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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF SACKETT RESOLUTION.

Statement Urges it is Best for Both Schools.

To the Voters of Texas: Among the constitutional amendments to be voted on July 24 is House Joint Resolution No. 34, better known as the Sackett resolution. The proposed amendment concerns the State institutions for higher education, and we the undersigned, desire to commend it without reserve to the people of the State, and to express the unqualified belief that the best interest of the State will be promoted by its adoption.

It is agreed by all who are familiar with the subject that the existing provisions of the Constitution regarding these institutions are unsatisfactory. At present no money can be appropriated out of the general revenue for the erection of buildings for the University of Texas. This inhibition is the most serious obstacle to the growth of the University. Section 14 of Article VII of the Constitution now reads:

"The Legislature shall, also, when deemed practical, establish and provide for the maintenance of a college or branch university, for the instruction of the colored youths of the State, to be located by a vote of the people; provided, that no tax shall be levied, and no money appropriated out of the general revenue, either for this purpose, or for the establishment and erection of the buildings of the University of Texas."

It is passing strange that the inhibition against the use of money out of the general revenue should appear as a "rider" in the section which provides for the establishment of a school for negroes. The urgent need of buildings has been repeatedly stated by the board of regents in the most emphatic terms. The proposed amendment does not give the University any buildings; it merely empowers the Legislature to appropriate money for that purpose. Who would contend that the Legislature ought not to have that power?

The relations of the Agricultural and Mechanical College to the University are not satisfactorily determined by the present provisions of the Constitution. Nobody knows to a certainty what these relations are. Technically, by Sec. 13, the College is a "branch" of the University. Is it, then, lawful to appropriate money out of the general revenue for buildings for the College? It has generally been held that it is lawful; but at least one Governor has held that it is not. There is the ever present danger that after the Legislature has voted money for the buildings for the College the appropriation will be vetoed by the Governor on constitutional grounds. Surely this uncertainty ought to be removed.

These two are serious objections to the constitutional provisions as they now stand. The benefits to be secured by the adoption of the proposed amendment are of prime importance: 1. The Legislature will be authorized, in its discretion, to appropriate money for buildings for the University, the Agricultural and Mechanical College, the College of Industrial Arts, and provides otherwise for their support.

2. The Agricultural and Mechanical College will be separated from the University and made an independent college.

Conditions demand that this be done. In no other way will the College be able to be of the highest service to the people.

The amendment provides for no bonds. It lays no burdens upon the people.

3. In addition to separating the A. & M. College and the University, it also provides that the College of Industrial Arts for white girls shall be permanently located at Denton, with its own governing board. That school has no constitutional status, and can, therefore, be moved by an act of the Legislature.

4. Under the terms of the proposed amendment, a part of the permanent university fund will be transferred to the A. & M. College. The College undoubtedly has an equity in this fund. The College is a branch of the University. Of the lands set aside for the purpose of creating the permanent University fund, one million acres were appropriated specifically for the University "and its branches."

Again, the fact that the Legislature in 1897, and in succeeding years, appropriated to the College a part of the revenue from this fund, established the fact that the public men of the time when the Constitution was adopted believed that the College was entitled to a share in the permanent University fund. The Sackett resolution recognizes this equity and proposes a division which was considered just and fair by the Thirty-Fourth Legislature.

The substance of the proposed amendment has been endorsed by the democratic party, the republican party, the Farmers' Congress, the State Farmers' Institutes, and by the Texas Bankers' Association.

The amendment to Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the separation of the University of the State of Texas and the Agricultural and Mechanical College, known as the Sackett resolution, is the response which the 34th Legislature makes to these demands.

If the people were just establishing a system of higher institutions, they might well consider the plan of creating one comprehensive institution, whose functions should include all the activities now carried on by the existing institutions. There are strong arguments on both sides of that question. But the time for its consideration has passed. The Agricultural and Mechanical College has been in existence thirty-nine years; the University of Texas thirty-two years. Each has its own history, its own traditions, its own individuality, its own ideals. It is too late to think of consolidating them. They are now, in effect, two independent institutions, and have always been so. The technicality under which the College is considered as a part of the University, is little more than a legal fiction. It has led to uncertainty and friction, and has stood in the way of the full development of the Agricultural and Mechanical College. The ideal for the College is a school of technology of the first rank. It can never become such while it remains a "branch" of another institution, with vexatious questions continually arising which affect its existence.

5. Those who have for years urged the complete separation of the A. & M. College and the University, have done so on the broad ground that separation would be best for both schools. They believe that since these two schools have different spheres in which to work, their usefulness and efficiency will be enhanced by removing any feeling of dependency on the one hand, or responsibility on the other. They should be free from any alliance whatever, each left to its own management, to work out its own destiny, in its own way.

Their work leads along lines that naturally diverge, and so long as one is a branch of the other, friction and discord cannot be avoided.

"A university of the first class" and A. & M. College such as Texas ought to have can be more easily attained by giving to each the same status in law.

We can not imagine a condition fraught with more contention than would exist if both schools were forced under one yoke, each pulling in opposite directions, a condition liable to occur, unless this amendment is adopted.

Texas is so large and her agricultural interests so extensive and varied and the need for mechanical arts so great that the A. & M. College will never have cause to encroach upon the domain of the University.

The field for a "University of the first class" in Texas is so gigantic that the mind can not grasp its boundaries. A school, equipped as the University should be, to furnish the most thorough training in all the professions, arts and sciences will challenge the highest admiration of all the people of Texas who love knowledge and progress, and the work of both, together with the normal schools and the College of Industrial Arts, will meet every demand of the State for higher education.

The adoption of this resolution on the 24th of July, we believe, will wisely and permanently settle all differences between the A. & M. College and the University and establish them on a sound and equitable basis and forever remove any just cause for friction.

W. A. BOWEN, Arlington; JOE UTAY, Dallas; J. BOOG-SCOTT, Coleman; E. B. CUSHING, Houston; L. L. McINNIS, Bryan; R. T. MILNER, Henderson.

Executive Committee for the Promotion of Higher Education in Texas.

Petition to Consolidate Two Rural Schools.

A petition is being circulated in the Gooseneck and Mountain Home communities for the consolidation of the two schools in these communities and we understand is meeting with hearty support.

Should a majority of the qualified voters of each district sign the petition then the County School Board will be authorized to consolidate the two schools.

At present there are thirty-nine scholastics in the Gooseneck community and twenty-seven in the Mountain Home district, making a total of sixty-six for the two districts.

If the two districts can be consolidated much more effective work can be done, especially if two teachers are employed, since one could teach the primary department, and the other the intermediate and advanced grades, and every teacher knows the difficulty arising from the effort to teach pupils of all ages.

Consolidation of rural schools will be their salvation, and children who are denied the privilege of attending school in the towns can have just as good schools at home, if the patrons will work in harmony, towards building up one good school instead of several small ones of more or less questionable value.

The Reporter hopes that Gooseneck and Mountain Home will consolidate.

The Prince Alberts Play the Bull Durhams. Result—A Duke's Mixture.

In order that Graham's first nine might have some good practice; a series of games between that nine and one composed of various players of the town is being played at the local ball park.

The first game was played Tuesday afternoon when the boys were diked out in their new suits, each one a walking advertisement of the donor of the suit. Running or standing advertisement might do just as well, for some of them just stood up to the home plate and whiffed at three deliveries of the pill, then calmly took their seats, while others swatted it considerably, and made such fast time around the diamond it would have taken a motorcycle and a spy-glass to have read the sign that appeared on the runner's back.

Anyway the suits look good, and the boys look good in them, that is, all but one or two, and for personal safety we refrain from calling any names.

The game opened with Tackett at the bat; he fanned; Evans went out to shortstop and Morrison fanned. You might name this side either Prince Alberts or Bull Durhams, just suit your fancy.

Fore fanned, Johnson walked, stole second, was advanced to third on a passed ball, R. Bower fanned and Johnson came home on B. Bower's infield hit. Graves fanned. It was a warm day, and considerable fanning was necessary.

In the second inning R. F. Short was safe on right field's error, but went out trying to steal; Porter was out to pitcher, Rubenkoenig hit a hot liner through third, but died on the base when Price went out to second. Sad catastrophe.

Matthews fanned, Short went out to third and Jim Porter out to shortstop. If there hadn't been so many Short's in this game it wouldn't be necessary to put the stop on that word, but I'm afraid that operator who sits in the rear of this dump would put a cap "S" where it ought to be a little "s."

The third round was quickly terminated, thusly: Martin out to first, Black fanned, Tackett out to left field.

Rickman fanned, Fore out to shortstop and Johnson fanned. You see they kept that fan going.

One run was made in the fourth after Evans went out to third; Morrison got a three-bagger, and scored on a passed ball. Short fanned, Porter was hit by a pitched ball and Rubenkoenig went out to pitcher.

R. Bower got a clean hit, but was tagged when he got too far away from first base; B. Bower was out to second and Graves fanned.

In the fifth Price went out to second, Martin got a hit, but lost trying to steal and Black went out to second.

Matthews fanned, Short went out to shortstop, Porter got a hit, but was tagged trying to steal. Tackett was the first up in the sixth inning and was out when he struck at the third strike and the ball hit him. Evans was safe on Rickman's error; Morrison fanned; Evans came home on Porter's two-bagger and Rubenkoenig went out to pitcher.

Rickman went out to right field, Fore got a clean hit to center, Johnson went out on a foul, caught by Evans after a long run and R. Bower went out to third.

Carlton and Woolfolk relieved Martin and Price in the seventh. Carlton got on through Rickman's error, Woolfolk was

safe on shortstop's error, Black fanned and Tackett went out on infield hit, Carlton was called out at the plate.

B. Bower went out to second, Graves fooled 'em by putting a hot liner through third, Matthews was safe on Carlton's error and Graves and Matthews scored after Short fanned and Porter hit to infield and was safe on Carlton's error. Rickman fanned.

In the eighth Tackett went out to second, Evans was safe on Grave's error, but was tagged trying to steal third, Morrison got on and Short fanned.

Fore went out to third, Johnson out to second; R. Bower got on with a clean hit to center and scored on B. Bower's hit to the same territory. B. Bower scored on a passed ball and Graves went out to pitcher.

Three up and three down was about the way the ninth resulted.

Rev. G. B. Hall umpired. The score stood five to three. Who won, the Prince Alberts or Bull Durhams?

Accidental Shooting Fatal.

Wesley Kelley, 15-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kelley, of the Mt. Pleasant community, was accidentally shot Saturday morning about 7:30 by Tommy Nisbett, 11-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Nisbett.

Young Nisbett was on his way to the Kelley home on an errand for his mother, and took along a .22 target rifle to hunt rabbits. Wesley was plowing behind a hill from the direction which young Nisbett was coming, and when a shot was fired at a rabbit it is supposed the bullet struck Wesley, who was something like three hundred yards away. Young Nisbett continued on his hunt until he heard a commotion at the Kelley home. When he reached there he found Wesley shot, and asked Wesley's sister, Miss Elsie, what the trouble was and she answered, "I suppose you shot him." This was the little fellow's first knowledge of the fact that his shot had found a mark, and he was heart-broken upon learning the facts.

The two boys were the best of friends and the little Nisbett boy's grief over the accident is pitiful.

The bullet struck the Kelley boy in the jaw on the left side of his face and lodged somewhere inside his head. He died Sunday morning at 5:30, and was buried at Medlan Chapel Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock, Rev. J. E. Evans of the Christian Church of this city conducting the funeral services.

The whole community sympathizes with the family in their loss, and young Nisbett in his grief.

