

# The Snyder Signal

TWENTY-EIGHTH YEAR

SNYDER, SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1915.

NUMBER THIRTY-FIVE

## COMMISSIONERS COURT IN SESSION

REGULAR QUARTERLY SESSION ELECTION ORDERED AT DUNN, APRIL 3RD.

The County Commissioners' Court is in quarterly session this week.

The reports of County Judge Buchanan, County Clerk Skinner, County Treasurer Lockhart and Justices Brown, Winston, and Stinson were approved Tuesday.

Upon petition of J. P. Billingsley and 50 others, an election was ordered for Dunn voting precinct to determine whether or not horses, mules and cattle may continue to run at large in that territory. The election is to be held on April 3rd, 1915. J. W. Hancock will preside at the election.

The court has been engaged for two or three days on road matters and accounts.

The First National Bank of Snyder was selected as depository for the county funds, said bank's offer accepted to pay 3-14 per cent interest on daily balances. The bond was fixed at \$60,000.

The First State Bank at Fluvanna, school fund at 4-14 per cent on daily balances. Bond was fixed at \$40,000.

The court closed a contract with the Bennett Printing Company, of Paris, Texas, for stationery, books, and other supplies.

IN THE MATTER OF THE QUARTERLY REPORT OF C. R. LOCKHART, COUNTY TREASURER OF SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS, AND THE AFFIDAVITS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF SAID COUNTY

Commissioners' Court, Scurry County, Texas, February Term, A. D. 1915.

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Scurry County, Texas and C. R. Buchanan, County Judge of said Scurry County, constituting the Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify upon our oaths, that on this, the 9th day of February, A. D. 1915, at a regular term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of C. R. Lockhart, Treasurer of Scurry County, Texas, for the quarter, beginning on the 1st day of November, A. D. 1914 and ending on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1915, and upon finding same correct, have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Scurry County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by said Court which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court and during the time covered by this report, and the balance remaining in each fund on the said 31st day of Jan. 1915, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of said Treasurer, in accordance with said order, as required by Article 867 Chapter 2, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an act of the Twenty-Fifth Legislature of Texas at its regular session.

And we, each of us, further certify, upon our oaths, that we have actually and fully inspected and counted the amount of money, in cash and other assets, in the hands of said Treasurer, belonging to Scurry County on this day and date, and found the same to be as follows, to wit: Total cash on hand belonging to Scurry County in the hands of said Treasurer, on deposit in the First National Bank, of Snyder, Texas, \$5,917.37.

Assets in addition to the above amount of money, as actually and fully counted by us in possession of said County Treasurer:

- 7, \$500 Bonds against Ira Ind. School District, held in C. H. sinking fund, \$3,500.
- 7, \$200 Bonds against Canyon School District, held in C. H. sinking fund, \$1,400.
- 20, \$50 Bonds against Moor school dist, held by C. H. sinking F. \$1,000
- 2, \$75 Bonds against Lloyd Mountain school district held by C. H. sinking fund \$225.
- 2, \$500 Bonds against C. H. and J. bond, \$1,000.
- 1 warrant against Kent county, \$315.05.
- Total, \$7,440.05.

Grand Total, Money and Assets, \$13,357.42.

Witness our hands this 9th day of February, A. D. 1915.

C. R. Buchanan, County Judge.

Geo. W. Brown, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

T. L. Winston, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

J. E. Thomas, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

J. B. Autry, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by C. R. Buchanan, County Judge, and Geo. W. Brown and T. L. Winston and J. B. Autry and J. E. Thomas County Commissioners of Scurry County, each respectively, on this the 9th day of February, A. D. 1915.

(J. S.) W. T. SKINNER, Clerk, County Court, Scurry County, Texas.

## ALTRURIANS AND SNYDER BEAUTIFUL

ALTRURIAN LADIES STRESS CIVIC BEAUTY—MUST HAVE CO-OPERATION.

Mrs. E. E. Grimes was hostess to the Altrurian Club Wednesday afternoon at her elegant home in West Snyder.

At the business session spirited reports were given by committees on civic improvement.

If the voters of the town can be interested a creditable, a beautiful thoroughfare from the Santa Fe station will soon be one of Snyder's much needed attractions.

A "sweeping clean-up" of the entire city was also much agitated.

Enthusiasm for a town of which West Texas may boast, pervaded the session throughout.

The good old summer time is coming on, and Snyder's Club women are eager to get behind a movement to promote a "cleanest" town.

One feature of the session was the election of officers. Those newly elected are: Mrs. C. C. Higgins, president; Mrs. E. E. Grimes, vice president; Mrs. C. R. Lockhart, recording secretary; Mrs. E. B. Barnes, corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. G. Towle, club treasurer; Mrs. W. Wilsford, library treasurer.

The afternoon's program consisted chiefly in a quotation contest, ably conducted by Mrs. Howell. Much careful study, many animated quotations, a winning and—a losing side was the result.

An exquisite salad course charmingly served by the hostess ended the pleasant afternoon. Reporter

Mail Facilities at Dermott.

Mr. P. S. McDermott was here Tuesday from Dermott and was very much interested in the mail facilities at his town. He said he hadn't had any mail since Saturday and such conditions are very unsatisfactory. Before the Santa Fe changed its train schedule, the mail was put off at Dermott every morning. Now the train goes up in the night and no one is at the station to take the mail and he supposes it is carried on up the line, but he doesn't know anything about it coming back.

It would relieve the situation to have the mail carried on the R. S. & P. for in that way it could be delivered in day time.

Mr. Mc says he will take the matter up with his neighbors with a view of getting a night man put on the job so the people may be able to get a better mail service.

Still Selling Sudan Seed.

Rev. C. H. Kelly has been sending out Sudan grass seed by parcels post every day this week. He is filling mail orders from all parts of the State and many from outside the state. He filled an order this week for the Lowe boys at Harlingen. In writing for the seed they said that there would be but little cotton planted there this year.

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## R. S. & P. May Provide Remedy

Since the general "smash up" of the train service and the delay of the United States mails coming to Snyder and other railroad points there has been considerable discontent among the people of this section.

There are several ways that can remedy the present unsatisfactory service.

The Signal is impressed with the idea of putting a motor car in service, which can be done by a combination arrangement between the Texas & Pacific Railway Company and the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific Railway Company. The Texas & Pacific can furnish the car and the R. S. & P. can supply the greater portion of the trackage. The motor car can connect at Sweetwater with the "bob-tail" on one of its runs, come to Roscoe over the T. & P. track, thence to Snyder and Fluvanna over the R. S. & P. track making a semi-circle trip two or three times a day.

Another plan however, would be for the R. S. & P. to put on a regular double train service. This will help wonderfully, but tell you the truth the motor car appeals to the public with much more force.

General Passenger Agent W. S. James was here Tuesday from Roscoe and was busy during the day consulting with a great many interested citizens, and he authorizes the Signal to announce that he was figuring on better train service for our people, just what it would be, Mr. James did not state, but within a few days the Signal hopes to be in possession of some definite facts.

In digging into the railroad conditions the Signal man has made the discovery that the contract between the R. S. & P. and the town of Roscoe has expired and there seems to be an opportunity now for Snyder to go after the R. S. & P. shops and the general offices. This is 'nuf sed right here. So let the citizens of Snyder get busy.

### Odd Fellows Lodge Active

The Odd Fellows Lodge in Snyder is busy all the time. The Signal learns that there were about forty in attendance at the meeting Friday night and the Initiatory was conferred on three candidates. The degree team put the work on nicely.

There were several Odd Fellows here from Dunn the list being G. N. Richardson, Carl Ellis, Jess Fuller, J. F. Cook, Claud Westcott, J. P. Bolding, W. J. Lay and District Deputy Grand Master Will A. Johnston. After finishing their lodge work the entire crowd went down to the West Side Cafe and had an oyster supper.

An interesting feature of the meeting was a letter read in open lodge from Connie Brockman, a daughter of G. L. Brockman, deceased, who lived in Snyder. She and her sister Connie are in the I. O. O. F. home, wards of Snyder I. O. O. F. Lodge, No. 485. The letter follows:

I. O. O. F. Home, Corsicana, Texas. February 2nd, 1915.

Dear Odd Fellows:

I received your letter and was glad to get it. I got your books that you sent and was glad to get them. I can't understand them, but I appreciate them just the same. I have not been making good grades but am going to try to make better ones next month. Connie has made good ones so far. My playmates are Lena Mercer and Nettie DeShazo. We have very good times.

I have found that my new home is very good indeed. As news is scarce I will write more next time.

Yours truly,

CONNIE BROCKMAN

The girls enclosed their report cards and show the grades of Connie to be highly satisfactory and those of Connie to be very good.

Paid 8 1-4 Cents for Cotton.

Mr. G. M. Garner said this week that he bought four bales of cotton a few days ago and paid 8 1-4 cents for it. The cotton was picked in September and has been kept in the dry until last week. It was then ginned and put on the market. Mr. Garner said it was a high grade, such as was marketed here during September but the staple was improved from being packed down in the seed. The same grade of freshly picked cotton would possibly have brought 7 1/2. The farmer made a half a cent a pound by keeping it in the seed.

Marriage Record.

Bishop Gunn and Miss Willie Green.

Reuben Yaws and Miss Lorens Brem.

J. L. Myers and Miss Ethel Gladys Clanton.

Messrs. Lon and Glen Smith came up from Snyder last week to visit friends at Post City.—Post City Post.

### More Trouble in Mail Facilities

Mr. L. N. Perriman, was here Monday from the White Bluff community. He says that he and five of his neighbors have joined forces and have a telephone line established to give them communication with the rest of the world, but the change of schedule on the Santa Fe has put his community in bad in the way of mail facilities. Before the change, the Santa Fe put the mail off at Dermott and the rural route man was there ready to take it up and bring his mail out to him. Now the train goes through in the night and there is nobody there to receive it, it is therefore carried up the line and brought back on the Southbound train in the afternoon. By that time the rural carrier is long since gone and he doesn't get his mail till next day.

