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## JOHN W. WOODS ELECTED SPEAKER

**SPEAKER IS ANNOUNCED  
SUPPORTER OF ELEC-  
TION OF COMMITTEES  
BY MEMBERS**

### FIGHT FOR OPEN BALLOT

**Rowell of Haskell Offers Reso-  
lution for Election of Speak-  
er on Viva Voce Vote.**

John W. Woods of Rotan, Fisher County, was elected speaker of the Thirty-Fourth Texas House of Representatives this afternoon upon the first ballot, which stood seventy-two for Woods, fifty-seven for Newt B. Williams of Waco, McLennan County, and ten for H. B. Savage of Temple, Bell County. This time, almost four hours, is the longest known in recent years, for the election of a speaker. The galleries were packed to their capacity before Secretary of State Gregg assembled the House at high noon, and up till the very moment the deciding ballot was cast, a general uncertainty as to the outcome served to maintain an extraordinary interest in the race. The total Savage and Williams vote falls just five below the Woods total, and during the tally the leading candidates alternated in a "tie" until after a total of fifty-five, for each, had been recorded. In the last few minutes of the calling of the votes by the tallymen, the Woods majority was registered.

The defeated candidates met the situation gracefully, and with the lack of personal bitterness that has characterized the campaign. On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Savage, the election of Judge Woods was made unanimous. In making this motion, Mr. Williams pledged his earnest co-operation to the success of the Administration of his successful opponent. The first act of Judge Woods, after taking the oath of office, was to call Mr. Williams to the chair, a significant courtesy under the circumstances.—Dallas News of Jan. 13th, 1915.

### Theatre Party.

We clip the following from "The Skiff" the official newspaper of the Texas Christian University at Ft. Worth:

The Julians of the third year Latin class gave the Marcians, of the same class, a theatre party at the Majestic Tuesday night.

A contest had been going on between the two divisions for some time previous, and the Julians, being defeated, were forced to furnish entertainment for the Marcians. Those in the party were: Prof. and Mrs. Cantrell, Lillian Knox, Beulah Bell, Vera McKinnon, Masal Jeffers, Russell Anderson, Boyd Milburn, Paul Perkle, Maud Keith, Carrol McConnell, Bevie Biggers, Olie Richardson, Edwin Livingston.

A correspondent sends the following ingenious little play on the names of the French and English commanders-in-chief. Write the names under each other, letter for letter, and draw a line through the centre, and we have Jof-fre and Fre-nch.—Irish Times.

Miss Willie Cochran returned Wednesday night from Fort Worth, where she had been visiting her friend, Mrs. Naylor, for several weeks.

### Fifth Sunday Meeting.

To be held with the Newcastle Baptist church, beginning Thursday evening before the Fifth Sunday in January.

#### THURSDAY

7:00 p. m. Sermon—Rev. J. L. McCord.

#### FRIDAY

10:00 Devotional—P. G. Cunningham. The church and her relations to—

10:15 (a) The Local Field—O. E. Dickson.

10:35 (b) The Denomination.—A. S. Wilson.

10:55 (c) World Wide Evangelism.—R. L. English.

11:00 Sermon—B. A. Roark.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 Devotional—C. M. Brewton.

2:45 Pastoral Evangelism—J. L. Roach.

3:00 Pastoral Visiting—R. L. English.

3:15 Pastor Problems—G. W. Black.

3:30 Church Finances—J. M. Haygood.

7:00 Sermon—W. D. Boswell.

#### SATURDAY

10:00 Devotional—J. O. Wilson.

Some work for Young County Association:—

10:15 (a) Problems of Our Pastorless Churches—J. L. McCord.

10:30 (b) Helping the Mission Points and School House Appointments.—J. W. Newsom.

10:45 (c) Circulation of Religious Literature.—A. Lindsey.

11:00 (d) Sermon: Some Characteristics of a New Testament Church—W. D. Boswell.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 Devotional—W. M. Souter.

What will we do about these interests?—

2:45 (a) Old Ministers' Relief.—J. L. Roach.

3:00 (b) Associational Missions—J. L. McCord.

3:20 (c) Christian Education.—J. M. Haygood.

3:40 What a Baptist Church is For.—G. W. Black.

7:00 Sermon—J. W. Evans.

#### SUNDAY

10:00 (a) Some Characteristics of a Good Sunday School Superintendent.—G. B. Underwood.

10:15 (b) The Teacher and His Preparation.—D. D. Cusenbary.

10:30 (c) The Pupil and His Preparation.—Joe G. Wootton.

11:00 Sermon—G. W. Black.

7:00 Sermon—R. L. English.

All subjects will be open for discussion. Committee.

### LES HIBOUX

The Club met with Miss Eula Logan at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jim Carlton, on Thursday afternoon.

Five tables were in play, as there were a few guests present. Four games of Auction were played. The hostess, assisted by Miss Pearl Matthews and Mrs. Carlton, served delicious pecan and fruit cake, hot chocolate with whipped cream.

The high score prize fell to Mrs. Fowler, a beautiful crocheted guest towel, and the consolation fell to Mrs. Hutchison, a dainty crocheted crepe de chine handkerchief. Members present: Mesdames Parrish, Norman, Stovall, Fowler, Hutchison, Gay, M. K. Graham, H. Criswell, Wadsworth, Q. Street, Arnold; Misses Aline Johnson, Bladen Garrett, Lillian Manning and Dorothy Graham. Invited guests: Mrs. Crouch, Mrs. Loving, Mrs. Walestead; Misses Pearl Matthews and Nelle Graham.

## COUNTY BUYS 24 NEW ROAD DRAGS

**TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN ALL  
PRECINCTS, AND USED  
FOLLOWING RAINS.**

### FOUR FOR PRECINCT ONE

**Graders Will be Delivered in  
Short Time in Order to  
Care for Winter Rains.**

The Commissioners Court at its sitting this week purchased twenty-four road drags to be distributed throughout the entire county to be used on the roads following each rain. The county now has only a few of these drags and they are not up to par with modern drags. With the addition of the new ones the whole county will be able to have its roads dragged after each rain.

This is something the county has been needing for several years, and the Court is to be commended for its action in this matter. No roads, it matters not how well they may have been built, can be kept in good shape without dragging, and it must be done after each rain of any amount. Counties that are able to boast of good roads are always plentifully supplied with drags.

The drags are to be distributed as follows: Precinct 1, four drags, precinct 2 six drags, precinct 3 eight drags and precinct 4 six drags. Some one living along the road will care for each of the drags and the county will contract for their use.

### Presbyterians Meet.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society met on last Thursday, in the Sunday school room of the church, at 3 o'clock. This was the first meeting since the holidays and New Year's thoughts furnished an introduction to the missionary program. An appropriate poem "Begin the New Year Right" was read in concert; passages of scripture bearing on thoughts, purposes and prayers for the new year were read responsively, followed by a season of sentence prayers.

In a short business session, the Society decided to reduce the price of cook-books issued a few years ago, from the former selling price of twenty-five cents to fifteen cents and place the books on sale in several different stores. Following the report of committees, the usual lesson from "At Our Own Door" was taken up, Mrs. Garrett conducting a most interesting study of "The Great West." Mrs. W. E. Donnell was given a most cordial welcome into the membership of the society.

The meetings will be held in the Sunday school room of the church from this time.

### Literary Club

The members of the C. L. S. C. met last week with Mrs. Jean McKinney. Roll call was answered with quotations from Tennyson.

Mrs. Parrish had an interesting paper on the "Isle of Wight." Mrs. Hall, too, had a well prepared paper, "Among the Surrey Hills," being her subject. Mrs. Garrett read some lines from the Higher Tantheism. Mrs. Burns conducted the questions on the lesson.

The next meeting is to be with Mrs. King.

## BECKHAM NATIONAL BANK ELECTS OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The annual election of officers and directors of the Beckham National Bank of Graham was held last Tuesday, at which the following were elected: Oliver Loving, vice president; R. E. Lynch, cashier; P. K. Deats, assistant cashier; W. McClatchy, assistant cashier. S. R. Crawford, Oliver Loving, S. Boyd Street, P. K. Deats, R. E. Lynch, directors.

## GRAHAM NATIONAL ELECTS OFFICERS

At the meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Graham National Bank on last Monday the following officers and directors were elected: Chas. Gay, Pres., A. A. Morrison, V. P., F. P. Burch, 2nd V. P., R. F. Fowler, Asst. Cashier. Directors: J. W. Smith, R. J. Johnson, F. P. Burch, A. A. Morrison and Chas. Gay.

The position of cashier is yet to be filled.

### Bouquets for The Reporter

Dallas, Texas  
R. F. D. No. 3.

Mr. Editor:

I come knocking at the door of your sanctum sanctorum from near the metropolis of Texas, where burglars are as thick as the stars in heaven. On the streets at night each pedestrian keeps his or her eyes peeled for the manly fellows. It is like that old time song which says, "The day is past and gone; the evening shades appear." Oh! well, we all remember; well, then, some one peeps under the bed and says, "Yes, the burglar is here."

Mrs. Ben Beach was on the sick list a few days since returning from the west but she is convalescent now.

A copy of that swift-winged messenger, The Reporter, fell into my hands and I must say it is one of the brightest papers in Texas. It has an army of correspondents who throw bouquets and brickbats in all directions, and that is what it takes to make a great paper like The Reporter. So, I will send greetings to all 'ye scribes' and editor also, for I know when you cross that dark valley from whence no footsteps ever return you will meet the angels smiling. Here is our hand, shake across the miles. I want to go west again, where the mountains kiss the clouds and the foot of the owl and yelp of the wolf can be heard. Where the best people in Texas live and the ladies, God bless 'em, their eyes are bluest and their kind hearts the truest in old Young county.

With best wishes to all the readers I will say this is what I am: I am only a bachelor of sixty, skilfully spreading my net, but still there is hope in my bosom someone will gobble me yet.

Arkansas Traveler.

### Joint Installation.

The Woodmen of the World and Woodman Circle held a joint installation of officers in the Woodman Building last Friday night.

A special program prepared for the occasion, was rendered after the installation. Solos, readings and special music delighted the hearers until a late hour, after which oysters were served in the lower story of the building.

Mrs. Clemmie Patterson of Oklahoma was in the city this week to attend the meeting of stockholders of the Beckham National Bank.

## AUDITORS AT WORK ON COUNTY BOOKS

**CONTRACT MADE WITH MR.  
JNO. S. OGLESBY, EX-  
PERT ACCOUNTANT.**

### PAST SIX YEARS TO GO OVER

**Assistants Now at Work With  
Offices in County Survey-  
ors Room.**

The auditing of the county's books for the past six years work has started.

The contract was recently closed with Mr. Jno. S. Oglesby of Dallas, Texas, an expert accountant. He is now busy in West Texas, but two of his assistants, Mr. Earl Horn, and Miss Billie Warren, are at work on the books. They are officing in the County Surveyor's office. Just what will be disclosed by this audit is mere guesswork and just how long it will take the auditors to complete their job is guesswork also, but to say the least of it, when the work is completed the minds of the people will be set at rest as to how the county's affairs have been conducted for the past six years.

### TIME OF COUNTY COURT CHANGED TO 1st MONDAY

The time of meeting of the county court has been changed by an order of the Commissioners Court, making the day for opening on the first Monday in the month instead of the second Monday as at present.

This change has been made necessary on account of the extra heavy duties of the Commissioners Court. The months of meeting will be as before—January, April, July and October.

### Methodist Church.

We had a splendid winter congregation Sunday, were you there? We have the record and will keep it again next Sunday, and for several weeks to come. If you were not present why not? Come and bring somebody else and show you appreciate the church.

J. Hall Bowman.

### Miss Florence Reed to Wed.

Invitations have been sent out for the wedding of Miss Mary Florence Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Reed, to Mr. Horace William Luce, at the home of the bride's parents, on Sunday morning, January 24, 1915, at ten o'clock.

W. C. Herndon returned Wednesday night from Ft. Tayne, Ala., where he had spent several weeks visiting relatives.

R. F. Short spent Wednesday and Thursday of this week in Dallas on business.

John Pohlman was a business visitor in Fort Worth Wednesday.

Miss Della Horner left Wednesday morning for her home in Memphis, Texas, after visiting relatives here for some time.

Irwin Campbell, Walter Waggoner, Louis Thornberry and John McKinney of Connor Creek were in town Wednesday.