Married. J. W. Still and Mrs. Mary E. Donehau of this city were married Monday afternoon at 6 o'clock, Rev. J. L. McCord of Loving officiating.

Mr. Still is an ex-Confederate veteran and his bride is a lady of advanced years. They will make their home in Graham.

Christian Endeavor. Topic: "Song and Its Meaning." Psalms 33:1-5. Leader—Jesse Fore.

Talk—"Why is Song so Naturally a part of Religious Worship, and What is Its Real Value in the Church?"—Bro. Evans. Songs in the Heart, Eph. 5:18-20.—Will Johnson.

Songs of Praise, Acts 4:23-31.—Verda Martin. Songs of Worship, Rev. 5:9-14.—Lucille Reed.

Talk—"What Would Be the Effect on Life if all Religious Songs were Omitted?"—Ethel Birdwell.

FRY FORGERY CASES NOW BEING TRIED

I. B. PADGETT, THE FORMER COUNTY TREASURER, FIRST WITNESS.

Remained on Stand All Thursday Morning, Continued Testimony After Noon.

The forgery cases against former County Judge E. W. Fry transferred to Wichita county on a change of venue, were called for trial in the 78th District Court of Wichita county Wednesday morning.

Many people from this county were present, some as witnesses and others interested spectators who could leave their business.

I. B. Padgett, former county treasurer, was the first witness called, and was on the stand all Thursday morning, and was still being questioned when the noon recess was taken. It is probable that his testimony will not be concluded until some time today.

All of the former county officials have been summoned as witnesses, and practically all of the new officials.

No adequate estimate can be given of the time that will be consumed in the trial of these cases, as it depends largely on the number of witnesses the state's attorneys place on the stand as to how much time will be consumed in each case.

Graham has accepted an invitation from Newcastle to play ball in the latter place on July first, second and third, the occasion of their big annual picnic. A purse of \$75.00 has been put up for the winners.

U. D. C. Meeting.

The U. D. C.'s met in regular session at the home of Miss Norah Sloan on Thursday, June 17. After the rendition of the program the business of the Chapter was transacted.

Miss Sloan served a delicious ice course to quite a number of members and Mrs. G. Ben Johnson as a guest. Mrs. Johnson was given application papers and the Chapter gladly welcomes her as a member.

During the months of July and August the regular programs will not be used and the meetings will be social.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. H. C. Stoffers.

Arnold-Morris.

E. C. Arnold of Flat River, Mo., and Miss Ethel Morris of Farmington, Mo., were married in the latter city at noon Wednesday. They are expected in Henrietta tonight to visit Mr. Arnold's parents, Judge and Mrs. R. F. Arnold. Mr. Arnold holds the responsible position of assistant superintendent of the lead mines at Flat River.—Henrietta Independent.

W. K. Walker, an old resident of Young county, died at his home in the Center Ridge community last Friday night about 9 o'clock, and was buried Saturday afternoon, Rev. S. D. Cook of the Methodist church, conducting the funeral services. The Woodmen of the World, of which order he was a member, took charge of the ceremonies at the grave. Mr. Walker had been a member of the Methodist church for the past eleven years, and was a man of fine Christian character, an excellent neighbor, and loving husband and father.

He leaves a wife and several children with whom The Reporter greatly sympathizes in their loss.

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Weather for June.

This month will enter with a hot wave advancing from the Pacific Coast. 1st to 4th, hot and sultry; 5th to 6th, thunder storms; 7th to 10th, cooler; 11th to 13th, hot and sultry; 14th to 15th, thunder storms; 16th to 19th, cloudy and warmer; 20th to 22nd, cloudy and rainy; 23rd to 24th, warm and pleasant. On the 25th a belt of heavy thunder storms will advance from the Mississippi Valley and move eastward; 26th to 27th, violent thunder storms; 28th to 30th, clear, pleasant weather.

The Yaqui Indian.

The press of this country is giving considerable space to the declaration of war by this tribe against Germany, the United States and Mexico. They have always been arrayed against the government of Mexico whose policy it was to despoil this industrious people of the results of their work. It robbed them of their lands, cattle, goats and the output of their mines. They were allowed periods of peace, it being the intent of Mexico to give them time to accumulate wealth and then upon some pretext their country was invaded their possessions seized, the men killed and their women violated. The survivors were sent to Yucatan and there sold into slavery to the big planters of that state.

Under the administration of Porfirio Diaz concessions were granted indiscriminately to English, German, French and American syndicates, who in reality were but adventurers, masquerading under the flimsy cloak of Mexican law, to invade the Yaqui country and confiscate the property of this peaceful tribe of Indians. American prospectors have invaded Sonora for many years, lured by the lust for gold in that exceedingly rich mineral country. When a white man was killed in a marauding raid that had its origin in southern Arizona the wires were kept hot by news of another "Yaqui Uprising," when they were only trying to protect their homes and property.

The Yaquis were never conquered. During the reign of Diaz so much money and so many soldiers were wasted in trying to subdue this band of intrepid men that a new policy of pacification was inaugurated. Diaz recognizing that they could not be overcome by force of Mexican arms framed a treaty granting them authority for policing the northern border of Mexico with military powers in an attempt to stop the raids of foreign and Mexican thieves into that country.

The Yaquis are doing what this or any civilized nation would do when their country is invaded by a foreign foe. The Yaqui Valley for many years has been invaded and they are simply resisting the encroachments of outsiders who have no other object than plunder. And

now American naval vessels have been sent to the nearest harbor and several thousand marines are under orders to penetrate to the Yaqui country to protect the lives and property of foreigners who have got their fingers burned by too close contact with the hot-blooded native who is man enough to stand up for his rights. If the Yaqui Indian is a savage he has been made so by civilizing influences.

Rockwall celebrated emancipation day by holding a city election.

Germany is engaged in making preparations for a winter campaign.

Texas will never earn its title as a diversification state until it eternally bars out California fruits and vegetables.

The relief committee at Fort Worth very properly refused to aid those constitutionally able but who refused to work.

Let the people rule is a senseless political war cry when more than half of the intelligent American population is deprived by law of the voting franchise.

Peaches and berries have been on the local market for the past two weeks and command good prices. The fruits are of excellent quality.

A Fort Worth woman was convicted for using profane language through the telephone. The Panther City is awful finicky in some things.

Mad dogs and cats have bitten a number of people in different parts of the state. The house cat is a greater menace to children than a pet dog.

Reuben M. Ellerd of Plainview has signified his intention of becoming a candidate for congress in opposition to Mr. Stephens.

Higher civilization has been tempered to the wire edge and the process of its dissolution is now in evidence in crumbling Europe.

It costs four and a half cents each to provide meals on the Dallas poor farm. It costs the county forty cents a day to feed prisoners. There is nothing in being a pauper.

Sweetwater was visited by a heavy hailstorm on the 15th breaking most of the windows in residences and a number of plateglass windows in the business district.

Farmer friends of The Reporter have kindly remembered the office during the fruit season. Delicious peaches and berries were among the presents received.

Texas wheat crop for 1915 is estimated by the government to approximate 20,000,000 bushels, which would mean something to the farmers could they get \$1.25 per bushel.

Judge A. J. Fires informs the Herald that he will not be a candidate for congress in this district unless there should be a redistricting. He was a prospective candidate when this bill was being considered.—Hall County Herald.

The American Locomotive company of New York has received orders for twenty locomotives for Belgium. Germans are in almost entire control of Belgian railroads so in all probability the order was placed in the name of the Belgians by a representative of the allies.

Before the outbreak of the present European war practically all the fresh fruit and much of the dried fruit imported into Goteborg, Sweden, came through Liverpool or other intermediate ports. Now Goteborg fruit agents are ordering direct from the United States.

As one result of the Texas compulsory school law about 1,000,000 new pupils will enter school. Every child within the scholastic age is required to go to school at least 60 days of next year's term; 90 days of the term following and 120 days in 1918. It is thought to be one of the best measures ever passed by the state legislature.

Demands for one hundred and twenty-five thousand men to help harvest the wheat crop of the middle west are already pouring into the office of the employment division of the Department of Labor in Chicago, an aggregate of one hundred and twenty-five thousand men already being asked.—Farm and Ranch.

Anna A. Gordon, president of the National Women's Temperance Union, wired Secretary of the Navy Daniels the following: "The National Women's Christian Temperance Union, with 500,000 members, believes you will exert all possible influence against the use of alcoholic liquor in the christening of the Arizona." The battleship Arizona was christened in the usual way by a bottle of wine being smashed on her prow, the blue-jackets declaring a naval vessel needed strength behind it.

Secretary Read of the commercial club will be at Fort Worth several days next week in charge of the all Panhandle Maize club exhibit at the "Buy-in-Texas" convention and show. It is the purpose to show Texas people that it is better in every way to "Buy-in-Texas" this maize and kafir than it is to send your money to Kansas for Indian corn. There is no doubt much merit in the claim. Mr. Read is perhaps the best equipped man in Texas to do this work.—Hall County Herald.

Harrison county announced last week the appearance of the first cotton bloom in the state this season. Harrison county can do other things besides raise peaches. She has reversed the general order of Texas agriculture by planting a little cotton and a little more of everything along the general lines of diversification. Harrison county will never suffer for food because there are crops to market for cash every month out of the twelve which eases up what is known in some other sections as the money problem.

John B. Davis for years has been editor of the Texas Mesquite printed at the town of Mesquite in Dallas county, and many politicians have heard its hum and felt its sting. Mr. Davis unqualifiedly approves the course of W. J. Bryan in resigning the portfolio of secretary of state. Mr. Davis is likewise very deaf and can afford to be charitable since he has been spared the noise kicked up by Bryan's silly vapors as to the cause of his resignation. It is a wise man that knows his own limitations, and those limitations led Bryan out of the cabinet.

Kansas sent up a great cry for thousands of hands to come up and harvest the bumper wheat crop. Rains intervened to delay the work. Workingmen responded to the call but Kansas farmers were not ready for them. These men were broke and offered to work for their board until the wheat was ready, but were refused. They walked and beat their way on trains to get to the Kansas fields and then attempted to walk and beat their way back again to Texas, a country that will allow no person to starve. A second call from Kansas is due, but will the harvest hands respond a second time? Looks like Kansas is trying to economize at the wrong end of the expense account.

Another proposition is before the farmers by Texas bankers to insure a means to borrow money on cotton. The plan is to erect warehouses with capacity of 250,000 bales, farmers insuring the cotton stored being enabled to borrow money on warehouse receipts. The idea is simple and feasible and a more independent and businesslike way to realize money on surplus cotton than to expect government aid that at best savors of charity. If a similar promise made last year had been put in practical operation much of the 1914 crop could have been held that was sacrificed on a demoralized market.

Because it is practically certain that the state will go on a deficit by September 1, according to news from Austin, the state will have to pay higher for supplies purchased for state institutions, including the eleemosynary institutions. It came to light that the state will not be able to pay for supplies contracted for September 1 until about February 1, 1916. State contractors will accordingly be forced to discount their warrants. With the exception of about half a million dollars to be collected in July and August from liquor dealers little or no revenue will be received by the state until next year.

The United States has at last formally declared war against rats. So has Texas. The rat is a poor citizen and a professional politician because he has no regular habitat and consumes what others produce, and distributes disaffection and disease throughout the world. If his complete extermination is accomplished enough food will be saved by the process to give sustenance to all the poor people in the United States. At least a portion of the salvage should be used for such purpose until the worthy poor are placed in a position to help themselves.