Mr. Perriman says he would favor a rural route out of Snyder if there were enough patrons to justify it, but he thinks there are not enough without taking in the people who reside near the Dermott post office and he is not advocating anything like that.

### Tax Payments in Scurry County

The total amount on Scurry County's tax rolls for 1914—\$74,703.50

Total collections to Jan. 1, 1915—\$70,912.50. Balance due on rolls, Feb. 1, 1915—\$3,791.

This shows that practically 95 per cent of the total taxes were paid before Feb. 1. Of this amount remaining unpaid on Feb. 1, something like \$125 has been paid since and collections are coming in every day.

According to this showing the delinquent tax list this year for Scurry county will be a small affair.

### Yaws-Brem.

Mr. Reuben Yaws and Miss Lorens Brem were married Sunday in front of the Baptist parsonage, by Rev. M. T. Tucker. The contracting parties accompanied by a number of friends drove up to the home of the minister about the time services closed at the church and the preacher performed the ceremony as the bride and groom sat in their buggy. After congratulations of friends they drove away to their home attended by best wishes of all the company.

Mr. C. S. Busby, of Route 1, called on the Signal this week and paid the subscription of a friend at Carlton, Texas. Mr. Busby is a conscientious booster for Scurry county and wants his friends to know that this country is in fine feather. People who are doubtful about it can read the truth in the Signal and come and see that it is so.

W. H. Mitchell flipped a plunk at us yesterday to keep the after shaking. W. H. says his plum trees are blooming.

## PRECEDENT IN USE OF FOREIGN FLAGS

LUSITANA'S USE OF U. S. FLAG BRINGS OUT SOME INTERESTING FACTS.

Washington, Feb. 10—Precedents for the use of another flag in war time as the Lusitana used the American flag recently, was cited at the Navy Department today.

The United States Navy regulations permit the use of a foreign flag to deceive the enemy but require that it be hauled down before a gun is fired.

The American cruiser Charleston used the Japanese flag to approach the capture of Guam in the Spanish American war.

The German cruiser Emden used the Japanese flag a few months ago on its famous raid in Panang harbor.

Chairman Stone, of the Foreign Relations Committee, said that he believes the Lusitana's use of the flag was improper.

### Billie German Dead.

Mr. William T. German, aged 36 years, died at 10:30 Sunday night at his home in East Snyder, from an attack of paralysis. He has been in poor health for three or four years.

He used to follow his trade as a painter and his health was undermined and he had to quit that line of work. He made a crop last year near Arah and seemed to have improved in health and his death at this time is a severe shock to his family and friends. He was taken seriously ill last Saturday and died Sunday night. He leaves a wife and three small daughters to mourn his taking off.

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. German and has resided here nearly all his life. His aged father preceded him only a few months to the land beyond.

He was a consistent member of the Christian church and his life was that of a Christian man.

The funeral was held from the residence at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon, conducted by his pastor, Rev. Wm. Pearn.

### Bought Near Lone Wolf

A. R. Kirby who moved out here some time ago from Fort Worth was in Snyder Monday. He has recently bought a quarter section farm in the Lone Wolf community.

### Building Goes On.

County Clerk W. T. Skinner is adding a new room to his residence on West Cornelius Avenue.

Banlie Smith is enlarging his automobile house corner Lake street and Cornelius avenue.

T. V. Cumby, three miles north of Snyder is hauling lumber this week to add a new room and a lot of gallery space to his residence.

L. A. Crenshaw, east of Snyder hauled out material Monday for a windmill tank tower.

### Memphis Bankers in Trouble

Memphis, Tenn. Feb. 9.—C. H. Raine, president of the Mercantile Bank today plead guilty to misuse of the mails. The bank has been closed for a year.

Raine and his cashier are charged with misappropriating more than a million dollars of the bank's funds.

Mrs. F. M. German and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Arledge, of Bonham were here this week to attend the funeral of her son and their brother, W. T. German. They left Tuesday evening to visit at San Angelo.

Lon Ritter is here this week from Houston. His family are visiting in Sweetwater. Lon reports times dull in the Bayou city. No public work going on and lots of people being cared for by the charity society.

Editor Kent of the Stanton Reporter was visiting at Camp Springs last week and paid the Signal a pleasant visit.

Mr. J. H. Beasley and family who have been visiting near Snyder for several weeks left Tuesday over the R. S. & P. for their home at Mingus.

## MAN JAILED ON CHARGE OF THEFT

SADDLE AND MEAT STOLEN—ARTICLES RECOVERED AND MAN LODGED IN JAIL

On last Sunday morning, Mr. W. Nelson, who lives on his ranch in the northeast part of the county telephoned to Sheriff Merrell to come out to his place and help him find his saddle, which had been stolen sometime during Saturday night.

The Sheriff, accompanied by Billie Nelson and C. L. Ezell motored out there as quickly as possible. They found tracks about the place, but these furnished them but little clew until Mr. Robinson, a neighbor came up and took a look. He recognized the shoe prints as those of a man who had been working for him and had left in his wagon the day before going back east.

He knew the tracks by two nail prints in the heel. He also recognized a horse track as that of the fellow's bay mare.

The party started out to follow these tracks and found where the man had camped. They also found that nearly all of Mr. Robinson's meat had been stolen from the smoke house.

From here the Sheriff and posse started on a man hunt. They knew the turnout and it was easy along the way to hear of him as he travelled. They overtook him at Hamlin and Jack Martin was arrested, charged with the thefts.

He was brought to Snyder Monday and lodged in the county jail.

Martin had been picking cotton for Mr. Robinson and probably thought it would keep down suspicion if he would load up and leave before the saddle and meat were stolen. The property was all recovered. Martin was travelling alone.

### Myers-Clanton.

Mr. Lewis Myers and Miss Gladys Clanton were married by Rev. C. H. Kelly at 4 o'clock last Sunday afternoon at the home of the officiating minister. The signal joins their friends in congratulations.

### Sermons on the Prodigal Son.

Series of sermons at the Methodist church, beginning next Sunday evening and continuing for six Sunday evenings.

A young man's series, in the story of the Prodigal Son, as follows:

- 1.—The Demon of Unrest.
- 2.—The Wastefulness of Sin.
- 3.—The Degradation of Sin.
- 4.—The Ministry of Memory.
- 5.—The Home Coming.
- 6.—The other side of the picture, or the older brother.

It is the wish of the pastor that all our young people, and the older ones too, will hear every one of these sermons. Begin with the first and you will not want to miss the rest.

THE PASTOR.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gray and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Gray were here Monday from their ranch and were registered at the Manhattan.

Guy Scott who is now the chief mogul in charge of the Enterprise at Bronte was in Snyder Saturday and Sunday arranging to move his family to their new home. He says he likes his new location and prospects fine.

The killings in Marshal last week due to a series of anti-Catholic lectures is followed by a determined effort to oppose Catholicism there more vigorously than ever. It is said that a paper similar to the Menace is to be published there.

Born, in Snyder, Feb. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Stokes, a girl

R. W. Ramage will leave today for a visit to his boyhood home at Greenville, Alabama. He has been away from there forty years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woody and Mrs. Wasson left over the R. S. & P. Tuesday evening to visit in Stonewall county.



Two  
Tailored  
Suits  
for  
\$25.00

# Suits Tailored

## TWO FOR A QUARTER

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OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS

## “THERE’S A REASON”

Our Tailoring House, as is their custom, bought in advance of the season their fall and winter stock of Woolens to supply a big fall and winter demand; at the time of buying prospects were unusually bright for a large season’s business: they bought woolens accordingly---unusually heavy:

## You Know the Rest

The unusual, even the normal, demand failed to materialize. Conditions in our country of which you are well aware have not warranted the free spending of money; people have held back, they have been slow to buy, and prudently too---but now conditions are becoming better, farm products are selling more readily and for better prices---money is more plentiful.

## They Must Unload

The season is too far advanced for a large tailoring house to hope to close out an unusually large stock of woolens at normal prices.

## They Must Create An Unusual Demand

They must offer something unusual for your money. They do this by offering to tailor two suits to one measurement for only \$25.00. Think of two tailored suits, regular \$20 to \$25 suits, for \$25.00. Think of it---\$12.50.

### HOW CAN THEY DO IT?

They require two suit orders for each measurement, though you may select different woolens for each suit; in doing this they save the time of their cutters, who are extra high priced men. Instead of having to cut two sets of patterns, then two sets of woolens and trimmings, the cutter cuts one set of patterns and two sets of woolens and trimmings at one cutting---a big labor saving is made. They give us this saving; they give us the benefit of their earlier before-the-war quantity purchasing power; they give us the benefit of their loss in moving a large stock quickly.

### BY GIVING YOU TWO SUITS FOR THE PRICE OF ONE

We don’t know what they make, or what they loose, but we know this is the biggest tailored suit value it has ever been our pleasure to offer. These suits are guaranteed all wool, guaranteed to fit, and guaranteed to please, or your money back. Sale lasts until these woolens are gone---no longer. Early buyers will get the best to select from---everybody will get their money’s worth.

## Sale begins Monday, February 15th

You can order your suits now and take them out at any time before June 1st. Only \$5.00 deposit required to send in with order

Guaranteed  
All Wool  
Guaranteed  
to please  
2 for \$25

**R. L. TERRY, the Tailor**  
Suits Cleaned and Pressed  
For \$1.00

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All Wool  
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to please  
2 for \$25

Phone 16

Snyder, Texas



DAILY RECEIVING

# New Goods!

Our buyer has been in the markets for the past week and selections are being made with the utmost care and deliberation. Our goods are arriving every day and we have the nobbiest assortment in

## Spring Suits, Coats and Other Pretty Spring Wearables

that has ever been shown in this section

# Townsend-Oldham & Co.

### OKLAHOMA GIRLS LOOKING FOR LIFE IN WEST TEXAS

Snyder, like probably most other towns has a few confirmed old bachelors, who have, maybe chosen that forlorn state of existence from choice, or timidity, or because they have placed too high a standard. Maybe because no self-reliant lady has ever called their hand, but now it is up to them to surrender or run. There are lawyers, bankers, ranchmen and farmers in this list of ancient eligibles and this may prove a last opportunity.