Aunt Bettie Medlan of Medlan Chapel was shopping in the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McBride of Jean spent Wednesday in the city shopping.

## TWO NEW BRIDGES TO BE ERECTED.

The Commissioners Court has entered into a contract with the Newton Construction Co. of the city of Weatherford for the erection of two new bridges, one at Connor Creek, near the Alf Wright place, and one on Flat Rock Creek, on the Henry Chapel road. These bridges were petitioned for some time ago, but on account of the new court going in and having an extraordinary amount of work to do it was impossible to get to the bridge matter sooner.

## GOOSENECK

As this is a lonely day I will try to write a few lines to our Reporter.

We are still having some bad weather, but we did enjoy two days of sunshine last week.

G. W. Wiley is still confined to his bed. We hope he will be well again soon.

There has been some moving this week. Mr. Rhodes of Bunker moved on the Johnson farm, Herman Johnson to the McLaren farm, and Jim Price to the Tollitt farm; also Jim Reed to the Uncle Jim Lawrence farm.

Messrs. Wiley moved some hay and farming tools to Newcastle last week.

Mr. Mullenax and family are located on the farm owned by S. H. Bain.

Mrs. Stella Wiley and sister, Edna, visited Mrs. Lillie Marshall at Ming Bend one day this week.

Mrs. Caudill and daughter came to see Mr. and Mrs. James Thursday night and Friday.

J. A. Ferguson has been hauling feed to the Uncle Julius Driver place, where he will stay until spring.

Willie, Alfred and Frank Parsons picked cotton for Frelon Wiley this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rose made a trip to Graham Wednesday.

Roy Parsons has been confined to his home with a rising but is up and able to be on the go again.

Murry Conder and Frank Parsons attended a party at Salem Saturday night. They said they had the best time of their lives.

Deacon Brown spent Saturday night with J. G. Parsons.

R. L. McLaren went to Bunker with a load of cotton Saturday.

Dewey Wiley and sister and Alfred Parsons enjoyed a good singing, given by Mr. and Mrs. Grantham.

Messrs. Rhodes, Grantham and Parsons called on G. W. Wiley Sunday morning.

J. F. Clark and family of Tonk Valley spent Sunday with John Clark and family.

Messrs. Jones and Murry Conder, also Claude Clark took dinner Sunday with the Parsons boys.

Miss Cora Rose and brother went to the party at Mr. Hatfield's in Salem Saturday night.

Miss Maggie Reed visited Mrs. Parsons Sunday afternoon.

Miss Eva Conder seems to be anxious to hear from the postoffice.

Please excuse me, Mr. Parsons of Littlefield, I forgot to mention how glad we were to read a letter from you through our good paper. We are sure glad that Miss Alta is improving, and that the rest of your family were all right. Be sure and write us again, for we enjoy your letters, and I guess Dreamy Eyes will too.

R. L. McLaren has several bales of cotton to pick yet.

Here, some one take this pencil and write a good letter.

Gander.

J. L. McLaren of Henry Chapel was in the city Wednesday.



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Weather for January.

1st to 3rd, clear and mild; 4th to 6th, rain; 7th to 9th, showers; 10th to 13th, mild and cloudy; 14th to 16th, cold wave; 17th to 20th, pleasant; 21st to 23rd, heavy rains; 24th to 27th, cold wave with rain or snow; 27th to 31st—mild and pleasant.

The presidential term of office is now ten years in China.

There is always the sunshine, only we must do our part. We must move into it.—Burnham.

So radium has gone down. We do not need any just at present. What a pity it wasn't pork and beans.

An optimist is one who can look the man he owes square in the face. That is, if the procession isn't endless.

What's the matter with our neighbors across the Rio Grande? They haven't started anything this year.

Colonel Roosevelt writes to a friend that he will not again be a candidate for the presidency. Somehow that has a sweet familiar ring to it.

Austria and Germany are ready to pay ten to twelve cents a pound for cotton and the Texas farmer is ready to accept it. Pity they can't get together.

Senator Charles A. Culberson has sent word from Washington that he has not said he would not be a candidate to succeed himself in 1916. Well, if the toga were ours to give, it should be "Cholly Boy's" if he wanted it.

Besides the immense amount of food and clothing which the United States furnishes the belligerent notions of Europe at this tumultuous time, she also furnishes them plenty of war supplies to keep the furnace seething. Is this consistent? We published a statement of Representative Volmer of Iowa recently, in which he declared it is within the power of the United States to end the bloody struggle within ninety days by cutting off all export of war supplies. It is stated that we export weekly about 3,000,000 cartridges to France; forty to fifty large guns; 2000 tons of powder for artillery and infantry cartridges; 1,000,000 carbines; several aeroplanes; four million aerial arrows, etc. We do not believe our nation will have the proper influence as mediator, if mediation be resorted to, since she has been almost the sole factor in furnishing the means of death and destruction.

Ill-Temper is a Habit.

Ill-temper is contagious. So, by the same token, is kindness. And either may become habitual. The child may acquire the habit of pouting, frowning, stamping its foot, crying or giving expression of unkind and angry words when reprimanded or when things go wrong.

His mental irritability unfavorably affects his vaso-motor system, and his blood vessels, being overworked, become prematurely aged. The same child may, by wise teaching and desire to become better, acquire the habit of smiling self-control under the same distressing provocations. After a while his good behavior becomes very largely a matter of habit.

This subject is as important for children in the home and at school as for their elders in the social or business world. A sunny temper will penetrate the knotty problems of arithmetic as well as those of the woodpile, and will untangle the intricacies of a foreign language or transform a disordered kitchen, better than a sullen one. The cheery disposition is likely to be a part of the victorious character. The very grouchy man is woefully handicapped, and must needs have many excellent qualities before he can hope to rise to equally high esteem with his less gifted but more cheerful comrades. Real politeness is the kindly expression of a kindly intent. Ill-nature and politeness are antagonistic and can not dwell long together in the same individual. Politeness in its genuine essence contributes toward the well-being of all, even to long life, while impoliteness and irascible temper may shorten life.—Dallas News.

A Letter from the South Pacific.

We are reproducing here a letter of much interest, which was received recently by Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Jeffery, from their niece, Miss Dolly Jeffery, who has gone most gladly as a missionary to the South Sea Islanders, as the letter indicates. Her temporary place of labor is the Solomon Islands, an extensive group of islands lying between five degrees and ten degrees south latitude, and the least known of any other islands in the great Pacific. She gives several brief glimpses of the beauty of these tropical lands, and we learn from research that the islands received their present name from the fact of their immense wealth, "as great as Solomon's." When her health permits, she goes to Norfolk Island which is four hundred miles northwest of New Zealand; and here sublime courage is the test, for the breakers of the Pacific beat so high on the rocky, cliff-bound coast that only two harbors are accessible. This island was formerly a penal settlement for convicts. Aside from reading a personal letter from one of so high a sense of duty as to devote her life for the uplift of others, it affords a most interesting real glimpse into the "other side of the world."

"Hautabu" Hospital, Mararoro Melnesia, Oct. 28, 1914. My Dear Aunt and Everybody: You often come into my thoughts so I think I shall write you a short letter. I have been here six months now and it is six weeks since we had any news of the outside world. We are very anxious to hear war events. It is very dreadful to

think we can't even go through this short life without fighting. You will have heard from the others at home of dear old Daddy's death, I don't like the idea of going home at all now. Home will not be the same any more.

This is the Melanesian Mission Hospital and we have been expecting the mission ship for nearly three weeks now, and still no signs of her. I hope the Germans haven't got her. I expect then to go to Norfolk Island. I was to have gone to take charge of the hospital there but strained the muscles of my back two months ago and must give up nursing for a while. I may have to go back to New Zealand in the meantime but I hope to be put at one of the ladies' stations and work more among the people. I love my work. The natives are very interesting and very lovable. We are two nurses and one doctor. We have a native and his wife to assist in kitchen and wards. Then the doctor has a boy over at his house.

I am busy trying to learn the language and the natives have a good laugh at my expense sometimes. I was very keen to try a native canoe so Dr. Spratt,

missionary to the planters as well as natives of these parts, offered to take me to "Lavero" plantation six miles along the coast. We did not get more than 40 yards out before the five of us in the canoe were in the sea. However, we all got safely to shore and walked up the hill to the hospital. On looking round, we espied a troop of natives with two umbrellas up, following. We thought the umbrellas had gone for good. They sank but the natives dived for them and brought them up to us. We set out to walk to "Lavero" then. In spite of the heat (for we are right in the tropics) we had a lovely walk. The island is covered with lovely bush right to the beach. With the bush and hills on one side and the sea and coral reefs on the other, it was very enjoyable. The coconut plantations are very large and get monotonous but they are very pretty—palms with the bush for a background. We were treated quite royally when we got there. Returned at 5 p. m. where the doctor had a cup of tea and a huge plate full of thin bread and butter waiting for us.

Our food is chiefly tinned down

here. At Lavero they have 25 cows, experimenting just at present. We had some fresh milk when we arrived there. They have heaps of poultry and keep us supplied with eggs. They thrive well here.

They have one pony, two years old, which they fed on Nestle's milk for the first year. It has thrived very well on it, too.

We get plenty of native vegetables and fruits. These people are very dark. You will be used to natives where you are, I suspect. We have only touched a small portion of this island. The bush people are still cannibals.

The Romans have a station either side of us which does us a lot of harm. I had been looking forward to coming here for a good 15 years but it was worth waiting for and I think nursing gives one a good hold of the people. They have absolute faith in you.

I should love to see you all. With much love and hope you will have time to write a few lines some day.

Yours affectionately, Dolly Jeffery.

Are you reading The Reporter?

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### FLAT ROCK

Thanks for your pencil School Girl.

Now Kid, if you will move over and let me sit on your box a while I'll see what I can do for The Reporter this week.

Say, Kid, what if that box should break through and spill you all on the ground and somebody pass while you were getting yourself together? Then some one would call you lopsided and say you didn't write all the news wouldn't they? But here's hoping the box will last just as long as the Kid does.

The letters were all good last week.

Daisy Flat a letter from you looked good. I always miss your letters when you fail to write. I caught your meaning at once when I read your letter. And, why shouldn't I wish good things for the "old"? But, say, Daisy Flat, what do you know about that? I haven't seen you for ages it seems. Why didn't you attend the reunion?

Yes, Kid-o, I teach the children about your size. Now maybe you are older than I look but you certainly don't look as old as I am, but anyway some of my pupils are about your size and they don't allow me cards for my class, but if you were one of my pupils I'd try to manage some way to get a card for "you" as it seems you are not easy to understand some things unless they are pictured off. Now if it didn't take so much paper I'd draw my letters so you could understand them better but I'm afraid if I undertook that our editor would stop me on the first picture. And, Kid-o, you say you go to Sunday school on your own accord. Well, I was certainly glad to hear that, for it makes me feel like you are going to take the advice I gave you some few weeks ago. So just keep it up Kid-o until you learn to like Sunday school.

Now Mr. Editor don't look at me in that "tone of voice" just because I said that to Kid-o for he says I can't make him mad and I'm quite sure I have not said anything here to hurt his feelings. Hope not anyway. I would have told him all this at the reunion but every time I would look at him the expression on his face told me, "Yes, yes, Candy Kid, if you won't say anything to me I'll go to Sunday school every Sunday from this time on."

Mrs. Burton and daughters, Misses Georgia and Alice, spent Thursday with Mrs. Taylor and Miss Maggie.

The debate Friday night was good so they tell me. I was absent myself.

Ed Hunter of Graham visited relatives in this community last week.

C. B. Parsons and family have moved to Graham.

A few of our young people attended the installation and oyster supper at the Woodmen Hall Friday night and report a nice time.

Mrs. Wade of Henry Chapel community has been visiting for some time with her daughter, Mrs. Gene Martin.

Mr. Carter has a new telephone in his house.

We have some new neighbors but haven't learned their names.

Dago, it was kind of you to inform me of B. W. and the young lady, but you know I'm so far away I can't watch them much, so I'll ask you to please do that for me and let me know occasionally what the prospects are. I'm afraid I've lost all claim myself.

Mr. J. E. Parsons, I enjoy reading your letters and hope you will continue to write them. Mrs. Corley and daughters, Misses Lona and Corene, visited Mrs. Iva Fain Monday.

Misses Alice and Georgia Burton and mother visited Mrs. Jno. Martin, who is in very poor health, Monday.

Miss Jessie Alford spent last Thursday night with her brother, Brit Alford.

