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DECISION IS EXPECTED THIS MONTH BY I.C.C.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is expected to render a decision in the Denver-Santa Fe extension controversy within the next 10 days, according to a semi-official report reaching here Friday.

The Denver seeks extension of its lines from Estelline to Plainview and Lubbock through Quitaque and Silvertown, while the Santa Fe wants to build two branches out of Plainview—one to Dimmitt and the other to Silvertown.

The hearing in the case was decision in the Denver-Santa Fe summed about a week and a voluminous mass of testimony was taken. It was considered the most famous case in the history of railroad development in the Southwest.

At the conclusion of the hearing the Interstate Commerce Commission examiner gave as his opinion that it would be sometime in December before the body would be able to make a report.

Another rumor is current in rail circles of Amarillo, but unverified that the Santa Fe is about to acquire the Wichita Falls & Southern. With the option already held on the Ringling, Eastland and Gulf and its connection with the W. F. & S., the Santa Fe would have a line from Wichita Falls to Mangum, in Eastland county. The purchase of the two lines, it is understood, would make probable the early construction of the Santa Fe proposed Post-Stamford-Fort Worth new extension.

F. M. Arnold

F. M. Arnold, 81 years old and for 12 years a resident of Briscoe County, died at his home in Silvertown Monday night, Dec. 7 at 9:45 o'clock. He has been suffering for years from cancer which was the cause of his death.

Mr. Arnold was born in Tennessee and came to Texas from Arkansas in 1908. He lived at Plainview previous to coming here. He is survived by his wife and five children, three sons, Ralph, Marion and Claude were present at the funeral which was conducted by Rev. W. L. Jenkins at the Silvertown cemetery Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Two married daughters living in Kansas and California were unable to attend.

Mr. Arnold was a veteran of the civil war.

Mrs. J. C. Welsh was taken to the Plainview sanitarium Tuesday to receive xray treatments.

Mrs. Clifford Allard and daughter, Charlsie Glynn, and Miss James Jackson spent Saturday with home folks southwest of Lockney.

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OH, MOTHER LOOK HERE ONLY A COUPLE WEEKS MORE



EXPECT TO START OILING HIGHWAYS IN NEXT FEW WEEKS

L. B. Allison, assistant State Highway Engineer, has sent word from Austin that work will start on the oiling of the highway from Canyon to Lubbock within a short while.

The contract has been awarded to a Fort Worth firm for the entire job.

It is stated that work will likely start at Lubbock and extend this way. The roadbed on the south end of the road is rapidly being put in shape. It has not been indicated whether or not traffic will be kept off the highway while the work is in progress.

NEWS SUBSCRIPTION OFFER EXTENDED

The scores of new subscribers who came in on the special subscription offer proves that the citizens of Briscoe County want to read the News, so we are extending the offer until January the first, trusting that many will give in their subscription or send the News as a Xmas present.

Baptist Ladies Bazaar Dec. 12

The Baptist Ladies will hold a Bazaar at Mrs. Mishers on Dec. 12. Don't forget the date!

CHANGE IN TULIA ROUTE GIVES BETTER SERVICE

Becoming effective Tuesday, a change in the schedule of the Star route from Tulia to Silvertown gives much better service. On the new schedule the mail arrives at 11 A.M. instead of 12:15, bringing mail from the South bound Santa Fe, and departs at 11:30, making connection with the north bound Santa Fe from Tulia at 1:45 P. M.

This improved service will make it possible to send a letter from Amarillo to Silvertown and get an answer within eight hours. It will also enable readers of the Amarillo Daily News to get their paper more than an hour earlier than heretofore and several hours earlier than any other daily news paper.

Aside from the Tulia route, Silvertown has three other routes, furnishing a mail service superior to many towns in the Panhandle that have a railroad. The Clarendon route leaves Silvertown at 7 A. M. making connections with both the north and south bound Ft. Worth & Denver trains and returns to Silvertown at 5 P. M., seven days a week. The Floydada mail car arrives in Silvertown at 11 A. M. and departs at 1:30 P. M. A star route runs from Silvertown to Quitaque, on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday making connection with the mail car from Lockney to Estelline which makes connection with the Ft. Worth and Denver.

CHAS. GOODNIGHT WRITES OF EARLY BUFFALO DAYS

The following article appearing in the Southwest Plainsman, published at Amarillo, recounts interesting events that occurred in the early days of the Panhandle, and some data on the Cattalo.

(By Charles Goodnight)

Our first entrance into the Palo Duro Canyon was in November 1876. We then made our entrance by way of the old Comanche Trail between the junction of the Canon Cite Blanco and the main Palo Duro Canyon. It took us about half a day to work the cattle down this narrow and rugged trail. We then took the wagon to pieces and carried it down piece by piece on the mules we had about six months rations and much corn. This was also carried down on the mules. The canyon being narrow at this place prevented any buffalo from being in it there. Hence grass and water were found there in abundance and the cattle ran at their own sweet will. The portage was sover after two days.

We then started the herd down the canyon. As the canyon widened the buffalo increased till finally by the time we arrived at the upper end of the wider valley (which has since been known as the "Old Home Ranch") we supposed we had ahead of us ten thousand buffaloes. Myself, Leigh R. Dyer and an Englishman named Hughes (son of the great writer Hughes of England) were the buffalo drivers.

Such a sight was probably never seen before and certainly will never be seen again. The red dust arising in clouds made immense noise. The tremendous echo of the Canyon, the uprooting and crashing of the scrub cedars made one of the grandest and most interesting sights that I have ever seen. If they did not come off the mountain sides that were near us we simply sent a sharp shooter ball among them. A near by shot would have caused an instant stampede, making kindling wood of the small cedars as they came.

These buffalo were moved down the canyon some fifteen miles giving ourselves room and grass for our sixteen hundred cattle. There we put on a heard line from the mouth of the Turkey Creek and held them back turning every day from eight hundred to fifteen hundred buffalo. This line was kept up about a year until the herd was reduced by slaughter, by the buffalo hunters, and then the line was not necessary.