Postmaster Barnes has received a letter properly signed with names and post office address and will take pleasure in putting his bachelor friends next.

The following is a copy of the letter:

"Dear Sir:  
"We are two Oklahoma girls who are quite interested in Western life and would like to make it more real by corresponding with two REAL, "honest-to-goodness" Ranchmen. Would you make this possible for us by giving our names to two such Westerners and greatly favor,  
Signed.

### Music

Mrs. Pearn will give lessons in music at her home, the Harris bungalow on the west side. Terms on application. Phone No. 11. 34-1f

### TRAGEDY AT MARSHALL

An ex-Catholic priest named Black went to Marshall, Texas, last week to deliver lectures against Catholicism. After his first lecture three or four citizens of the town—all Catholics and members of the Knights of Columbus waited on the lecturer at his hotel and demanded that he produce proof of his assertion or refrain from lecturing.

A shooting resulted and Black and a local banker were killed and another of the protesting committee was badly wounded.

We have \$1,200.00 to lend on patented land. Yonge & Yonge, Snyder, Texas.

### GERMANY'S UNJUSTIFIABLE THREAT

Great Britain is accused by Germany of having adopted a scheme of sending ships out to sea under flags of neutral powers, thus hoping to get provisions through to English ports without German interference.

Because of this Germany has issued a proclamation establishing a war zone to embrace the English Channel, North Sea, and the waters adjacent to England, Ireland and Scotland and has declared that all British vessels found in these waters will be destroyed, and since some British vessels are flying neutral colors, the German gunners are apt to destroy neutral ships and warn American ships of the danger.

The German scheme is to starve England, and she is suspected of resorting to another scheme to draw the United States into the war. Washington is somewhat disturbed. It would be an insult to England to even ask if the German charge is true, and if in any way it is found to be true she may be asked to desist. However, Germany cannot be held justifiable in destroying an American ship merely because England may be guilty of falsehood.

Even though Germany may suspect a ship to be a disguised English vessel, she should detain it long enough to investigate so she may know what she is doing. Washington will not keep still and suffer her peaceful pursuits disturbed and to avoid trouble the matter has been taken up with Berlin and it is now said that Germany promises that American shipping to neutral ports shall be protected.

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It is said that all the foreign diplomats in Mexico City are so much displeased with Carranza's attitude that they are about to abandon the country and leave Mexico without any foreign connections.

### First Christian Church Notes

"Whatever we mean by the church we must recognize that her first concern is to pass on the message of salvation to the people who do not know it." This was the leading thought of the Pastor's sermon on Sunday morning. The text was 2nd Corinthians 5-20. Every church member a messenger seeing to it that every human was given a fair deal and the opportunity to bring his or her life in line with the principles of the Gospel of Christ.

The quality and efficiency of the work of the church are determined by the degree of progressiveness of the membership in their work. A vision of the world under the influence of His teachings and life led the Christ to sacrifice to the death. A similar vision caught by contact with the great heart of the Savior gazing on a struggling world would mean an intense desire to suffer with Christ, that through that suffering the world might be made alive in Christ Jesus. When Christ came there was not a Christian and the time will come if the church is true to its mission when there will not be one on earth not knowing Him.

It was a good congregation that listened to the sermon. Over 50 per cent of the membership of the church was present and a goodly number of visitors.

The night service was a great time. "David's Victories" was the theme. The attractive story of his triumph over the giant was told. The victories gained by David over himself when he refrained from entering a quarrel with his brother, who became him. Then his victory over custom when Saul put the conventional armor on him. "Be natural" advised the preacher, "and don't put on airs just because it is fashionable." These victories over self and fashion led to the triumph over the giant and any man or woman who can thus conquer self and do right even though it means being thought peculiar and out of the fashion will easily conquer the enemy that seeks to destroy.

A feature of the night service was the introduction to the congregation of the son of Bro. and Sister C. A. Portis, a fine boy five weeks old. The congregation joined with the pastor in a prayer of dedication and that grace and wisdom might be given to the parents to train the boy for the Master's service.

The school keeps up its interest and growth. Over a hundred in attendance and everybody alive. The school is a live concern.

The struggle with death has been apparent this week. Brother W. T. German, for a number of years a member of the church died on Sunday night after an illness of a few hours. The funeral was conducted at the home on Monday afternoon. To the widow and three girls the church offers sympathy also to Sister German, mother of the deceased, who came from Bonham to attend the funeral. A Mother in Israel, whose interest in the work in Snyder is so well known. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arlege accompanied Mrs. German from Bonham. Brother Arledge is a deacon in the church at Bonham and in-

terested in the work throughout the State.

Brother and Sister Johnston's little girl after two weeks serious illness is rapidly gaining strength and is considered out of danger.

The officers meeting on Sunday afternoon was well attended and all reports showed progress and the work in good shape.

The mid-week meetings during the next eight weeks will take up Christ. His Strength. His Breadth. His Optimism. His World Purpose. His Gladness. His Indignation. His Sympathy. His Courage. These services are an inspiration.

The Ladies' Aid are giving an entertainment in the Opera House next week by which they hope to realize a substantial sum to their credit.

Next Lord's Day will be a great day. The morning theme will be, "The Salvation of the Righteous." At night the address will be based on experiences from the life of David. "Praying David" will be the theme. Special musical numbers will be given at each service.

Sunday school at 9:45. Everybody welcome.

PASTOR

### A. L. Judkins Dead.

Odessa Herald.  
At the Baptist Sanitarium at Dallas, Saturday, January 30th, A. L. Judkins died following an operation performed earlier in the afternoon. The body was accompanied on its return to Odessa, Monday morning, by Dr. O. H. Judkins, of Dallas, Miss Bernice Judkins, who has been attending the University at Austin, and Rev. R. B. Taylor, of Iatan, an old friend of the family. The funeral services were conducted from the Christian Tabernacle at one o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. R. B. Taylor, officiating, after which the body was laid to rest in the Odessa cemetery.

Mr. Judkins was a native Texan, having been born in Nacogdoches county, April 28, 1852. Here he spent his boyhood days and here he was married, in 1877 to Miss Euphemia Bristler. Thirty five years ago they moved to Taylor county where they resided for some years, later moving to Scurry county and nine years ago coming to Ector county. All of his children, five boys and two girls, were present at the funeral except one daughter, who lives in Canada.

Patrons desiring to leave on the early morning Santa Fe train will please phone orders for trunks before 7 o'clock p. m. the evening before, as we do not run baggage wagons for night trains. Telephone 164. JIM ELLIS

### THREAD FACTORY GIVES WORK.

Willimatic, Conn., Feb. 5.—Commencing on Monday, more than 2,500 employees of the factory of the American Thread Company, here, will work on full time for six days a week, according to an announcement today. The factory had been running four days a week for several months.

R. H. Drennan was here a Saturday from Hermitage. When asked if he is going light on cotton this year he said: "I am not going at all."

### DEMOCRACY IN FARMING

In emphasizing the desirability of diversifying crops, Secretary Redfield, who recently visited Texas and addressed the business men of Dallas said: "One has no wish to dethrone King Cotton from his seat of honor and influence, but it seems to me true that kings are commonly greater in proportion to the number and character of their subjects, and King Cotton would be a stronger monarch and not a weaker one if a nobility of wheat, corn and oats and other grains and agricultural products were gathered to his support."

This is sound argument for diversification. The man who plants feed crops and crops for the family table, and perhaps one or more crops for cash income along with cotton, is making use of favorable conditions for his cotton. The fact that he relieves his cotton of the necessity of feeding the teams and buying the manager's food gives the cotton crop a chance to prove its worth as a cash crop.

That cotton is one of our surest crops in the Southwest can not be denied, neither can it be disputed that an acre of cotton so long as prices are around 10 cents compares favorably with other crops requiring no more capital to produce. It is a safe crop, speaking generally, and it should not be abandoned in the Southwest so long as it can be sold for 10 cents a pound or more, but it should not be raised to the exclusion of feed and food crops.

A few acres of cotton will usually be found profitable where the grower does most of the work and, in addition, raises his meat, his fruits, vegetables and feed crops. In

this way, cotton is the surplus or cash crop, but not the only crop.