Messrs. Edwin Rehders and Bill Martin of Graham were hunting in our community one day last week.

Dreamy Eyes, tell your sister old Santa Claus never brought me any milk pail or sausage but he brought me plenty of other nice things. I haven't any use for a milk pail for I'm sure if the cows were to see me coming toward the lot with a pail in my hand it would scare them off the place.

Misses Jennie Belle and May Hunter and Maggie Corley; Messrs. Claude Cochran and Dube Lamar visited our Sunday school Sunday and called at Mr. Corley's.

Bro. Patterson preached a splendid sermon after Sunday school.

We regret to report Mrs. Vena Cook on the sick list. She was greatly missed at Sunday school.

Rev. S. D. Cook and wife visited relatives in this community last week.

Brit Mayes and little girl have moved to Mr. Hazelton's, where Mr. Mayes will work for a few months.

Mr. Hazelton was puny the past week but was able to attend services Sunday.

Horace Fain has just helped E. H. Corley finish his cotton picking.

Bob Corley will begin work for Mr. Robbins of Tonk Valley this week.

Mrs. Burton and daughters called at Mr. Hodges' one afternoon last week.

Miss Alice Burton returned to Dallas Saturday after a few weeks' visit with home folks.

Miss Georgia Burton, Messrs. Jesse, Bill and Virgil Martin, Horace and William Fain were callers at Mr. Corley's Sunday afternoon.

What Dago said about making the year 1915 a profitable year in our lives was simply fine. And, let me tell you Correspondents I don't believe there is a man anywhere that comes nearer practicing what he preaches than our good writer, Dago. I lived a neighbor to him two years and I know the people of his community can say of him that he has been a help to the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Brit Alford spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lud Martin.

Miss Maggie Taylor spent Monday at H. C. Fields'.

Well, if I make my letter any longer I'm afraid the Editor will blue pencil most of it. Am going to "take in" second Monday today. Candy Kid.

### MING BEND

As news is scarce and time precious I will only detain you a few minutes.

W. A. Sims finish picking cotton Thursday.

The cotton will all soon be in the merchants' hands and then she will go up and no more will be sold for four and five cents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sims and Grandma Choate spent Wednesday at Mr. Newby's.

Mr. Reeves and son moved from our community Wednesday to their new home near Lucille. We regret very much to lose them. They were good neighbors. We wish them good health and wealth in their new home.

R. E. Sims and son, Joe, went to Graham Monday and returned Tuesday.

How many of you are going to Big Monday?

Earl Pickard went to Fox Hollow today (Sunday.)

Mrs. Nannie Lisle called at Joe Marshall's Sunday evening a while.

W. L. Newby and R. A. Kutch went to town Thursday.

R. E. Sims and family, Mrs. Newby and three children and grand-daughter, Lela Gibbs, spent Sunday at S. L. Ribbles.

Mrs. Rena Owen and little daughter spent Friday with Mrs. Newby.

Little Cecil Ribble spent from Friday till Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Rena Owen.

Mrs. Rena Owen and daughter, and niece spent Saturday with Mrs. Owen.

Frank Cunningham and family spent Sunday at Mr. Roark's.

Misses Mary and Ethel Cunningham were out Saturday de-

livering orders for the Lee Manufacturing Co.

Quite a number of young people attended the party at Will Owen's Tuesday night.

Miss Audry Ribble spent last Saturday night at John Mitchell's.

Carey Gathern made his regular call at Mr. Roark's today (Sunday.)

Oluf Ribble made his regular call at Briar Branch Sunday.

Walter James and Hugh Ribble went to Salem Sunday afternoon.

Bro. Pursley will fill his regular appointment here Saturday night and Sunday. Everybody come.

Oh! I forgot, but I will hand my pencil to Snowflake and go. Rainy Day.

### ROCK CREEK

Hello Mr. Editor and scribes, how are you all this cool Sabbath evening?

C. L. Foster was in Wichita Falls last week transacting business.

Miss Fannie Stoffers spent Friday night and Saturday with home folks.

Some of the Rock Creekers attended the party Saturday night at Mr. King's in the Union Ridge community. They report a jolly time.

Miss Hazel Cook has returned from a week's visit to Chillicothe.

Mrs. D. W. Burk and little son, Winford, spent Saturday and Saturday night with Mrs. J. D. Burk.

Miss Fannie Stoffers spent Saturday night with Miss Besseye Burk.

Well, it seems like we never will get our cotton out. Most everyone in the community has some cotton to pick yet, but if we get one week's pretty weather I think that most everyone can get through picking.

J. J. Foster went up about Jermyn Friday on business.

Messrs. D. W. and E. H. Burk made a business trip to Graham Saturday.

E. H. Burk visited at Mr. Burton's Wednesday.

Miss Martha Bennett spent Sunday with Miss Besseye Burk.

Misses Martha Bennett and Besseye Burk called at Mrs. G. M. Foster's.

Gene Martin called at G. M. Foster's Sunday but found Mr. Foster gone.

Joe Foster went to Bryson Sunday.

As news is scarce I will hand my pencil to Pilot and go. Daisy Flat.

### MURRAY

The wind is blowing cold from the north this morning and I think everyone will feel better, however, health in our community is very good except colds.

Quite a few of our people are taking in trades day today.

Mrs. E. L. Tyra spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walsh. Osmer Kramer returned Saturday from Post City, where he has been for some time. He says that country is all right for anyone who has plenty of money but he can't get a house to live in unless he buys.

Mrs. J. L. Wootton returned Friday from a week's visit with her son, J. G. Wootton and wife of Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Carmack visited their daughter, Mrs. Lee Mayes, and family of Loving Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. T. Hamilton and little son, Tyra Lee, returned Friday from a three weeks' visit in Oklahoma.

Prof. Braddock and family visited in Graham Saturday and Sunday. Bluebell.

Mischa Elman tells a story of his early youth. He was playing at a reception given by a Russian prince, and played Beethoven's "Kreutzer Sonata," which has several long and impressive rests in it. During one of these rests a motherly old lady leaned forward, patted him on the shoulder, and said, "Play something you know, dear."—Argonaut.

### FLINT CREEK

Well, we had a few days cotton picking weather last week, but looks now like we might have the same old bad, rainy weather again.

That bad cloud Tuesday night didn't do any damage here but it looked like it might have done something farther north. We don't have those kind of clouds here in the winter much, of course it scared me, but it did not hurt me. I was in hopes it would be the breaking up of the rainy weather but it doesn't seem like it was.

The paper was fine last week, wasn't it? But, I'm sorry that woman split up our prejudice (?) but I tell you, if anyone gets mad because I don't put their names in the paper I want them to come to me, and not the editor, for he can't help that I don't think. You see I don't put much visiting in my letters but I can do it if that's what they want.

Yes, Johnnie Dolittle, my thumb is all right now and I hope to be with you for a while now.

Things are changing about old Flint Creek nowadays. Old ones are moving away and new ones are moving in.

Jim Cooper has gone west and Hubert Walker has moved to the place formerly occupied by Mr. Cooper.

Mr. Lanier and Key have gone but their houses are still vacant.

Joe Taylor from east of Graham has moved into a newly built house on his mother's place.

Burley Tisdell has moved from the Rubenkoenig place to Oklahoma.

Virgil Willis has moved to the French place north of Graham. Mr. Norred has moved to the place recently vacated by Mr. Willis.

No, Dreamy Eyes, I didn't enjoy (?) my dinner. The editor told me to quit you know.

It has been reported that the

scarlet fever had broken out in the school, but I think they have decided it was the roseola. The Abby children and Worsham children are the only cases I have heard of. School is a little slim at present on account of the disease. Hope it will soon be over with.

Oh! yes, Tempest and Sunshine, I will attend your literary if nothing happens, but I don't expect the Kid can come as he's almost too small to get that far away from home, but he might fool me.

Yes, Kid-o, I'm back, again and will be back at that reunion too, maybe. Yes the St. Louis feeds well on such occasions as that and at other times when I've got the money to pay for it. That's seldom, you know.

X. Y. Z., I know you miss my letter a whole lot when Jolly Girl is present. You too, Jolly Girl.

Thanks, June Roses, I would like to attend your literary and maybe I will.

J. L. Heighten and family of Graham visited their daughter, Mrs. D. W. Doolen, Sunday.

The singing at W. E. Stephens' was enjoyed by all who were there, but I wasn't there.

Miss Jessie Morrison visited her sister at Bryson Saturday and Sunday.

Emmet Caskey has moved to the Hunt ranch.

The party at A. Bills' was well attended Saturday night.

Lyle Norred was over on Flint Creek somewhere Sunday. Don't know why he was over here though.

No, Buster Blue, I will stand for what Carrie Nation said about me eating for I don't doubt anything I did that day. I was in a big crowd you know.

No, Silver Moon, I didn't get to help eat that turkey. The editor knows not to let me get hold of any more than is intended for me.

Yes, Pilot, I'm still alive and will live as long as The Reporter reunions last, maybe so.

This writer appreciates Mr. Parsons' letter as well as anyone.

I guess the Sunday school writers can answer the Bible riddle, but did they? It must have been that whale.

Jack o' Diamonds.

### Likes The Reporter.

San, Jon, N. M.  
Jan. 12, 1915.

West Texas Reporter,  
Graham, Texas.

Dear Sirs:

As my time has expired and I wish to continue my subscription, you will please find inclosed \$1.00 for another year.

I was once a citizen of Young county. In the early days I knew almost every man in the county. I often see names in your paper that are familiar to me and if your Correspondents would give their real names probably I would know them, as I knew their parents when I lived in that county, and they were but small children, and now they are old enough to be called "grandpa." I saw in your paper that R. L. McLaren is grandpa. It seems that they are trying to live according to scripture, to multiply and replenish the earth. They are walking in the footsteps of their cousin, Bob, who is now nearly 70 years old and has a little daughter who will be 3 years old the 15th of May.

Wishing you and your Correspondents great success during the year 1915, I am,

Yours very respectfully,  
JOHN R. HAYNES,  
San Jon, New Mexico.

Foreign Official: "You cannot stay in this country."

Traveler: "Then I'll leave it."

Foreign Official: "Have you a permit to leave?"

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# Live News from our Correspondents

## EDITOR'S CHAT

A very noticeable improvement in tone and character is seen in the Correspondents' letters since our last reunion, and we believe each one who attended profited by the discussion of matters relative to making a good newspaper. We must improve—there is no standing still—we must either go forward or backward, and it is our belief that both Correspondents and editor can profit by past mistakes.

We want 1915 to be the best year we have ever had, and with our Correspondents' help we can make it so. When occasion arises show your paper to a neighbor who is not taking it. And don't forget we are ready to send out sample copies when you send in the names.

Editor.

## MOUNTAIN HOME

Well, as this is second Monday I will try and dot down the news. I guess most of you all went to the city today.

Let's all take warning from what our good editor wrote so there won't be any trouble. We hope the lady won't get offended any more. I always try to write as jolly a letter as I can each week, and haven't had any one to tell me to quit writing about them. I can say we have a good community.

Our paper was sure fine last week.

I wanted to say more to you Correspondents than I did last week but just had five minutes to write in. I enjoyed all your letters but hated to see so many of the writers absent.

Goose, what is the matter with you that you don't write. Buster Blue, I am glad you have joined our happy band and you can help me write all the news. Am sorry you have been sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Sharp and Mrs. Nola Whittenberg took dinner with Bill Bunker and family Sunday.

Silver Bell, did you come up in this community second Monday? I thought I saw you.

Jesse Owen has just returned from Ft. Worth and he and wife intend to help Will Owen pick cotton.

Beauty, I was glad you thought my letter was good. I always read all of your letters.

Mr. Parsons, I was glad to see your letter and glad that Alta was doing so well. Am glad that Josie was able to go back to work again. I am sure that Dreamy-Eyes appreciated what you wrote and she enjoyed fixing you something to eat.

H. L. Ribble has been to Lucille the past few days moving the school house.

What was the trouble with your school house, Johnnie Doolittle? Was it about to bog down? Why don't you tell us about it?

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Plow Boy, your letters are all good and you always have such long letters.

Salemite, we sure did miss you at the reunion, but maybe you can be there the next time.

Dolph Owen and two daughters took in Big Monday.

Jasper Lasater is visiting his brother, Gen Lasater.

Trixie, The Reporter wasn't complete last week as your letter wasn't there. I always read all of your letters.