At this time there was no entrance to the Canyon, except a few Indian and buffalo trails, for sixty miles; or until opposite the mouth of the Tule, where McKenzie entered with his army to (Continued on page 5)

CHRYSLER MAKES 439 MILES IN 8 HOURS & 30 MIN.

Flashing through snow, rain and over and down mountains, a stock Chrysler Six roadster recently broke all motor car speed records between Los Anglos and San Francisco. It averaged 51.64 miles an hour for the 439 miles of run.

The car looped a full 27 minutes from the best previous record, established last April by a professional driver with a car used to make speed records all over the country. Since that time, many attempts by various cars to secure this enviable record for themselves have failed to lower the mark over the historic Valley Route.

This newest evidence of Chrysler stamina and roadability appears all the more remarkable in that a driver, totally without previous experience in a run of this nature, made it, and with his own personal car.

Total time for the 439 miles,

MARVIN JONES WOULD TAKE PERMIT POWER FROM I.C.C.

Washington, Dec. 7. A bill to repeal that portion of the transportation act which authorizes the Interstate Commerce Commission to pass on the question of whether or not new railroads or extensions of railroads may be constructed when such building or construction is wholly within the borders of one state, was introduced at the opening session of Congress today by Representative Marvin Jones, of Amarillo.

Jones attempted to have this provision inserted in the transportation act when it was before the House in 1920. His amendment was defeated by a small margin. He expressed confidence today that he will be successful at this time. "It is, perhaps, justifiable for the commission to require proof of the solvency or financial responsible of any organization which undertakes to construct new lines of railway or extensions thereof but this should be the limit of its authority," Jones said in explaining his bill.

"The whole proposition of allowing the Interstate Commerce Commission to absolutely forbid the construction of a line of railway wholly within the state is absurd. In the first place, the commission has so many other duties to perform that it cannot possibly have first hand information. It therefore sends out one or more employees who conduct a hearing and on his report, and upon written briefs that are filed, the commission must depend for information as to the course of action to be pursued. All of its information, therefore, is necessarily second hand."

"When a solvent railway company which has successfully operated for years, or a responsible organization which is thoroughly familiar with conditions and the people through which the proposed line is to be operated are willing to invest money and are anxious for the construction of new lines, to require such company or organization to get down on its knees to a Washington commission is wholly indefensible.

"Even though the commission may decide favorably, it entails a delay of at least one year and the expenditure of considerable money in order to secure the permit and if the permit is refused, it hinders very materially the growth and development of any new section of country.

"West Texas is settling up very rapidly. Ranches are being cut up and sold to actual settlers of the state that are untouched by railroad and that therefore have very inadequate transportation and market facilities. There are many applications for construction and extension of railways, all of which are being held up pending the action of the Interstate Commerce Commission. If the settlement and development continue this condition will get very much worse within the next few years. What is true of West Texas is true of a great many other sections of the union.

"This provision of the present transportation act should therefore be speedily repealed and all these sections be given the unhindered opportunity to settle conditions and develop as fast as economic conditions will justify."

including one stop for gasoline, at Fresno, and another to replace a punctured tire, near San Jose was exactly 8 hours and 30 minutes. Time was checked and certified by the Western Union at each end of the run, with constant checkings through various towns by Edward Shattuck, who rode as observer with John V. Boyd, the driver.

Car and pilot were checked out of the Western Union Office at Sixth and Spring streets, Los Angeles, at 9:30 p. m. and the Western Union stamp of arrival was placed on Boyd's certificate at the company's San Francisco office at Third and Market sts. at exactly 6 a. m.

Banquet Closes Successful Season of Silvertown H. S. Football Team

Given by Faculty; Printz Brown is 1926 Captain

Speakers characterized the football season just closing as the most successful in the history of Silvertown, at the banquet given the members of the team Friday evening, Dec. 4. The banquet was given by the members of the faculty honoring the boys for their splendid work in bringing honor and credit to the school. Miss Berry, instructor in home economics and her girls had in charge the actual preparation and serving of the meal and the menu was served as follows:

Physical Menu

Roast Turkey, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Parker House Rolls, Butter, Celery, Fruit Salad Cheese Straws, Jello, Cake, Coffee, Mints and Nuts.

Spiritual Menu

Toastmaster... W.M. Gourley
Music... Orchestra
Reading... Anna Burson
Violin Solo... Eloise Morgan
Piano Solo... Mrs. Gurley
After dinner Speakers:
Prof. Warren—"The True Sportsman."
Paul I. Odor.
W. C. Todd.

J. D. Warren, superintendent of schools, spoke on the "True Sportsman" and lauded the boys in their work. Paul I. Odor thanked the boys for the publicity that they had brought Silvertown by their splendid playing and expressed the hope that many of them would make star players on the college teams of the state. He also stressed the importance of not only being expert in their football playing but meeting the other requirements that are imposed upon men who play in games that are recognized by the various inter collegiate athletic associations. W.C. Todd, coach, complimented the boys on their playing and high class sportsmanship. W. M. Gourley, toastmaster, humorously introduced the speakers and called upon all the teachers present for a short talk after which members of the team were called upon. They all expressed their appreciation of the banquet which had been tendered them by the faculty and for the cooperation and support accorded them. Those present were:

W. M. Gourley, Paul Odor, Eloise Morgan, Price Stone, Marie Dodson, Stephen Snappa, J. E. Clingan, Printz Brown, Arthur Thomas, Bess Grigg, True Burson, Jim Stephenson, Beth Jaggers, Jess Wool, Mrs. Redin, Anna Lee Anderson, Robert Hill, Cecil E. Buck, Johnie McClendon, Lois Berry, Greene Buchanan, J. D. Warren, Oneal Watson, H. D. Norris, Fay Christopher, D. L. Morgan, Mrs. Warren, Earl Gammon, Clyde Todd, Anna Burson.

DENVER OFFICIALS THROUGH HERE WED.