The death sentence passed upon Leo M. Frank for the murder of Mary Phagan, a young factory employee of the pencil factory of which Frank was superintendent, was commuted by Gov. Slaton of Georgia. The governor in speaking of the commutation said:

"All that I ask is that the people of Georgia read my statement of the reasons why I commuted Leo M. Frank's death sentence to life imprisonment before they pass judgment. "Feeling as I do about this case, I would be a murderer if I allowed this man to hang. It may mean that I must live in obscurity the rest of my days, but I would rather be plowing in the field than to feel for the rest of my life that I had that man's blood on my hands."

CRIB STATION

As I have been absent for two weeks will try and write a few lines.

The farmers have all been very busy harvesting their grain the past ten days. We sure have been having some fine weather for harvesting the past week.

Miss Sallie Bellamy took Sunday dinner with Miss Ruth Gibson.

Mrs. Haggard and Mrs. Gibson visited at Mrs. Fry's Wednesday afternoon.

Roland Tankersley, mother, and brother, Clyde, passed thru here from Fort Worth enroute to Midland to visit relatives.

Miss Bettie Gibbs visited her sister, Mrs. Willhoit, from Wednesday until Saturday.

John Thompson took Sunday dinner with Willie Willhoit.

Miss Alice Wilkerson called at Mrs. Gibson's Thursday afternoon.

Grasshoppers are very plentiful now. They are eating on the corn and cotton some but hope they won't do much damage.

Corn is in full silk and tassel and looks fine. If the grasshoppers will let it alone maybe we will get a mess of roasting ears after a while.

News is scarce so I will close and go plum hunting. Goldia.

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MYERS BRANCH

Salemite, I had promised to let you alone, but since you wish to put our discussion on a sporting basis I shall call your bluff. I do not want the hat, but you can donate the \$5.00 to the Salem public library to be invested in histories. We presume that Salem is the source of all learning and that information from any other source is "pure fiction." However, I am not in the habit of making statements without authority for them.

In my study of the constitution and its framers I have learned these facts. "That a majority of the members were lawyers. Most of the members came from towns on or near the coast, that is, from the regions in which personality was largely concentrated. Not one member represented in his immediate personal economic interests the small farmer or mechanic classes. Five-sixths were immediately directly and personally interested in the outcome of their labors at Philadelphia and were, to a greater or less extent, economic beneficiaries from the adoption of the constitution. Therefore the members were not disinterested. The movement for the constitution of the United States was originated and carried through principally by four groups of personality interests which had been adversely affected under the articles of confederation; money, public securities, manufacturers and trade and shipping."—C. A. Beard.

I secured most of my data from Crandall's "Colonial Times," Abernethy's "Did Washington Aspire to be King?" Chas. A. Beard's "An Economic Interpretation of the Constitution," and a life of Washington by John Marshall, who was afterward Chief Justice. All of these are authentic. It seems that Washington hoped that out of gratitude for his services to the country the people would make him king. It was the invariable custom of Washington to refer to the early organization of the country as "the empire" but seeing that the people would not tolerate a monarchical government with a king at its head they, the aristocratic framers of the constitution took the next best, a monarchical in form but a republican government in name with a president at its head.

Thos. Jefferson wrote "In place of that republican government that carried us triumphantly through the war, an Anglican monarchical and aristocratic party has sprung up whose avowed object is to draw over us the substance as it has already done the forms of the British government. Against us are the executive and senate." "It would give you a fever" he added "were I to name to you the apostates who have gone over to these heresies, men who were Sampsons in the field and Solomon's in council, but who have had their heads shorn by the harlot England." Which class did the British form of government favor? Not the workers surely.

John Marshall, in his work on the life of Washington says, "Alexander Hamilton is understood to have avowed opinions favorable to a system in which the executive and senate though elective, were to be more permanent than they were rendered in that which was actually proposed." He also offered an amendment to the constitution making the "tenure of office of President and Senate for life." Why were they so anxious to get the executive and senate in for long terms of office? Did you ever read of Fisher Ames?

He was at one time a member of congress and afterward president of Harvard University. He said, "Our country is too sordid for patriotism. Its vice will govern it by practicing upon its folly." My statement that the constitution was made by aristocrats and in favor of themselves and that the senate was created to represent the wealthy still holds good. Of course, it may all be "pure fiction" but it is up to you to prove that it is. Adios, old war

horse I want to take a look at Plow Boy.

He is a very interesting critter. He assures us in one paragraph that we are materialists and vows in the next that he will prove us a religious party. He now charges us with being "clannish" which is something new, as we have been accused of everything else I don't suppose one more count in the indictment will make any difference.

Plow Boy, do you know what your statement that socialists are "free lovers" amounts to? It amounts to just this, you have practically said that every woman in the world who believes in socialism is a prostitute. Now after that soaks in try this. Suppose one of your family was to become a socialist, would your statement still hold good? I think you said that without mature deliberation. There is no recognized socialist book that teaches "free love." The founders of socialism, Marx and Engels, wrote, "That the abolition of the present system of production must bring with it the abolition of the community of women springing from it, i. e., of prostitution both public and private." You tell us that it is impossible to change human nature, then you advise Roseite to jump in and help purify our democracy. If there is anything to your reasoning human nature is responsible for the imperfections in our democracy and must be changed before we can purify it.

Pardon me, but I don't believe it. Suppose you sit down in a chair in which the "bad boy" has placed some crooked pins, it is human nature for you to arise, but remove the pins and you can sit in the chair until reasons other than the pins make you wish to get up. Human nature has not changed in either case, it is only the chair that has changed.

You quote scripture to Roseite to prove that wars, famines and pestilences are only the beginning of sorrows and leave the impression that we are just entering upon our worst sorrows. Will you explain to me Luke 22:32, in which Christ says: "This generation shall not pass till all be fulfilled." Or Mark 13:30, if you wish.

I happen to be a reader of the Appeal to Reason and I cannot find anything in it antagonistic to the Bible or the teachings of Christ, that is to Christianity. Socialists are free to condemn abuses in the name of religion and about the only preachers I know of them criticising is a bunch of Roman apostates who are going around lying about socialism. Perhaps you want to monopolize the "roasting" of the churches and preachers, but my dear Plow Boy, monopolies are contrary to law.

You are right when you say no one can give any details of the future society of socialism. You and Salemite are the only two I know of that have been trying it. We can only state the main issues and leave the details until we see what "industrial development has been attained when socialism is ushered in." We do not propose to stand in one place until we become moss covered, but intend to try to keep up with the procession, for verily:

"New occasions teach new duties

Time makes ancient good uncouth

They must upward still and onward

Who would keep abreast of truth."

Gringo.

GOOSENECK

Oh my! didn't Plow Boy put in a long letter last week?

We are having some nice clear weather for harvesting now. The boys say it is plenty warm, too.

Several of the youngsters attended the ice cream supper at Mr. Woodram's Monday night.

Uncle Jim Lawrence started home Tuesday morning.

Will Pickard and Joe Marshall were cutting grain in the bend several days this week.

Mrs. Joe Parsons spent last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. G. W. Rose.

Miss Mary Caudill has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar James, this week.

Azure Skies, we are sorry that Dewey Wiley has the chickenpox. I hope he is better by now.

S. J. Kelley has put out poison in his corn for the grasshoppers. They are plentiful now.

Freeland Wiley was in the bend Friday morning.

Andrew Smith took Thursday dinner with the Parsons family.

Grandpa Smith plowed for R. L. McLaren this week.

There are several new cases of mumps. They seem to be getting worse instead of better.

Elmer McLaren and Murray Conder made a trip to Graham Saturday.

Mrs. G. W. Rose visited Mr. and Mrs. Mack Rose Saturday night and Sunday.

Alfred Parsons says he will have biscuit for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Mullenax went to Bunker Sunday.

Walter Fawks was hunting his dog Sunday afternoon.

Odell Johnson and family spent Sunday with the McLaren family.

Rainy Day, did you have a good time eating ice cream Monday night?

Trixie, I sure would have liked to have been with you while you were in that fine peach orchard. I sure do like ripe peaches.

The Gander has been faring pretty well here lately. Two of his good neighbors have been sending him some fine cabbage.

Mrs. Virgie McLaren is not so well today. R. L. expects to start west with her next week, hoping that her health will improve. Gander.

SOUTH BEND

Health in our community is good at present, as far as I know.

Mrs. O. W. Hill visited Mrs. V. M. Hale and Misses Scott Monday.

Misses Fannie and Naomi Goode, Annie Holcomb and Christine Harrell ate Sunday dinner with Miss Mary McBrayer.

Mesdames O. A. McBrayer and Emma West visited Misses Scott Sunday afternoon.

The young people enjoyed a cream supper at the home of S. W. Goode Saturday night. All report a nice time.

Leroy Britton, Misses Bettie and Sadie Scott, and Bettie Dawson with Leslie Scott of Graham spent Sunday in Olney visiting. They went through in Leslie's car.

Miss Ola McCluskey spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. Everett Harrell.

H. M. Ford and family visited at the home of V. M. Hale Sunday.

Remember church next Sunday at 11 o'clock. Preaching by Rev. Marcus M. Chunn.

Mrs. John Norman and children returned to their home in Graham last week, after visiting for several days in the Bend.

Bob Johnson and Robt. White worked for Wils Copeland last week.

We are looking for the threshers soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Copeland and Mesdames Mark Crabtree and Lucian Adams of Duff Prairie were trading in the Bend last Saturday.

Mr. Hunt and children of Cedar Creek were in the Bend last week on business.

Misses Jessie and Lula Wyatt of Cedar Creek were in the Bend last week on business.

I will close as I am out of "soap." Here, Sorrell Top, take this pen and give us something from Duff Prairie.

Bashful Ben.

Buy Your Hat Before July 1st.

Our milliner leaves July 1st so come in before that date and get some of the Big Bargains offered in Ladies', Misses' and Children's Hats.

S. B. Street & Co.

BEE A BOOSIE

Live News from our Correspondents

SALEM

After a week's absence we come again to report health good here, and all kinds of livestock in fine condition.

Wheat and oats all in the shock and the old binders are now at rest.

Early planted corn is almost in roasting ears now and there is an abundance of moisture in the ground here, but for all that, it is thought we will need one more good rain in order to make out a full crop of corn.

A few boll weevils are reported in the cotton, and as there was so many weevils here last fall at picking time they may do considerable damage this year.

Plenty of ripe peaches new but no market for them, and where is that "man" now who wants to make a producer out of every two-legged critter in this country? What we want here is more consumers to give us a market for the fruit and other products produced on the farm.

J. G. Crow and J. F. Gilmore of Henry Chapel run their new binder in this community several days last week.

G. D. Hinson visited his parents here last Friday evening.

Miss Lena Fortner is spending a few days with Mrs. Oma Cole of Murray.

Hugh Henderson and family visited relatives in Graham Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Nannie Henderson spent Saturday night with Miss Amma Bullard.

R. L. Askew went to the city Saturday.

Miss Amma Bullard and Miss Nannie Henderson spent Sunday with Miss Sarah Hatfield.

Steadman Carter and sister Miss Odus, visited relatives in Graham Saturday and Sunday.

Henry Lisle worked for his father, O. D. Lisle, of Ming Bend last week.

"There will be no interest, rents, or profits under socialism." Good old times; we will then work all day just for our food and clothing, same as the mule does.