Messrs. Beach, Bud Owen and Tom Bunker helped Dick Whittenberg and Frank Sharp kill hogs Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frelon Wiley are moving to Mr. Askew's place. We are glad to have them for neighbors.

Mrs. Dollie Jones went down to her daughter's, Mrs. Lola Askew, Monday to help her canvas her house.

Dreamy Eyes, your letter was good last week. I heard that you all were going to have a postoffice down there. I am sure you all will be glad.

Will go and milk so here's my pencil Beauty. Homeite.

## HENRY CHAPEL

Bright, sunshiny weather the past few days.

One by one they finish picking cotton and begin to concentrate their ideas on another year's work.

The roads gradually improve from worse, worsen and worst. Now, some of you grammatical Correspondents figure out the above and tell us when we will have good roads.

Bro. McCord preached Saturday night and Sunday. Good congregations and both sermons much enjoyed by all.

We had seventy-eight at Sunday school with exceptionally good lessons. Let's help to improve the Sunday schools thru 1915.

F. D. Craig and family have moved to Areher county, where Dud will work on a ranch this year.

If anyone wishes to know how much higher the wheels on one side of a wagon must get than the other before the wagon turns over just ask A. Bower.

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## INDIAN MOUND

John W. Saye from Loving, who is commissioner for this precinct, came over Wednesday afternoon viewing our bad roads. J. W. seemed to think he found some road near Indian Mound school house as bad or a little worse than anything he had seen. Mr. Saye spent Wednesday night with R. G. Taylor and family.

W. W. Hoggard went to Newcastle Thursday after some lumber and wire. He also returned with a barrel of apples and some two or three hundred pounds of dried apples sent him by G. M. James of Lincoln, Ark. These dried apples will be divided among the neighbors. Come up Mr. Editor and we will give you all of these seven cent dried apples you can eat.

A. E. Oatman was here last Thursday assessing taxes.

F. E. Borchardt was fencing Thursday, and Friday he went to the Kinley ranch.

R. G. Taylor went to Newcastle Wednesday.

W. W. and E. G. Williamson went to Newcastle Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Gertrude Taylor was on the sick list Friday and not able to attend school.

Austin Bird went to Newcastle gin one day this week.

Some of our neighbors are talking about buying a tent and moving to the timber and staying until warm weather, because it's such a big job to haul wood over these bad roads. One man said his wife could burn it as fast as he could haul it.

Rev. J. W. Evans from Loving preached here Saturday and Sunday.

Louis and Willie Drum from Loving visited their uncle, B. W. Drum, and wife Saturday and Sunday and attended services here Sunday.

Roy Daily of Guyton, Okla., is spending several days here with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Drum. He expects to leave in a few days for his home in Oklahoma.

Mrs. A. J. Bryan and little son, Austin, from Dakin visited her parents, J. S. Fisher and wife Saturday and Sunday and attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. Sintha Waters and sons, Roscoe and Oscar, from True are moving to Stephens county. They came by last Friday night and spent the night with Mrs. Waters' sister, Mrs. G. W. McComas.

A. E. Oatman spent Friday night with G. W. McComas.

Buster, you said some time ago, speaking of a small attendance at Sunday school here for us not to let the top-sided thing go dead. Pretty good attendance Sunday. There were seventy-two present and seven visitors.

Prof. W. E. Simpson, who is teaching school at Hawkins Chapel, attended Sunday school and church here Sunday and told me he was going to eat dinner with the gentle man who wore red hair and sandy mustache, so I guess Austin Bird had his company.

Miss Jolly Girl, if you know how much turkey I ate you are far ahead of me, because I can truthfully say I don't know how much turkey you ate. But, I do remember what the editor said about you eating that banana, do you?

Tempest and Sunshine, I thank you for the invitation to your literary but I may live farther away from Monument than you think for. I am eight miles north of Graham and about twelve miles almost due west of where you live.

Kid-o, I am no good writer either, that's one thing I know without being told, but I am one of your stayers at the reunion table.

How many of you Correspondents enjoyed the (Editor's Chat) last week? I think it's fine. The good lady's confession that she had never furnished the Correspondent any news items reminds me of a little circumstance that occurred here last winter or early spring when a young lady friend of mine was joking me about not

reporting two young ladies visiting friends that had visited her the week before. When I asked her how I could report things I didn't know she said if it was giving the names of two other families you would have known. I told her yes because they would let it be known. She then asked me the question "Do they tell you?" and I told her some times they do and at other times I happen to know of it. She said, I am just as large a news gatherer as they are so I am furnishing you all the news I have from now on. There have been some few things taken place since I've been writing for The Reporter that I have not mentioned because I thought it best to leave them out.

I am not boosting myself as an expert Correspondent but so far as I know I have never written anything to The Reporter from here that has hurt the feelings of anyone. My attention was called twice to little mistakes that I had made and I corrected them through the paper.

Frank Newman from Hawkins Chapel attended church here Sunday and visited his sister, Mrs. H. H. Stephens.

We were sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. H. M. Orr.

We are sorry to report Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fraizer both on the sick list. Mr. Fraizer has been confined to his bed for several days but we failed to know it in time for last week's letter.

Candy Kid and Silver Bell, we sure missed your letters last week.

Dreamy Eyes, I think your last week's letter was certainly fine.

I have been listening for someone who heartily endorses everything Gov. Colquitt does to say amen to the Governor's article about President Wilson, but everything seems to be very quiet.

W. W. Hoggard and family visited at R. G. Taylor's Sunday evening.

Ed Steadham from north of Newcastle and Chas. Dollins of Indian Mound are moving up near Padgett.

Jolly Girl, I saw my ex-Prof. today. He was all smiles and seemed to be as happy as a Junebug in the summer time.

W. W. Williamson and son, Gentry, D. W. Beard, J. W. Douglass and sons, Virgil and George, N. B. Nolen, G. W. McComas, Henry Frie, R. G. Taylor, Mike Fisher, F. E. Borchardt, H. H. Stephens, R. B. Hightower and sons all attended Big Monday.

Mrs. G. W. McComas and Mrs. H. H. Stephens visited Mrs. J. S. Frazier last Friday evening.

Mrs. F. E. Borchardt and children visited Mrs. W. R. Dollins Sunday afternoon.

G. W. McComas and wife visited J. S. Frazier and wife Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Borchardt and children visited Mrs. G. W. McComas Monday afternoon.

Tom Butler, Gabe and John Barrett, who live between here and Red Top went to Big Monday.

Tom Rutherford, Jess Grimes and D. L. Higgins from White Rose went to Big Monday.

Mr. Editor, I don't know just where my territory stops on the east. It goes to the mountains on the west and north and I guess from here to Graham as long as White Rose doesn't write. I guess they have moved to Jones county again.

Kid saw Carrie Nation, Salemite, Goose, Dago, Jolly Girl and Uno Big Monday. I also saw Buster at a distance. Candy Kid, I heard you were there but I failed to see you.

John McComas and W. E. Simpson went to Graham Saturday evening.

E. G. Williamson is dragging the road today (Tuesday).

R. G. Taylor is doing some repair work on the road today (Tuesday).

Dee James had the misfortune to get his hand badly cut with wire while helping Will Hoggard fence one day last week.

## SOUTH BEND

Quite a little sickness at this writing. Some are bad while others only have bad colds. Most every family has from one to three with bad colds.

Little Mary Lou Burgess has been real sick but is better today.

Mrs. Walter A. Corbett is real sick at this writing.

Miss Cora Vines of Spring Creek left Sunday, after spending a week visiting the family of S. L. Thornton.

Mrs. Omer Beckham of Graham spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. E. N. McCluskey.

Misses Winnie Harrell and Naomi Goode took Sunday dinner with Miss Annie Holcomb.

Mrs. J. R. Holcomb spent Monday with Mrs. O. A. McBrayer.

Sunday school was well attended Sunday. All are welcome. Come and take part.

J. J. Scott spent several days of last week visiting in Graham.

Miss Elsie Rubenkoenig spent from Friday night until Sunday afternoon with her parents in Graham.

Miss Alma McCluskey spent Saturday night with Miss Maggie Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Rogers of Pleasant Hill visited her grandmother, Goode, Sunday afternoon.

Either our good editor or myself one made two mistakes in last week's letter. My letter stated that John and Fred Burgess were sick and it should have been Ira and Fred; also it stated that S. W. Goode and family had moved to the Pogue place and it should have been the Payne place; but then we all make mistakes. Show me a man who doesn't and I'll show you a man who does no business.

B. P. Ritchey and nephew of Yanceyville were trading in the Bend Saturday.

Miss Roxie Burgess and a lady from Duff Prairie were trading in the Bend Saturday.

Mrs. V. M. Hale spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. J. H. Rogers of Duff Prairie.

A number of our people went to Graham today (Monday).

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McBrayer left last Thursday for Murray where they will visit relatives before returning to their home in Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stovall returned home last week after spending Christmas with her parents in Blackwell, Texas.

Monday was quite a hog killing time here. Bashful Ben.

## LONE STAR

Hello Mr. Editor and Correspondents! How are you all this windy day?

Roy Thomas of Proffitt visited his sister, Mrs. F. M. Danley, from Saturday until Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Akers and children, brother, Archie and Miss Mae Foster, visited his mother, Mrs. Sallie Akers of Komo Saturday night and Sunday.

Several from this place attended a musicale and candy breaking at G. R. White's of Komo Saturday night. All reported a jolly, good time.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Burgess of South Bend and Archie Langford ate Sunday dinner with J. C. Akers and family.

Mrs. Sam Brock and children spent Friday night with Misses Poindexter.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Danley have been real sick the past week.

Ellis Langford and Miss Grace Bishop visited relatives and friends on Duff Prairie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Price and children of near Crystal Falls visited J. C. Akers and family from Sunday evening till Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Langford visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Langford from Saturday until Sunday.

Messrs. John Akers, Jim Price, George and Archie Langford were the Big Monday vis-

itors in Graham. Snowflake, what has become of you? Come on with the Proffitt news. We miss your letter very much.

Grandma Vest returned Sunday after a week's visit with her granddaughter, Mrs. G. W. Burgess of South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Langford visited at the Akers' home last Monday evening.

J. G. Godley, who is staying with Mr. Akers, got very badly hurt one day last week but is improving fast.

Mrs. J. C. Akers is on the sick list this week.

Thanks, Bashful Ben, for the use of your pencil. Silver Moon.

## BRYSON

Oh! I just got home from school. Got here all right too, if I did run a race with an auto. I sure did beat.

Buster Blue, we welcome you to our band. Say, were you one of Mr. Lud's school girls last year? If you were, tell me quick.

Miss Fannie Newsome, who has been teaching school near Jacksboro, came in Sunday night with pneumonia. She is reported very ill but we hope to report her better soon.

Miss Hazel Cook came in Sunday night from Fort Worth, where she has been visiting relatives.

Miss Inez Cook is reported on the sick list, and was unable to teach school Monday.

Miss Letha Jones filled her vacancy as teacher.

Rev. Thornton preached at the Christian church Sunday. He will be back again the first Sunday.

Rev. G. W. Tyson of Jacksboro preached at the Baptist church Sunday. He will be back again the second Sunday.

Everybody is invited to attend the literary Friday night, before the fourth Sunday.

The school is expecting Supt. Fulcher to be with them Wednesday. The school has set apart the day Tuesday, the 19th, for visitors' day. We want everybody who can to visit our school that day, especially the parents. We want you to come and see how we are.

Our school is moving along nicely now. The holidays have past and we are getting back to our school work again. There are one hundred and seventy pupils enrolled.

Dee Chambers visited the school Tuesday afternoon.

John Herd went to Graham Monday on business.

Vester Vanhooser went to Jacksboro Monday on business.

Kid-o says he got acquainted with several of the Correspondents at the reunion, but behold he said the other day that he didn't see Trixie there. I was there all right wasn't I Jolly Girl? I know she will say yes, for she knows what we said about that Prof. that day.

Mr. Millet has remodeled his blacksmith shop. Looks like he is going to do some blacksmithing this year.

Miss Inez Cook was still unable to teach school Tuesday. Miss Lena Henderson filled her vacancy as a teacher. Hope Miss Inez will be able to come back to school soon.

The new parsonage will soon be ready for Rev. Thomas to move into.

Frank Roquemore of Long Hollow dined at Mr. Kuykendall's Tuesday.

Luther Hester filled his regular appointment at Miss Lydia Birdwell's Sunday afternoon.