M. A. Stainer, Ft Worth & Denver engineer of maintenance of way and Mr. Covington, another Denver official were through Silvertown Wednesday on their way to Clarendon from Lockney where they had attended the Chamber of Commerce banquet given at that place celebrating the signing of a contract guaranteeing the operation of a Denver train through Floyd County within 18 months after the granting of a permit. Mr. Stainer has been an active official in connection with the work that has been done on the proposed extensions of the Denver and is thoroughly conversant with the situation, however he was at a loss to say when he thought a permit would be granted. He said that they had been momentarily expecting it for the last two weeks and that he thought it would be granted soon.

FARMERS TO GET PURE SEED FOR 1926 PLANTING

A number of farmers attended the Pure seed meeting at the courthouse last Saturday afternoon. The meeting was called by Prof. Gourley and the need of getting better planting seed ordered at this time was stressed. Particular reference was made to the kafir, maize and cotton seed. The following farmers have placed their orders for black hull kafir, Red maize, White maize, begaria and Burnett cotton seed. R. L. Buchanan, J. E. Simpson, R. L. Reddin, Miner Crawford, B. F. Smith, J. M. Arnold, R. M. Hill, S. B. Smith, D. G. Joimer, H. Stodghill, A. Cross and W. J. Poe. The following students of vocational agriculture have also ordered seed: Everett Irion, Clyde Irion, Edwin Crass, Robert Hill, Wayne Crawford, Frederick Montague, Jimmie Carter, Greene Buchanan, Clyde Baxter and John D. Warr. This seed will be secured at the Lubbock Experiment Farm. A truck from Silvertown will be sent over during the last week of December and the seed will be delivered about Jan. 1. There will not be any other meetings and anyone wanting seed should place their orders by Dec. 20 if they expect to get in on this truck load.

J. W. Hardcastle and Mrs. Gourley. At the close of the banquet, as is the custom, the team went into the election of a captain for the 1926 season and Printz Brown was elected.

Workingmen of Moscow Celebrate



The eighth anniversary of the Russian revolution was celebrated by the workingmen with a monster parade in Moscow and ceremonies in the Red square. The illustration shows one of the floats prepared by the workers.



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Money Talks at CROUTHERS CASH STORE

OUR BIG SALE CONTINUES THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS.

the senior class, taking Rural Economics, a very interesting discussion on the subject of the Banking System of Texas. He discussed the various types of banks operating in Texas, organization, functions, protective features, charters, etc. He also explained the Federal Reserve Banking system and its functions and relationship to the State and National banks. He also gave some information on the State Banking Dept. There is need of every citizen doing business with banks to know something of the operation of banks, their measures of making the bank safe for its customers. Oftentimes people under-estimate the real value of a bank in a community, and do not realize its benefits until they are forced to be without one.

Mr. Graham of the Texas Wheat Growers Association, Amarillo, Texas, gave a series of talks to the Economics class on the subject of individual and co-operative marketing. He went into the various phases of both systems and showed the glaring effects in our present individual system of marketing against the co-operative systems. There are big losses each year by the producers of various farm commodities due to the fact that several different steps must necessarily be taken to get the products from the producer to the consumer. Whereas in the cooperative system the direct selling of the products by the producer to the consumer.

The students of last year's agricultural class met with Prof. Gourley on Tuesday night to complete their final record books on their projects before mailing same to the State Board of Vocational Education, Austin, Texas. The following students were present: Robert Hill, Willie Hardcastle, True Burson, Edwin Crass, Oran Turner, Bill Thompson, Thos E. Daniels, Edward Minyard.

The students doing farm shop work are very busy at present making various pieces of wood work, such as chicken brooders, milking stools, trap nests, chisles, center punches, screw drivers, etc. A definite report on the shop work will be given later.

LOCALS

For Sale—Household furniture.—W.C. Silvers at Burson Motor Company.

Mrs. T. L. Anderson recently returned from a three weeks visit with relatives in central Texas.

J. F. Maxey has been picking cotton for his father-in-law, who lives near Hale Center.

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Jenks Patton had the misfortune of his truck breaking its rear axle last Saturday while on the road home from Tulia with a load of coal.

First Class cleaning and pressing—City Tailor Shop.

A. R. Poe, of Arizona, is visiting his sister Mrs. M. C. Potter. Mr. Poe visited this section of the country in 1884 and lived here a while in 1891, since which time he had not seen his sister.

Dr. Moore took Bryant Phillips to Plainview Monday where he was operated upon for appendicitis. At last reports he is said to be doing well.

The old warehouse back of the Peoples Pharmacy is being removed but Jeff Burson would not confirm the report that it was being cleared away in order that the drug building could be moved back on the lot so as to make room for a handsome two-story brick on the corner.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Lindblum of Amarillo, are in Silvertown for a few days. Mrs. Lindblum is the district manager of the Woodman Circle and will endeavor to revive the Grove here, of which Mrs. Bob King is Guardian.

A. A. Potter says that Kafir is making from 30 to 50 bushels per acre and that maize will average 27 bushels; some of it going as high as 45, which is about the average yield in this section.

Dr. Moore has been suffering from a broken rib as a result of a fall last Sunday a week ago when he was catching some gold fish out of P. A. Jones tank.

Jim Busby was in Quitaque Tuesday night.

Will Trade—Ford Touring car, A-1 condition, for good young cows.—J. L. Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Smith made a business trip to Plainview Tuesday.

A. A. Potter was over across the Tule Tuesday, on business.

Mrs. W. M. Gourley and Mrs. Paul Odor and little daughters, motored to Plainview Tuesday afternoon.

T. H. Turner, who recently moved from here to Lincoln, Ark., writes that he missed last issue of the News and for us to be sure and send it to him as they are anxious to hear all the news from "home". Wonder if "Tom" is homesick already?

J. L. Graham of Amarillo and R. W. B. Vencil, of Plainview, field men for the Texas Wheat Growers Association are making temporary headquarters in Silvertown while they are holding meetings in the various communities of the county.

Sheriff Garrison and M. C. Potter went to Quanah after the negro couple that was recently released from jail. It is understood that they had jumped bond and had been located in Quanah.