"We don't intend to make anybody work, only to give them an opportunity and if they take the opportunity the work must be of a productive nature." Is it not a fact that this very opportunity is now and always has been at hand? The only difference being that the socialists select the kind of work that shall be performed. Why is it that fifty-seven per cent of the arable land of the United States is not being put in cultivation and farmed? You know it is because there is no profit in it, nothing more than a mere living in it, and people other than socialists want to make something more than a mere living. What we want is a fair market and before there is any more producers we want more consumers. Give us a market that will make farming profitable and then millions of dollars will be invested in the work.

The man's head is so empty that he could advertise room to rent in it, who thinks the farmer is getting anything out of the high cost of living.

In the management of the public roads of this state the government allowed millions of dollars worth of first class road bed to go to waste and wash away, and this same waste is still going on and no move was made to remedy this until the roads became actually impassable, not until necessity drove the government to take up the work was anything done to better conditions. There is no private enterprise in this state that has been managed with such waste, and this is why we made the assertion that our roads would be better if they had been worked under private ownership.

We claim that Roseite's argument on the question of advertising is so absurd that it is not worth answering. We repeat that the mail is not for sale and needs no advertising

and public roads are not for sale and need no advertising. Public land is for sale and has to be advertised. Down at Austin, right now, they are making out a full list of the public lands of this state that will come on the market the first of September. The land is classed and described, and at the expense of the state, and bids are asked for on this land. And, so it would be with all other products if owned by the government they would have to be described and guaranteed pure, and the public would have to be informed where the goods could be had. You will have to grunt several times yourself, and also squeal pretty loud before you can quit advertising.

And besides you take the position that the consumer pays for all advertising. Now if you should put a new brand of soda, just as good as Arm & Hammer soda on the market, you would have to sell it at the same price so it would cost the consumer nothing extra. But you would be at, and have to bear, all the expense of introducing and advertising the new brand of soda. And it is the same way with nearly every thing else. And right here is where competition comes in, for the Arm & Hammer people don't quit advertising and besides they keep their product up to standard.

Then you talk of the natural resources of the earth as if they were as easy to acquire and as free as the air we breathe, when the facts in the case are, there has been billions of wealth spent in prospecting for oil and other minerals, without one cent in return for the expenditure. But according to your logic, after long research and much expense, when any great discovery is made or any valuable machine perfected it would, by right, belong to every dead beat in the country. Under such conditions there would be no incentive for man to do anything only to play the part of the American Indian and spend his time in sleeping, eating and drinking.

You say, "If a government takes over the industries in time of war that it can take them over in time of peace." If you should define the governments of the warring nations today, as political despotisms, you would not miss it more than an inch, for whatever is demanded by the managers of the different departments of the war is at once granted, by the officers of the government, and the people have not one word of say about it. It is stated that England put the regular uniform on enlisted men, but instead of sending them to the front she put them to making munitions of war, after taking the factories for the time, out of the hands of private owners. And Germany went still farther and set a price on all kinds of food but there was no referendum when all this was done, for the people had no voice in it. And we know no such government suits our friend Roseite. And it is all guess work as to what changes, if any, the war will make in the governments of Europe.

Take a friend's advice Roseite and go and tackle a buzzsaw in full motion rather than to tackle Plow Boy on the scripture. Salemite.

YANCEYVILLE

This community was visited by another big rain Sunday evening, and also some hail. Some of the hailstones were as large as hen eggs, though they were scattering and did no damage to crops here.

It is reported that crops were pretty badly beaten up down on Cedar Creek.

Henry Nicklas went to Graham Sunday afternoon and returned Monday with a load of shingles and lumber for J. R. Creagh.

Uncle Josh West called at the Ritchey home Monday morning. Two binders were kept busy

in this vicinity Sunday, but the shockers failed to get the grain all shocked before the rain.

The Cretzinger family visited at the Steele home Sunday.

The I. W. Steele home was struck by lightning Sunday night. A hole was knocked in the side of the house, part of the chimney torn down, the things on the mantle board were knocked to the opposite side of the house. We are glad to say that none of the family were hurt.

Mrs. Daisy Nicklas and babies spent from Sunday until Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Barron.

B. P. Ritchey has just about decided to plow his cotton patch up and plant it in feed stuff, as the boll weevils have made a raid on it already. We imagine cotton will be a complete failure through here. And the worms are working on the corn just as hard as they can. On some ears they have eaten the grains off the full length of the ear, and where the corn isn't even in blister the worms are working on the silks.

Mrs. George Wyatt and children visited Mrs. Kate Cretzinger Sunday.

Bashful Ben, how many more names have you handy to call me? I might get wrought up in the worst way if some elder person had called me any of those names, but I'll try not to take any exceptions to what a "young" person like you says. Be plain spoken Bashful Ben, and for goodness sake don't go to crawling right here in work time. And next time you want to repeat what I have said for "effect," get your paper and see what "effect" was and don't guess at it 'cause you see you would come nearer getting it correct.

Bashful Ben, what's the use in me naming ten, twenty or forty teachers, when you won't take my word for anything. I tried to prove my statement and you pretended not to hear me. I told you we would go visit the schools and I would show you and you flatly refused to go with an "old maid," so she could show you her proofs. There is not much use in arguing with a "young" person, when they close their eyes to keep from being shown by a "bachelor girl," a grandma or an old bachelor, but Bashful Ben, you know you threw the first stone and the Irish blood flows most too strong in the veins of Silver Bell for her not to throw the stones back at you.

You say we are friends. Well I'm real glad to hear you say that, for I always did value the friendship of all "little" boys, 'cause you see when they are friends to me I stand a chance to get them to carry water, split stove wood, and maybe pull up weeds in the yard once in a while. And, I think that all little boys ought to be real courteous to an "old maid" or "grandma," and next time I come to the store I'm going to expect Bashful Ben to make me a polite bow and hand-me a

glass of ice water.

No, Jack o' Diamonds, I never did fish in what is called the "blue" hole, for I do not enjoy fishing, but have been there lots of times. We lived near there and I always preferred visiting the boiling springs or Sloan Springs. Were you ever at either of those springs? Did you ever visit those old sink holes on White Flat? Jack o' Diamonds we are going to miss you while you are gone but you must join us scribes again in the near future, and good luck to you.

B. P. Ritchey called on Uncle Jimmie Creagh Tuesday morning.

D. A. Upham left Saturday with a load of chickens to place them on the Gorman market.

Henry Nicklas is helping J. R. Creagh this week to erect some new sheds. Uncle Jimmie is preparing to protect his stock from the cold winds of winter.

Nathan Reed of Gooseneck visited Dewey Ritchey Tuesday night.

Quilla Hunt is working for Smith Gann this week.

Most all the ladies in this community are very busy this week canning vegetables.

Old Pa, you made a pretty good comparison when you compared the socialists to Collins' sheep, for the socialists, like the sheep, are plucky all right.

That they are pretty liable to come into power before a great many more years pass over our heads—unless there is a great change of conditions in this old world pretty soon. I wouldn't be a bit surprised if the democrats didn't go "kerflunk" in the next presidential election, and the republicans come into power. The republicans are getting very strong and are very near as plucky as the socialists.

Miss Lila Ritchey called at the Creagh home Thursday evening.

John Steele has our thanks for bringing the mail out from Ivan Monday.

Mr. Editor, you needn't reach for your blue pencil for I'm going to hush right now, 'cause I've used my pencil and paper all up and dad says he is not going to buy me any more, and maybe then I will chop the grass out of the garden. I think the weather is most too warm for Silver Bell to chop grass, don't you?

Silver Bell.

HENRY CHAPEL

I tell you Mr. Editor, the fun has just begun. Eating rosy peaches till the juice drips off your chin, and just keep on a eatin', when to quit we never know, till there's a mighty akin' a setin' up below.

Yes, Miss Jolly Girl, we still yell—"let 'er rain," and if we don't get another good shower in a few days we are going to propose to Salemite to meet immediately and pray for another barrel buster.

Grasshoppers and chinch-

bugs are doing much damage to corn and cotton.

Mrs. Groves and daughter, Miss Alice, of Fort Worth are visiting Mrs. Groves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Young.

Women folks are generally busy canning fruit and vegetables. We have decided to can our beets in a barrel this year as they are so large it consumes too much time to try to put them in fruit jars.

Dee Harkey of Graham spent Sunday and Monday with home-folks.

Mrs. Wade is still right poorly, but is thought to be improving.

Mr. Editor and readers please excuse me if I brag just a little on our Sunday school. The following is the actual attendance for the past four Sundays:

May 30th, 166; June 6, 84; June 13, 115; June 20, 105. If any of you can beat this for country Sunday school speak up you could not praise your community in a better way.

The Dago family was invited to dine at the home of S. W. Ratcliff last Sunday. It is generally known of the Dago people that they'll eat every time they get a chance so we went and enjoyed the day. Mr. Ratcliff has one of the best orchards in the country and it is well loaded with fine fruit.

Misses Ruth and Fay Gilmore spent Saturday night with Miss Pearl Lester.

Considerable work was done on the Finis Cemetery last Saturday. The next working will be Saturday, July 10th. All who are interested please come as there is much work to be done.

Misses Dora Ratcliff and Mattie Shannon and Bill Williamson were out boat riding Sunday afternoon.

Quite a number of young folks attended the cream supper at Mr. Chestnut's Saturday night.

Eddie Ribble left Monday for Megargel where he will start his new thresher.

Miss Ruth McLaren has secured a music class which is doing fine.

Some of the people have roasting ears. If the weather doesn't turn cooler feel as we had been roasted all over.

Beauty, will you please send us a rain.

Dago.

HAWKINS CHAPEL

Mesdames Elzie Tedrow and Robert Miller called at Mrs. Oatman's last Monday afternoon.

Miss Mildred Stephens visited relatives in this community last week.

Jesse Oatman and family took Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Tedrow.

There will be no Sunday school next Sunday at the Baptist church as it was called in so the Sunday school folks could go to Loving to Children's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Harman's little son, Robert, was not well the last of the week.

H. H. Stephens and family

came over Sunday. They were accompanied home by Miss Mildred.

A. E. Oatman and Misses Nora and Ella Oatman took dinner Sunday with C. F. Newman and family.

Miss Maudie Oatman was the guest of Mrs. Robert Miller Tuesday of the past week.

Mr. Bagley has been cutting feed in the neighborhood the past week.

Mrs. Robert Miller and Miss Maudie Oatman went to Graham Friday. They are expected home today (Monday.)

There will be a good deal of fruit put up soon in this community as the fruit is ripening fast.

Mrs. C. S. Newman was the guest of Mrs. Jim Oatman Friday.

Sunday school opened at 10:30 a. m. Those present manifested good interest.

Miss Gladys Oatman was the guest of Miss Ruby Newman Sunday.

Violet.

PICKWICK

My! more hot weather. The harvest hands are very busy now trying to save the grain while the sun shines.

Several of the young folks gathered at the E. P. Costello home Sunday and went kodaking. All reported a nice time.

Miss Carrie Weldon spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Costello.

Miss Luetta Weldon spent Sunday with Miss Effie Wester.

Am sorry to report Miss Sherlie Clay sick, but am glad to report her better at this writing.

Mrs. Anderson visited the Clay home Sunday.

Edd Costello lost a fine horse a few days ago. Don't know what the trouble was but think it was green oats.

Misses Edith Wayne and Connie Costello took Monday dinner with Miss Carrie Weldon.

M. B. Costello is talking of going to Mineral Wells to see if his (Lister) is ready for him.

The Pickwick boys don't like to pull cows out of the bog but they don't mind helping the girls out.

Miss Eula Norton spent Sunday with Miss Pearl Costello.

J. C. Whatley spent Saturday night with Grandpa Costello.

Aaron Nicklas of Fox Hollow was in town Saturday.