I'll lend my pencil to Kid-o and skiddoo. Trixie.

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**MARKLEY**

We are having some sickness in and around Markley.

Mrs. Dean is still quite sick. Mr. Swearingen is sick, also W. W. Gregg's little girl.

H. O. Prideaux's youngest child has been quite sick.

Some changes are being made. Mr. Geary has left us; also Mr. Roach and Mr. Evans. These changes lessen our school population. Some children have been kept out of school on account of the cotton in the fields and this in the year 1915.

Farmers, don't you think we had better turn our attention to something else. Meat is high, why not have more hogs on the farm? I don't think they are farmers, they just think they are. Just as soon as the merchants' books are opened for credit they will be buying bacon on time, and then next fall can't pay for it. We farmers have a wonderful stock of business ability to advise the other fellow. This year let us think for ourselves and not have the merchant and banker thinking for us.

Salemite, I did wish to be with you at Graham at the reunion for I am sure I would have had a good time. Then, I would like to have made an after dinner speech. No, I am not as good a speaker as Chauncy Dewey but I would have done my best.

Kid, your answer to that is correct as far as we are concerned, but I do believe the drug habit is spreading into our rural districts.

I am sending an answer to Silver Bell as to where Admiral Dewey was during the battle of Manila. I write it word for word as it is in the history of the Spanish-American war. I do not write it in a spirit of criticism of Silver Bell but in justice of and to Admiral Dewey.

We are having some beautiful days and the farmers are trying to get their cotton out. Quite a number of our people are going to Graham tomorrow.

Our sick folks are all improving.

I am very sorry to hear that Dr. Terrell is in poor health and wish for him a speedy recovery.

Bono. (The matter spoken of in regard to Admiral Dewey in Bono's letter failed to arrive with the letter. Possibly it will come in next week.—Editor.)

**CENTER POINT**

Hello to all "ye scribes!" How are you all this fine day? It was so pretty today it makes me think of good old summer time.

Going to school is the order of the day with Kid-o, and he sure likes to go too.

A few of the Center Pointers attended the party at Arthur Clark's last Thursday night. All present reported a fine time.

Trixie, I sure found out who you are all right. You are not who I thought you was. I beg your pardon for what I said over the phone. I am sure it didn't make you mad, did it?

Horace Reeves' baby is pretty sick, but we hope to report it better at the next writing.

Scott Nichols is moving to Weatherford where he will make his home in future. We regret the loss of our friend and neighbor, but our loss is Weatherford's gain.

Alvie McCoy was the happiest duck around the Point Christmas as he got a biscuit and some sausage off the Christmas tree.

The people of this community are about through picking cotton.

Mrs. Maude Derrick of this community has been suffering with stomach trouble for some time. She will go to Ft. Worth tomorrow, but they don't know whether an operation is sure or not. Her husband, A. C. Derrick, and father, J. D. Caddell, will accompany her.

Mesdames Murriel Caddell, Viola Green and Alta Clay spent the day Sunday with Mrs. Dollie Derrick. Kid-o.

**SALEM**

Regular winter weather is the order of the day now.

Cotton picking is almost a thing of the past here at last. Much less money here at the end of the year than usual.

Mr. Richardson of South Bend moved into the house on J. A. McLaren's farm vacated by G. G. Smith, who moved to Mountain Home, and Mrs. Comstock and her three sons of Palo Pinto county moved into T. K. Criswell's place.

Quite a number of Salemites went to the city last Monday.

Even if your box breaks down Kid, you cannot transfer your part of the work to any other one of the Correspondents, for that is strictly against the law. Plow Boy as good as says "We will starve if we do or we will starve if we don't," and that leaves us in a sad condition, lamenting the loss of our own true love.

We haven't been out enough to gather the local news this week. Will try to do better next time.

Gringo, we are not going to allow you to get off on the plea of being a spring chicken, for even the pencil you use says "Gringo is no spring chicken." Whether you are a socialist in politics or not cuts no figure here. Come on and tackle this question from that view point. We don't see the question of over production alike.

Well, it is likely there never was a season when there was over production the world over but it so happens that there is over production of certain products every season on parts of the earth at least, and it always lowers the price of that product. The nature of the product and distance between where produced and consumed are very important factors in price making. The vegetables you mention are perishable products, they rot in the field, rot in transit and rot on the merchants' hands, hence the great difference in price you mention.

Transportation cuts a big figure in the game. It now costs \$35.00 to deliver a bale of Texas cotton to Germany. A great change is at hand, and, as you say, the problem is a hard one, but it is going to be solved in some way and by staying with it we will see how it is done at least.

We note that Dreamy Eyes' letter of last week is to the point on this question. It is the best yet, for we meet many whose finances are about on a par with the price of a good wheelbarrow, who are hardly satisfied with a new Ford car. Then, there is nothing to hinder any one who lives on a farm from having plenty of good fresh milk and butter or from raising turkeys and chickens by the hundred, and you can stock a section of land with hogs in one year. We sold one man his meat three years in succession here, then he said he was going to quit that way and keep his cotton money, so he bought a nice brood sow. Then he forgot his good resolution and sold all the first litter of pigs because, as he said, he needed a little money; then by the first of January he had the old sow salted down good and safe, and then came back the next year to buy more pork.

You have read the story entitled, "The Human Fraction," well, there are a lot of human fractions in this world. Sometimes "hubby" is the human fraction and sometimes it is "wifey," and worlds without end, in some instances both "hubby" and "wifey" are human fractions and then the wheels of fortune turn as slow as a hog a flying. But neither the merchant or any political party is to blame here. The real guilty party is that little chubby fellow whose only wardrobe consists of a beautiful pair of wings. Oh! yes, he is known as cupid, and he goes around armed with a bow and arrows and his target or only aim is at the heart and when he pierces that vital organ with one of his arrows of course a wedding just has to follow, and

sometimes the groom is only a kid and his wife only a little school girl who left her books in school one evening and then was married the next day. They start in life with the odds so greatly against them that, even if they were great big units, they could hardly succeed in life. For, in some instances, they marry on time, then they farm on the halves on time, and their children are born on time, and raised on time, and as time goes on, in the language of the immortal poet "It is a time for memory and a time for tears." And still the ranks of the homeless are being recruited very fast in this state, where there are millions of acres of new land, not to mention thousands of improved farms for sale. Why this condition of affairs? Is the query of Salemite.

**FARMER**

I have just been reading of the awful war in Europe, and oh! how thankful I am that I am in a land of peace. Just to think of twenty million men facing each other in battle. I wonder what the end of these things will be. Who can tell me? Just about one year ago men were building peace temples and today they are tumbling down upon them.

Plow Boy, where is that scripture where it says, "When they shall say peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them?" Take an inventory of the present day troubles. The latest bulletin says Germany, Russia, England, Austria, Hungary, Serbia, Turkey, Japan, Montenegro, Mexico, South Africa, Belgium, France and India are in battle array, besides Mohammedan Persia is fighting Russia, on that neutral soil. China is tasting war from two outside countries. It looks as if all these great countries are soon to be a vast graveyard with mourning widows and weeping orphans everywhere. Then, when we remember the poverty and suffering which are the natural consequences of war, the brain reels and the heart grows faint. What have we left, the United States, the dear old land of the Stars and Stripes, and we don't know when we shall be involved.

Carroll Morgan, and J. W. Wall called on A. C. Casey Friday night. J. W. Casey and wife were called to Fort Worth Thursday to the bedside of his daughter, Mrs. Nellie West, who is reported to be very low with fever. Mr. Cox and family of Markley were guests at Noah Cantwell's Sunday. J. W. Wall spent Sunday afternoon at Mr. Miller's. The singing at Mrs. Drum's Sunday night was well attended and all report a nice time. Gray-eyed Girl, I am sorry I was not at the reunion. I was called away to Wichita Falls and got back just in time to be too late for the reunion. Roy McBride and wife spent the night at Noah Cantwell's and the boys gave them a big "shivaree" and then some fine music, by Mr. Miller and Ross Patton. John Logston has been on the sick list the past week. Pilot.

**CRAIG POINT**

We are having a few days of pretty, sunny weather and I, for one, am sure glad to see it. I do hope it will continue for a while.

Mr. West and family have moved on the Fisher place. We did not learn where they were from. We welcome them to our community.

Mrs. Nell Burnett of Mount Pleasant visited with Mrs. Finley one day last week.

S. D. Baugh and family attended church at Tonk Valley Sunday and took dinner with Mrs. Mary Timmons.

We are glad to report little Dora Wade some better, after about two weeks severe illness.

Mrs. Walter Green called on Mrs. Martin Jones Monday afternoon.

Will Cornelius was a caller at Henry Kelley's Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Moore of Graham visited her daughter, Mrs. Walter Green, Monday and Tuesday. Mesdames Killion and Baugh called on Mrs. Jones Friday morning.

Mr. Finley and family spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Lanier.

Mr. Cates of Oklahoma is visiting his uncle, Henry Kelley. Yes, Hollyhock, I remember those letters but they were both put in the stove in less than ten minutes after I received them. Why wasn't you at the reunion? Several from here attended Big Monday.

Blondie, what was the matter with you last week? Write oftener. Bluebird.

Health of our community is very good at present excepting bad colds.

Mrs. W. B. Harrison is still improving at this writing.

Will Reeves spent Sunday afternoon with his father and mother.

Misses Della Smith and Alice Gibson called on Mrs. B. M. Cochran Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Myrtle Ford of Loving spent Sunday with Mrs. W. B. Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Deering called on Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harrison Sunday evening.

Vester Gahagen and Obe Brumbelow of Baylor Springs were visitors in our Sunday school Sunday. Welcome, come again.

Reece Harlan was a pleasant caller at Miss Lula Sanders' Sunday.

Jack o' Diamonds, I heard you was going to leave us and go to Mexico. How about it? I know we will miss you.

Our school entertainment will be given on Friday night, January 22nd.

Tempest and Sunshine.

**PICKWICK**

Hello Mr. Editor and Correspondents! How are you? I am fine.

My! wasn't The Reporter fine last week.

Mrs. Lettie Weldon and children spent the day Sunday with Mrs. Nannie Weldon.

Miss Stella Lester spent one night last week with Miss Grace Wester.

Lit Perry, Jim Denton and J. W. Gann are gathering corn for Mr. Costello.

Miss Magie Costello spent Saturday night with her aunt, Mrs. McMullin.

John Worth Gann visited over behind the sharp Denton Mountain Sunday afternoon. Hello! Johnnie Dolittle.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Costello spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. McMillan.

Jim Nixon of Graford was in our midst last week.

Mr. Whately's folks are thru picking cotton and the children have started to school.

Where was Silver Bell last week she wasn't with us? I sure missed you.

Glad to see so many at Sunday school yesterday and hope they will come every Sunday.

J. W. Gann took dinner with Henry Nicklas Sunday.

Bob and Miss Bertha Dalton have returned from Stonewall county, where they have been for some time. Very glad to have them come back.

Alton Whately came in from Mineral Wells Sunday. The dance at Harry Gilmore's was enjoyed by all.

Misses Maggie Costello and Eula Kate Norton spent Sunday night with Miss Myrtle Whately.

**LOVING**

As I am at school haven't time to write any more. Here Silver Bell, take my pen and give us some news. Beauty.

We sure feel good over the sunshine and warm days. Think it will take about a month for us to thaw out after such a protracted cold spell.

Mr. Caldwell of Oklahoma City has leased the Sally Alice mine and will begin work in the near future. Hope he will make a success of the mine and

furnish employment for men who are needing work so badly. Mr. Caldwell is making his home at the old hotel.

The gins are only running half time since Christmas. The Union gin running the first three days of the week, the Simons' gin the last three days.

A wedding was solemnized in our community yesterday afternoon, J. P. Hawkins, Justice of the Peace, performing the rites that made Mr. George Rice and Miss Lelia McClure man and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Huren McCallister accompanied the bride and groom to the home of Mr. Hawkins and later to Jacksboro where they will make their home. We wish for them a prosperous, happy future.

Mr. Kemp of Graham visited friends north of town yesterday.

P. L. Pittman of Olney was in our town two days of last week buying horses. While here he purchased a fine young stallion from Joe Kennedy.

Dr. Johnson was called out to the Steen farm Sunday to see Vernon Parker, who is reported very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Story dined at the Daniels Hotel Sunday evening.

