is scarce and there are so many writers who can write so much more interesting letters than I will hand my pencil to one of them and skiddoo. Now, there is something else for you all to be thankful for. Silver Bell.

Orth.

Mr. Earl Clark came down on the local Friday afternoon from Burk Burnett and spent a few days with M. E. Clark and family. M. E. Clark and family took him home and will spend a few days with his father and mother, Elder and Mrs. D. J. E. Clark of Dakin.

Mr. Holmes is unloading a couple of cars of lumber for Mr. S. R. Jeffery, who will build sheds and feed pens for his steers.

We had quite a cyclone here Friday night. It took the comb off the smoke house and flue off another house and if it had not passed off you would have had to get another Correspondent at Orth. UNO.

For cheap money on land apply to Arnold & Arnold.

Red Top.

Health of the community is pretty good at present with the exception of Mr. Will Bridges, who is on the sick list this week but we hope to report him better soon.

Sunday school was rather slim Sunday on account of bad weather and roads.

Misses Emmie McBee and Mary Hawkins of Lone Oak and Mr. Noel Sims (John McGee) were pleasant callers at Red Top Sunday. Come again.

Mr. Clifton Terrell, Clay Littlejohn and Luther Howard visited our school Friday. Come again, we are always glad to have visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bridges spent Sunday with the latter's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. and G. W. Slater and families and Mr. and Mrs. Will Bridges visited at Grandpa Slater's Sunday.

Miss Clara Slater left for Clarendon, Texas last Monday week where she will attend school.

Mr. Homer Brigham and Mr. Blackburn Petty were visiting in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Rody Hawkins spent last Tuesday night week with her sister, Mrs. Kitty McBee.

Buster must be foundered, he hasn't written in so long. I guess the editor will have to appoint a committee to go look after him. He may need standing in the Graham lake a while. The place where "Turkey Short" stands.

Oh! say, if any of you people want to know a new way to kill hogs just ask Ben and George Slater, but don't come over this way.

My! but didn't we have a number of letters from the Correspondents last week?

Come on all of you. We can all take time to write just a few lines anyway.

There has been several Mineral Wells dogs running around over the community and they all seem to know where Thomas Butler lives. We think he has been to Mineral Wells training them.

Mr. Herbert Slater made a business trip to Wichita Falls last Monday week.

Miss Ida McBee spent one night last week with her aunt, Mrs. Bertha Workman.

Well, as I am at school and I don't know my lessons very good I'll hush. The same old Spinster Maid.

Salem.

The late rains have made the roads so soft that an empty wagon with a little dog trotting along behind makes a pretty good load for a team. They have also packed the land down in a way that a few weeks' drouth will dry it out on top, and the man who is not up and doing when the land is in good shape for plowing will have a big lot of clods to contend with next year.

E. K. Criswell has moved to Henry Chapel; sorry to see them leave and in the move we lost a bright little boy and girl from our school. They intend to move to Idaho in the spring.

D. Hovary has quit the farm and moved to Graham. He is going to work on the mail route from Graham to Farmer.

W. I. Gilmore and family left on last Thursday's train, W. I. for the stock show, the lady for quite a long visit to relatives in Weatherford and Tommie to spend a while at Vineyard City for the benefit of his health.

W. H. Carter was visiting relatives in Wise and Tarrant counties last week.

Geo. Gilmore, Hughie Henderson, Quitman Nelson and H. Gordon, with their families, spent Thanksgiving day with Mrs. Maggie Gilmore.

Two weeks of our school have now gone into history, and indications are that we will have a good school. What do the rest

of you Correspondents think of the new arithmetic? I pronounce it the best we have had in our schools here.

Albert Aske and family are now residents of Salem. They moved in last Friday just before the big rain the following night.

Miller Ratcliff, living just over the line in Henry Chapel is crowing so loud over the arrival of a fine boy at his house that the sound wafts its way clear up the river to Salem.

We fully endorse what Plow Boy has to say about a circulating library for it would prove of great worth to every community in the county, even if it is carried no farther than an exchange of magazines; it would furnish each member a lot of good reading at a very low cost. By meeting at the school house any time before the new year begins we could select the magazine that each member will subscribe for, then meeting again later on in a kind of social gathering an exchange could be made. Anyway with the schools all in session the reading matter could be easily circulated, and that is what we need for there is no set of people who have a more quiet place or more time for reading and thinking than those on the farm.

Now we wish to say, Silver Bell, that we fail to see where in you made any mistake that was worthy of asking pardon for, and above all things we do not want you to quit writing, for we all greatly enjoy reading your letters, besides we are acquainted with many of the old residents of Cedar Creek.

That we may all have good health and be here and up and ready to report all the news when next Thanksgiving day rolls around is the sincere wish of

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Gooseneck.

Well, Mr. Editor our letter failed to come out in print last week, so we will send another as we think the other got lost.

Dan Baker of Murray was through here last week.

Mr. Lawson Conder and family have moved to the large house on Mrs. Taylor's farm.

Andrew Smith has moved to R. M. Williams farm in Ming Bend.

Deacon Brown was a pleasant caller at G. W. Day's Tuesday.

John Clark and family spent two days with his parents in Tonk Valley last week.

Mesdames Pryor and Price visited Mrs. Rose Wednesday.

Prof. Creager spent the night with Mr. Wiley and family last Thursday.

Mrs. Jim Price and children went to Ming Bend Friday and brought back a load of turnips.

Charlie McLaren has returned from Fort Worth.

Mrs. Virgie McLaren visited Mrs. Parsons Friday.

You can talk about your rains and high winds, but we sure had our part of both on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boyce gave the young people a candy breaking Friday night; a jolly time was reported.