Sorry to report Uncle Dave Nicklas sick.

M. B. Costello made a flying trip to Graham Saturday.

Charley and Matt McMillan are helping E. P. Costello cut wheat.

Miss Luetta Weldon spent last week with her mother at Mr. Doan's.

The oil well men were in the city Saturday viewing the land.

Kale and Grant Weldon took Sunday dinner with Ben and Chester Weldon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Underwood spent Sunday with G. W. Underwood.

Beauty.

HAVE YOU JOINED OUR BOOSTER WORK?

OTHERS ARE SENDING COPY TO THE OFFICE EARLY TO INSURE GOOD WORK. WHY DON'T YOU?

IT IS the aim of the Reporter office to do creditable work on the Booster Edition to be issued by this concern just as soon as all descriptive and advertising literature can be collected. Therefore it is essential that all who have reserved space for business representation prepare and send in their copy early so we can get to work on it. Sufficient time must be granted the printer to insure excellence of his production. When you put him off by saying you are too busy, you are impairing the effect of that you desire most to create.

WE WOULD be glad to have our friends in surrounding towns and farming communities to send in descriptions of their respective localities setting forth features of chief interest—location, principal industries, population, schools, churches, crops, water, health, general crop conditions, livestock—a general summary of all that goes to make up the sum and substance of affairs as they actually exist. Improvements, contemplated and under way. Such publicity will be of vast benefit toward building up the county.

PROFFITT

How are you Correspondents? Miss Edna Maples spent Saturday night with Mrs. Etta Briggs.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reeves and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Briggs took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Johnson.

Elzie Lisle and wife spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Webb.

Miss Maggie Weatherbee and John Redwine and Mack Pond spent Sunday with Miss Dennie and Joe Maples.

Mrs. Grace Blanton and Miss Bessie Reeves called on Mrs. Emma Webb Monday.

Misses Maggie Weatherbee and Dennie Maples, and Mack Pond, John Redwine, Joe Maples and Willie Redwine called on Miss Bettie Gibbs a while Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Emma Webb spent Sunday with Mrs. Annie Davis.

Miss Bettie Gibbs spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Mattie Reeves.

Lang Griffin was a business visitor to Newcastle Tuesday.

Charlie Johnson and Mr. Belamy went to Newcastle Tuesday.

Willie Willhoit took supper Sunday night with his grandpa, W. M. Gibbs.

Miss Grace Howard called on Miss Arvie Cole Sunday afternoon.

Well, I am in a hurry so will hand my pencil to Goldia. Snowflake.

Justice Will Prevail.

That the American people appreciate the firmness, yet forbearance and patience, of President Wilson in dealing with serious acts against our people and against humanity in general is abundantly shown by expressions through the press. It now seems that even the impulsive who did not exert self-control at the beginning of the infringement upon our people as neutrals have become more thoughtful and calm.

Nations are much like individuals who have misunderstandings. If wisdom and self-control prevail and the difficulty is studied and the motives of each analyzed, there is little likelihood of serious trouble.

War is selfishness personified. Most of them have been entered upon with selfish motives and when once begun, selfishness causes the land, sea, property, human life and human happiness to be usurped and appropriated to gratify the ambitions of the selfish. When human endurance will tolerate the conflict no longer, then the selfish divide the spoils, burden the conquerors as well as the conquered with the cost of war and hand down to future generations its terrible results.

Surely President Wilson will have the sympathy and co-operation of the just and honorable nations of the world as well as our own people in his stand for humanity and justice toward those who deplore war and desire to remain at peace.—Farm and Ranch.

Get Acquainted With Your Neighbor.

"Get acquainted with your neighbor." Perhaps you have had the experience of taking a dislike to some one on account of some minor personal habit or mannerism. Perhaps this dislike has been deepened with time until you reach the state of mind that you not only would do nothing to assist the person, but where you might go out of your way to prevent him doing something for himself which would be to his profit. Such states of mind are quite common. And then perhaps something will happen that will show that you were entirely mistaken in your estimate of the person. Perhaps you may get acquainted with him! And perhaps you will find that what you thought was a lump of clay is a piece of priceless metal.

"Get acquainted with your neighbor." A farmer's neighbors do not all live out in the

country; neither do the townsman's neighbors all live within the corporation. The farmer has business in town, and the merchants, mechanics, bankers, railroad men, lawyers, doctors, etc., all do business with the farmers—lots of it. Get acquainted with the folks that you meet in a business way. A personal acquaintance will often make a business transaction much easier.

"Get acquainted with your neighbor." Talk over with him the various problems that you have in common. Perhaps there will come a time when you will feel well enough acquainted to consult him about some of the things that concern you only, but in which his advice will be helpful to you. Perhaps you will be able to help him in settling some matter that may be worrying him. Do not confide in every one. That is not wise. But you will never know the character and disposition of folks, and whether or not you can confide in them, until you really know them.—Ohio Farmer.

Fun in School.

There is more humor in the schoolroom than in the press or theatre, someone has said. A slight exaggeration, maybe, but the humor of the schoolroom is usually exceptional in its character; "for from the schoolroom," as one writer has put it, "as from the nursery, humor comes pure and undefiled; it droppeth like the gentle dew from heaven, untouched by artificiality, unmarred by strain or stress."

The Tennessee youth who described a volcano as "a mountain where the world busts through," and the crater as "the place where it spits out," had his facts, though he clothed them in somewhat unusual terms. There was picturesqueness, too, in the small boy's description of a natural history museum as "a dead circus."

And joy was brought to the heart of Mark Twain by the sentence, "There's a great many donkeys in theological gardens." Sometimes, of course, the pupil will come to grief, especially in cases when one is asked to define a word and then use it. One attempt ran thus, "Despot—a ruler that is feared. Me teacher swatted me wid her despot."

Could the most uncompromising realist have done more than the youngster whose teacher had forbidden him, in writing a composition, to attempt flights of fancy, telling him to simply write what was in him. "We should not attempt flites of fancy but rite what is in us," wrote the boy. "In me there is my stummick, lungs, heart, liver, two apples, one piece of pie, one stick of lemon candy and my dinner."

"You should always be clean in your person," wrote one boy upon the subject of personal hygiene, "specially on gymnasium days, because if you broke your leg or anything you would not want your family disgraced all over the town by an unclean skin."

A fat boy, whose teacher gave him an unwise opening by saying, "You seem to be better fed than taught," retorted quickly, "Yes, sir; but you see, I feeds myself." But far more unkind, even if unconsciously so, was the small boy who was asked to correct the sentence, "Our teacher am in sight," and who insisted that it should be "Our teacher am a sight."—Dallas News.

Dusting the Phones.

That old gag of dusting out the phones was worked off near here a few days ago. Some wag at a central station called up about fifty of the good housewives and told them to wrap up the transmitters, or the speaking tubes, and the receivers, as the workmen were preparing to blow the dust out of all phones, working at central station. Some of the phones were hooded all day on account of the great danger of germs getting in the households, you know. They said this happened at a town called Vernon.—The Stamford Leader.

SCHOLASTIC REPORT FOR YOUNG COUNTY

Gain of More Than One Hundred Shown in the Whole County.

The Reporter is indebted to County Superintendent B. W. King, for the following information in regard to the scholastic population of the county:

There are now fifty-seven common school districts in the county, with a total number of 2,296 school children enrolled, and three independent districts with a total enrollment of 1036. The grand total for the county is 3,332, this being a gain of more than one hundred over last year.

A significant fact of this gain is that practically all of it occurred in the rural districts, Olney being the only independent district that shows an increase.

Following are the names of the districts, with the number of scholastics set opposite:

Bitter Creek	52
Monument	72
Hunt	65
Farmer	51
Hawkins Chapel	49
Rocky Mound	56
Flat Rock	25
Henry Chapel	36
Gooseneck	39
Indian Mound	57
Belknap	29
Tankersley	19
Miller Bend	18
Fish Creek	50
Komo	23
Upper Tonk	25
Tonk Valley	33
Mount Pleasant	56
Lone Oak	59
Markley	46
South Bend	57
Connor Creek	25
Eliasville	58
Mayes	12
Salem	26
Camp Creek	100
Rock Creek	23
Huffstuttle	41
California	34
Boggy Valley	28
Oakland	24
Ming Bend	21
Center Ridge	23
Colston	45
Red Top	53
True	56
Mountain Home	27
Briar Branch	22
Shearer	21
Loving	123
Mount Hill	18
Lamar	69
Lone Star	30
Proffitt	65
Johnson	13
Ingleside	31
Wheatland	51
Crib Station	20
Flint Creek	45
Live Oak	26
Clifton	23
Gray	66
Ben Waters	44
Orth	43
Baugh	48
Hardy	25
Total for rural districts	2,296
Graham	406
Olney	337
Newcastle	293
Grand Total	3,332

Protracted Meeting at Gooseneck.

Elder J. W. Kelley, of the Church of Christ, of San Antonio, will commence a protracted meeting in Gooseneck on the second Sunday in July, which is the 11th day of said month. The meeting will continue for two weeks, and the general public is accorded an invitation to attend.

Do you like a paper that will stop when your time is out? If you do take The Reporter.

Burl L. Martin
Cleaning and Pressing

Let me do your work. Satisfactory service is what appeals to you and that is just what I guarantee to give you. Suits Made to Measure.

WEST SIDE SQUARE

BEE A BOOSTER

Live News from our Correspondents

WHITE ROSE

Bro. Wilson preached two fine sermons at White Rose Sunday. A large crowd was present.

W. C. McCombs and family and Bro. Wilson took dinner with J. A. Gachter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearce were in Graham Saturday.

We thank our commissioner for the prompt work in fixing our bridge across Salt Creek, for we know after so many washouts they have been busy. Albert Elliott has been shocking wheat for W. C. McCombs this week.

Roseite has just returned from a few days' work in the wheat harvest. There he learned the number of hours the average farmer works, which was from fourteen to fifteen hours. All through those long hot days we never had time to think. We were busy preparing the staff of life for market. But now, while sitting at my desk with pen in hand I have much time for thought. My mind shifts from the hot fields of the South with its thousands of wage-slaves to a busy street in New York, called Wall Street, where the invisible government lies.

I also have two newspapers before me. One some three months old quotes wheat at \$1.67 a bushel, and the other, the latest off of the press, quotes it at \$1.05. Now Salemite and Plow Boy, I want to know what country has thrown so much wheat upon the market as to make it lose one third of its value in so short a time? Surely it isn't America, for our wheat is not in the shock yet. Why is wheat or any other commodity always low at harvesting time? Listen and I will tell you. In our large cities, with headquarters in Wall Street, is a group of men called speculators. Their interest and the farmers' are at right angles. As long as the producers of a nation support a system that allows a few men to speculate on the product of their toil, just that long the few will take the major portion of the wealth, and the majority will sink deeper in poverty and ignorance.

The point is this, what is it that the speculator adds to society? Could not the world move without him? We want to talk to him like a local attorney did to a noted bootlegger in Graham once. "We are not after you but we are after your business." We all know why we have speculators, so all we have to do is to get the cause. Socialism will remove that cause, which is profit.

Plow Boy to what extremes are you going to do to make a religion out of the Socialist Party. "They meet on Sunday, have Socialist School Teachers, and Socialist Sunday Schools." So that makes them a religion. What an absurd idea. Our Graham Band meets and plays on Sunday afternoon. Is it a religion? The Woodmen of the World meet every year on Sunday and decorate the graves of their deceased Sovereigns. Is the W. O. W. a religious party? A few years ago we had a prohibition speech one Sunday afternoon in the court house yard, all different denominations turned out to hear the speaker. Is prohibition a religious party? They have picture shows and ball games in Fort Worth on Sunday. Is that those people's religion? An answer to all these questions please. Don't get such unreasonable ideas in your head, for it was devout men of that type that burned the witches at the stake in the days of old.