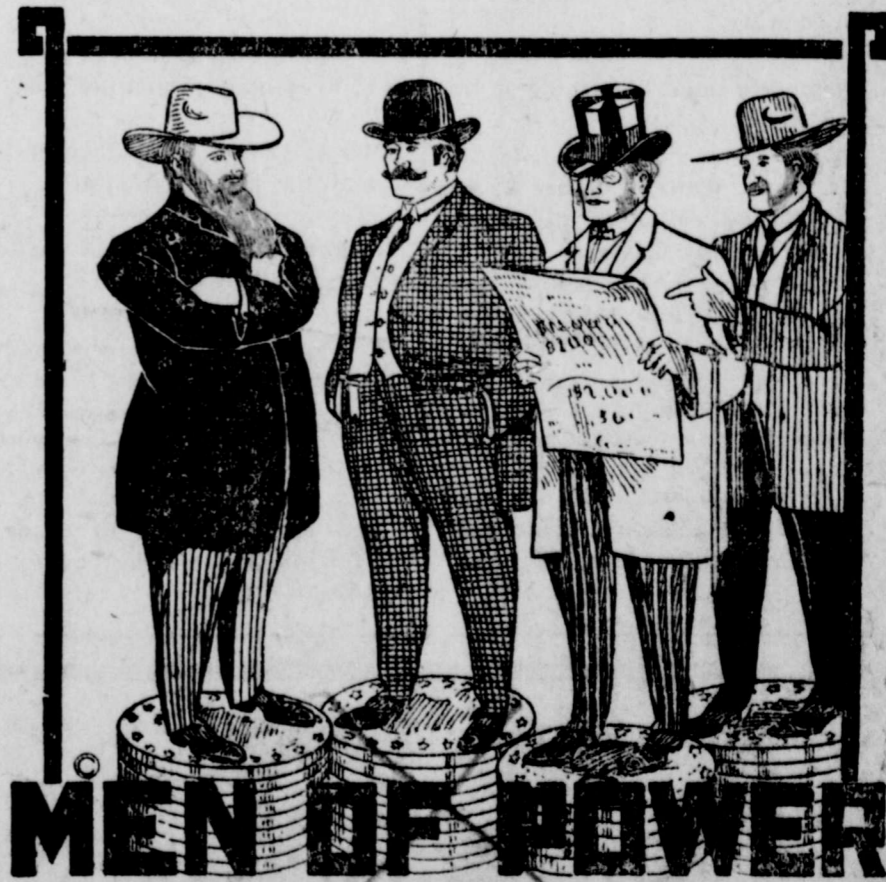
To be sure, we in the Southwest have no desire, to dethrone cotton, but to enthrone it as one of the system of crops designed to pay larger profits and give the manager more time and inclination to educate his children and build up his home. Instead of making King Cotton a despot let us erect for him a democracy where other crops and livestock may have a place on the farm, and where the manager will give all an equal chance to prove their worth for profitable returns.—Farm and Ranch.

### RUSSIA WOULD BUY COTTON

Washington, Feb. 5.—Russia will absorb large quantities of American cotton as soon as there are facilities for shipping it from the South to that country. American Consul General Snodgrass at Moscow reports. Russian dealers have been endeavoring, with poor results to obtain cotton supply from England, but no goods are accepted via Archangel, and railroad lines from Sweden to Russia are badly congested. The consul says the Russian crop for 1914-15 amounts to 1,320,000 bales. Practically no American cotton is now going forward to Russia, he states.

No more cotton should be shipped to Gotborg, Sweden, at present, according to Commercial Attache Thompson at Rotterdam, because of the congestion at that port. He states there is no difficulty in shipping through Rotterdam to Germany.

American exporters, Mr. Thompson says, may possibly find a splendid opportunity in Holland for linseed oil, as it now is receiving considerable attention there.



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We appreciate all local business entrusted to us for THE NEWS and the same has our prompt attention.

**OWL DRUG STORE**



W. W. and J. W. Whitehead were in town Saturday.  
 We have money to lend on school lands, Yonge & Yonge, Snyder, Texas.  
 E. R. Cotton of Hermleigh, Route one, was here Saturday and said he must have the Signal in his home.  
 J. M. Hunter was here Saturday from Fluvanna.  
 We have money to lend on school lands, Yonge & Yonge, Snyder, Texas.  
 J. M. Hunter was here Saturday from Fluvanna.  
 Take your lady friend down the pike at the Valentine Fair.  
 Pocket adding machines are valuable. Ask Towle.

J. L. Belcher, of the Ira country joins the Signal family.  
 W. H. Richardson, of Dunn, was here Saturday.  
 Valentine Fair in the basement of the Methodist church, Saturday, Feb. 13, from 1 to 10 p. m.  
 Richard McFarland was here from Dunn, Saturday.  
 New Flash Lights at Grayum Drug Company.  
 S. C. Littlepage was here from the Ira country Saturday.  
 Oysters, sandwiches, coffee, tea, milk, cake and pie at Valentine Fair.  
 The Commissioners Court was busy Thursday appointing road overseers. They had about 84 road districts to fit up with bosses.

**CLASSIFIED ADS**

FIRST CLASS DUROC JERSEY BOAR at a bargain. Apply to this office.

FOR SALE—A few broke mules and mares. See J. A. Miller. 34tf

A FARM FOR RENT—Three miles south of Snyder. Geo. W. Brown. 29tf

SUDAN GRASS—I have plenty for sale. Apply to T. I. Bynum, Route 1, Box 7, Snyder, Texas. 33-2tp

ONE OF THE BEST homes in Snyder to trade for \$4,500 worth of grass land. Baker, Grayum & Anderson.

FOR RENT—A seven room house. Enquire at Signal office. 31-tf

BRED GILTS FOR SALE—See me at once. E. J. Anderson, Court House.

WANTED—Jobs on farms for large boys 16 years old and older to start them at small wages. Address, Emile Reck, Agent, Weatherford, Texas.

FOR SERVICE—Registered Duroc male. See H. H. Cotten. 35-4t

SEE LINDLEY & WHITAKER before you sell your Small Grain or buy your Seed Oats or chops. Located in the Scarborough building on the southeast corner of the square, Snyder, Texas.

R. I. RED EGGS 50 cents per setting of 15 eggs and a few R. I. Red Cockerels for sale \$1.00 each. T. J. McEntire, Rt. 1, Snyder Texas. 34tf

FOR SALE—One second hand wagon, a buggy and a delivery wagon, cheap. D. E. Banks. 34tf

Good Farm to rent. Feed on farms for sale. See Caton-Dodson.

FOR RENT OR LEASE—Two room house and barn, together with 10 acres of good farm land in east part of Snyder. See G. B. Clark. 29tf

FOR SERVICE—Two fine male Poland China, registered, hogs. One 18 months old, the other 5 months old. Service \$2.00 each. Pens at Sears & Darby Gin on Bridge street, Snyder, Texas. O. F. Darby. 35-4tp

We still have flour at the

**Right Price**

Missouri soft wheat flour guaranteed to be as good or better than any flour made. Your money will be gladly refunded on every sack returned which proves unsatisfactory.

**Wenninger & Son,**  
 North Side Square, PHONE 179, SNYDER, TEXAS.

WANTED—To rent a piano for use in private family. Telephone 88 or call at Signal office.

WANTED—Clean cotton rags. Will pay 3 cents per pound. The Snyder Signal.

My 2068 1/2 ranch on Cat Fish River, 12 miles southwest from Spur for sale at a great bargain.—Cullen C. Higgins. 30-4t

PIGS for sale by J. W. Russell, one mile south of town, different ages.

A FAWN JERSEY HEIFER, left ear cropped, 2 years old, soon to be fresh, missing. Last seen in Davis Brothers pasture about 5 or 6 miles N. W. of town. Ample reward for information leading to her recovery. No brand. R. L. Howell. 33-2t

LOST—One day this week, a small red pocket book or card case with "Cassidy Southwestern Commission Co." stamped on case, containing \$10 bill and \$1 Mexican bill, one note \$514.00, one note \$300. Finder keep the money for reward and return book and notes to G. W. Harris or the Snyder Signal.

FOR RENT—135 acres good sandy land, 4 miles east of Snyder. See R. E. Curry. 34-2tp

LOST—A brown Jersey, muley heifer last seen two miles west of Dunn, about January 6. Will be noted by deformed tail, which is cracked near the body. Liberal reward for information leading to her recovery. Notify C. P. Palmer, Druggist, Dunn, Texas. 35-1

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Some work mules for cash or will accept good notes, or trade for good young mares. See R. W. Webb, at Owl Drug Store, Snyder, Texas. 1tp

FOR TRADE OR SALE—Large second hand cook stove. Bachelor heater used about a month. Inquire at Signal office.

RHODE ISLAND REDS—I have \$25.00 pen of fine Rhode Island direct from D. G. Coffman, has a \$15.00 cock from first prize winners. Coffman sells the eggs at \$10 I will sell a few settings at \$2.00 for 15. See my Reds if you want the best. H. V. Williams, Photographer Snyder, Texas. 35-4t

LOST—Between Snyder and Hermleigh, a drummer's grip. Finder will please return it to the Manhattan Hotel in Snyder. 1t

FOR SALE—A quantity of pure Mebane Cotton Seed. Just one year in this county. Price 60 cents a bushel. L. N. Periman, Dermott, Tex. 35-4tp

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**Concentrated Smokem**

For preserving and smoking your meat. It will keep it sweet and drive away flies and insects of all kinds, it imparts an excellent smoky flavor, making the meat more palatable and wholesome.

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And smokes meat just the way you want it. Get a bottle today from

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**WATCH REPAIRING---H. G. TOWLE**

E. A. Bridwell went to Fort Worth this week.

Lee Hutcherson who lives on Prof. Tate's farm near Hermleigh was here Monday.

Bonaparte across the Rhine, at Valentine Fair.

Mr. T. L. Walls of Route 4, was a substantial caller at the Signal sanctum Saturday.

We do bicycle and gun repairing. A. P. MORRIS.

A. C. Turk, a land man of Roscoe, was looking about in Snyder this week.

Miss Beatrice Sears is visiting her sister, Miss Dannie Lee in Kent county.

The case of The Cowboy State Bank of Rotan vs. J. O. Guninn, et al, is set for hearing in the Seventh Court of Appeals at Amarillo for March 6.

Dressed Chickens, Cakes and Candies for sale at Valentine Fair.

Mr. L. Caton, of Medina, is here on a visit to his son, Joe Caton.

Alderman J. C. Maxwell has gone to Corpus Christi.

Fresh shipment of fine canaries at Grayum Drug Company.

Small pox is reported in Post City and other points in Garza county.

Mrs. C. L. Harless, of Rotan, is visiting the home folks and friends in Snyder.

J. I. Flippin, who has been in South Texas, for the past two years has returned to Snyder to live. He joins the Signal family of readers.

Visit theretady to wear booth at Valentine Fair.