Jim Ferguson and family visited relatives Friday and Saturday.

Messrs. Charlie Parsons and Edgar Steele of Graham were out shooting the birds Thursday.

Mrs. Oscar James was a visitor at Mrs. McLaren's Saturday.

Old Mr. Fauks and his young ones passed yesterday, loaded with furniture. They were moving to his farm.

Sunday school was all right. They are talking of buying a new organ.

Misses Lona and Nora McLaren visited Miss Cora Rose Sunday.

Will Marshall is sick with la grippe.

Ed Varden went to Graham Saturday.

Uncle Lawson Conder says he will have cool water to drink next summer as he is digging a cistern.

Willie and Murray Conder went to Graham Sunday. Guess they thought it was raining.

Capt. James of Ming Bend spent the night with R. L. McLaren Saturday.

Odel Johnson of Wild Bend visited the bachelors Saturday night.

Messrs. Marshall and Price, with their families visited Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Sunday.

There was singing at Mr. Joe Boyce's Sunday night. All report a good singing. Gander.

Loving.

Who was it that wanted a regular trash mover, a gully washer, a toad strangler rain?

I think we have got it, the "moist" has met—and passed, fully half a mile deep. Too muddy to pasture the green fields and the old cows have got their "backs up" about it.

Hog killing time and no cold weather and feed getting tremendous scarce. Surely the weather clerk has reversed the usual order and brought on our winter in October and we have had nice spring weather ever since.

Oats and wheat are growing by leaps and bounds, too wet even to mow them down, or pasture, either. We have had no example of this kind heretofore, so we can only await developments.

N. B. Blevens, M. D. Maples, Harlan Reeves, and Rush Bills were all caught out in the rain Monday and had to remain in Graham over night.

No church services here the last fourth Sunday as it rained most all day. Bro. Roach went

back home Monday and went over to Blue Grove, Clay county, where he held Thanksgiving services Thursday.

Our school has grown to greater proportions and 160 pupils have been enrolled. A fourth teacher has been employed, who teaches in the school auditorium. Loving will soon have a good school.

The G. T. & W. trains are very irregular since the heavy rains and are hardly ever on time; some days they don't come in at all.

John Taylor has rented the Derrick farm for next year and it is rumored that he will be joined by—well, we suppose by the Mrs. John Taylor in the near future.

Rev. Bonds, a Methodist minister of Weatherford preached at the Methodist Tabernacle Sunday and it was the calculation to continue the services but the rain interfered.

The Loving band gave a very interesting concert at the school auditorium last Thursday night but the turnout was small on account of the bad weather.

Mr. M. D. Maples has traded his home place (the old Monument ranch) to D. G. Vick for land in the southwest. Mr. Maples will live on the place lately bought from C. Pursely.

Both gins have closed down at Loving after turning out about 1200 bales.

Mr. Simmons will move to Eastern Oklahoma in a few days, where he will run a saw mill until next ginning season.

Mr. T. L. Oliver received a telegram last Wednesday stating that his sister was dangerously ill at Rule and left Thursday morning for that place but his sister was dead when he got there.

Well, Mr. Editor we failed to get our letter mailed last week on account of the rain but will commence a little earlier from now on so we will be on time.

Correspondent.

Proffitt

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Weatherbee, the 20th, a girl.

Mr. Will Gibbs and family returned home Saturday, accompanied by Reuby Newby.

The party at Mr. Orb Holder's Tuesday night was well attended and quite a nice time had.

Miss Reuby Newby left Wednesday for Burkburnett where she will spend a few weeks visiting her brother, Charlie.

Mr. Benton Hester and wife left Thursday for New Mexico where they will reside. We regret to see them go, but wish them much joy in their new home.

Miss Maud Hudson visited Mrs. Orb Holder Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Walter Green passed thru here Saturday enroute to the city of Throckmorton.

John Rogers, George Willhoit, and Sidney Willhoit went to Newcastle Wednesday.

Mr. W. M. Gibbs and wife and daughter, Miss Bettie spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Griffin.

Grandma Wells is on the puny list.

Mr. Jess Thomas went to Newcastle Friday.

Mr. Bellamy's family has the chicken pox.

Miss Marvie Holbert started to Proffitt Wednesday and while on her way the horse she was driving became frightened and ran away, and tore the buggy up considerably but she escaped without injury.

Ira Bellamy and Floyd Higgins went to Newcastle Tuesday.

Mr. Dennis Strather went to Newcastle one day last week.

Mr. Archie Briggs went to Newcastle Friday.

Mrs. Belle Waldridge spent Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Wilkerson.

Snowflake.

Lone Oak

Health of the community is very good with the exception of Mrs. J. H. Armstrong and Jim Farr McBride, who have been quite sick.

Come on Plow Boy with an ode to spring. Believe me I think spring is here sure enough. The grass is putting out, the flowers are blooming and we have been having real spring showers lately. Oh yes! and we have some peach trees in full bloom too. I think we will have ripe peaches at our house about February or March. Come over, Mr. Editor and we will divide with you.

(About the time I got out to your place Brunette, the snow would be so deep that I might not be able to find a peach tree. Texas was never known to have eternal spring.—Editor.)

It seems that Emma and Emily have been very naughty at school. They think it real fun to be locked up in the hall, though. Better be careful, girls, Mr. Brown may try another remedy the next time.

We extend many thanks to "A Reader" for the compliment she passed on The Reporter and its staff of Correspondents. Our paper is improving all the time and we hope to some time have the best county paper in this section of the state.

Herbert Slater and J. W. Pratt must be very fond of taking exercise as they walked from Olney to Jean in preference to riding on the train. But the G. T. & W. runs at such high speed they might have been afraid to ride.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lowe returned from the Fat Stock show last Friday.