No, Plow Boy, I do not think that any man is so ignorant as to try to get into heaven on his qualifications in any political party or fraternal order. I will give you a list of prominent socialists and you pick out the infidels in it, and you give me a list of prominent democrats and I will pick out the infidels in that. Then we will compare. Bob Ingersol was a republican-

Did that make the republican party accept infidelity?

Yes, socialist communities want socialist school teachers, and I guess democratic communities want democratic teachers, but that doesn't make either of them a religion.

I wish to state that no man is a stronger advocate of advertising than myself, and it pays, for I can walk into any city and in a few minutes pick the stores that advertise; for they are always the most prosperous stores in town. I knew my idea of the cause of advertising would sound erroneous to some, but let's investigate and see if it is. I will admit that individual tastes causes advertising to be more successful, but deeper yet lies the cause. Say stamps were made of different patterns for different towns, what individual or community would feel like financing the advertising? See, no profit to them no cause. While if all clothing was made of the same pattern and I had a store and you had a store in the same town we would advertise in competition to each other. Under socialism, with no profit to you or I, and the stores run only to accommodate the customers and all goods made by the government we would care no more whether you got them in Newcastle or Graham than our rural-mail carriers do your letters now. The boy or girl with their red, yellow or green taste would find their wants supplied in the government store without the billboard.

Now dear readers with just a few more illustrations I will leave the cause of advertising for you to decide. We will say that John and Mary are very industrious this year. They have raised several hundred bushels of potatoes more than they can use. After talking it over they decide to advertise in the local paper, so John gets on his horse and goes to town and takes a small ad, and the result is in a few weeks the potatoes are all sold at a good price. Why did John and Mary advertise those potatoes? Did they not think that they would sell enough extra to pay for the ad and then some? Our taste probably caused us to buy, but the price they were to receive caused them to advertise. Under socialism the State of Texas or the people as a whole will be your merchant. All commodities that the people demand will be handled there. A list or a catalog will be the only advertising necessary. All other advertising will be only the churches, public speakers and holiday presents. This will be more of an announcement nature than it would be of advertising.

Elsewhere in these columns you will find an ad that I pay for, and there is no taste to mine. I am after business, and I think all of the merchants here are of the same opinion.

No space for Socialist Platform Planks this week. I will give you a few next issue.

SENATE

Well, Mr. Editor, as I haven't written in quite a while will try again.

Health in our community is good at present.

We are having some dry hot weather after having so much rain a while back.

Morgan Pippins went to Fort Worth last Wednesday to undergo an operation for appendicitis. At last reports he was getting along fine.

Last Sunday was a big day at Mountain Home. A large crowd was in attendance.

Luther Mathis, wife and little daughter, Beulah, left last Sunday for Oklahoma to visit Mrs. Mathis' sisters and brothers.

John McCune and little son, Deward, made a flying trip to Bryson Monday.

Mr. Barker and granddaughter made a trip to Jacksboro Monday.

John Hannah and daughter, Miss Edna, attended church at Mountain Home Sunday.

Sam Gahagan of Baylor Springs attended church at Mt. Home Sunday.

As news is scarce I will let some good writer take my pencil.

MURRAY

Most of the grain has been cut and people are expecting a thresher soon.

The grasshoppers have injured the grain in some places. G. W. Carmack's wheat was almost entirely destroyed by them. He estimates his loss at 800 bushels. We were very sorry to hear of this.

Rev. M. M. Chunn filled his regular appointment here Sunday at 11 o'clock. He preached a very interesting sermon from Heb. 4:16.

Miss Judith Carmack of Graham is visiting relatives and friends here.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brockman, June 14th, twins, boy and girl.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Donnell, June 14th, a girl.

Miss Alye Schlittler of Graham is visiting Miss Jewel Tyra.

Rev. Tom Cunningham and sisters, Misses Lila and Annie May, visited at Charles Donnell's Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Cunningham preached a very interesting sermon at the Methodist church Sunday night. Bluebell.

LONE OAK

As Brunette is absent and we like for our community to be represented will send in a few items this week.

We are having real summer weather now and people are making good use of the dry days we are having by harvesting their over-ripe grain crops.

The grasshoppers are here by the millions so we suppose they will gather the corn and cotton crops. Some of the fields of cotton have already been destroyed by them.

Corn promises a fine yield if nothing happens to destroy it.

Some few in this community planted trial acres of Sudan grass and some of it is very fine. The finest I have seen is an acre planted by C. C. McBride. It is now in head and from four to five feet high. We think it will prove quite a success as a hay crop.

We are sorry to know that the Sunday school at this place is on the decline, and hope it will soon revive, as it seems sad to not have a live Sunday school in each community, but unless there could be more unity than is shown at some places I do not know whether they really do much good.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lowe visited Mr. and Mrs. Simmons and Jean Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pratt and Roy McBride and wife visited C. C. McBride and family Sunday.

Mrs. J. G. Watson and children visited Mesdames Harris and Harvey Sunday afternoon.

Emmet Alexander was over in his car Friday.

What has become of Spinster Maid as her letters have not graced the Correspondents' page for so long?

We suppose the readers of The Reporter will learn all they did not know about socialism, as it is being thoroughly discussed by some of the best correspondents.

Mrs. Irene Rutherford was in our community Sunday evening.

We are told that Misses Gameson and Nicewarner have been employed to teach the Lone Oak school next term.

Mrs. Ligon called on Mrs. Alexander Sunday morning.

Mr. Howard of the Red Top community was in our community Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wick Thompson of Jean visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson Sunday.

Dr. R. A. Petty of Graham spent Friday eve and Saturday on his ranch.

Mrs. Miller and daughters, Misses Lucile and Berenice, of Graham drove out to the Stone Ranch in their new car Saturday afternoon.

As this is my first attempt at reporting the news will be going. Sub.

MING BEND

Aren't we having some hot weather?

Health in this community is good at present.

Miss Margie Ribble returned home Thursday, after several months' visit with her sister at Clyde.

Willie and Andy Owen are just about through cutting grain.

Mrs. P. A. Newby came home last Monday.

Mrs. Sadie Owen spent Sunday at W. R. Gibbs'.

Rena Owen, Reuby Newby and mother spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Ribble.

Mrs. Newby spent Wednesday night with Mrs. Ribble.

The wedding bells have been ringing since I wrote last, and Sunday, the 13th, Mr. Olaf Ribble and Miss Pearl Gallaher were married at 5 o'clock in Graham by Rev. Cook. We wish for them a long and happy life. May God's blessings rest on them both in this life and in the next.

Thank you, Snowflake, I don't guess I could come to the picnic. You come down to the big meeting. I think that would beat the picnic.

As news is scarce and pa says I must go to work, I will thank Snowflake for her pencil and go. Rainy Day.

NORTH MIDWAY

Health is very good at present, as far as I know.

Weather is pretty, crops are looking fine, with apparently enough season in the ground to insure a good corn crop. Oats and wheat are nearly all harvested, and the hum of the thresher can be heard north of here.

L. Cunningham began threshing last week at Newcastle.

Fayette Proffitt and George Quisenberry cut grain for several in this vicinity last week.

Mrs. J. B. Terrell and niece, Miss Roxie Williams, have been at Graham the past two weeks at the bedside of Mrs. Terrell's sister, who has been quite sick.

Mr. Cunningham and family went plum hunting on the river two days last week.

Dewey Wiley and two sisters, Cora and May, went plum hunting Saturday afternoon and report lots of plums.

Arthur Jones went up to their pasture on the railroad Friday to see about a sick horse.

Mr. Kirby of Woodson was at G. W. Wiley's Thursday on business.

Andrew Jones has purchased a new 20-h. p. self-dump rake.

Eddie Evitt and Arthur Jones have gone to California this (Sunday) afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Munsey visited at the Wiley home this afternoon.

Wes Young called to see Miss Lillian Coon this afternoon.

Sam and Hagar Simpson of the True community were in this vicinity Friday getting some sheaf oats.

News is very scarce with me this time so I will have to quit. Azure Skies.

MOUNT PLEASANT

We have had ideal weather for farm work the past week. Most all of the grain has been harvested.

All crops are looking nice, especially grass and weeds.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dozier, last Friday night, a girl.

Dr. Terrell was called to see Mrs. Dave Hughes one day last week. Mrs. Hughes had a severe attack of heart trouble but is much better at this writing.

We were made sad when we learned of the death of Mr. Wesley Kelley, who was accidentally shot while plowing last Saturday morning. The remains were laid to rest at Median Chapel cemetery Sunday afternoon, Rev. Evans of Graham conducting the funeral services. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Roy Pardue and family visited his brother, Wm. Pardue, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamilton are rejoicing over the arrival of a boy baby at their home. We failed to learn the date.

Louis Brooks lost a fine horse one day last week.

We endorse all Old Pa had to say in regard to Mr. Bryan and war. And, we believe if the Christian people of this country would practice half of what they preach war would be an impossibility. Ignorant Voter.

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WESTOVER

Well here comes the old Dirt Dobber right back again, building her house right up among all the Correspondents, and right here I am going to stay until our kind editor gets angry with me and drives me away.

We had quite a little wind here the 6th. Blew several of the houses off of their foundations.

Guy Waters and Rupert Miller have begun work in the harvest.

We had good attendance at Sunday school Sunday. Everyone is invited to come and be with us.

Mrs. R. D. Miller and Mrs. Robert Wright called at Mrs. Emma Waters' Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Pearl Campbell spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Lilly Lee Campbell.

Miss Fay Warn, Mr. Tilman McWhorter, Miss Dilmah Warn, Mr. Boyd Campbell and Pearl Campbell called at R. D. Miller's Sunday evening.

Silver Bell your letters certainly are fine. I always look for your letters first. Some may be trying to force you to stop writing, but here's one who wants you to keep writing those good letters. The dear old Reporter would not be complete without your good letters.

Come on, Gray-eyed Girl, with some more of those good letters. I like to read every one of the letters.

Will hand my pencil to Silver Bell. But listen: You will have to sharpen it first. Dirt Dobber.

KOMO

Everyone is sure busy at this time of year. We certainly are having warm weather.

Miss O. C. Ardis and little sister Mattie Earl, called on Lottie White Tuesday afternoon.

A. P. Martin went to Eliasville Monday afternoon.

Austin and Miss Lottie White and Arthur Bower and family were pleasant visitors at the home of Tom Fletcher Sunday, June 13th.

Miss Mollie Elkins visited Mrs. Emma Burnett Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Vaughn of Lone Star was at Albert Martin's Monday.

Miss Hester Brooks called on Miss Lottie White Tuesday evening.

Grady Fletcher and two Akin boys were at Tom Fletcher's Wednesday.

J. A. Bower and family spent Monday night at A. P. Martin's.

Austin White went to South Bend Tuesday.

Tom and Grady Fletcher went to Graham Thursday on business.

Here, Jolly Girl, take my pencil, perhaps I'll see you today as I'm going to town. Pansy.

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HAVE YOU JOINED OUR BOOSTER WORK?

OTHERS ARE SENDING COPY TO THE OFFICE EARLY TO INSURE GOOD WORK. WHY DON'T YOU?