Mrs. W. T. Manry is reported on the sick list this week.

**Banks Close on Holidays**  
 Friday, Feb. 17 and Monday, Feb. 22nd being legal holidays, the undersigned banks will be closed.  
 First National Bank,  
 First State Bank & Trust Co,  
 The Snyder National Bank.

See our line of wall paper before you buy. A. P. MORRIS

The R. S. & P. train came in Thursday with 20 freight cars, including two or three immigrant cars.

The wind and sand have been doing business here this week.

See H. H. Cotten for abstracts.

A. D. Dodson went to Fluvanna on Thursday to take a look at his ranch.

Mrs. Dale Warren and baby returned Thursday from a visit of several months at Dandridge, Tennessee.

New grates for your cooks or heaters. We do any kind of stove and furniture repairing. All work guaranteed. A. P. MORRIS.

Horace Holley was transacting business in Snyder Saturday.

Bring your bad mirrors in and have them replated. Satisfaction guaranteed. A. P. MORRIS.

Mr. T. L. Walls paid the Signal a pleasant call Saturday.

Mrs. T. L. Winston and children, returned Thursday to Fluvanna, after a visit of a few days in Snyder with her mother, Mrs. Nettie Wilson.

You will enjoy seeing the Lady Blacksmith, Barber, Porter, Butcher, Dentist and many others in their comic acts in the Merchant's Carnival at the Opera House Monday and Tuesday nights, Feb. 15 and 16. A good time for all. Seats only 15 and 25 cents.

The Signal learns that Giles Connell has recently sold his Borden county ranch and has moved back to Fort Worth.

See the curio booth at Valentine Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller, of Borden county visited their son in Snyder this week.

Open March 1, 1915, At McGregors store, Fluvanna Texas, a complete line of up-to-date millinery goods. Come and make your selections early.

Respectfully,  
 Miss Bertie Lee Hunter

John M. Gist, of Plainview, sold thirty head of Hereford calves last week at \$100 a head.

Good music at Valentine Fair.

J. A. Hood was here Tuesday from Hermleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Grayum were pleasant visitors at the Signal office Thursday evening and watched the machinery in operation.

Throw thru the heart and grab at the Valentine Fair.

Postmaster Luther Edmondson of Dermott was here Monday and reported things o. k. up there except their mail facilities.

G. B. Clark returned Wednesday from a business trip to Dallas.

Jim and Jesse York, two of Borden County's prosperous stockmen were registered at the Manhattan Tuesday night.

There has been quite a good deal of cotton on the market this week, selling Thursday at 5 to 8 cents.

Real estate movement shows a more substantial activity than for some years past.

FOR SALE—One pair of large work horses, five years old; one good saddle horse, six years old. Phone 216 or address, C. Lindsey, Snyder, Tex. 35tf

LOST—A cameo pin. Liberal reward if returned to Mrs. Ed. Ward. 1t

WANTED—You to bring us your subscription to the Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News \$1.00 per year.

OWL DRUG STORE

H. L. Wren came in Wednesday and showed his date up to '16.

List your property with H. H. Cotten. 35-4t

**Wall Paper and Window Glass**

Two essentials in Spring Cleaning and we are prepared to supply your every demand.

**Warren Bros**  
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# The National Capitol Building Built in Miniature

This masterpiece is executed with 15000 cakes of Royal Cuticle Soap and can be seen in our window Friday

## SOAP SALE

EXTRAORDINARY  
Introducing a new high class Toilet Soap, regular 25c value, at cake 10c  
3 Cakes for 25c

A sight of a lifetime and one that is worth coming miles to see. Every citizen of Snyder and vicinity should see this wonderful piece of workman ship. It's a marvel of ingenuity and artistic skill. It exhibits the front elevation of the National Capitol—the mammoth Arch of Triumph with its ornamental column of Liberty and Chariot of Progress. The great hall flanked with smaller halls running through the entire building is shown with marked exactness as to its distinctive features and adornments. This masterpiece is executed in one of our largest show windows and with the one purpose in view, to make you acquainted with ROYAL CUTICLE SOAP. SALE ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6.

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Introducing a new high class Toilet Soap, regular 25c value, at cake 10c  
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# The Greatest Soap Sale Ever Held in the South

Now the leading Store in furthering the interests of the people of Snyder and vicinity has won for our Store much well deserved popularity

**10c** For 25c cake of Royal Cuticle Soap, or 3 cakes for 25c during this sale

This soap is famous everywhere, but has never been sold in Snyder under its present name, although a soap made from the same formula is sold everywhere under another trademark at 25 cents a cake. This Royal Cuticle Soap is the cleanest, purest, softest and most soothing you could use on your hands or face. You should get a half dozen cakes at the introductory price which we will make for a short time, while the exhibit is in our window. This price is positively the lowest ever made for such a high grade toilet soap.

Instead of distributing small free samples to each family, the manufacturers allow us during this event only to sell

**One 25c cake for 10c  
3 cakes for 25c  
not more than 6 cakes to 1 person: no dealers supplied**

**10c** For 25c cake of Royal Cuticle Soap, or 3 cakes for 25c during this sale

In order to thoroughly introduce their Medicated Royal Cuticle Soap the Royal Company has selected and appointed the highest class and most dependable store in each city through which to offer the greatest soap bargain ever offered in America, and incidentally make one of the most unique displays ever shown. In selecting their representative in Snyder they naturally first thought of Caton-Dodson and arranged for this display and appointed us agents for this city and vicinity. We consider ourselves fortunate in having secured the exclusive agency for Royal Cuticle Soap in Snyder and are glad to be able to give the people of this vicinity an opportunity to buy this high-grade Toilet Soap at positively the lowest price ever named for such quality.

Don't Forget that the Sale starts on Saturday  
10c a cake, 3 cakes for 25c

### TO OUR OUT-OF-TOWN FRIENDS

We are sole agents for all towns within a radius of 25 miles of Snyder. Send in your mail orders.

**Caton-Dodson**  
**DRY GOODS COMPANY**  
SOLE AGENTS FOR SCURRY COUNTY.

### SEND US YOUR MAIL ORDERS

If you live out of the city and are unable to attend this great display and sale, send your mail orders.

Don't Forget that the Sale starts on Saturday  
10c a cake, 3 cakes for 25c

### Prof. C. C. Shaver Dead.

The many friends of Prof. C. C. Shaver will be grieved to learn of his death which occurred at Holt, Mo. on Tuesday, Feb. 2. Friends here had known for some time that Prof. Shaver was in ill health but it was not known that death was imminent. Prof. Shaver was superintendent of the Roscoe Public School during the years 1910-11 and 1911-12, since which time he had been a teacher in the Southwest Texas Normal at San Marcos. He was a splendid school man, scholarly and dignified. He was a gentleman and a Christian in the very best sense of those terms. We drop a tear to his memory and breathe a prayer that God will comfort and console his loved ones.—Roscoe Times.

See Hardy M. Boyd for Abstracts. Office over First State Bank.

Horace Holley of Ira was doing around in Snyder Saturday.

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Snyder, Texas

### MEANING OF PHILANTHROPIC FOUNDATIONS

Several years ago the elder Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie found themselves possessed of so much wealth that it was burdensome to them and they worried to find ways to get rid of some of it.

There were millions of poor people who could have used small donations there were thousands of poorly paid laborers, even engaged in making the very wealth that these gentlemen possessed, who would have enjoyed a share of the surplus in the way of increased wages, but they didn't see proper to dispose of it in these ways. They wanted to endow colleges, establish libraries and in other ways lay foundations for future exploitation.

Hundreds of towns got the idea that a Carnegie library was a magnificent benefaction and hurried to put up good big blocks of the cost in order to get the balance from the steel magnate. Some towns got the libraries, and boasted of them for awhile and then the public forgot about them.

Now and then some suspicious fellow would suggest that the great philanthropists probably had a card up the sleeve to be played at the proper time. Such a suggestion was frowned upon as uncharitable. The idea of getting wads of Carnegie and Rockefeller money spent in the south looked good.

The recent developments of Rockefeller influence in Colorado and elsewhere is about to convince the public that these philanthropic foundations were laid for a purpose and that purpose to undermine the principles of organized labor.

A long process of educational methods and ideas will shape the thoughts and control the destinies of a nation, and the fact is now about to be admitted that the Rockefeller and Carnegie foundations were planned to shape national thought and control the lines of education.

Bishop W. A. Candler has seen the trend and has expressed his ideas as shown in the following news items sent out from Atlanta:

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 31.—John D. Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie are accused by Bishop Warren Cand-

ler of the Southern Methodist church in a statement issued today, of tainting education in the United States by their huge foundations.

Bishop Candler favors the investigation being made by the Federal Industrial Commission, and he calls on President Wilson to urge Congress to liberate the educational interests of the Nation from a dangerous thralldom, a thralldom made possible by Congress when Federal charters were granted to these allied boards.

Bishop Candler says: "The country knows quite well what Mr. Rockefeller means by a 'combination to do business'. In the dialect of the owners of the Standard Oil Company that phrase has meant to destroy all others engaged in the oil business, and then do as you please with the oil market. It has had a similar significance among the steel mongers who compose the steel trust, of which Mr. Carnegie is chief. Shall we have such methods in education and turn over the educational control of the whole country to men who employ such methods?"

"A group of men numbering no more than a score of persons is undertaking to determine the character of education for our whole country. At the rate with which they have set out in twenty years they can control higher education in the United States. Such a possibility is too painful to contemplate with composure and it must be averted."

### NEW STATE BILL REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE

Senator Johnson's proposed bill to create the state of Jefferson has been reported favorably by the committee on constitutional amendments but the author says he doesn't expect it to pass.

He thinks, however, that it will cause the legislature to see that the panhandle country and West Texas have not had justice in the way of taxation, school fund and representation in Congress. It is understood that another senator has a bill calling for three states and his measure will be presented on the floor of the Senate as a substitute for the Johnson bill.