Miss Lula Jackson spent last week with Mrs. Workman.

G. C. Boyle and Dan Orr visited Mr. Shatto Sunday afternoon.

Miss Louie McBride is spending some time with Mrs. May Pratt.

Prof. Brown and Horace Stewart visited the Loving school Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McBride visited Mrs. Arnold Sunday.

A few of the Lone Oak people attended the concert at Loving Thanksgiving night. All report a splendid time.

Miss Norma and Eva Hamm visited at Loving Thursday afternoon.

Joe Dossett and Dave Watson spent Sunday night with A. J. Lowe.

Mr. Editor, perhaps the Kid and Plow Boy have never seen a rain coat nor a ten year old overcoat either and just guessed at that being your overcoat.

Lena Hawkins taught school in Miss Norman's place Friday. Lena acts real dignified now since she thinks she is a school marm.

Well, as this is all the news I'll be gone. Brunette.

Fish Creek.

Still it rains. Are you milled, Mr. Editor, or are you like some, grumbling because it is raining so much? Why so much discontentment among us as we meet the trials of life? It seems that we should aim high, face our difficulties and try to see the bright side of life.

How are you, Sorrel Top, this rainy weather? Glad to see your name added to our page. Wash Robison has been in Ft. Worth for some time.

Dan Cusenbary returned to Graham Monday after visiting relatives here.

Joe Wootton has been visiting his parents here the past week.

Mayme Mayes came out last Wednesday to be at home for a few days.

School is still improving with an enrollment of thirty-one.

A Thanksgiving exercise was rendered at the school Thursday afternoon, consisting of recitations, after which a prize was given to the one, blindfolded, who could pin on the gobbler's snout. Marie Cloud and Willie Moreland tied and the prize was divided; also a prize for the best drawn turkey. Jewel Tyra being the winner. All enjoyed the occasion to the fullest extent and will long remember Thanksgiving.

Miss Ada, Mary Kramer and Walter Jones were visitors at school Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Walter Mayes and daughter Mayme, called to see our school Friday.

Several of our young people attended the party at Mr. Mayben's Friday night and were forced to stay all night on account of the rain.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tyra took dinner with their daughter, Mrs. Tom Hamilton Thursday. Glad to see Russell able to be out again.

Lewis Hayes caught a wolf Wednesday.

Hunting is the order of the day here since the wet weather.

School Boy.

Duff Prairie.

We had a good rain last week and a big Thanksgiving dinner. I would say good, but it made me sick and I am in a quandary as to whether it was the "quantity or quality."

Mr. Wils Copeland visited in Tonk Valley last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Martin visited Mr. George Martin and family of South Bend last Friday.

Mr. Eugene West of Cedar was in our community last Saturday.

Floyd Burgess moved to South Bend last Saturday.

Get Oscar to tell you about his "novel experience" in Bee Branch last week.

W. P. Martin and family visited W. A. Corbett and family last Sunday.

J. M. Rickles of near Ivan paid J. H. Groene a hurry-up call Sunday afternoon.

Sorrel Top.

Pleasant Hill.

We are having some very cool weather at present are we not? Winter has just begun but I long for the beautiful spring time again.

Miss Mamie McNutt of this community and Noah Pearce were married at the Court House at Graham Saturday.

Miss Golda Richardson visited her cousin, Miss Nona Richardson, Saturday.

Mr. Hub Rogers was in South Bend Sunday.

Mr. S. L. Richardson and Bunion Johnson were in this community trapping Saturday.

Mr. Nolan Pearce of South Bend visited Neal Vines Sunday.

Miss Lillian McNutt visited the Pleasant Hill school Friday. South Bend Tuesday.

Esther and Clifton Rogers are staying with their grandmother, Mrs. Emily Rogers, and going to school.

Mrs. Emily Rogers visited Mrs. Ida Vines Thursday afternoon.

Well I will ring off for this time and give some one space. But if I am welcome will write again. Sorrowful Kidd.

(You are more than welcome but we are of the opinion that the rest of the Correspondents will object to such a gloomy name. Not that they won't give you the right to be sorrowful if you really are, but they, like the editor, believes there is too much happiness in this world for one of our Correspondents to have a name like that. It is our aim to spread gladness and joy and happiness, and to let the gloomy things of life pass and be forgotten as quickly as possible. Don't you agree with us?—Editor.)

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County Correspondence

Dakin.

How are you Correspondents liking this rainy weather? I like it just fine for there isn't any use to kick about it.

My! wasn't there lots of nice letters last week, and had two new ones again. Isn't "our" paper growing fast. Just like going visiting to read the paper, so much good news in it.

Kid I claim you surely know how to get news from the looks of your last letter. But that is the way, just write all the news you can find. It will be news to us if not all to you.

Jack o' Diamonds, I believe you want to get off without sending your picture, but listen; when reunion day comes again (I hope it will be soon) we are all going to have our beauty taken so what is the "dif"?

By the way, Spinster Maid, you should have been with me last Saturday going to the picture show in the mud, but we all had a good time if it was muddy. You must come again and not be in such a rush.

Say Jack o' Diamonds, what was the matter? I didn't see you at the show Saturday either so I guess you were afraid you would bog up in the mud.

J. M. Garrett and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mowery of the Rocky Mound community.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Findley and daughter Lilla Belle spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snodgrass.

Miss Hattie Belle Reed called on Jaunita Bryan Sunday afternoon.

Edgar Craig and Curtice Findley went to Rocky Mound Sunday afternoon to Sunday school.