Mrs. Jack Brazil who has been on the sick list is much improved.

W. Allard is having him a fine home built in east part of town.

Rev. G. W. Tubbs preached to good size audience at the Baptist Church last Sunday morning and evening. Rev. Tubbs spent the day with R. M. Carter and family, having been their pastor some eighteen years ago when Mr. Carter lived in the Petersburg country south of Plainview.

John Allard of Quitaque was visiting in Silvertown Sunday.

Pete Blakney's truck, loaded with coal, returning from Tulia, had a blow-out Tuesday night about 9 o'clock. Glen Cox, who was driving, had to send into town for help and on account of difficulty in getting a tire of the proper size was until after one o'clock getting in.

HAYLAKE HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Ada Kitchens, Mrs. Lily Wofford, little daughter, Jack, and Mrs. J. H. McClendon, visited Mrs. Carl Kitchens and sons in Quitaque Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper are the proud parents of a baby born Saturday Dec. 5th.

The singing at the Crow home Sunday night, was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

W. E. Schott and family are moving to their home east of Haylake school house and Billie Moore will manage their ranch under the caprock next year.

Bud Brooks is busy hauling brick for the school building.

Irene Vaughn is suffering with a felon on her thumb.

The thrashers are busy in this community and the grain is turning out good.

Mrs. J. C. Welch went to the Plainview Sanitarium for treatment.

J. H. Burson delivered a fine bunch of yearlings at Clarendon last week.

Fay Welch is pretty sick with tonsillitis.

Mrs. Jack Brooks spent the week end with Mrs. A. T. Brooks.

NOTES FROM AGGIELAND

Frank Bain, Cashier of the First National Bank, Silvertown, gave



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Edited by Mrs. Paul I. Odear.

KMAS GIFTS



Some very attractive articles to make for your Bazar or your gifts—Or need a few extra touches to your guest room for the holidays. Some are embroidered, some painted, some require only a touch of ribbon or lace and a few stitches.

Scarves are the vogue and one can hardly have too many very pretty ones can easily be made by buying the required silk and hemming.



Bed lights are so attractive and the frames one can buy they are interesting to cover. Ribbon, georgette and an ornament are usually all that is required.

COMB-CASE

You will need 1 comb in an ordinary comb case, 1 tube each of white and black oil-paint, turpentine, 1 small brush and a transfer or pattern of a small basket or floral design.

Remove comb and paint outside of case vermilion, softening the paint a little with turpentine. When dry, trace on small basket. Paint the flowers white. Allow

them to dry. Then paint centers of flowers and basket black.

FEEDING-BIB

You will need 1/2 yd. of blue cross-barred toweling 18 inches wide, 1 3/4 yd. of blue rickrack braid, 1 skein of heavy dark-blue embroidery cotton, a spool of blue sewing cotton and a transfer of a duck, chicken or animal that is suitable for child's clothing.

Cut a piece of toweling 12 1/2 inches by 15 inches. In the center at one short end an opening that is half a circle 5 1/2 inches in diameter. This forms the neck edge. Turn in a 1 1/8-inch hem on all edges and sew on the rickrack braid. Cut two strips of the toweling 18 inches long and 1 1/2 inch wide. Fold these so that they are 3/4 inch wide and seam them along both long edges. Turn these inside out and press. Attach the end of one strap at center of one shoulder 2 inches from the edge. Attach the other end of the strap to the opposite long side of the bib 4 1/2 inches from lower edge. Attach the other strap in the same way on the other side of the bib. The straps should cross at the back. Stamp the design on at the bottom of the bib an dwork in heavy dark blue embroidery cotton.

Handkerchief Pincushion

You will need a round 3 3/4 inch pincushion, 2 round rose handkerchiefs 9 inches in diameter with black embroidered scalloped edges, 1/2 yd. of black and 1/8 yd. of black sateen.

Cover half the pincushion with black sateen. Draw a 3 3/4 inch circle in the center of one handkerchief. Cut out this circle and put the handkerchief over the cushion. Sew on to cushion. Draw a 5 3/4 inch circle on the

second handkerchief. Cut it out and gather the handkerchief along this edge. Put it over the cushion arranging the gathers and sewing it down to the cushion. Put the piece of baby ribbon around to cover the raw edges and tack at intervals.

Black Satine and Peach Velvet Garters

You will need 3/4 yd. of 1/2-inch elastic, 1 1/2 yd. each of black and peach colored satin ribbon 1 inch wide, 1/2 yd. of 1-inch peach velvet ribbon and 2 small rhinestone buckles each 5/8 by 3/8 inch.

Cut the elastic in half, also the peach and satin ribbon. Make a casing for the elastic as follows: Lay a piece of black and peach satin ribbon together satin side out. Seam them together 3/4 inch in from each edge. Run the elastic through this casing and seam the short ends together. Cut a piece of velvet ribbon 4 ins. long and one 3 inches long. Cut both ends of each piece in fish tails. Run a buckle to the middle of the smaller piece; lay the small piece parallel over the large one. Sew them over the joining of garter. Make other garter in same manner.

MATCH-BOX

You will need 1 match-box, blue oil-paint, brushes, turpentine and a small fruit-motif.

The match-box used was such as can be gotten in any department store. Cut the small fruit-motif. Trace it onto the cover. Mix some blue paint with turpentine and paint the design. Also paint the front portion of the black blue.

Dance Hats Revel in Metallic Splendor



From the appearance of our mid-winter chapeaux, we are led to believe that the milliners surely must have found the promised pot of gold at the end of the rainbow trail. Glinting and gleaming with metallic splendor are the little gold-and-silver matinee and dance hats for the holiday season. Nor is this shimmering, scintillating beauty confined to the hat for festive occasion.

With our fur coats, or our fur-trimmed cloth coats (fashion glories in either), we are wearing most becoming headgear conjured of gilded leather embellished with stitchey and applique of most colorful mien.

The hat at the top of this group has its gorgeous metallic handwork veiled with dusky brown malines. The center model is of silver and black velvet applique. A winged novelty of gold with silver is used on the attractive velvet and metal cloth shape shown last in this collection.