### WANTS NORMAL AT SNYDER

Having met one of the Signal's representatives at Camp Springs last week, and talked to him in regard to the possibility of securing The West Texas Normal for Snyder, I am moved to write a few lines expressing my feelings along that line.

Being an educator by profession, (in a very small way) I am very intensely interested in the education of boys and girls of today, who will be the men and women of tomorrow, upon whose shoulders will fall the grave responsibility of life, and it is my desire to see them more able to bear those responsibilities than the men and women of the past. But if they are they must be a stalwart manhood, womanhood. To be such more and better education is needed. To supply that education we must have more schools of the higher order in our reach right in our very midst, that we may catch the spirit ourselves and help push the work.

Snyder has a high school above par. Why not a normal, if we can get it? To be sure, let's have it if we can get it. If the buildings are replaced on the old grounds where the others were destroyed, then let's get busy and see if we can't get a normal for Snyder anyway. I am informed that the possibility is not any too remote.

Let Snyder's business men organize themselves into an alert Commercial Club and then call on the rural districts. They will respond, and in a substantial way, I believe, if necessary.

The one who said "All things come to him who waits," didn't mean for us to sit down on this proposition. So let's be up and doing ere we hear the cry "Too late, too late!"

I am yours for a Normal at Snyder  
A. T. FINCH.

Y. B. Hodnett and H. C. Hayes of Cuthbert paid the Signal a social visit Monday morning. Y. B. says things are booming over in his neck of the woods. He made a big cotton crop and is in prime condition to go into another year of West Texas prosperity.

See Hardy M. Boyd for Abstracts. Office over First State Bank.

### GOLDEN GLINTS

List of New Subscribers and Renewals For Week Ending Feb. 4.

Mrs. Gertrude Bogart, Burlington, Colorado; Mrs. A. W. Boyd, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. C. A. Williams, Snyder; L. C. Teter, Snyder; M. L. Simpson, Route 2; E. F. Simpson, Euphrata, Wash; E. E. Keever, Rt. 1; W. L. Rhoades, Ira; A. C. Tate, Hermleigh; Albert Tinker, Snyder; W. W. Ingram, Route 2; L. E. Carlisle, Route 4; J. L. Smith, Hermleigh; J. T. Shows, Ira; Mrs. A. L. Jones, Snyder; D. I. Rhoades, Route 2; Dr. W. A. Palmer, Dunn; W. P. Smith, Arah; A. J. Peters, Cuthbert; J. F. Holomon, Rising Star; Vernie Middleton, Route 1; J. W. Leftwich, Snyder; J. Frank Atkins, Florence; Prof. W. A. Smith, Georgetown; W. D. Sanders, Polar; W. L. Shaw, Snyder; M. S. Teter, Route 3; W. T. Brown, Granbury; C. H. Wilson, Snyder;

G. E. Phillips, Canada; J. E. Pruitt, Route 5; R. F. Siddons, Hillsboro; A. N. Epps, Dunn; Rev. I. D. Hull, Snyder; Watt Smith, Polar; C. W. Roberts, Route 3; R. E. Curry, Route 2.

Mrs. F. O. Kerr, of Roscoe was the guest last week of Mrs. J. B. Kerr.

The Signal has a splendid list of subscribers, both in numbers and in quality. They promptly pay up and thus help in the making of a first class local paper. There are only a few people willing to read a paper without paying for it and these are soon dropped out and forgotten.

We pay cash for your poultry and eggs. Phone 35.  
Snyder Fruit Company.

J. H. Henderson shipped out a car of fat cattle Monday to the Fort Worth markets.



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The big handsome, massive, high priced cars are alright for the man who wants to make a "show" only, but when you want to travel, go some where and go at the minimum cost

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**Jim Dawson**  
Agent



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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.  
Obituaries and notices of charitable or church entertainments, where admission is charged, will be charged for at the rate of 2 1/2 cents per line.

Advertising rates on application. Four weeks constitute an advertising month.

Snyder, Texas, February 12, 1915.

Denton is to have a canning plant.

Fisher county reports 1344 poll taxes paid.

DeLeon has her peanut plant in active operation.

People preach co-operation and then refuse to co-operate.

Kansas has started a statewide campaign against cigarettes.

Tarrant County people have organized a diversification and marketing association.

Chicago proposes to provide employment for 200,000 idle people. Now watch some pessimist charge that Chicago is laying a graft scheme.

There are some people who actually get mad when others insist that the country is in a prosperous condition.

Andrew Carnegie told the Industrial Commission that he has given away \$300,000,000 as benefactions to workers. He did it to aid mankind and he is glad of it.

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DALLAS—Spring Meeting, Dallas Trade League, tickets on sale Jan. 31st to Feb. 9th, Feb. 14th to Feb. 23, Feb. 28th to March 9th, March 14th to 23, limit ten days from date of sale. One and one-third fare for round trip, on certificate plan.

FORT WORTH—State Council, Improved Order of Redmen. Tickets on sale Feb. 14th and 15th. Final limit Feb. 15th. Fare from Snyder, round trip, \$9.00.

For Further Information, call on  
**Phone 183 G. S. HARDIN, Agt.**

## RIDICULE WILL NOT WORK

Some days ago a committee from the Legislature visited the State penitentiaries and convict farms to find if they could, some of the reasons why the penitentiary system has been a losing proposition in past years.

It didn't take them long to find that the system of book keeping was so crude that nobody could tell where to find profits or losses. This committee turned attention to small items and they found mismanagement in the matter of purchasing. Cheap brogan shoes were bought at \$2.25 a pair that would last a convict two to six weeks.

A large percentage of the convicts are idle the greater part of the time because there is nothing for them to do. Molasses made on the farms is sold to the jobbers at 20 cents a gallon, and the management pays forty cents for an article no better.

They found where an old run down hack had been shipped from a farm to Huntsville to be repaired. It was shipped back along with a bill of \$117 and the superintendent admitted that he could have bought a new one as good for \$75.

These are just a few of the items the committee reported. Their report got next to an ex-auditor at McKinney who had heretofore enjoyed the public crib along with other ringsters and he seeks to put away these findings with ridicule, but his trick will fail to work. The people have a set of new fellows at Austin now and the old political machine has gone to dry docks. The McKinney man may scoff all he pleases and point out the good points in the big department, such as buying farms, manufacturing molasses and ginning cotton, but he can't laugh away a charge of \$117 for repairing an old wagon that originally would cost \$75.00.

## PUNCH AND CHICKEN SALAD

Among the items under consideration in Austin, coming under the head of contingent expenses is a bill for punch and chicken salad served at the New Year's reception given by the swiftness of Austin at the Governor's mansion.

Some of the legislators are opposed to paying for some of these things out of the public treasury. They argue that when public money is paid out it should be for purposes that will benefit the people of Texas and everybody knows that such functions are open only to people who are able to dress well enough to appear at such gatherings. The friends of the measure urge that it has been customary for 25 years to give New Year's receptions in the governor's home and for that reason the expense bill ought to be paid.

The affair may be in accordance with the precedent, but the people who pay the taxes were not consulted not even thought of in connection with the function. This is a good time for Governor Ferguson to prove his power as a smasher of useless and extravagant precedents.

So many cotton growers are suspicious of the advice to diversify their farming and raise live stock and feed crops as well as cotton. Many are ready to oppose the proposition every time it is suggested because they think it is a new plan that book farmers and city men are trying to force on them to their disadvantage.—Southwest Trail.

The people ought to recollect that this idea is as old as our Republic. "Book farmers and city men" are merely discussing a system advocated always by our own folks.

## Little Signals

Of all the inconveniences in this creation

Is the telegraph office located at the Santa Fe Station.

Generally you are in an awful bad fix

Because you can't send a message after six.

The Western Union has simply lost a crown

By abolishing an office right down town.

It may suit some of our people pretty well

But I think it is certainly a little unshirtd h—

Hurrah for the ladies—they have it in mind to revive the Civic League.

It's funny, simply because there is a demand for resident homes, some of the old-timers want to raise the rent on the little shacks already here. That's no way to be progressive. Build new and modern cottages, they'll be worth the money.

The sentiment is so strong for a clock on the court house, one can almost hear it strike.

Keep the sidewalk idea "stirred up." Concrete men will soon be on the ground to show you how cheap they can be constructed.

Anyway, possibly through the influence of the Chamber of Commerce at Fort Worth and Dallas, we may have a government civil engineer.

If Snyder had a Chamber of Commerce progress might be made in locating more farmers in this section.

Just keep boosting for Snyder and Scurry County.

The Signal offers thirty cents reward for a plan of a train schedule that will be more rotten and inconvenient than the one Snyder and Scurry county now has. Don't be bashful, just stomach right up and capture this offer.

The Commissioners Court met Monday, but still we have no clock in the court house. G. M. Roe offers another \$5.00 toward the fund. Get busy and let's put it in.

A belt line motor car would solve the railroad-schedule mystery. The car could start at Snyder, thence to Roscoe, thence to Sweetwater over the T. & P. tracks, thence back to Snyder on the Santa Fe tracks, then take a spin over to Fluvanna and return. How'd that suit you.

An eight months school is a disgrace to any community, and especially in cotton sections where half the pupils are kept out of school until after January 1st. April is entirely too early to go fishing anyway. Think three times now before you speak, please.

Why not retain Texas as the name of this part of the original state and make "hush" out of the other portions?

Our city marshal is a wolf when it comes to keeping the streets cleared of scrap paper and trash.

Let the sidewalk craze have full sway in Snyder this spring.

When a fellow thinks of a park, the organization of a Ladies' Civic League bobs up serenely in our minds.

Encourage progressive suggestions and cease to be a pessimist.