J. H. Reed spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks.

W. C. Reed and wife were in town Saturday.

Miss Lilla Belle Findley and Tressie Snodgrass were shopping in town Saturday.

How many of you Correspondents got to eat turkey dinner Thanksgiving? I had to go to school and didn't like that a bit, and didn't get any turkey either; too bad for me wasn't it?

Mrs. A. J. Bryan was in town Saturday.

Mr. Clarence Blount and Miss Dora E. Robertson were out driving near Dakin Sunday afternoon. Some say they stopped at Elder D. J. E. Clark's, but he wasn't at home so they had to turn around and journey homeward.

Homer Brashears was out riding in this vicinity Sunday afternoon. Wonder why he did not go west a piece and stop?

Mr. Dan Weaver of Iowa Park is visiting in this community.

Well as my letter is growing long I had better quit.

Blondie.

Indian Mound.

There was Thanksgiving services at the church here Thursday and a good sized crowd was present, owing to the muddy roads and gloomy weather.

Rev. J. L. McCord of Loving was here and conducted the services in the forenoon and left after dinner for Eliasville to attend the 5th Sunday meeting.

Rev. A. S. Wilson and son of Newcastle were here Thursday. Bro. Wilson conducted the services in the afternoon.

W. R. Cox and family of Newcastle came over Thursday to help enjoy Thanksgiving and visit Mrs. Cox's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McCommas.

Mrs. Lou Knight of Graham is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McCommas.

Mrs. W. W. Williamson left

Thursday to visit relatives in Denton county. She was accompanied as far as Ft. Worth by her husband.

Carr Rutherford and brother, Clint, of Red Top were here on Thursday.

Lee Ledbetter and sister Miss Sarah of Orth were here last Thursday.

Oscar Waters of Breckenridge is visiting relatives and old friends here this week.

One of our Young county cowboys is off to take in Thanksgiving and to buy cattle too, if he finds any, but the young lady never said when the invitation was given whether she had any calves to sell or not.

G. M. James is in Ft. Worth on business.

D. James and family of Orth are spending a few days here visiting relatives.

Our long continued wet spell came to a close here on Friday night with a real hard rain and some hail and a little wind.

W. N. Fisher and Reece Esterling, Prof. Willie Simpson, E. G. Williamson, R. G. Taylor and son Hilliard, H. H. Stevens and his father went to Graham on Saturday.

Miss Corrine Stevens, who is attending school at Loving is visiting home folks here.

Lamar Smith has been gone to Fisher county and other points for some time. He returned home Saturday night.

D. Bird of this place has contracted his farm to a newcomer whose name we did not learn.

Mr. Bird and his family have been here for some years and have a host of friends who hate to see them leave our community.

Our editor accuses Plow Boy and Kid of having blind stagers. Wrong again. Whenever you think Kid won't weigh any more than 190 or 193 after a dinner like that you're off. I felt like I would have weighed 200.

J. T. Taylor and family went to Flint Creek to spend Thanksgiving and visit a few days.

Clint Rutherford of Red Top was here Sunday. Come again, maybe she will be here next time.

Our school is getting along fine under the management of Prof. Willie Simpson. We have only one fear about him and that is he may take heart trouble and want to go south before the school is out.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Williamson returned Sunday from a trip to Denton county.

Joe Taylor visited the home of R. G. Taylor Monday.

Mrs. W. R. Dollins visited her daughter Mrs. Sam Douglass Monday.

I see where Honeysuckle reports the marriage of Will Butler. If our old friend Will is as quarrelsome as he used to tell us he was among the ladies we sure do feel sorry for Mrs. Butler, unless she intends to be the man of the house.

I am very anxious for this week's Reporter to come around as I want to see what finally became of Dago, Tige, the pole cat and that Thanksgiving rooster. I hope Dago and all the rest of those little Gos are enjoying themselves as usual by this time. Kid.

Markley.

The sick are improving and hope to see them all up soon.

Our last literary was a big success. Our next meeting will be Dec. 13.

Mrs. A. J. Tinney of Charley, Clay county, has been in Markley several days.

M. M. Wallace and Ed Stiffler have gone north to get a car of corn.

M. B. Pickens and family are visiting Newport.

The stork visited at Mr. Sam Nixon's and left them a fine boy. Mother and child are not doing very well.

We all went to Jermyn the 28th and received our fruit trees. This is a fine time for putting out trees.

Master Claud Daily split his foot badly with an ax. We hope it will not make a cripple of him. At this time he is doing very well.

Mr. Cland Cullers and wife of Bryson are visiting the home folks.

Mr. Allen Williams has picked a fine bunch of calves.

Our merchant, J. M. Wallace, is busy selling goods and getting the money; our farmers are in a good, prosperous condition, considering our short crop; our cow men are jubilant over the price of cattle and the

outlook for the winter oats and wheat never looked better.

Mr. N. J. Jones is here buying cattle. Mr. Joplin is also beating the bush for a few

more cattle.

Quite a number of men and boys are trapping here at this time. They are catching a number of pole cats. The reason I call them pole cats is that they should be killed with a pole and the longer the pole the better. With best wishes. BONO.

Bee Branch.

We have had a fine rain. It began raining Saturday night and rained until Tuesday. The farmers are all smiles now.

On account of high water we had no school Monday.

Mrs. A. W. and Miss Leona Corbett visited W. H. Corbett last week.

Quite a crowd from Caddo attended the Fat Stock Show at Ft. Worth last week.

We were unable to have Sunday school on account of the

rain Sunday afternoon.

E. E. Perry and family of Pickwick visited J. T. Haliburton and family last week.

Hazel and Tommie Outlaw visited Ibbie Haliburton Saturday. Stokley Moon is champion hunter of this community. He caught sixteen "furs" in one night.