IT IS the aim of the Reporter office to do creditable work on the Booster Edition to be issued by this concern just as soon as all descriptive and advertising literature can be collected. Therefore it is essential that all who have reserved space for business representation prepare and send in their copy early so we can get to work on it. Sufficient time must be granted the printer to insure excellence of his production. When you put him off by saying you are too busy, you are impairing the effect of that you desire most to create.

WE WOULD be glad to have our friends in surrounding towns and farming communities to send in descriptions of their respective localities setting forth features of chief interest—location, principal industries, population, schools, churches, crops, water, health, general crop conditions, livestock—a general summary of all that goes to make up the sum and substance of affairs as they actually exist. Improvements, contemplated and under way. Such publicity will be of vast benefit toward building up the county.

INDIAN MOUND

Sunday school was good Sunday, forty-three present. Our superintendent and assistant were both absent but we had Sunday school just the same.

Mrs. Humphries is visiting at the home of R. G. Taylor this week.

Mesdames G. W. McComas, E. G. Williamson and Clark Knight and children visited the home of Rhea Cox of Newcastle today (Tuesday).

Mrs. R. G. Taylor and two little tots visited at the home of S. P. Taylor Sunday.

Miss Ivy Bryan, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. B. W. Drum, the past week, returned home Saturday.

Miss Minnie Fisher made a flying trip to Graham Friday morning.

Mrs. A. Bird and Miss Jean Bryan called at Mrs. F. C. Borchart's Thursday afternoon.

J. S. Fisher helped B. W. Drum put in a new pump Saturday afternoon.

Orliss Putman from somewhere south of us, has been helping W. P. Fisher in his harvest, returning home Saturday.

W. P. Fisher was in Graham Saturday afternoon.

Hello! Jack o' Diamonds. I am glad you and your Flint Creek friends had a nice time while here.

You said, "I don't suppose any of those girls will read this, reckon Kid." Sure, they have done read it. One of them asked me today (Sunday) if I thought Jack o' Diamonds would ever come up here any more.

Said he was sure good looking all right. I told Miss Uno what you told me to tell her.

I wish to thank you in behalf of the Indian Mound community for the nice compliments you gave us last week.

Jack o' Diamonds, I am struck on Children's Day and if you think I am not put on one at Flint Creek and see if I don't come. I have been throwing shoe polish at my brogans for twenty or thirty days trying to get them shined up for the Sunday, but it has been put off till later on, but I expect to be on hand when the time does come, are you?

Candy Kid, you spoke the very sentiments of my heart on the church subject.

Beauty, I hope we are not out of the fold, but if I knew I was and wanted in I would hate to think that the little Boy was my only guide, because if the blind lead the blind we might all get in the ditch.

Plow Boy, I am not in the ring with you, Roseite and Gringo on your political arguments, but I will say that I think your last week's letter has torn down the socialist platform and removed the foundation from where it was first laid.

The young folks and some of

the older ones enjoyed a singing at the home of G. W. McComas Sunday afternoon.

Jack o' Diamonds, we had Oscar and Roscoe Waters from Stephens county, a distance of about 40 miles from here, with us at the singing.

Floyd McComas of Graham visited home folks Saturday night and Sunday. He had his kodak with him and the singing crew had a group picture taken, then a bunch of the Sunday school girls had a picture made of themselves.

Most all the grain has been cut. We are to have an independent thresher here this season. It is expected here the last of the week provided they can pass over the muddy roads near Olney.

Misses Minnie Fisher and Jean Bryan went to Big Monday at Newcastle.

Mrs. Beard and children visited at the home of R. G. Taylor Thursday.

Mrs. R. G. Taylor and Miss Mary Beard were callers at Graham Friday.

This is not all the news but I must quit as it is near mail time.

HULL MOUNTAIN

Another Sabbath day has come and gone and we are still on land and among the living, and Graham remains as a token of false prophecy, and today not a cloud to be seen from this point of view. Yet it is to be hoped the refreshing showers will not delay too long between times as corn crops are just now in silk and tassel, and the prospect good enough to date and will be a fine crop made if seasons continue, otherwise it will be very light.

Oats are not as good as it was thought they would be. Rust and chinch-bugs caused them to ripen prematurely and they are light.

Edgar Choate passed down the road this morning with a hay baler. Hope he will stop as he goes back and bale our oats.

Thanks, Silver Bell, for your compliments, and as you asked me to come again, I presume you are an anxious listener to the horrors of war, the privations, hardships and perils that try men's souls.

With the editor's permission I will give a short sketch of the first battle I was ever in. It was the early part of June, 1864. I don't remember the day of the month. Anyway, it was when Grant moved from Cold Harbor to the south of the James River.

We were camped on the Darbytown road near where the road forks, the right leading to Malvin's Hill, the other to Darbytown. And on Monday morning before daylight we got orders to saddle up. We mounted and marched down the Malvin's Hill road about a mile, stopped and fronted into line and counted off from right to left 1-2-3-4, and the command was number four hold horses, and L was one of the lucky four. The men fell in line and marched away on foot to meet the enemy and were gone about thirty minutes, when they returned, remounted, marched back and went down the Darbytown road.

They went about half a mile dismounted and counted off again, and number three held horses, which sent me to the front for the first time. Our line of battle was formed between two ridges, in a flat in an old field, and we could not see the enemy over a hundred yards. The enemy was advancing and it was not long before firing began. Will digress a little here. Just before we began firing Jimmy Manly, poor boy, asked his captain to let him go to the rear, and the captain asked him if he was sick. He said he was not, and the captain told him he could not let him off, he was needed there. Poor boy, that was his first battle, too. The battle had opened and as the firing became heavier we were ordered to lie down load and fire. I had not been drilled in the manual of arms and could not lie down and load my gun, and I would stand up and load my gun and then lie down and shoot. The powder

would not run out of the cartridge into the muzzle of the gun so I would stand up to load and lay down to shoot. I thought maybe while I was lying down shooting a ball would pass over me that might hit me if I were standing. We got orders to fall back but I failed to hear it, and before Jimmy Manly and I knew it the men were about twenty steps away and you know we were not long in getting away from there.

It was about a hundred yards back to the woods and Jimmy and myself were about half way when a shell exploded just over us and the fragments fell all around us. Just before we reached the woods Jimmy was killed. He was right by my side and I heard the ball when it hit him. It was a running fight, the enemy outnumbering us five or six to one. We would stand up and shoot till they crowded us then fall back and try them again. They pursued us about a mile before they halted.

Poor Jimmy, I believe he had a presentiment he would be killed that day. War is next of kin to what Sherman compared it to.

This is growing too long. I'll go and the battle not over. Old Pa.

MOUNTAIN HOME

We are having some pretty weather now.

This is Sunday and I have been sleeping most of the day. I wanted to go to church at Bunker but the team was worked to the binder all week, so I just let them rest.

I was sick most of the week but Saturday I wanted to go to church so my two children, Miss Valerie Bunker and myself walked three miles to Bunker. I sure did hear a good sermon. Bro. Roark of Flat Rock preached for us and we took dinner with Grandpa and Grandma Driver, and enjoyed the afternoon fine. Bro. Driver read us several verses in the Bible. On the way home I stopped at Mrs. Frank Stringer's and got a cold drink, and she treated us to some nice plums and peaches. Now Mr. Editor, don't you wish you had been there too? From there on home I will not say how much needle grass I got into, but I am feeling fine today (Sunday).

All are invited to come to church next Saturday and Sunday, June 26-27, at Bunker.

Beauty, I am glad you like to read my letters. I always read your letters.

Trixie, I would like to be up there to eat good old corn. I like it boiled best, with butter and salt. You come down and we will have some soon.

Misses Aftin and Unie Smith visited Mrs. Bill Bunker last Sunday.

Bro. Grantham preached at Mountain Home last Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Whittenburg of Ector county is in on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Whittenburg. We all welcome her back again.

Mrs. Will Moore visited Mrs. Bill Bunker and Miss Valerie Bunker before she moved back to her home at Briar Branch last week.

Yank, Homeite gives you a hearty welcome to join our happy band and hopes you will be present each week.

Bashful Ben, I hated to hear that Mrs. Rickles had gone home, for I was looking for her to visit me.

Mrs. Rickles, when you see this just sit down and write us all the news of Brownsfield. Dreamy Eyes told me you took The Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Whittenburg and mother were pleasant visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bunker's Monday.

George Gilmore and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with G. G. Smith and family.

Walter Rickles of Graham passed through this community Saturday.

Monday was rat killing day down here. Mr. Jones' folks killed 65 and Bill Bunker killed 2, making 67 in all. We are thinning out the rats down here and I think I scalded some, too.

Goose, I think they will want someone else to run for mayor besides S. R. Crawford. I am sure Mrs. Driver will, for that hen would have brought her 60 cents at the Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Owen and two youngest children and Miss Ida Owen went down in Palo Pinto county to visit Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sullivan, and will stay until Tuesday.

Mrs. Nola Whittenburg was sick last week.

Tom Bunker and Tom Lisle re-planted the Bunker brothers' cotton Saturday. Tom Lisle thought it would be real early to plant cotton.

The grasshoppers are bothering some.

Will Pickard will cut grain for Freland Wiley this (Monday) afternoon.

Most all of the grain has been cut.

Bill Bunker and Dick Whittenburg cut grain for Joe Upham Friday and Saturday.

HOMEITE.

MOUNTAIN HOME

Good morning to one and all, I see you are all busy. Just move over a little bit I won't stay long.

We had another fine rain Saturday evening, which fell slow and nice. Lots of the farmers had just quit working for the want of rain.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones spent Monday night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cox of Salt Creek.

Mrs. D. L. Massengale spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. John Matlock, Sr.

Yes, Pansy, those pictures were very good. You sure did look natural.

Barney Plaster left for Amarillo, where he will take a course in stenography. We hated to see Barney leave but hope that he will meet with success. He had been sick two or three years and we are proud to know he is able to go to work again.

Yes, X. Y. Z., sure I'll remember my promise whenever someone makes a real good guess.

Candy Kid, I guess you are 17 now what about it?

O, yes, Candy Kid, the other day some folks were at our house and they asked the Gray-eyed Girl how old she was and I told them to guess. One of them said 20, the other said yes she is 20 if not 21. You will be surprised when you find out my age.

Pansy, what do you know about that? You know I am very much grieved to know that I look so old.

Quite a number from this community were intending to attend the decoration at Wagon Hill but got rained out.

Well, this is Thursday and it rained another shower for us this morning.

Miss Anis Matlock and little sister, Ora, have been hoeing for Lum Crumpton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Matlock, Sr., and family spent the day Sunday at Henry Plaster's.

Little Miss Joe Lewis spent Thursday morning at Mrs. Ella Robbins'.

John Matlock says he has the signs of roasting ears.

People are too busy to visit so I can't find anything to write at present. Will hand my pencil to Salemite and go.

GRAY-EYED GIRL.

BRYSON

We are having some hot weather now. A shower of rain would be appreciated.

Si Clayton and family took a pleasant drive out to Mr. Blue's near Keyser Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bottoms and Grandma Clendenning spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jay.

Welcome, Yank, come on with the news from Union Ridge. I think I saw Yank this (Monday) morning across the field from the big road. Wasn't that you Yank? I believe that was you mowing oats. It was so far I took it to be you. Anyway I was coming from that large orchard east of the school house.

The Fruit Growers' Association shipped a car of peaches from here Sunday morning for

Megargel, Texas. The car contained something over 400 bushels.

Welcome, Informer, I believe I could guess who you are. Were you ever at Union Ridge?

Several from here attended church at Mountain Home Sunday. Sure had the dinner, too.