There never has been but four or five presidents of the United States not severely criticised by representatives of some special interests and they escaped criticism by doing nothing. No wonder President Wilson is an object of partisan criticism. He probably expected it, but it doesn't cause him to waver.

The beauties of justice, guaranteed under the laws of the land did not appeal to the fellow who was already in jail without a cause. Just so the man who is harassed with debt cannot easily appreciate stories of prosperity—at least as applied to himself.

For political and other reasons some men will knock on any sort of an effort of business men to advance the public welfare.

## WITH OUR EXCHANGES

The rising price of wheat flour suggests that we, of the rank and file, mix a little feterita flour in the bread making.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

What have you gained with feterita selling at \$20.00 a ton in the head?

It would be interesting to know what is the premium on the life insurance policy of a Mexican president.—Austin Statesman.

It doesn't matter whether or not they carry policies. They all hurry away so their wives have no insurance money coming to them.

Requests in the proper terms and with the right tone and smile, have built railroads. Commands, dictatorially, have ruined kingdoms and beheaded queens.—Stamford News Leader.

A straight business proposition wins more respect than begging and quicker co-operation than a command.

The Girard Reporter prints a map showing the "accepted" route of the Fort Worth to Roswell Highway from Albany to Lubbock and the proposed route through other parts of the country. This reminds us of the time that the loggers came through Scurry county and some of our folks put up good money, believing the transcontinental route had been accepted through Snyder. Since then we are left to wonder what has ever become of that magnificent highway.

Arrant demagogues with highly tintured nostrums for sale have never yet solved a great problem which concerned the people alone.—Merkel Mail.

But they got what they went after—the offices.

The Anson Enterprise says the Jones County commissioners were in session eight days, found 35 bills and convictions have already been secured on practically all of the cases.

There is no reason for strife among the partisans of educational institutions. There should be the closest co-operation and co-ordination so that every dollar invested in these institutions will bring adequate returns in better citizenship.—Farm & Ranch.

There should be no strife between preacher and teachers and editors and doctors and statesmen, but there is. Personal ambition promotes strife and jealousy among men of most all callings.

## THE GROUCH

The Great Creator in His wisdom created many men of many minds and temperaments, knowing that if the sons of men were alike in wishes and desires it would lead to unending strife.

He created well, for man is the noblest work of God. But in some way there crept into the world a creature God did not create—a thing self made, be it male or female, that is hated, despised and abhorred; a thing self created, self pitied and abnormally self-loved.

This self created creature is the chronic grouch that walks here and there in every town and community searching for happiness—that he may destroy it. Flowers and beauty, because they represent beauty and love he detests. He reads as he runs that all men are liars and all women are creatures of evil.

In summer he reviles the bright sunshine and hates the green hills. In the winter he reviles the cleansing snow and the purifying frost. The bitterness of gall and wormwood is within his heart.

Children flee from him and his wife can be classed among the martyrs. Men shun him and the world hates him. From an early age he walketh this earth spreading unhappiness and unbelief—a maker of evil and discord.

Let us throw the X-ray of self examination into our own hearts and search out the little microbe that has a tendency to multiply and produce in time, the hated grouch. There is too much love and sunshine in this old world of ours to spoil it with the canker of selfishness.—Exchange.

Foreign insurance companies say they are willing to come back to Texas and invest a reasonable part of their reserve in Texas securities. Surely the legislature will not leave it for them to say what that "reasonable" part shall be.

## SHOULD ROBERTSON INSURANCE LAW BE REPEALED

Perhaps one of the most important measures now before the Texas legislature is that known as the Gibson Insurance bill which seeks to repeal the law known as the Robertson Insurance law which requires Life insurance companies domiciled outside of Texas to invest a certain per cent of their reserve in Texas securities. Before this law was passed seven years ago the big insurance companies in New York and elsewhere, collected their premiums from Texas policy holders and took the money to their home states for investment. The passage of the Robertson law raised a big howl from the outside companies and a number of them called off their Texas agents and withdrew, leaving their written business in Texas, from which it is understood that they have continued to reap their premiums.

A few outside companies continued here to solicit business and comply with the law. A number of Texas companies have been organized and these have done well. These companies have paid the required occupation tax and have invested in Texas securities. Now the companies that withdrew are wanting to come back and the bone of contention in the Gibson bill is that it proposes for them to come back without paying the occupation tax which the other companies have had to pay all the time. The Gibson bill proposes that each licensed company not organized under the laws of Texas shall pay a certain rate of taxes, but it specifies companies that have been licensed, then it says:

"The occupation tax in this chapter, imposed, shall be the sole occupation tax which any Life Insurance Companies doing business in this state shall hereafter be required to pay the State any occupation tax for any license year within which it has not received a license to transact the business of life insurance in Texas." Although they may have collected the premiums regularly.

E. C. Schunacker, of Hillsboro says that he and others are trying to get the Gibson bill passed so that Texas may benefit by keeping the money in Texas.

A. C. Baldwin, of Austin, says the Constitution of Texas plainly says the Legislature cannot relieve foreign companies of taxes. New York compelled her companies to invest at home until she got more money than was needed. If foreign companies have shared in the insurance receipts why should they not pay a tax the same as the companies that have remained here to aid in the developing of the state.

Out of a list of eight prominent statesmen of Texas, who have expressed themselves relative to the Robertson Insurance Law, Ex-Gov. Colquitt is the only one who has favored any sort of a change and he says he merely suggested a slight amendment.

Governor Ferguson telegraphed to J. F. Quinn: "I most positively oppose the repeal of what is known as the Robertson Insurance Law."

Ex-Gov. Campbell says: "The State should stand like a stone wall against the repeal of the Robertson law."

Ex-Gov. Colquitt says: "I merely suggested a slight amendment which would permit those companies which withdrew in 1907 to re-enter the State by paying a penalty equal to the present tax."

Col. Thos. H. Ball says: "I am in favor of the retention of the present Robertson Law and the slogan that the Texas Insurance Companies use: 'Keep Texas Money in Texas.'"

Hon. W. W. Collier, ex-Commissioner of Insurance: "The Robertson Law is fair to all. It should not be repealed."

Hon. Thos. B. Love, ex-Commissioner of Insurance: "It has demonstrated that there is at least one State in the Union that Wall Street cannot buy or bulldoze."

Since the foreign companies have been collecting their premiums all these years and the Texas law is in favor with Texas people it seems but just and right that the Robertson law should stand as it is and that

foreign companies should pay for the privilege of holding their business in that.

B. L. Gill, Ex-Commissioner of Insurance: "I consider the Robertson law one of the greatest pieces of legislation ever put on any statute book."

## GOVERNORS PET MEASURE STRIKES A SNAG

Representative Reeves, a consistent pro, who voted against Mr. Ferguson, is the champion of Gov. Ferguson's land tenant bill in the legislature, while members who supported Ferguson are fighting to defeat the tenant bill.

The Reeves bill would violate a rental contract for more than a third and a fourth. Opponents of the bill say it would violate the constitution. The William's bill, they contend would protect tenants and pass a constitutional test. This bill provides that in case of charge of more than the third and fourth the lien on the crop for rents would be forfeited.

A Lubbock county farmer has recently shipped a car of corn to Kaufman. Some of those fellows over there in that black land country will refuse to believe this statement.

The proposition "Let Texas Feed Itself" is by no means a new idea. Every newspaper in Texas, every commercial club, every business man and every wide-awake citizen has been for years preaching the doctrine—make the living at home.

W. R. Smith, a news butch in Dallas and Mrs. Alice Chiles, a neighbor woman had a fuss in Dallas the other day and killed each other.

Francis Lauree, a German statistician says the war will have to end by July.

Geo. W. Walker, of Amarillo had business with the Commissioners Court here this week.

When in need of fencing material go to Burton Lingo Co. A good post for 7 1/2 cents.

W. W. Nelson was in from his ranch Wednesday.

See those 7 1/2c posts and that electric weld wire at Burton-Lingo Co.

W. C. Fullilove went to Fluvanna Wednesday.

George Harris made a business trip south this week.

Cedar Post! from 7 1/2 cents up, at Burton-Lingo Cos.' Sumer Yard.

G. M. Garner believes in the cash in advance idea for a news paper and performs accordingly.

Weatherford had a twenty thousand dollar fire Sunday morning. Four stores were destroyed and four others damaged.

Manufacturers of ammunition are lobbying at Austin in opposition to the proposed law to prohibit the use of automatic shot guns.

See those mountain Cedar posts at Burton Lingo's for 7 1/2 cents each.

Two ship loads of cotton left Galveston last Saturday—one for Rotterdam with 14,500 bales and one for Gothenberg with 12,000 bales and a quantity of flour.

Signal and Dallas News, \$1.75.

## How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm. NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

We will continue low Prices on Winter Goods

Our public sale event has been a success and we find that small profits and quick sales satisfy both parties. Come in and take advantage of our Cash Bargains. From now on we will sell for Cash, believing that we can save you money on your purchases.

The Cash Store  
C. R. Fellmy



# Opening Announcement

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## THE WOODROW HOUSE

Doors will be thrown open to the public for public inspection, Monday, Feb. 15, at 11 o'clock. Will serve Free Cake and Fruit from 11 to 1:30. The people of Snyder and vicinity are cordially invited to attend.

### Music by The Snyder Concert Band

#### COUNTY

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### HERMLEIGH

The medicine show attracted a large number of people to this town last week.

Our Girls basket ball team won a brilliant victory last Saturday afternoon in a match game with the Roscoe High School team. Our boys played the Roscoe boys also and while the scores were against them in the outcome their playing and conduct was such as to bring honor to the school. A number of our people witnessed both games.

Miss Wanda Altman visited homefolks in Loraine last week.

Mrs. Jim Keffer is visiting her mother in Lipscomb, this week.

Mrs. Trigg and Holder went to Biggs last Thursday.