Pete Echols was absent from school Wednesday.

Little Mary Agee has the mumps.

Ora Corbett was on the puny list Wednesday.

Messrs. Richardson and Jones were business callers at Mr. Corbett's Wednesday.

Edgar Perry and family, who have been water bound in Stephens county the past few days, returned to Palo Pinto county Wednesday.

Mrs. T. M. Corbett is on the sick list this week.

The old Brados is reported "able to be up" again.

Little Georgie Perry is spending a few weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Haliburton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Outlaw were callers at Mr. Haliburton's Wednesday.

Clark Moon of Breckenridge visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moon last Thursday night.

Bryan Haliburton was a caller at Mr. Hughes Tuesday.

Rachel Haliburton was absent from school Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Corbett visited the oil well Thursday.

Miss Zula and Willard Hamil were callers at Mr. Haliburton's Friday.

Mr. Editor, as I didn't get to mail this last week will send it this week. School Girl.



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County Correspondence

Mount Pleasant.

Well, at least two great literary men are agreed on the situation in Mexico. Edgar S. Bronson, secretary of the Oklahoma Press Association and Plow Boy. Mr. Bronson was in Jaurez the day the federal soldiers were executed by Villa, the victorious rebel leader. Commenting in this sickening event, among other things Mr. Bronson says: "I hope the 'hands off' policy of President Wilson will be continued, and that he will recognize neither federals or rebels." Continuing he says: "I had as soon be for the federals as the rebels now, and I wouldn't give one American soldier's life for the whole bunch combined." And I say those are my sentiments exactly. If your Uncle Sammy invades Mexico the buzzards will pick the bones of more than one American boy. Let them have it out among themselves, for American capitalists are backing one side, while English capitalists are backing the other side. So just let them scrap. Let's save ourselves and our guns and ammunition to fight each other, for they will have us at it inside of ten years without a change.

Well, Mr. Editor, it does begin to look like "West Texas Reporter" is getting to be "East Texas Reporter" too—A letter from Ellis county last week, and one from Hunt county this week, both speak words of appreciation for the Correspondents.

Yes, but say Kid, when you are already at the "meeting house" and four neighbors and friends come in with their preacher, you don't get up and walk out do you? I think we should have more respect for the feelings of our neighbors and friends than to treat them that way, and don't you worry Kiddo, about the peck of trouble I'm in; this is where I shine. I wouldn't feel right unless I was "stirring up" something and somebody was romping on me. Well, you know the Bible says, "Woe unto you when all men shall speak well of you," so I guess I happen to be right one time, eh?

Wait a minute Kid. Did you really think the editor was wearing that old overcoat Saturday? Tell me I wouldn't know a thing I hate as bad as I do that old overcoat? Every time I try to sing about spring time, no matter how hot it is, the editor pulls that old coat around him and begins to shiver. But I feel hopeful about our editor now; didn't you hear him say "I am sweating" the other day.

The Misses Vashti and Pearl Timmons spent the afternoon with Mittis Brown last Wednesday.

Well, I guess I had better apologize to the fair lassie Correspondents who were for various reasons and hindrances not present at the reunion for I am sure they did not stay away from choice, so boys you might do well to wait about those proposals till you see the whole staff, who will likely be out at the next reunion. Jack o' Diamonds doesn't seem to be in any hurry as long as he can get a meal at the Dolman once a year anyway and X. Y. Z. seems indisposed yet a while, but really I think he is just trying to make up his mind as to "which one."

Carrie Nation, as to my plowing, I do most of it with my pencil, so the mud doesn't bother me, and as to our editor, he never has been out to plow any yet; you see he was coming out and plow a day "himself" and wanted a walking plow, a foot warmer if you please. But

that isn't the other part of it; if he waits till "he" thinks it's spring time he never will come. Why, yes, I came near forgetting to note the passing of "Stinking Bridge"—it hasn't passed yet, mind you, but is passing, so hold up Mr. Editor, just stay on the east end of the bridge till that manure is removed, or till it rots, and I am satisfied that by that time the dump at the west end of the bridge will be raised. But as long as that manure remains where it is we can't afford to say "pleasant" bridge.

Say, did you all notice what a stinking letter Dago sent in last week? My! it was like the Dutchman's bear, "It was so strong it would take five hoonert men to smell heem alretty, yet."

Everybody is wishing for a norther. Oh! how I would hate to be a fat hog.

It has been looking awfully rainy for the past week or so, and it is reported that the road between here and Graham looks a good deal like it had already been raining.

And so they had a dance at the nation's capital, in the White House when Miss Jessie married did they? Yes, according to press dispatches "the carpets were removed from the east room and the young folks danced well into the evening. Men in brilliant uniforms and elaborately dressed women glided over the glistening floor under the glow of the crystal chandeliers," and this reminds us that the President would not allow a ball at his inauguration, and also reminds us of David's lamentations of Saul's death, II Samuels, 1st chapter, 19th, 20th, 21st and 25th verses which I give below, inserting in parenthesis some American names and places.

"The beauty of Israel (America) is slain upon thy (the) high places; how are the mighty fallen.

"Tell it not in Goth (Washington City) publish it not in the streets of Askelon: (Wall Street) lest the daughters of the Phillistines (republicans, bull mooses and socialists) rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised (tammanyites) triumph.

"Ye mountains of Gilboa, (Roman Catholic Hierarchy) let there be rain, (dependence) upon you, neither field offerings (American votes) for there the shield of the Mighty is vilely cast away; the shield of Saul (Woodrow) as though he had not been anointed with oil.