DIPPING INTO SCIENCE

Old Songs

The lyric for Annie Laurie was inspired by a beautiful woman of that name about 1700. An earlier familiar rhyme in song, however, was "Three Blind Mice," 1800, while "Sing a Song of Sixpence" is said to date back to the Sixteenth century. Others not so well known were written even earlier.

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For Sale—Gulbransen Player Piano, practically new. Complete with 50 rolls. See E. G. Snapka at City Tailor shop, Silvertown.

Metallic Garters

You will need 3/4 yd. of 1/2-inch white elastic, 3 yds. of tan satin ribbon 1 inch wide, 1 1/2 yd. of 1/2 gold metallic lace, 3/4 yd. of 3-16 inch gold metallic and 1 1/4 yd. of tiny colored rosebuds.

Cut the elastic in half. Make a casing for the elastic as follows: Cut 2 pieces of tan ribbon each 27 inches long. Lay them together with the satin side of each out. Seam them together along one edge 3/8 inch in. Seam them together 3/8 inch in from opposite edge. Sew one long edge of the lace along second seam in ribbon casing allowing the lace to cover the 3/8 inch section of ribbon. Run the elastic through the casing and seam the short ends together. Cut the metallic ribbon in half, make 4 loops of one piece with a loose knot at the base of each loop. Sew them over one side of the garter; sew a loop of rosebuds over each ribbon loop. Make other garter in same manner.

You can get J. K. Watkins products at the South Side Grocery

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The T. E. L. Class Report

Dec. 6

There were 17 members present and a special offering to Buckner's Orphans Home by the class of \$1.03

Monday, Dec. 7th was the regular date set for the monthly business meeting for the class, but only three members were present, and they were: Mrs. Perry, Pres., Mrs. Morgan, Secty and Mrs. Cox, Reporter. No business was transacted as not enough members were present, so this will be a warning to them not to forget to come out next regular business meeting day.

To look nice your clothes must be nicely pressed and cleaned—Fry City Tailor Shop.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine

Those who are in a "run-down" condition will notice that Catarrh bothers them much more than when they are in good health. This fact proves that while Catarrh is a local disease, it is greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a Combined Treatment, both local and internal, and has been successful in the treatment of Catarrh for over forty years. Sold by all druggists. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

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Of every sort and flavor —by the pound or packed in attractive gift boxes.

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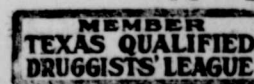
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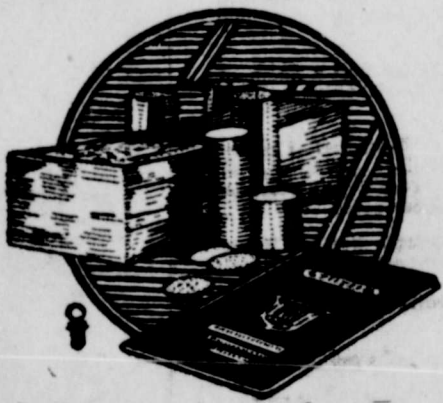
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Word has been received that the Denver has signed a contract with citizens of Lockney to complete their extension within 18 months after the granting of the permit. A representative of the committee went to Ft. Worth and secured the Denver officials' signatures on the contract. The officials have been to Silverton several times trying to get our signatures. That's the difference. It is understood however that probably Silverton is almost ready to sign a contract, if we get another chance.

J. M. Heald says, "Don't blame the editor if he doesn't get all the news in the paper. Blame yourself for not turning it in." If the editor did not cultivate his "nose for news" and pester everybody he meets with a string of questions he never would get enough news to put the paper out. Very few people ever think to turn in news items. Of course "Uncle Johnnie" doesn't come in that class. He is always good for at least two or three personals.

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EXPERIMENTS TO FIND BEST COTTON

An annual cotton variety test including the leading varieties of the Southwest has been conducted the past two years by County Agent J. W. Jennings of Randall county, in an effort to determine the variety or varieties best adapted to the North Plains conditions. The 1925 test consisted of twelve varieties and strains. The 1924 test consisted of seven varieties. The least desirable varieties will be dropped while the better adapted varieties will be continued in a test in 1926, in order to arrive at some definite conclusion as to the best variety for this territory. When the best variety is determined an effort will be made to introduce the Randall county farmers to grow one variety exclusively in order to insure a supply of pure seed as well as to grow a variety that will produce the most dollars per acre.

In the varieties tested this year the Mebane 44 is the Oklahoma Triumph; Mebane 804 is the old type, medium staple, early maturing strain; Durango is a Mexican long staple; Acala 7381 has been planted on the Plains two years; the other Acala is first year seed on the Plains; the Mebane 7408 is the latest improved long staple strain. It will be noted from the results of both tests that the small boll, short staple, and early maturing varieties, with the exception of Mebane 44, produce the most per acre, and therefore makes the largest cash returns per acre.

The 1924 test was planted June 11. The 1925 test was planted May 18 and picked December 1. The results of the 1924 test was expressed in terms of pounds lint cotton per acre, while the 1925 figures are in terms of lbs. seed cotton per acre. Only one cotton was picked in this year's test. The early maturing varieties matured a large percentage of the fruit while the big boll late maturing varieties matured a much smaller percentage of the bolls, and consequently had a much larger bollie crop. Since early maturity is the main factor in this country the immature or billie cotton was not considered in this test.

The following tables gives the acre yields for the 1924 and 1925:

1. Burnett	418.0
2. Mebane 44	374.0
3. Half and half	330.0
4. Mebane 804	264.0
5. Durango	242.0
6. Acala 7381	165.0
7. Acala	137.0
8. Belton	132.0

Football and Golf Star



Above is pictured Fred Lamprecht, full back of the crack Tulane university football eleven. Lamprecht also is the national intercollegiate golf champion.