A. B. Daniels took Floyd Stiffler, J. T. Marshall, W. H. Baker and Mr. Duckworth to Big Monday today.

Rev. McCord is away from home on his missionary work.

There will be church at the Baptist church on next Sunday the 17th.

Rev. Bell preached at the Methodist church yesterday. Hope to see all this in print, for we do our best and like to see our efforts appreciated. Loving Heart.

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**OAK GROVE**

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Miller spent Sunday with Sam Herron and family of the Onion community.

J. W. Keene and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Peters.

The party at Whitt Gipson's was well attended and all present reported a splendid time.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Petty, Jan. 3, a fine boy.

Sunday school and prayer meeting Sunday afternoon and Sunday night were well attended considering the weather.

Mrs. Self spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Waddill. John rushing of the New Hope community is picking cotton for J. C. Miller.

Melvin Byrd of Spur, Texas is pulling bolls for I. E. Self. Miss Vernon Miller spent Saturday night with Misses Waddill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Peters spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Self.

Will Gipson took Sunday dinner with his sister, Mrs. E. E. Harwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Crowder and son spent Sunday with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Clifford Garvey.

Mrs. I. E. Self spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Joe Petty. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Madoozie spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Petty.

Mrs. A. H. Peters spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Miller.

Miss Sallie Waddill spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Pinkney Garvey.

Mrs. Buck and son of Illinois are visiting their brother and uncle, R. O. Prideaux, of this community.

Miss Nellie Prideaux was a pleasant caller at Mrs. Waddill's Tuesday afternoon.

Thank you Mr. Editor, and Beauty also, for your kindly welcome into the happy band of Correspondents. Toughy.

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### BUNGER

Health in and around the village is good at this time. Mr. Grantham has moved in near the village to Mr. Rhodes place.

I regret very much I wasn't at the reunion. I will be there next time sure.

R. L. McLaren says he feels awfully grand and has for the past two weeks as he has a grandson about that old.

I understand Uncle J. C. Reeves has grown tired of Little Arkansas and is going to move to Pickwick.

Mr. Mullenax has moved to Hokey Hollow.

Mr. Ferguson has moved to Pleasant Hill.

Mr. Price has moved to Lone-some Valley.

Misses Mary Caudill and Cora Rose made a flying trip to Graham Friday.

Say, Gander, you asked me some time back in regard to our little stove. If it doesn't get any colder this winter it will be all right, but you must remember we had anthrax over here last summer and low cotton this fall makes money just a little close.

H. A. Driver will move into his new residence this week.

T. L. Lisle is on the sick list at present.

Miss Cora Rose and Miss Mary Caudill went to the apple grabbing Saturday night at Mr. Hatfield's and report a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Rose from Salem attended church at this place Sunday.

The old reliable missionary, Rev. G. W. Black, preached us a very interesting sermon Sunday.

Prayer meeting Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

All of the bachelors of Salem attended the party at Mr. Hatfield's Saturday night and one of them said he came near having heart trouble the way some things went off. Pardon me Salemite for stepping over in your territory.

Oscar James lost a nice shoat Friday evening from eating cottonseed.

I don't know that I can add anything to what has been said in regard to the high class farming, the high-collared class I mean. They know as little about farming as a pig would about a fiddle. They would put the wrong side of the double-shovel to the row.

I guess there will be several of the Correspondents at Graham second Monday. I am going I think.

J. W. James of near Bunger has traded his farm to Mr. Morrison for a place north of Graham. He thinks he can move by the 20th.

### Goose.

### LONE OAK

There failed to be any church Sunday afternoon.

Our community was grieved to learn of the death of Mrs. Minnie Orr. She formerly lived in this community and was loved and esteemed by all who knew her. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

The Harris family of Megargel have moved to the place recently vacated by Rev. R. E. Boyle and family. We are indeed glad to welcome these estimable people in our community.

Jack Ramsey of Red Top was in this vicinity Friday and Saturday dragging the road.

A. J. Lowe had the misfortune of losing a nice mule one day last week.

J. D. McBride of Coston, Archer county, was in this community on business one day last week.

If those who want their names in the communications were as accommodating as those who do not, they would drop the Correspondent a note and tell them the news. I always tell all the news I know but I don't go around much so I don't learn of all the happenings.

Misses Stella and Mattie McBride called on the Harris family Sunday afternoon.

Quite a number of the Red Top people were in our community last Sunday.

Whew! I'll tell you we are sure having some cool weather now. I "kinder" wish spring would hurry and come.

There is still quite a lot of the fleecy staple hanging in the fields. Some of the farmers are offering half of their cotton to get it picked.

Ima Harris was on the sick list Saturday and Sunday.

### HUNT

Hello to all! How does this weather suit you?

There is still cotton in the fields in this part of the country. Don't know whether the people will pick it all out or not as we only have just a few hours between showers to pick this four cent cotton.

Mr. Ratcliff of True is moving to Clay county and came through this community and spent a few days with W. E. Reeves and family. Mr. Ratcliff's brother of Newcastle was helping him move and got stuck in a mud hole and broke his tongue out. Oh! yes, his wagon tongue of course.

W. A. Rushain, wife and children and Mrs. Willis, Mr. Matthews and sons spent Sunday with S. M. Clayton and family.

Mr. Davis has moved up near Olney. We were sorry to see them leave but hope they will like their new location.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Haygood spent Sunday with Mr. McCreeghen and family.

Charley McKay and family of Palo Pinto have moved to Dickens county and enroute spent Saturday night Sunday and Sunday night with W. E. Reeves and family.

R. R. Rogers got a young mule to break from G. R. Smith last Wednesday.

Our school is progressing nicely with Mr. Shelton as principal and Miss Viola Jones, assistant.

Rev. Roach filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday.

### YANCEYVILLE

Correspondents may I join you this morning? I know the Editor has marked me tardy for not being present last week but will try to be on time this week.

News of interest is scarce with Silver Bell, so I guess I will not disturb anyone by ringing loud and long this time.

Eugene West of this place attended court at Breckenridge last week.

There has been so much rain lately, and the ground is so muddy the farmers are going to be rather late in getting their land broken, but B. P. Gann says it is neither too late nor too muddy to pick cotton. He is one man that has already begun to pick cotton in 1915.

D. A. Upham returned home Saturday from the Bee Branch community where he spent a week with his daughter at that place.

Anyone wanting to hear about the fairyland call on Grandpa Hunt and let him tell you about New Mexico, the land of perpetual wealth.

A doctor was called in to see Bill Cretzinger Saturday. At this writing he is reported to be doing nicely.

Jathen Stone and Eugene Norton of Ivan attended the dance at Cross Barron's Saturday night. Although he has been in California for the past nine years, we are glad to say Eugene still remembers old friends; and we are sure they welcome him home once more.

E. L. Cretzinger and family visited at the Ritchey home Sunday.

R. L. Upham made a business call at B. P. Gann's Monday.

Bill Bunger of Bunger was in this community Monday.

Mrs. Vera Hunt and little daughter, Emily, of Inai spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Miss Lila Ritchey at this place.

Anyone wanting candy will do well to call on J. W. Gann of Pickwick.

Tom Hodge and B. P. Ritchey of this place made a trip to Gooseneck Tuesday.

We are very sorry to say that B. P. Gann has a new case of "Arkansas fever" and seems to be in a serious condition at this writing.

Mrs. T. B. Wyatt and daughter, Miss Jessie, Mrs. George Wyatt and children, Mrs. John Wesley and children and Miss Lila Ritchey visited the school Friday afternoon. Miss Frazier had some of her small pupils to recite for them. The little folks are to be complimented, they simply did fine.

Guess I had better turn my pencil over to some of you Correspondents who have more interesting news than I have to write. I have not received my Reporter since the week before Christmas, so am "kinder" behind time on any of the subjects. Will hand my pencil to Carrie Nation and give room for the other writers.

Silver Bell.

### HOOKEY HOLLOW

Hello Mr. Editor and Correspondents! As it has been quite a while since I last wrote will try and write again.

Rev. G. W. Black of Graham preached at the First Baptist church at Bunger Sunday. A very good crowd was present.

The singing at Mr. Grantham's Saturday night was enjoyed by all present.

Frelon Wiley and wife have moved over on Mr. Askew's place.

G. W. Mahaney killed hogs last Wednesday.

Roy Parsons was all smiles Sunday.

Ras Shumate has returned home from a visit to Waxahatchie.

Miss Maggie Reed spent the night with the Upham girls Wednesday night.

Well, Silver Bell, how do you like your new home?

As news is scarce I will ring off and write more next time.

Tulips.

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### TONK VALLEY

Sunday school and church were well attended. Rev Hall preached us an interesting sermon using the 12th verse of the 12th chapter of Matthew for his text. Several visitors were there, and we are glad they will come and take part with us.

Mr. Nahan, of Denton, is visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. John George. They haven't seen each other in ten years.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Busch and Prof. Burnett took Sunday dinner at John Knight's.

Will Seddon and mother, Miss Sallie Timmons and Mrs. Beckham went to Elbert today for a short visit.

Bill Moore, Misses Eunice Moore and Vera Baugh and Mr. Hand ate Sunday dinner at Mr. Seddon's.

Misses Ethel and Josephine Cornish of Graham visited Miss Delilah Robbins Saturday afternoon.

Terrell Knight started to school this morning at Upper Tonk.

Bob Corley of the Flat Rock community will start to work for Mr. Robbins tomorrow (Tuesday.)

Sorry to report Mrs. Ada Thomas on the sick list. Hope she will soon be up again.

A good many people have passed my house enroute to second Monday. Guess there will be a big smile on the merchants' faces today.

Yes, Kid-o, when a person is in the right don't get mad at what they say to you. It certainly is nice to have a temper you can control.

A nice little norther blew up yesterday morning and is still here. Winter will be here some day I guess, if Mr. Spring does not stop him.

Messrs. Carl Knight, Prof. Burnett and Harry Cornelius attended church at Lower Tonk Sunday Morning.

Will put on my old grey bonnet with the blue strings on it

and hitch up old Dobbin to my little cart, and drive over to the city and see what there is to see this afternoon. So long. Jolly Girl.

### HAWKINS CHAPEL

Robert Miller and wife were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Tedrow Sunday.

Tom Thigpen has been helping T. F. Harman pick cotton the past week.

Jesse Oatman has been working at Loving the past week for Mr. Baker.

J. C. Cross and family moved to Megargel last week and Mr. Valentine and family moved to Mr. Cross' place. We regret to have Mr. Cross and family leave but welcome Mr. Valentine and family to this community.

The Hawkins Chapel school is progressing nicely so we hear under the management of Prof. Simpson.

Jesse Oatman and family took Sunday dinner with Jim Oatman and family.

Mrs. Joe R. Mayes and children, who have been here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cross, spent last Monday night with her sister, Mrs. Lloyd Hawkins. She left Tuesday for Megargel where she will spend a few days and then go on to Abilene, their home.

A. E. Oatman came in from Waco last Tuesday where he had been to spend the holidays with the Misses Oatman, who are in school there.

Mr. Simpson visited in Indian Mound Sunday.

Most every one was busy in their cotton the last two weeks. Cotton certainly is hard to pick now.

Part of the Chapel people attended singing at Mr. Starnes' of Markley Sunday afternoon. They report a good singing and an enjoyable trip.

Carl Newman and wife took Sunday dinner with his parents. There are some intending to go to second Monday from this

community.

A. E. Oatman came down Sunday morning from Jean. He has a job assessing taxes now.

Mrs. Laura Baker is contemplating visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. Loftin, of Graham this week.

Carl Newman and wife are contemplating a visit to her mother, Mrs. Carmack, of Graham this week.

Mr. Jones has bought the Oggletree place. He has been living in the lower part of the county. Mr. Woodrome has been living on the place the past year.

Rube Loftin was up Thursday last on business.

Miss India Newman was the guest of Miss Ophelia Starnes of Markley Sunday.

Mrs. Lindsey was indisposed Sunday.

Jim Oatman has had some cotton pickers in his patch the past week.

There was no preaching at Pleasant View, the Baptist church, Sunday as Rev. O. E. Dickson, the former pastor resigned to attend Simmons College at Abilene. There has been a committee appointed to see about securing a pastor for the remainder of the year, and we hope to have a pastor by another month.

We have been having some nice weather for the past week which is enjoyed very much by all.

We notice the rural carrier has a new mail wagon.