"How are the mighty fallen Jonathan, (Woodrow Wilson) in the midst of the battle! O thou wast slain in thy high places."

Mrs. Holden came in from Oklahoma last Wednesday; in the meantime Will had made a deal with C. W. Johnson to grub off some land and make a crop, so the old school house has been converted into a dwelling and they have moved in.

Rev. English, a Missionary Baptist of Newcastle preached at the school house Sunday night.

Eddy Reeves of Miller Bend attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Mr. Hargraves' folks have just lots of roses, W. T. Steadham says he has peach blooms, and I hear some talk of oats heading out. How would the voice of the reaper sound about Christmas day? Yes and the old frost-bitten cotton stalks have taken the second growth. My! look how the editor's shaking! Well, I'll hush.

John Timmons and family visited at Wylie Moore's Sunday afternoon.

J. A. Wright and family and Miss Willie Pinkston spent the day with J. W. Nesbitt and family Sunday.

Murray Moore of Briar Bend was visiting Wylie and Hollis

Moore the first of the week. Mrs. Brooks returned home Saturday. Plow Boy.

Mountain Home.

Dear Editor, I forgot to thank you for the kind invitation to the dinner, and I sure would liked to have been with you all and had a talk with all the Correspondents. I know I and Silver Bell sure missed it all by not being there, but we sure will be there next time, won't we Silver Bell?

Mr. W. C. Bunger and T. M. Bunger went to Graham Saturday.

I was glad to see the letter from Bee Branch. Come on School Girl, we are always glad to have one enter our good paper.

Little Milton Bunger spent Saturday night and Sunday with Jim Bunger.

Mr. Forrest Lisle came home Saturday from Arizona to see his mother and father. We are all glad to see him.

Mr. Ben Beach returned home from Dallas. We are glad to have him with us again.

Mrs. Lola Askew was called two weeks ago from Loving to

be with her little brother while he was sick. She returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Askew moved to Mr. John Kisinger's place in Salem Friday. We are sorry to give them up but hope to have them visit us when they come back.

I think Honeysuckle is just right. We are put here for a purpose. I am willing to do all I can to make everyone happy. We are very sorry to hear that Mr. Kutch lost his horses.

There were several visitors at school Friday and reported the school getting along fine.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Bunger spent the day with Bill Bunger Sunday. Homeite.

Hawkins Chapel.

The rain has passed and the sun is sending forth its warm rays to make us all be glad that we are living in the land of smiles and sunshine. How much more beautiful is the earth after a storm of bad weather. The clouds serve their purpose just the same as the sunshine. We are thankful for the change in the weather just now.

Mrs. Lindsey is visiting her

daughter Mrs. Stennett of the Markley community.

Misses Lessie Loftin and Hettie Drum were pleasant visitors at the school Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Will Smith and part of his family and Walter Ward and wife returned last week from Haskell county, where they have been picking cotton.

A number of young people in the community attended literary at Markley Friday night.

Mr. Oscar Tedrow of Megargel visited in the neighborhood the past week.

Some of our young folks attended the band concert at Loving Thursday night. They reported a pleasant time.

Mrs. Rube Loftin has been visiting in the community for the past week. She intends to return home today. Miss Lessie Loftin will accompany her for a visit at West Fork.

Mrs. Will Lawrence and children are visiting relatives at Cundiff.

Miss Corrine Stephens visited her parents from Friday until Sunday.

Mr. Jim Oatman has gone in to the trapping business (so we

but it was so poor that he had to put it up to fatten before he could market it.

Mr. Bavousette went to Loving Saturday.

Mr. Bagley was marketing cotton one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loftin were shopping in Loving Saturday.

The Sunday school was good Sunday with a full attendance.

Mr. Lee Drum, who has been working on the section for the past year has moved his family back into the neighborhood.

Mrs. Joe R. Mayes and children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cross.

The prayer meeting was very good Sunday night. Mr. Rube Loftin conducted the meeting.

Mr. Ben Barrett is planning to move to Loving Monday.

Mr. Louis Porter attended Sunday school here Sunday. Violet.

The good rains of late might make "sidewalk agitation" pardonable. Some parts of the town are in sore need of cement or crushed rock walks. How about the neighbors in each block getting together on the subject?

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A. D. Moore of Flint Creek was in town Friday.

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Robert Lee Morrison, who is attending Austin College came in Thursday night to spend the time over Sunday at home. He reports a flourishing school and is delighted with his work. He returned to school Monday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. F. H. Crabb returned Sunday night from a pleasure trip to Fort Worth.

Rugs, matting, linoleum, stair carpets, etc. at Matthews & Norris.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stovall were made happy last week over the arrival of a fine young miss.

13 bars soap for 25 cents. Owen Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Downs spent Sunday in the city.

John Deere Stag Sulky, the best plow on the market. Let us figure with you. The John E. Morrison Co.

F. M. Burkett attended the District Stewards meeting in Weatherford last week.

New Batavia Pancake Flour, Grits and Flaked Hominy at W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Montgomery of Memphis, Texas, are visiting in the city, guests of Mr. Montgomery's sister, Mrs. F. M. Burkett. Mr. Montgomery was an exhibitor at the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth. He had some light weight Poland China and Berkshire hogs that took third prize.

John Deere Discs—single and double—there was never a better plow made. If you need one let us figure with you. The John E. Morrison Co.

Harry Gaskin of Finis was here on business Saturday.

Your Christmas Fruit Cake, the best goods. Let us supply your wants. W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Sam Williams and Robert Askev of Mountain Home were trading in the city Saturday.

If that suit needs mending let Wallis have it. You'll get only first class work. Graham Tailor Shop.