9. Cliett	110.0
10. Lone Star	77.0
11. Kash	55.0
12. Mebane 7408	44.0
1925, lbs seed cotton per acre	
1924, lbs lint cotton per acre	
1. Burnett	179.0
2. Acala	62.0
3. Mebane 804	52.0
4. Pennant Kash	27.0
5. Cliett	17.0
6. Belton	15.0
7. Bennett	14.0

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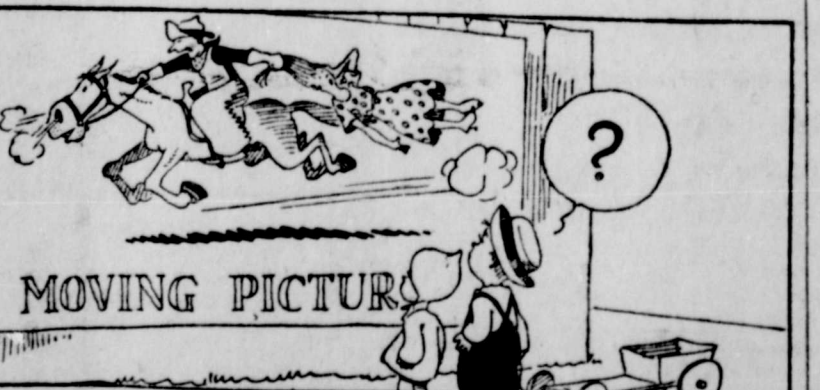
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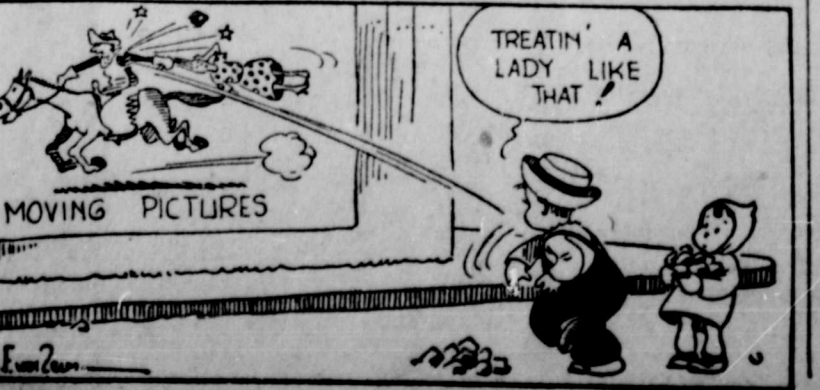
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CHAS GOODNIGHT WRITES OF EARLY BUFFALO DAYS

(Continued from front page)

fight the Indians in 1874. In 1877 it was necessary to bring more supplies from Colorado, and prepare on a larger scale, to start the Adair and Goodnight herd. We left Pueblo, Colorado with four loaded wagons, with a hundred of the best blooded Durham bulls that I could buy in Colorado. This bull herd caused much amusement and glee amongst their drivers as to how I was going to raise a herd of cattle from a herd of bulls knowing I had plenty with the herd below.

With this outfit we left all marks and traces of civilization at what is known as the Cimarron Place on the dry Cimarron River on the east end of the Raton Mountains in New Mexico striking south by east we struck the Canadian river about forty miles above the present town of Tascosa. From there we crossed over the upper Palo Duro, coming more south by east leaving the Canyon to the south and right of our course till we were opposite the "Old Home Ranch." The hundred bulls above mentioned were sent into the canyon out of the way where they would need no herders, and all hands were put to road building, each day building as far as we could, keeping all the outfit within rifle range. The third day we reached the Mesa, which over looked the entire canyon, the large park below us held some thousand or fifteen hundred buffalo grazing peacefully at sundown.

The night that followed, I shall never forget. As you probably know the volume of sound from a large herd of buffalo is very great, it being mating season, the sound was indeed great with numerous stampedes making it appear to be very close. Mrs. Goodnight, not being accustomed to such scenes, became greatly alarmed saying they would run over the wagon. I utterly failed in convincing her that the herd were miles away. It began to rain; down-pour was terrific and the lightning a blaze of light, intense, with thousands of flashes in the wagon sheet. To pacify her, while knowing it would be useless, I got up and made a great fire with dry cedars assuring her that buffaloes would be easier turned by a light than by a cavalry regiment.

This was the first road ever built in Palo Duro Canyon. It would have been practicable for automobiles. The real road building from top to bottom with as many curves was about four miles, and it remained thus from its time until civilization reached the country.

The first woman who entered the Canyon after my wife, were Quah's band when she entered the Canyon and a party was made with them.

The History of the Cattalo
Being raised in a buffalo country I became interested some years ago in their extreme hardihood and adaptability to thrive

under all climatic conditions and on a large range of territory. I conceived the idea of crossing the buffalo with the common cattle and if possible establish a race which would stand the high altitude and severe winters as the buffalo themselves do and the elk and the mountain sheep.

Believing the Polled Angus to be the hardiest of the cow kind I began some years ago on the imported Polled Angus. I found this to be a difficult undertaking of the breeding kind. After much loss of time and money I learned this could be done and am now in a position to say to breeders that it is practical and will prove to be extremely profitable for the following reasons:

1. As far as I have been able to test them, the cross, when high grade is immune from all disease. I have sent them to the coast, our tick-infested country—some of the full bloods have died and of the one-eighths one out of three have died.

2. They thrive and do well on less food than other cattle. They put on more flesh for the food they eat than any animal known but do not carry the extra fat which is waste in common cattle. Their tallow is worth from two and one-half to three cents more on the pound.

3. In my efforts to establish this race I hope to establish the fourteenth rib the same as the buffalo. This varies greatly—as a few of the high grades have the extra rib. Time and patience alone can add this perfectly. This will insure greater hardihood and a longer and a deeper line.

4. They live to a greater age and produce; they do not get as light when old as other cattle.

5. They will cut off the range 70 per cent to the gross weight. It does not take as much range for them as for the common cattle. The cows will weigh from 1100 to 1600.

6. They do not drift in storms.

7. They do not run from heel flies. They rise on their fore feet instead of their hindfeet which enables them to rise when much weaker, this causes much loss in common cattle. They never lie down with their backs down the slant. This causes much loss in range herds.