Trixie was right there. I saw Gray-eyed Girl and she looked as natural as ever. I can say one thing for Mountain Home, when you go up there you may expect to be treated with the utmost hospitality. I was treated as nice as I cared to be.

Mr. and Mrs. Estes Box of Loving visited home folks here Sunday.

A. L. Maddux gave the young folks a party Saturday night. A large crowd was present and everyone reported a splendid time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Herd and two daughters, Misses Bertie and Lola, spent Sunday with Bill Nichols and wife.

Miss Willie Chambers spent Sunday with Miss Ora Box.

Miss Alpha Chambers spent Sunday with Miss Ruth Maddux.

Singing at the Christian church Sunday afternoon was fine and also singing at the Baptist church Sunday night was fine.

A. B. Kuykendall has purchased a new touring car recently.

Miss Mattie Lena Barrett of Mineral Wells is here visiting friends and for the benefit of her health.

Here, Homeite, take my pencil and I'll be going. Trixie.

UNION RIDGE

We are having some real old

summer weather and farmers are making use of it killing grass and weeds, cutting and putting up hay.

Cotton chopping seems to be the order of the day.

Harvey Avants visited friends at Bryson Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mitchell of Bryson visited at Chas. Dennig's last Sunday.

Mrs. J. S. Avants was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Gladden, Sunday.

Mrs. Huse Dennig accompanied by her daughter and son, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Avants, dined with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dennig Sunday.

J. F. Ainsworth's children are better, after several days' illness.

Little Inez Vanhooser has the mumps, but glad to say she is getting along fine.

Miss Lillie Tripp was called to attend the bedside of her aunt, Mrs. Jameson, who is still very ill.

Miss Tina Cullers was a guest of Miss Mary Cullers Sunday.

Singing was well attended at Chas. Dennig's Sunday afternoon. All reported a nice time.

Misses Mattie Cullers and Minnie Dennig were guests of Misses Lillie and Nellie King Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Math Dennig visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walden of near Bryson Sunday.

Willie Simpson made a business trip to Jacksboro last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vanhooser were guests at William Hill's Sunday.

Bro. Sparkman filled his regular appointment here Sunday. Yank.

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Local and Personal Mention

Bruce Street is in Wichita Falls.

Miss Louise Norris is visiting in Haskell.

Chas. Gay is a witness in the Fry trial at Wichita Falls.

Sam Copeland is in Wichita Falls attending the Fry trial.

Horace Tidwell is in Wichita Falls attending the Fry trial.

H. M. Ford of South Bend was in the city on business Monday.

Capt. S. R. Crawford has returned from a business trip to the east.

Miss Mary Craig returned Wednesday from a visit to Baird, Texas.

Mrs. W. T. McWilliams and son, Yates, of Perrin, are guests of Mrs. C. W. Hinson this week.

Claud Cochran, who is working in Newcastle, spent Sunday with the home folks here.

C. J. Bell of Itasca is in the city for a visit to his sister, Mrs. Ben F. Self.

W. J. Gilmore of the Salem community was here on business Tuesday.

Brog Carlton of near Newcastle was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

McCall Patterns are Best
We have all styles and sizes.
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Dr. W. A. Morris and family returned Saturday from a visit to Throckmorton.

E. M. Braddock made The Reporter a visit Tuesday while in the city on business.

Miss Lizzie Arnold of Markley visited in the city this week, guest of Miss Myrtle Wallace.

R. E. Lynch is in Wichita Falls as a witness in the Fry trial.

Messrs. Claude and Pete Fry of Proffitt were in the city on business Monday.

Former County Treasurer I. B. Padgett is a witness in the Fry trial at Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Johnson and daughter of Newcastle were in the city Tuesday.

Jno. E. Morrison is on a business trip to Jones county this week.

J. W. Burnett of Komo made The Reporter a pleasant visit yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hunter of Route 1 were shopping in the city yesterday.

D. D. Cusenbary, former county clerk, is in Wichita Falls attending the Fry trial.

Tax Collector Henry Groves is in Wichita Falls attending the Fry trial.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Criswell are attending the Fry trial at Wichita Falls.

R. L. Reed is a witness in the trial of E. W. Fry at Wichita Falls.

County Attorney C. Fay Marshall is in Wichita Falls attending the Fry trial.

Sheriff Mal M. Wallace is attending the trial of E. W. Fry in Wichita Falls.

See Those \$1.00 Dresses.
And Kimonos we have on sale. They are worth \$1.50 to \$3.00.
39c S. B. Street & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rubenkoenig and son of Lafayette, Ind., are in the city to spend some time with Mr. Rubenkoenig's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rubenkoenig. Harry is teaching in the Purdue University, and is enjoying a vacation after a hard period of work.

Miss Verla Cooper and Miss Blackman of Newcastle were in the city Tuesday.

Miss Lottie White of Komo was a pleasant caller at The Reporter office while in the city Friday.

The 17th episode of the Perils of Pauline, featuring Pearl White at the New Electric tomorrow night.

Miss Bill Cochran, who has been visiting in Waco for several weeks, returned home last week.

Don't forget that most interesting serial picture, The Master Key, at the New Electric Theatre tonight.

Rev. S. D. Cook leaves in a short time to conduct a series of meetings in the Methodist churches in Oklahoma.

Mrs. J. J. Gallaher of Fort Worth is in the city this week visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Parkinson.

A meeting of the County School Board is in session today and will continue over tomorrow.

Ladies' Skirts \$1.00.
Former prices \$3.00 to \$8.50, choice for \$1.00.
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Rev. Gaines B. Hall will preach at Rocky Mound Sunday at 3 p. m. Public cordially invited.

Frank Loftin of Hawkins Chapel was in the city Monday visiting his brother, County Treasurer Rube Loftin.

Misses Eula McCain and Pearl Matthews are witnesses in the Fry trial at Wichita Falls.

Pearl White in the Perils of Pauline at the New Electric Theatre tomorrow night; 17th episode.

For biliousness, stomach, kidney and bladder diseases, drink Wizard Wells Mineral Water, for sale by B. S. Doty & Co. 39p. (Adv.)

Mrs. W. D. Petty and Miss Ione Powell of Avalon are in the city for a visit to Mrs. Hattie Miller.

Miss Hazel Atwood of Pensacola, Florida, arrived Wednesday night to visit Mrs. W. J. McNeill for some time.

Always something interesting when you are at The New Electric Theatre. The Master Key tonight.

The Wizard Wells Health Resort Company, promoting a health resort at Wizard Wells (old Vineyard) Jack county, announce the completion of a \$4,000 bath house and installation of bottling plant for shipment of their Mineral Water products.—Adv. 39p.

Mesdames Simon and Diodne of New Orleans are visiting in the city, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rubenkoenig.

Mrs. W. C. Walker and daughter of Fort Worth are visiting in the city, guests of Mrs. W. H. Logan.

Jess Willard, world's champion heavyweight pugilist, coming soon to the New Electric Theatre, in "The Heart Punch."

Buy Golden Sun Coffee from R. L. Reed & Co.

Miss Veazey, milliner of Jno. E. Morrison company this season, returned to her home at Cleburne, Texas, Monday.

Graham friends of Miss Joe Gracy have received the following announcement:

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Summar announce the marriage of their sister Joe Gracy to Mr. Velpeau Peacock, Friday, the eleventh day of June, nineteen hundred fifteen, Fort Worth, Texas. At home 1718 Fairmont Avenue.

For breakfast try a box of Swift's Premium sliced bacon at R. L. Reed & Co.

Mrs. J. Ewing Norris and children are visiting in Wichita Falls. They will also visit in Henrietta before returning home.

Dress Goods Bargains.
See the Dress Goods we are selling at 9c, 16 2-3c and 20c—worth about double the price.
39c S. B. Street & Co.

Wm. Johnson and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, left Tuesday for Wichita Falls, where Miss Elizabeth will be a witness in the Fry trial.

Muslin Underwear on Sale.
Women's Misses' and Children's Underwear on sale at prices cheaper than you can buy the material and make them.
39c S. B. Street & Co.

Buy your groceries and feed from W. L. Howry at the Union Wagon Yard. You'll save money. Best wagon yard accommodations.
37ffc.

Another Reason Why Young County Farmers Should Raise Hogs.

Clampitt Bros. and Williams of Shamrock was on the market with a load of maize-fed hogs that sold at \$7.85, top prices for Monday. The shipment was handled by the Campbell-Rosson Commission company.—Ft. Worth Record.

Stated communication of Young County Masonic Lodge on Saturday night, June 26th, 8:30 o'clock. Installation of officers. All Master Masons cordially invited.
D. G. Vick, W. M.
Wright McClatchy, Secretary.

Ball Game Benefit U. D. C's.
A ball game between local teams will be played at the ball park next Tuesday, the receipts from the game to be turned over to the U. D. C's. to be applied on the monument fund. All who enjoy a good game should be present.

Mrs. Alma Martin and children left Wednesday morning for a visit in Raton, N. M. Alma accompanied them as far as Wichita Falls.

The Reporter is under lasting obligations to our friend Will Crawford, of the Briar Branch community, for a nice lot of roasting ears, brought in Wednesday.

E. O. Wilson, of Murray, was a business visitor in the city Friday and Saturday of last week.—He was a pleasant caller at The Reporter office Saturday morning.

Pumps and Oxfords on Sale.
We offer great bargains in Misses' and Children's Pumps. Specials at 48c and 95c.
39c S. B. Street & Co.

Pay Your Street Tax.

All able-bodied men in the City of Graham, between the ages of 21 and 45 years, are liable for five days work on the city's streets each year. By paying the sum of \$3.50 to me on or before the last day of June you will be exempt for one year.
T. E. WALLACE,
38-39p. Sec'y-Treas.

County Judge W. P. Stinson and Commissioners Jim B. Reynolds, G. D. Hinson, W. E. McCharen and Jno. W. Saye are attending the Fry trial in Wichita Falls as witnesses.

The new baseball suits for the Graham ball team arrived one day this week and are first-class in every respect. The suits are of grey with a pin stripe of lavender, and have Graham, in red, on the left breast. On the back of each shirt appears an advertisement of the donor of the suit, also, done in red, and is a tribute to their enterprise and support of the game. It is needless to say the boys are proud of these new uniforms, and as an evidence of their appreciation are working hard to give Graham a winning team.

Watch for that masterpiece, The Heart Punch, featuring Jess Willard, the Kansas cowboy who won the boxing championship of the world from Jack Johnson.

Want Ads

A surrey for sale or trade.
36-39 R. G. Hallam.

For Sale—Good Jersey milch cows for sale. My place in Tonk Valley.
J. T. Rogers.
38-39p. P. O. Graham.

Found—Coat 4 miles southeast of Graham on Breckenridge road. Owner may have same by describing property and paying for this notice. Apply at Reporter office.

Strayed—One white bull dog, 10 months old, with clipped ears, has on spike collar, answers to the name of Ted. Reward. Ind. Phone 109-1ss.
39c Claude Rutherford.

For Sale.—Baby walker in good condition. Apply at this office.

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County Clerk C. W. Hinson left Tuesday for Wichita Falls to be present at the trial of E. W. Fry. He took the minutes of the Commissioners Court, which will be used as evidence in the case.

Your Last Chance

To Buy a Summer Hat

Our Milliner, Miss Stroud, will leave July 1st, so if you want a new Summer Hat be sure to call during the few days in this month and select one of our new Trimmed Hats, or have one made to your order.

Every Ladies', Misses and Children's Hat has been greatly reduced in price—every one is a BARGAIN, so come early and make your selection.

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