Just received a car of new iron beds. See them before buying. Matthews & Norris.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wood spent Thanksgiving with T. C. Wadley and family in Tonk Valley.

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Mrs. S. W. Hutton returned to Ft. Worth Monday. Mr. Hutton stayed for the special services Monday night and left for his home in Ft. Worth on Tuesday morning.

After these fine rains you will need a Good Enough Moline Sulky Plow to do your breaking. They pull one horse lighter, and the points and repairs cost less than any other sulky. Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

John Graves spent Sunday with his wife in Jacksboro.

Adrain and Yearl Upperman visited home folks in Vineyard Sunday.

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Mrs. John Graves came home Wednesday night after a two weeks' visit with her parents in Jacksboro.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jones left Monday for Sinton to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. H. L. Lane.

A few gift books left. They are marked down to close out. Graham Printing Co.

Sam Lane was in Newcastle on business Tuesday.

We have the largest stock of Furniture west of Ft. Worth. Let us figure on your bill. The John E. Morrison Co.

M. M. Wallis of Gainesville arrived in the city last Sunday night and has accepted a position with the Graham Tailor Shop.

We have employed M. M. Wallis to do first class tailoring. We guarantee his work. Graham Tailor Shop.

J. T. Vaughan & Co. and the Opera House Picture Show are preparing to give away a handsome chime clock on Christmas day. The clock may be seen at Vaughan's Jewelry store, where particulars may be had as to the method of giving it away.

Nice line of new cutlery at Matthews & Norris.

Henry Mayes was a Sunday visitor in Ft. Worth.

A full line of new crop Dried Fruits at Morrison's.

If you have a loan expiring see me at once. E. C. Stovall.

Walter H. Morris of Newcastle arrived in the city this week with his family and has taken charge of the Mountainside Hotel. Mr. Morris is an experienced hotel man and will keep the service of the Mountainside up to its usual high standard.

13 bars soap for 25 cents. Owen Bros.

Bruce Casburn has been under the weather for the past week but is reported better.

Don't fail to see us when in need of anything in the furniture line. Matthews & Norris.

Bob Goode was in Ft. Worth Sunday.

Just received two big cars of buggies, the most stylish and up-to-date buggies ever shown in Graham. The John E. Morrison Co.

Doc Carlton and Claud Cochran spent Sunday in Ft. Worth.

Queensware for sale. Matthews & Norris.

Rev. Joe R. Mayes made The Reporter office a call Tuesday. He leaves today for Abilene, where he will enter the Simon's College.

Christmas Ribbon, Twine and Paper at Graham Printing Co. Christmas Boxes, all sizes at Graham Printing Co.

Let The REXALL Store Settle Your Christmas Gift Problems

If you knew how more than 7,000 leading druggists in the United States, Canada and Great Britain have organized co-operatively in order to buy and manufacture in enormous quantities, you would understand better why. The Rexall Store in your town can sell you the articles shown on these pages at such low prices. Make up your Christmas lists from these suggestions, go to The Rexall Store and see the goods. We know that if you do, you will want to buy them, because they mean sensible and satisfactory gifts at prices which you can afford.

Sweetness

HERE is a hint to you, gallant gentlemen, and to you, fair maids and matrons, whose slightest preference expressed will govern many a choice of Christmas remembrance—just two words—important to remember and potent in delightful suggestion.

Liggett's Chocolates

Meaning a day or so of pleasure, of sharing with the home folks and friends; that is what makes Christmas complete.

Liggett's Chocolates are as good as the best and purest ingredients and the skill of expert confectioners can produce.

Liggett's come in a wide assortment of delicious flavors and blends and nut and fruit centers. The chocolate coating is the finest that can be made.

In handsome, ribbon-tied embossed boxes, sold at only one store in your town, The Rexall Store. A few suggestions—ask to see them.

Liggett's Chocolates, Assorted. In pounds up to five-pound boxes.

Liggett's Fruit Cordials, Chocolate Coated. In pounds.

Liggett's Butter Milk Bitter Sweets. In pounds.

Liggett's Moire Package. In "more than a pound" boxes.

Liggett's Dutch Box Chocolates. In pounds.

Prices, pounds, 80c and \$1.00.

Remembrance

CAN you imagine a more acceptable gift than a great, big, beautiful box of writing paper, a hundred sheets of paper and a hundred envelopes, in white or any one of six different exquisite tints—different sizes for different kinds of letters—all tied with ribbon to match the tints—the whole box enclosed in a glaucine wrapper that keeps it clean and fresh till opened? This is not ordinary, cheap-quality-just-for-holiday-trade paper—it is the

Symphony Lawn

Writing Paper

—stylish, of best quality, exquisite in finish and goodness.

Here is a perfect gift—one that will give pleasure and be useful for months to come.

Symphony Lawn is correct from the fashionable viewpoint. Your use of it stamps you as one who possesses refinement and good taste.

You may have Symphony Lawn in clear, pure white, or in the following tints:

Twilight Gray	Boudoir Blue
Old Lavender	Shell Pink
Surf Green	Champagne

—and you may have it in smaller boxes also if you wish.

Costs you from 50c to \$2.00, according to quantity in the box and style of border you select.

Fragrance

IF you know some one who loves violets, and if you could bring arms and baskets and automobiles full of violets and literally smother her with their soft petals and divine fragrance—then you would not be able to give as much pleasure as you can by a gift of one or several of

Violet Dulce

Perfumes and Toilet Preparations

Because in them are the lasting fragrance of choicest, freshest violets—their sweetness captured and imprisoned in extracts and toilet waters and sachets, and other dainty toilet accessories, that give pleasure every day throughout the year. Here, then, is a perfect gift that can give true pleasure.