8. Under the same conditions they are more gentle than either race. They are good mothers and thoroughly protect their young. They do not seem to want to run, and so far as I know have shown a disposition to fight.

9. They locate and do not have a tendency to ramble as other cattle.

10. They carry more brains than common cattle, hence take better care of themselves. This of course comes from the buffalo side and is carried in proportion to the blood of the animal.

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charge.

Harris' evidence was first received. He found it difficult to give his story connectedly, but item by item he told of his acquaintance with Riles in the eastern province; of their decision to come west and take up more land; of the chance by which they had fallen in with Gardiner, and the prospect he had laid before them of more profitable returns from another form of investment; of how his hesitation had finally been overcome by the assurance that all he need do was have his money ready—he was to be under no obligation to go any further in the transaction unless entirely satisfied; of the offer wired by the New York capitalists; of the sale of his farm for a disappointing sum, and their journey with the money to the old shanty up the valley, where they were to be met by Riles and Gardiner, and also, as they expected, by the owner of the mine, with whom they would open direct negotiations, producing the money as proof of their desire and ability to carry out their undertaking; of how they hoped the owner would be induced to accept a deposit and accompany them back to town, where an option would be secured from him for a period sufficient to enable them to turn the property over to the New York investors at a handsome profit; of how he—Harris—wearied by the long ride in the bright, thin air, had gone to sleep coincidentally with Allan at his side, and of how he had suddenly been awakened by a shot and heard Allan spring to his feet and rush across the door of the old building. Then there had been another shot—a revolver shot this time—and everything was darkness, and he could hear only something struggling at the door. Then he told of his own fight; of how they had fallen and rolled about on the rotten floor, and how, in desperation, he had not hesitated to use his teeth on the hand of his assailant, who had finally broken away and disappeared in the darkness. Then he told the rest of his story; of his fight with Allan, of the loss of the money, of the capture of Travers; and finally of the arrival of the policeman on the scene.

"Didn't it seem to you a foolish thing to go into the hills with all that money to meet a man you had never seen, and buy a property you had never examined?" asked the coroner.

"It wasn't foolishness; it was stark raving madness, as I see it now," Harris admitted. "But I didn't see it that way then. It looked like a lot of easy money. I didn't care what the coal mine was like—I didn't care whether there was a coal mine at all or not, so long as we made our turnover to the New York people."

"But did it not occur to you that the whole thing—coal mine and mine owner and New Yorkers and all—was simply a scheme hatched up to induce you away into the fastnesses of the foothills with a lot of money in your possession?"

A half-bewildered look came over Harris, as of a man gripped by a new and paralyzed thought. But he shook his head. "No, it couldn't have been that," he said. "You see, Riles was an old neighbor of mine, and Mr. Gardiner, too. I knew for a good many years. It wasn't like as if I had been dealing with strangers."

"We will go deeper into that matter after a little," said the coroner. "It's very fortunate Mr. Gardiner is here to add what light he can to the mystery. We will now adjourn to the room where the younger Mr. Harris lies and hear his evidence. It would be unwise to move him for some days yet."

"I can't tell you how it happened, Doctor," he said, turning his eyes, larger now in his pale face, upon the coroner. "but I think I got very homesick—I guess I was pretty tired, too—and I began thinking of things that had happened long ago, back when I was a little child, in a little sod shanty that the old shack in the valley some way seemed to bring to mind. And then I guess I fell asleep, too, but suddenly I sat up in a great fright. I'm not a coward," he said, with a faint smile. "When I'm feeling myself it takes more than a notion or a dark night to send the creeps up the back of my neck. But I own I sat up there so frightened my teeth chattered. I had a feeling that I was going to be attacked—I didn't know by what—maybe by a wild beast—but something was going to rush in through that old blanket hanging in the door and pounce on me."

The sweat was standing on Allan's face, and he sank back weakly into the pillows. Beulah placed a glass to his lips, and the doctor told him to take his time with his story.

"As the minutes went by," Allan continued, after an interval, "that terrible dread grew upon me, and my sense of danger changed from fear to certainty. Something was going to attack me through that door! I raised my gun and took careful aim. I saw the blanket swing a little; then I saw the fingers of a man's hand. Then I fired.

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"Perhaps I am a murderer," he continued, simply, "but before God I know no more why I fired that shot than you do."

There were deep heaving and shuffling of feet as Allan completed this part of his statement, but only the coroner found his voice. "Most remarkable evidence," he ejaculated. "Most extraordinary evidence. I have never heard anything so obviously sincere and at the same time so altogether unexplainable."

"Perhaps it's not so unexplainable," said a quiet voice; and Mary Harris made her way through the circle of men to the side of the bed. She sat down on the coverlet and took the boy's hand in hers. It mattered not how many were looking on; he was her little boy again.

"You will understand, Doctor, and some of you men are parents," she began. "Allan will be twenty-five years old this coming winter. A little less than 25 years ago my husband was obliged to leave me alone for a considerable period in our little sod shanty on the homestead where we had located down in Manitoba. There were no near neighbors, as we count distance in well-settled districts, and

I was altogether alone. I stood it all right for the first day or two, but my nerves were not what they should have been, and gradually a strange, unreasoning fear came upon me. I suppose it was the immensity of the prairie, the terrible loneliness of it all, and my own state of health, but the dread grew from day to day and from night to night. I tried to busy myself, to keep my mind active, to throw off the specter that haunted me, but day and night I was oppressed with a sense of impending danger. We had no wooden door on the house; we hadn't money to buy the boards to

make one, and all my protection was a blanket hung in the doorway. I used to watch that blanket at night; I would light the lantern and sit in the corner and watch that blanket. My fear gradually pictured to itself an attack through that doorway—I didn't know by what; by white man, or Indian, or wild beast, or ghost, or worse, if that is possible; my mind could not balance things; nothing seemed too unreasonable or terrible to expect. So I took the gun, and sat in the corner, and waited.