Violet.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Young County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to Summon H. P. Brogdon by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published at your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 30th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 30th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Young County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Graham, on the first Monday in March, A. D. 1915, the same being the first day of March, A. D. 1915, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court, on the 10th day of February, A. D. 1914, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1693, wherein Nancy Martin and her husband, H. M. Martin, James S. Timmons, Omer Beckham, a feme sole, W. H. Timmons, L. Z. Timmons, P. P. Timmons, Noble Timmons, Leona McCluskey and husband, Ed McCluskey, Belle Rogers, and husband, H. L. Rogers and Lizzie Burgess and husband, Plaintiffs, and J. S. Timmons, Mrs. Frances Henry and husband, Mrs. Henry H. P. Brogdon, Matt Brogdon, Mrs. Mollie Wagner, and husband, John Wagner, and D. T. Sledg, Defendants, and said petition alleging:

That plaintiffs and defendants are joint owners in fee simple of the following described land situated in Young County, Texas, to wit: 159 acres of the J. C. Colthran survey, the M. Dewitt survey, the V. E. Curtis survey, abst. 1584, the west 47 1-3 acres of V. E. Curtis survey, abst. 1674, the S. A. Hart survey, the D. W. Russell survey, abst. 1750, the D. W. Russell survey, abst. 1788, the Ben Bragg survey, the D. C. Russell survey, the W. J. Higgins survey, and the G. W. Ellis survey, containing the aggregate 1504 1-6 acres of land; the Plaintiff, Nancy Martin, is the owner of an undivided .40 part of said land, that the Plaintiff, J. S. Timmons is the owner of an undivided .26 part of said land, that the Plaintiffs L. Z. Timmons, Alice Ainsworth, Omer Beckham, P. P. Timmons, Noble Timmons, W. J. Timmons, Leona McCluskey, Belle Rogers, and Lizzie Burgess are the joint owners of an undivided .05 part of said land, subject to the life estate of J. S. Timmons in and to 1-3. That the defendants J. S. Brogdon, Mrs. Frances Henry, H. P. Brogdon and Mollie Wagner, are each the owners of an undivided .05 part of said land. The interest of Matt Brogdon is subject however to a mortgage thereon in favor of J. S. Timmons and that the defendant, D. T. Sledg, is the owner of an undivided .04 part of said land. The plaintiffs and defendants are the sole owners of said land so far as is known to these plaintiffs and the estimate value thereof is \$15,000. Wherefore plaintiffs pray the Court that defendants be cited to appear and answer this petition, and that they have judgment for the petition and division of said land, and the .05 interest of L. Z. Timmons et al be included in such partition with the .26 interest of J. S. Timmons, that commissioners be appointed, and a writ of partition issued, and for the possession of that portion that by judgments of the Court may be ascertained and declared to be property of each plaintiff respectively, and for such other and further relief both general in law and as they may be justly entitled to etc.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Willie Riggs, Clerk of the District Court of Young County. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Graham, this, the 18th day of December, A. D. 1914.

WILLIE RIGGS, Clerk, District Court, Young County.

DUFF PRAIRIE

Here I am again this week. Didn't the sunshine look fine last week? I, for one, sure did enjoy it. I'm afraid it won't shine so much this week from the looks of the weather this (Sunday) afternoon.

What was the matter with Carrie Nation last week and some of the other good writers? Blondie have you quit us? Come on I think I know you.

Glad to report little Louvenia Rogers on the road to recovery. Hope she will soon be able to be up and playing again. Quite a number of friends have been to see her since she has been sick.

Mrs. Walter Corbett is very sick at this writing. Hope she will soon be able to be up. Floyd Burgess and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Edd McCluskey of South Bend.

Mrs. Minnie Hill and baby spent Saturday night with Mrs. Sim Burgess. She and Charlie Duncan returned to the Stovall Plantation this (Sunday) afternoon.

Ed Duncan spent Saturday night at Sim Burgess'. J. M. Ingram and wife arrived this morning with their household goods from Jacksboro. They have moved back to his place to live this year. We welcome them back in our midst.

Mr. Crabtree and son, Barney, arrived home Tuesday night from a business trip to Albany.

Mack Rickles of Woodson spent Saturday night with Wils Copeland and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Rogers of Pleasant Hill spent Monday with Henry Rogers and family.

Will Goode and family spent Monday afternoon with the Rogers' family.

Mrs. Lucian Adams spent Thursday with Mrs. Rogers.

I will now take a back seat and let some one else have the floor. I am the same old

Sorrell Top.

ROCKY MOUND

Well, there is still a little more cotton to be picked yet. Guess we will get through some day, bye and bye.

Sorry to report Mr. Abby's little girl has the roseola but hope she will soon recover and be able to be about again.

Mrs. E. Mowery and Miss Hattie Conder visited at Mrs. H. Hunter's Monday.

Mrs. Earl Rhodes spent a few days this week with her mother Mrs. W. G. Gohlson.

School is progressing nicely and several more pupils have started since Christmas.

R. J. Robertson and daughter, Ruth, visited her aunt, Mrs. Porter near Flat Rock Sunday and Monday. Mrs. Porter is very low with consumption. We are sorry to hear she is no better.

Mrs. Mowery visited Mrs. Lawrence Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rhodes' little girl has been quite sick, but hope she will be well soon.

The sun is shining this morning. Looks as though we are going to have a few pretty days.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rhodes are moving down on Coal Creek this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Taylor have moved out on their farm. We are glad to have them back for neighbors again.

Yes, Plow Boy, if cotton sells this year like it did last I expect there will be several that will have a rocky old time besides us.

Mrs. H. Brashears visited Mrs. R. J. Robertson Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. H. Mowery was shopping in town Saturday.

We were sorry to hear that H. Brashears' fine horse got cut so badly on the wire Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Miller of Graham visited at H. Mowery's Sunday afternoon.

Quite a jolly crowd spent an enjoyable time at Mr. Lawrence's Saturday night.

Mrs. W. G. Gohlson, Mrs. Earl Rhodes and Mrs. Bud Gohlson visited at Mrs. Virgil Willis' near Red Top Sunday.

Miss Eunice Farmer spent Saturday night and Sunday at Mr. Mowery's.

As tomorrow is Big Monday again guess there will be a large crowd in town, but don't guess I will get to go.

Mrs. E. Mowery and Miss Hattie Conder spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Norred.

Little Josie Belle Brashears is quite sick. We hope she will soon recover and be well again.

There are several on the puny list this week but hope they will be better at the next writing. Rocky.

LOWER TONK

Hello Mr. Editor and Correspondents! What are you doing this beautiful day (Monday?)

How many of you Correspondents went to Big Monday? I never went for I had to help kill hogs. You all come down and help me eat spareribs.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wadley sat up with Little Dora Wade, who has been very sick.

Mrs. Bill McClannahan spent most of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers.

T. C. Wadley and Willie went to J. R. McClannahan's Tuesday.

Mrs. T. C. Wadley visited Mrs. Wade Thursday.

Mrs. A. A. Timmons and daughter, Miss Sallie, visited Mrs. A. H. Jones one afternoon last week.

Messrs. Lee Jones and G. W. Gowens and wives were shopping in Graham Thursday.

John Youngblood and Pop Pinkston and wives were shopping in Graham Thursday.

Miss Ethel McClannahan and Miss Della Collier went home Friday evening.

G. W. Gowens and son and daughter, Clarence and Stella, went to Medlan Chapel to services Saturday.

Elder J. H. Fisher spent Saturday night with G. W. Gowens. I saw Bluebird Sunday. She was all smiles. I wonder why. I guess she was thinking of that reunion dinner.

Well, Jolly Girl, I am sorry you liked to have torn up your paper looking for my letter. Yes, I sure did write but it was not printed.

Miss Sallie Timmons has purchased her a new piano.

Rev. Suttle filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday and Sunday night.

Sunday school at the regular hour with fifty-eight present.

John Youngblood went to Padgett Sunday.

Mrs. Hollis Moore and children of Mt. Pleasant and Miss Eunice and Master Kemp Moore who are going to school at Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday night at W. E. Moore's.

Word Vaughan spent Sunday and Sunday night with Joe Youngblood.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Moore and Miss Eunice Moore took dinner at Will Seddon's Sunday.

Rev. Baugh and family, Mrs. Hollis Moore and children and Kemp Moore, Miss Jewell Moore and Rev. Suttle took dinner with Mrs. A. A. Timmons Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones and little Ruby Fay took Sunday dinner with A. H. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones went to see Mr. and Mrs. Bob Arnold Sunday. Mrs. Jones will visit there a few days.

G. W. Gowens and family attended church at Medlan Chapel Sunday.

Prof. Burnett, Carl Knight and Harry Cornelius attended church here Sunday.

T. C. Wadley and daughter, Miss Anna Belle, were in attendance at preaching at Upper Tonk Sunday afternoon.

How many of you Correspondents are going to answer Bro. Fisher's riddle?

Jim McClannahan and Miss Alma George, Vernon George and Miss Ethel McClannahan and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers all went to preaching at Upper Tonk Sunday afternoon.

I will give my pencil to a better writer and skiddoo.

X. Y. Z.

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MOUNT PLEASANT

Many thanks, Mr. Editor, for Frank C. Pellett's "My Riches" in last week's issue. It was certainly fine, though I confess it pulled like a ton weight on my head strings when he said, "And they are our own. No landlord demands his rent, nor creditor his lien." For twenty-five years the all absorbing theme of my heart has been a home and field to call our own. A place where we might "in the sweat of our face eat bread" and not be troubled with the thought of "moving time." A quiet little nook somewhere in which we might worship God "under our own vine and fig tree." Just a little "oasis in the desert," where the children, with their children, could come back home to cheer us. But, today I seem no nearer the little "haven of rest" than I was twenty-five years ago.

Some times I am tempted to go with the socialists and turn the whole thing out on the "commons," for I am here to tell you that conditions for the tenant class is getting no better fast, indeed, his lot is almost unbearable.

Our friend, Salemite, seems to think we should buy us a home, and we should too, if we can, but how many can? How many do you know who are doing it? Do you know of a single one? I know of one man who has bought and paid for a place, a good river farm, in the last seven years. I do not know how much he brought with him from east Texas and paid down on the place, but he paid some down. Against one man who paid for his place I can show you fifty who have failed and others who are failing. I can show you men, hard working men too, and economical, right here in this community who are working themselves and families like slaves and are barely paying the interest on their places. I do not believe my friend, Salemite, will offer to say that the fifty men who have failed are shiftless, no account fellows.

And, as to the conveniences we have now over the early days, let's not lose sight of the fact that we pay dearly for them, and that most of it comes indirectly out of the renters part of the hide.

Our good friend, Salemite, seems to think the opportunity to buy and pay for a home now is about as good as it was thirty years ago. Now, I am going to let Bono's statement answer that point. Bono says, "My farm, for the last five years, has not paid three per cent, after the taxes and repairs are taken out." Was it always thus? Nay, you will not say it was. If Bono was paying for his farm out of the proceeds of his farm he would have lacked at least five per cent of paying the interest on his farm, for the past five years, because eight per cent is as cheap as interest on land may be had, ordinarily.

Now, does that look like paying for a home? The real trouble lies in the fact that land values are too high. Thirty years ago plenty of good land could be bought for \$3.00 to \$5.00 per acre. Now the average price for this country is about \$20.00. Although this same land will not produce an ear of corn or boll of cotton more than it would have produced and did produce thirty years ago.

Salemite, does your good farm produce any better, or more crops, than it did thirty years ago? And is cotton, our only absolutely dependable money crop, any better price today than it was thirty years ago?

My next letter will be headed Miller Bend. Sorry I haven't time to shake hands with all of you. Thanks for your kindness to me and mine. Plow Boy.

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## Local and Personal Mention

Mal M. Wallace went over to Eliasville Saturday.

Harry Blair spent Saturday at Loving on business.

Chas. Gay went down to Fort Worth Friday on business.

W. H. Akers of Proffitt spent Monday here on business.

O. D. Gohson of Connor Creek was here Big Monday.

L. P. Brooks of Mt. Pleasant was in Graham Big Monday.

H. K. Ragland was here on business Tuesday.

Brit Mayes of Flat Rock was here Monday.

T. A. Richardson was here on business Big Monday.

J. O. Jones of Jean was trading in the city Monday.

S. C. Tiffin of Loving was a Big Monday visitor in the city.

Willie Wadley was in the city Monday.

Jack Humphries of Proffitt was here on business Tuesday.