Violet Dulce is made especially for us in Southern France, under the supervision of our own expert. For a single ounce of the essence from which it is made more than two tons of the wonderfully-sweet Parma Violets are required.

Violet Dulce Perfumes and Toilet Preparations are made in our own perfume laboratories in Boston, which are said to be the finest and most up-to-date in the world.

Some Gift Suggestions:

Violet Dulce Extract, ounce, 50c.
Violet Dulce Sachet, ounce, 50c.
Violet Dulce Toilet Water, 75c and \$1.25.
Violet Dulce Talcum Powder, 25c.
Violet Dulce Complexion Powder, 50c.
Violet Dulce Liquid Complexion Powder, 50c and \$1.00.
Violet Dulce Complexion Powder (in cake form), 35c.
Violet Dulce Dry Rouge (Theatrical No. 18), 10c and 20c.
Violet Dulce Toilet Soap, the cake, 25c.
Violet Dulce Cold Cream, 25c and 50c.
Violet Dulce Vanishing Cream, 50c.

Christmas Gifts Week Begins Today at All The Rexall Stores.

These Christmas Gifts Are Sold Only By

B. S. Doty & Co., The Rexall Store

NOTICE.

Free! Free! Free! 100 Saturday Evening Posts.

As long as they last Saturday and Monday, Dec. 6 and 8 we will give a Saturday Evening Post with a 25 cent purchase. The Rexall Store.

S. Boyd Street of Graham is in Rule looking after his business interests here. Mr. Street has a host of friends in Rule who are always glad to have him visit our town.—Rule Review.

Have your piano or organ tuned by an expert of 11 years' factory experience. Carroll's Studio.

A new restaurant has been opened up on the west side of the square under the efficient management of Todd & Wilson.

Fresh package Dates, Figs, Currants and Raisins, at The John E. Morrison Co.

Supt. B. W. King, Edgar McLendon and E. L. Howell were in Dallas last week attending the teachers association.

Christmas Seals, Tags and Cards at Graham Printing Co.

G. T. Cherryhomes made a business trip to Ft. Worth last week.

Moline Good Enough Sulky Plow Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

Prof. Campbell of Newcastle spent a few days in Ft. Worth last week.

Story Books for Gifts. Buy one while the stock is complete. Marked down for the Holidays. Graham Printing Co.

CHRISTMAS

Before you buy your Christmas goods come and see them 11-13 at SNODDY'S.

Jas. Smith, mail carrier on the Eliasville route, took in the Fat Stock Show at Ft. Worth.

Crepe paper in Santa Claus and other patterns at Graham Printing Co.

Chas. Widmayer made a business trip to Dallas last week.

Wanted—Two men to saw and chop wood. Louis Bower, 9th. Graham, Texas.

Dr. Rice of Newcastle passed through the city this week, enroute to Memphis, Tenn.

I sell the Famous Singer Sewing Machines on easy terms. 9-20 C. E. Turner, Agt.

May Wixom, nine-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wixom, died at her home in Tonk Valley on Nov. 25th. The remains were laid to rest in the Oak Grove cemetery the next day. The child was taken very ill from the start and was confined to her bed only a short time. The Reporter extends sincere sympathy to the family in their sorrow.

J. M. Thompson, the Collin county horse and mule buyer is after another car of mules and horses. He buys a car most every Big Monday, helping to give the farmers a market for their stock.

Linen Toy Books. Just the thing for a Christmas gift for the little ones. Marked down to close out. Graham Printing Co.

Car Load of Wire.

We expect another car load of Pittsburg Perfect fencing in within a few days; the best wire, and the best prices. If you need barbed wire get our prices before you buy. Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

A. B. Eddleman made a business trip to Dallas last week.

Something New. Wet wash, 3 cents per pound. Try the work next week. 10 Graham Steam Laundry.

Joe Barnett and wife of Newcastle were in the city last week enroute to Plano.

Remember That the Good Enough Sulky pulls lighter, does better work and is sold for less. See 'em at Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

Misses Ethel and Fannie Bye Rogers attended the state teachers association at Dallas last week.

Graham Steam Laundry. Have your Lace Curtains laundered, carefully washed, starched just right and then stretched on our new stretchers. The charge is small. Graham Steam Laundry.

Dr. W. M. Terrell left Monday for Waco where he will attend the Masonic Grand Lodge meeting.

Mrs. G. S. Mason of San Angelo, was in the city this week visiting her mother, Mrs. M. E. Sloan.

R. Y. Black, Buck Stuart and M. A. Wallace attended the Fat Stock Show last week.

Loans renewed. E. C. Stovall.

Want Ads

Irrigated Farm For Sale. The 400 acre stock farm, known as the Benedict Ranch, on the Clear Fork, 13 miles southwest of Graham. For further particulars see the owner. 7*tf. W. E. McCharen, Eliasville, Tex.

For Sale—Two sulky plows, three cultivators; all in fair condition. Call and examine these on my farm, Lower Tonk. G. W. Gowens, 10-14 Graham, Texas.

LOST—On Flint Creek, on the night of the 22nd, one Waltham watch in boss case, with silver ring in stem, and engraved "S. F. H." on back. \$5.00 reward for its return to the Dolman House.

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

I have a complete stock of Watches, all kinds, grade and sizes, which I am offering for sale at Bargain Prices to any one who wants the right kind of a time piece, with the right kind of a guarantee. Come and let me show you. J. L. Woods, Jeweler and Optician.

Spaulding Hacks. We have 16 Spaulding Hacks on hand yet that we can save you from \$35.00 to \$45.00 on, and don't let the hack peddler tell you that we are out of them for we have the goods. Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

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