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Plainview Sanitarium News

E. E. Blakney of Silvertown who was a patient in the Sanitarium for several weeks as the result of an accident in which he was painfully hurt was discharged a few days ago, and was back in the Sanitarium on last Wednesday for a minor operation, removing a fractured bone in his face developing after he left the Hospital.

J. C. Chance of Gasoline, entered the Sanitarium where he submitted to a very successful operation for Pus-Appendix on Nov. 29th.

Katherine Russell of Turkey is recovering nicely since an operation, for empyema following Pneumonia.

Miss Lucile Rightsell of Flo-mot, is in the Sanitarium under treatment of physicians. Miss Rightsell's condition is much improved.

State of Texas.
County of Briscoe. By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Briscoe County, Texas, on the fifth day of December, A. D. 1925, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of

R. H. McCaghren versus J. T. Fawcett, Thresa A. Fawcett, M. C. Nobles and Nobles Brothers Grocer Company, a private corporation, No. 259, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1926, it being the fifth day of said month, before the Court House door of said Briscoe County, in the City of Silvertown, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

Lying and situated in Briscoe County, Texas, and being Lots Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, of Block No. 1 of the Original Town of Quitaque Texas, and 120 acrts of land out of section No. 18, Certificate No. 2-871, in Block 3, T. & P. Railway Company, said 120 acres of land being described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the south-east corner of said section No. 18, thence west 712.5 varas, thence north 950 varas, thence east 712.5 varas, thence south 950 varas to place of beginning, Levied on this the fifth day of December, 1925, as to the property of J. T. Fawcett and Thresa A. Fawcett to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$2728.75 interest and costs of suit in favor

BAPTIST W. M. U.

The W. M. U. met with Mrs. W. M. Draper in their Business and Social meeting Monday afternoon. This meeting closed the Society's business for the year of 1925. The President Mrs. J. R. Foust gave a very interesting and touching scripture reading, after the business. The afternoon was spent with musical numbers and a lovely Christmas reading, by Mrs. Fisher. A very interesting contest—Boys verses Beans, was also enjoyed. The most delicious refreshments were served by the Hostess finished this most happy occasion. Those present included Mesdames Draper, Bomar, Morgan, Haynes, Homer Simpson, Cox, Autery, Allard Fisher, Foust, Stephen's and Earl Simpson.—Reporter.

of Nobles Brothers Grocer Company against J. T. Fawcett, judgement of foreclosure of deed of trust being against both of said defendants J. T. Fawcett and Thresa A. Fawcett.

Given under my hand, this fifth day of December, A. D. 1925. C. C. Garrison, Sheriff, Briscoe County, Texas.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa: Bring me a doll and candy, nuts etc. and other nice things.—Willie B. Stout.

Dear Santa Claus: I want things in the machinery line and a horn and candies.—Archie Stout.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me an air gun, a wagon, a little car and a foot ball and a ball mit.—Jim Haynes.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a doll with shoes and little stockings; a little stove and so many other little things but I must not be selfish. Say if it is not asking too much of you I would like to have a little set of dishes.—Gaynell Douglas.

P.S. Please don't forget Bob and Rex.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a big ball and a gold fountain pen and a pretty little kimona and house shoes. This is all I want this Christmas except candy, fruit and nuts.—Opal Watson.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 8 years old. I want you to please bring me a new suit, size 11 with one pair of long pants, one of short pants, coat and vest and a pretty little red bicycle.—Grady Ralph Poe.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 6 years old. I want you to please bring me a doll bed to put my doll on, I would love to have some beads and a bracelet to match. Please fill my stocking full of candy, nuts and apples. Wishing you a merry Xmas and a happy new year.—Evalon V. Poe.

Dear Santa Claus: I can hardly wait until time for you to come, I must write you just what I want and hope you will not forget me.

I want a baby ma-ma-doll, A ball that will bounce, story book and a rocking chair and lots of nuts and candy.—Charlsie Glynn Allard.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a doll, a doll buggy, set of dishes, ring and fountain pen.—Einell Smithee.

Dear Santa: I want you to bring me a little car that has a top and a windshield on it, a coster wagon, a top, a foot ball, chocolate candy, nuts and cracker jacks.—Arnold Brown

Dear Santa: I am 6 years old and going to school. So I need a fountain pen, a desk and cedar chest and I want a set of little dishes and a ring and bracelet. That is all for mother says I must leave something for other little girls. You 'ont have to bring me a doll this year, as my dools will do and then I have to study most of the time.—June Weast.

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WEST TEXAS NEWS

Lubbock—The Santa Fe has made its first run over their new Lubbock-Bledsoe line via Level-

land. Numerous thriving towns have sprung up along the line and the line opens a great farming area to development.

Claude—The first car load of turnips ever shipped out of Claude was shipped by Theodore Hughlett to a Fort Worth commission house. Hughlett produced these turnips on one acre of ground and has almost another carload left. These turnips netted him \$1.25 per hundred F. O. B. Claude.—West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Stamford—A campaign to place hogs on every West Texas farm, to be carried on by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce during 1926. The hog industry in Texas has suffered great de-

cline and Texas is importing hogs and pork from other states. In cooperation with the Ft. Worth Stock Yards Co. the West Texas Chamber of Commerce plans to arrange for importing carloads of selected brood gilts into west Texas communities for distribution among farmers. It is pointed out that feed production will automatically control cotton production and stabilize the cotton market as well as enable Texas to feed herself.

Cisco—R. Q. Lee, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has concluded his third extended campaign for diversified and intensive farming. On this trip he followed the P. P. Railway to El Paso speaking at a dozen towns en route.

speaks in Winters December 8 and later plans a tour through the Heart O' Texas district.

Coleman—Preparations are going forward rapidly for the Heart O' Texas district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held here Dec. 18. An interesting and instructive program is arranged and a record breaking attendance is anticipated. Several towns are making an active campaign to secure the next convention.

Amarillo—The new eight story Amarillo Building is complete and tenants are moving into the new structure. This building is a credit to West Texas and represents Amarillo's entry into the sky scraper class.

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