Q. Woods of Woodson was a Graham visitor Tuesday.

W. C. True of Flat Rock was a Big Monday visitor in the city.

Mrs. W. C. True of Flat Rock was shopping in the city last week.

Messrs. W. A. Tripp and J. L. Herd of Bryson were Big Monday traders in Graham.

N. B. Nolen of Indian Mound made The Reporter a pleasant call while in the city Monday.

I. J. Shoop of Loving paid us a pleasant call while in the city Monday.

J. K. Thomas of Olney made The Reporter a pleasant visit while in the city Monday.

F. H. Bowron of the Leader went down to Fort Worth Friday.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall preached over at Tonk Valley Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. C. S. Wynns visited friends in Fort Worth several days of last week.

Dr. J. L. Williamson was a business visitor in Fort Worth for several days last week.

W. H. Pratt of Woodson was transacting business here Friday.

T. C. Wadley of Tonk Valley was a Big Monday visitor in the city.

County Chairman Harlan Bunker of Newcastle was in the city on business Tuesday.

R. L. McLaren of Gooseneck was a Big Monday visitor in Graham.

A. J. Cantwell, one of Jean's best merchants, was here on business Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Burk of Rock Creek was shopping in the city Tuesday. She made The Reporter a pleasant call while here.

The Reporter enjoyed a visit Monday from Miss Anna Belle Wadley of Tonk Valley.

Mrs. H. C. Smith of Loving paid The Reporter a pleasant call while in the city Tuesday.

R. D. Tyra of Murray was a Saturday business visitor in the city.

Miss Elsie Rubenkoenig, who has been visiting her parents, visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

W. F. Wear left for Bryson Monday, where he has a contract for erecting a large residence.

J. G. Parsons of Gooseneck was a Tuesday visitor in the city.

O. K. Freeman of Tonk Valley was here on business Tuesday.

A. D. Stewart spent Friday and Saturday in Wichita Falls on a combined business and pleasure trip.

Mrs. Knox Criswell of the Salem community visited her sons here the latter part of the week.

Chas. Hinson visited his sister, Mrs. Lee Anderson, of Fort Worth while en route home the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Addye Eaton of Rocky Mound paid The Reporter an enjoyable visit while in the city Monday.

J. N. George of Tonk Valley was transacting business in the city Big Monday. He paid us a visit while here.

The Reporter enjoyed a visit Monday from Mrs. J. H. Robbins and daughter, Miss Delilah, of Tonk Valley.

Miss Lona Corley of Flat Rock was shopping in the city Monday. She paid us a pleasant call while here.

Mrs. P. C. Reynolds and little daughter, Vivian, are in the city this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Casburn.

W. R. Noll of Markley was a business visitor in Graham last Tuesday. While here he made The Reporter a pleasant call.

M. E. Clark and sons, T. J. E. and C. E., were here on business Tuesday and visited The Reporter office.

Mrs. T. C. Wadley of Tonk Valley spent Tuesday night in the city with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Woods.

Bob Bryan, Pat Wood, Pete Fry and Malcolm Woolfolk brought in 99 quail from a few hours hunting trip Monday.

Mrs. N. Laquey of Tonk Valley was shopping in Graham Monday and paid The Reporter a pleasant visit.

Dr. H. K. Weems of Jean was in the city Saturday and made The Reporter a welcome visit.

Prof. O. J. Hazelton of Flat Rock community was a pleasant visitor at The Reporter office Saturday. He is teaching the Komo school.

Mrs. J. T. Hamilton of Murray returned last Thursday from a visit to relatives and friends in Ft. Worth. She was met here by Mr. Hamilton.

Miss Fannie Stoffers came in on Friday night's train from Rock Creek where she is teaching school this winter. She returned Sunday.

Mrs. H. Mowery of Rocky Mound was shopping in Graham Saturday. While here she paid The Reporter a pleasant visit.

T. T. Black, one of Young county's most highly respected citizens, was in Graham Monday on business. While here he paid The Reporter a pleasant visit. Mr. Black is moving up near Olney.

Judge and Mrs. E. W. Fry left Friday morning for the Capital where they will remain two months. Judge Fry will represent the 99th district in the Legislature.

Mrs. Mary Sue Pinckard, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Woods, left Wednesday morning for Houston to join her husband, who has been transferred from Dallas to Houston, to take charge of a branch house of the Gray Rubber Co.

J. Y. Dandy was in the city on business Wednesday from Cedar Creek.

Bud Lowery and Jesse Rogers of Tonk Valley were business visitors in the city Wednesday.

Chas. Choate of Pleasant Hill community spent Wednesday in the city on business.

Miss Sallie Timmons of Tonk Valley was shopping in the city Tuesday.

J. G. Crow of Henry Chapel was in the city on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graham and family spent Sunday at Loving ranch.

Mrs. Will Loving returned to her home in Jermyn Friday.

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Roy McBrayer of Oklahoma City is here this week.

Supt. B. W. King is out this week visiting schools in the county.

Bismark Bower spent several days in Ft. Worth the first of the week.

Mr. Spivey of Oklahoma City left for his home Tuesday morning, after a visit of a few days to his brother, W. D. Spivey, here.

S. P. Taylor of Loving was in Graham on business Wednesday.

J. E. Moreland, one of Murray's good farmers, was here on business Wednesday.

R. G. Hallam was a business visitor in Ft. Worth Tuesday.

Mrs. Clyde Fields of Dallas came in on Friday night's train to visit relatives and friends in the community.

Lon Martin of Melissa is in the city visiting.

Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Boswell have a child sick with diphtheria.

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WEST TEXAS REPORTER

## LUCILLE

Did I hear someone say mud? Well, I should say so, the roads are almost impassable and looks like we are going to have more bad weather.

We sure had a good paper this week, but sure hated to see Silver Bell absent.

John Pendergraft and family spent Saturday night at A. Storm's.

Charley Chick, Walter Coffey and Jasper May attended the dance at Harry Gilmore's Saturday night.

Horace Ribble of Henry Chapel is here moving the school house. They are getting along slow. Been at work two days and just got it started.

Pardon me, Dago, I did not want you to think for a moment that I wanted so good a scribe as you to drown.

The young people enjoyed a party at Willie McAvoy's Friday night.

Charley and Matt McMillan and Billy Clay attended the dance at A. Storm's Thursday night.

Dan Wester has moved to the W. O. Porter place. Mr. Reeves and son are moving in the house Mr. Wester vacated.

Mrs. Fannie Medow of Mineral Wells spent from Tuesday till Thursday with Mrs. Storm.

Bonnie Storm went to Graford shopping Friday.

Rob Chick went to Graford Saturday with a load of cotton and on his way back turned his wagon over hurting himself real bad. Mrs. Chick went after him this (Sunday) morning.

Oscar Newberry took a load of corn to Graford Friday to his father.

Willie McAvoy and wife spent Saturday night at Mr. Mason's of Fortune Bend.

Grant Weldon went to the city Saturday.

John Gann and Oran Bridges visited at A. Storm's Sunday eve.

Singing at Mr. McFadden's Sunday night was well attended. All report a nice time.

Mr. Cooper and Fred McAvoy went to Graham Friday with cotton.

A. Storm helped John Lemley move Saturday.

Mrs. John Bridges visited her daughter, Mrs. Off Spurlock, Sunday.

George Pendergraft helped his uncle, John Lemley, move Saturday.

Well, I had better quit or Kid will think I sit out by the road and catch the news.

Say, how many of you Correspondents can answer Bro. Fisher's Bible riddle? Not I. Johnnie Dolittle.

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No. 5897.  
**Report of the Condition of the GRAHAM NATIONAL BANK** at Graham, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, December 31st, 1914.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$70,404.11
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	3,619.24
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation	12,500.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	8,033.50
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	8,669.34
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	4,064.31
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks	362.15
Due from approved Reserve Agents	37,167.96
Checks and other Cash Items	12,285.52
Notes of other National Banks	3,455.00
Fractional Paper Currency (Nickels, and Cents)	10.45
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$1,587.00
Legal-tender notes	6,145.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Federal Reserve Stock	600.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$169,528.58</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	6,440.50
National Bank Notes outstanding	12,500.00
Due to other National Banks	1,370.29
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	138.53
Due to Approved Reserve Agents	7.29
Ind. Dep. subject to check	89,018.05
Bills of Exchange	53.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$169,528.58</b>

State of Texas, County of Young, ss: I, Chas. Gay, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
CHAS. GAY, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1915.  
Eula McCain,  
Notary Public.  
(Seal)  
Correct—Attest:  
F. P. Burch,  
R. J. Johnson,  
A. A. Morrison,  
Directors.

No. 624.  
**Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the LOVING STATE BANK** at Loving, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1914, published in The West Texas Reporter, a newspaper printed and published at Graham, State of Texas, on the 15th day of January, 1915.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$10,885.56
Overdrafts	142.70
Bills of Exchange	3,293.97
Real Estate (banking house)	2,961.48
Furniture and Fixtures	1,853.57
Due from approved reserve agents, net	12,888.95
Cash Items	\$ 317.50
Currency	679.00
Specie	1,205.86
Interest on Depositors Guaranty Fund	254.04
Other resources as follows: Assessment on Gty. Fund	34.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,516.75</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$10,000.00
Surplus Fund	500.00
Undivided Profits, net	1,339.27
Ind. Dep. subject to check	22,677.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,516.75</b>

State of Texas, County of Young, ss: M. H. Stendham, Vice President, and D. F. Ford, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
M. H. Stendham, Vice Pres.  
D. F. Ford, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 8th day of January, A. D. 1915.  
W. H. Baker, Notary Public,  
Young County, Texas.  
Correct—Attest:  
M. H. Stendham,  
J. T. Marshall,  
D. F. Ford,  
Directors.

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

**DR. W. A. MORRIS**  
Dentist  
Office over Graham Nat'l. Bank  
Graham, Texas

**REHDER & SON**  
Paperhanging and Housepainting  
Graham, Texas

**JOHNSON & BRANTLEY**  
Attorneys at Law  
Office West Side Square  
Graham, Texas

**DR. H. E. GRIFFIN**  
Physician and Surgeon  
Office over Sloan Drug Store.  
Surgery at Beckham Sanitarium.  
Both Phones.

**W. H. MARTIN**  
Veterinary Surgeon  
Office at Union Wagon Yard.  
Calls Answered Day or Night.  
Ind. Phone 54. Night 98-2r.

**Belmont Hotel**  
H. M. JONES Prop.  
Meals 25c Beds 25c  
Having lived in this country for 37 years I am well acquainted with the people here and know how to give them what they want.  
Come and see me at the Belmont.  
H. M. JONES

**Want Ads**  
Barred Rock Cockerels for sale. Z. A. Hudson.  
Lost—A linotype watch #9, finder please leave at this office.  
For Sale—One span of three year old and two spans of year old mules, all black, for cash or secured note.  
16 S. P. Taylor.

For Sale—One span of young broke mules at \$185.00 for cash or good note.  
14-16. John Kisinger.

**Jersey Cows Wanted.**  
Young Jersey cows with calves wanted. Want good milkers only. S. J. N. Martin.  
16-18 Ind. Phone, Route 1.

**FOR SALE**  
I have some nice year old Durham male calves for sale. This is good stuff.  
14-18. W. B. Hinson.

**Opera House**  
HAPPENINGS AT OPERA HOUSE NEXT WEEK

**MONDAY**  
Powers: The Barnstormers.  
Victor: The Honor of the Humble, two reels.

**TUESDAY**  
Bison: The Oublette, three reels.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Victor: Weights and Measures, two reels.  
Sterling: His Wife's Flirtation.

**THURSDAY**  
Eclair: Moonlight.  
Nestor: The Creeping Flame Universal Ike, Jr. on His Honey-moon.

**FRIDAY**  
Eclair: Bransford in Arcadia, three reels.

**SATURDAY**  
Imp: On the High Seas, two reels.  
Sterling: Lost in the Studio.

**MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY**

**EAT WITH ME**  
I have leased the Henderson Restaurant and would be glad to serve all of my old friends as well as new ones.  
COME TO SEE ME.  
**J. M. HARRIS**  
Three Doors West of the Graham National Bank.

**St. Louis Restaurant**  
OPEN DAY AND NIGHT  
Fresh Fish and Oysters. Spring Chicken a Specialty. Short orders promptly filled.  
West Side of Square  
**BABB & BABB, Proprietors.**