Miss Blanche Wemken was in Snyder Monday.

George Stephens once, a resident of this place, but now of Abilene is here this week buying stock.

Oscar Barfoot took his daughter Lillie to Post Monday.

Miss Alma Thompson, of Snyder,

is visiting her grandmother, a few miles south of town.

Miss Edith Chitt left on the early Santa Fe Monday morning for Amarillo. She will teach near there.

Mrs. E. J. Ely visited her daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Godley in Snyder last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Howard of Wastella, was here Wednesday in the interest of a class in expression.

Henry Polk, of Hobbs, was here Sunday visiting his brother.

The Priscilla Club met with Mrs. Bralley, on last Thursday afternoon. During the business session the ladies decided to meet twice a month, also to entertain their husbands with a supper at an early date. A lovely two course luncheon was served just before the departure.—Club Reporter

#### CROWDER

Health is very good at this writing.

We are glad to report Roy Cordell improving rapidly.

The farmers are enjoying the pret-

ty weather in order to get their land prepared for another crop.

J. T. Biggs family visited Mr. Fenton's Sunday, who has a very sick child.

J. T. Ramsey and family have moved back to their place. We are glad to have them back with us.

A good crowd attended Sunday School and good interest. Good crowds attended prayer meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Bentley, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Hays visited Mr. McClary's family Sunday afternoon.

Singing at C. S. Busby Sunday afternoon was well attended and a good singing reported and a nice time.

#### TOP KNOT

#### CAMP SPRINGS

Miss Elin Davidson, who is attending school at Fluvanna visited homefolks last Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Hull preached here Saturday night and Sunday.

People have begun to turn the soil for another crop.

Rev. Elliott has been called to serve the Baptist church here.

Vivian Davidson has been quite sick but is reported better.

Mrs. C. A. Stephens visited Mr. Greenway's.

The gin man announced that he would only run three days out of

the week, but so much cotton comes in that he runs overtime.

Bill Crowder left last Saturday for Sycamore, looking for work.

#### WEST POINT

We are having lots of high west winds.

Most all the farmers are plowing. The ground is in fine shape.

H. C. Fenton's little girl is very sick.

John Holt's little girl is on the sick list this week.

We had singing at Mr. Upton's on Sunday night.

Mr. John Myers went to town last Thursday with a load of feed.

George and Dean Bramley hauled their maize to Snyder this week.

Charlie Eastman and Cleber Head are sowing 80 acres of oats.

Frank Eoff has hired to Mr. Coaroe to work.

Frank Arnett has gone to New Mexico.

Matty Fenton is working for John Berry.

Our school is getting along nicely with Mr. Leath as teacher.

#### A BLOCKER

#### DUNN

Rev. C. C. Wright entertained the Sunday School class last Friday night with a musical.

J. P. Billingsley and son Jimmy were in Colorado Saturday.

Mr. Ed. Coler and one of his children have been quite sick during the past week, but are better now.

Miss Ethel Kay of Ira was visiting relatives in Dunn Saturday and Sunday.

Earl Richardson was visiting his

brother in Fluvanna Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Williams was called to Erath county Friday on account of sickness of her father. She returned Monday and reported that he was improving.

Miss Irene Durham went to Snyder last Tuesday.

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Wright spent Sunday with C. R. Brown and family.

Mrs. H. D. Talley and son from Slaton are visiting relatives.

Miss Lena Ramsour spent last Tuesday night with Catherine H.

Miss Laura Lamberth of Ira spent last Sunday in the Dunn community.

#### SPRUCE

Several new pupils have started to school. Our number has reached the fifty notch.

Mr. Ditto killed a wolf yesterday and is keeping its pelt. A very pretty tan color.

Mr. Hale from Rockwall, Texas is visiting Mr. J. B. Boles and family.

Mr. Moss of Fluvanna is down on business.

Mrs. Ditto, Misses Nann and Lynn Boles were visitors at the Lone Star Society last Friday afternoon.

Mr. Louis Myres and Miss Gladys Clanton were married at Bro. Kelly's Sunday afternoon. They will reside in Plainview near the Myres' home.

A great many people are on the sick list this week, but nothing serious.

Mr. Elvis Jones has been to Ira this week.

Sunday school well attended Sunday. That's right. Go to Sunday school somewhere every Sunday.

Mr. Hart is building an addition of one room to his house.

#### REPORTER

Everybody should plan to see the Merchant's Carnival, by home talent at the Opera House Monday and Tuesday nights, Feb. 15-16. All the leading business firms of Snyder will be represented by the young ladies of the town on the stage. Fine drills, pretty costumes, catchy songs, talks and acts. Good music, colored light Tableaux, etc. Also many comic features. Over one hundred people will take part in the play. The biggest event of the season. Something everybody will enjoy. Come out and bring the whole family. Seats 15 and 25 cents.

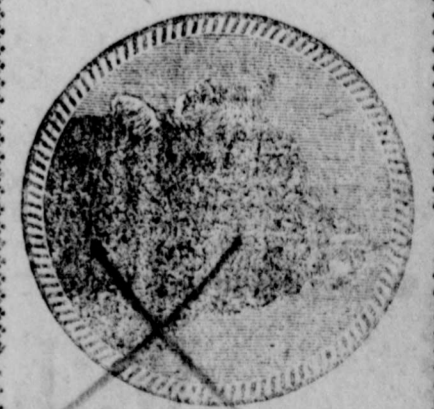
J. T. Caddell, who has been drilling a well on the Fuller farm north of Snyder has been laid out for several days because of the bursting up of his engine.

Mr. O. L. Wilkison, of Grandview of the O. L. Wilkison Lumber Company was in Snyder this week.

#### REGISTERED

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### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Obituaries and notices of charitable or church entertainments, where admission is charged, will be charged for at the rate of 2 1/2 cents per line.

Advertising rates on application. Four weeks constitute an advertising month.

Snyder, Texas, February 12, 1915.

### CONSTABLE'S SALE

Higginbotham-Harris & Co. vs. Jim Kelly, in Justice's Court, Precinct No. 1, Scurry county, Texas.

By virtue of an execution to me directed in the above entitled cause, from the Justice's Court in and for Precinct No. 1, Scurry County, Texas, dated the 27th day of January, 1915, and numbered 1756, I have levied upon and will sell for cash, without appraisal, at public vendue to the highest bidder, on the 2nd day of March, 1915 at the court house door in the county of Scurry, the same being in Snyder, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 p. m. the following described property, to-wit:

Situated in the county of Scurry, in the State of Texas, and being all of lot No. one (1) in block No. fourteen (14) in the Grayum and Nelson

### LETTER FROM SEATTLE

Concluded from last week:

This has been achieved in twelve years. The system had been established prior to that time but the entire plant housed in a rented building was destroyed by fire in 1902, and the work had to be freshly begun. Now, besides the main library building which stands on the corner of Madison street and 4th Ave, six big branch buildings have been erected and occupied in as many different parts of the city and at some distance from the main building and others are in course of construction. Aside from these the library board maintains eight branches and several deposit stations in rented quarters conveniently located in various neighborhoods.

Nearly two hundred thousand volumes are at the disposal of readers and the number is being constantly increased.

As a city of churches, Seattle has few equals. Every religious denomination and every form of worship known to civilized people is represented in the city.

Each of the larger divisions of the Christian faith has from six to a dozen or more churches located in various parts of the city. The First Presbyterian church, the largest edifice of that denomination in the city, is located on the corner of 9th Avenue and Union streets and is supported by the largest single body of Presbyterians in the United States. Seattle has attractions for all.

Taken as a whole its array of play houses is the finest of any city in the west. Five of Seattle's play houses—the Moore, the Metropolitan, the Seattle, the Grand and the Alhambra were built for the largest attractions.

The Orpheum, the Empress and Pontages, were built and are managed expressly for the presentation of high-class vaudeville. The Clemmer, the Melbourne, the Liberty and nearly one hundred others in all smaller sizes, are given over to the popular photo play.

The liberty is the finest play house that is devoted to photo plays alone that it was ever my good fortune to visit. Its seating capacity is 8,000. It is located on 1st Avenue, between Pike and Pine streets. When one passes the box office one finds one's self in a wide winding corridor that leads to the balcony. The incline is so gradual one does not notice it and on either side as one passes up are beautiful rest and reading rooms for the men and ladies, and play rooms for the little folks.

It is almost like strolling through a park the paintings and decorations are so natural.

Passing from the play houses to the parks and play grounds, Seattle has 28 improved parks ranging in size from 5 to 200 acres. In some of the closer-in parks and the many small open spaces in the thickly settled portions of the city which are under control of the Park board, there has been much tasteful improvement; some of it with a touch of formality, but in nearly all the parks the improvements have been carried forward with the least possible disturbance of natural conditions. In some of the larger and more distant from business centers, the natural beauties are of such compelling attractiveness as to call for nothing save watchful care that they be not disturbed; and the building of little roads and winding pathways, and rustic resting places that they may be fully enjoyed.

Children's play grounds have been given generous attention. The City owns 22 play grounds ranging from a city block to 30 acres in size. Twelve of these play grounds have been substantially improved with modern out-door gymnasium equipment of steel, and other recreation facilities and experienced men and women supervisors are in charge.

Nearly one million dollars has already been expended on this feature of the park board's undertaking. It has been the intention of the park board in planning those parks and play grounds to have one within a half mile of every home in the city. Two of the most interesting of the parks are the ones where the pioneers first landed at Al-ki point. Here the board obtained a 2500 foot strip of salt water front This is known as Al-ki beach, including the exact spot where the first settlers of Seattle, landed in 1852. Here a huge and handsome pavilion has been built and here during the long Puget sound summers go thousands of salt water bathers. The other one is located at the corner of 1st Ave. and Yesler-Way. It is known as Pioneer Place. Here it was that the first business venture was undertaken, and from which has grown the greater

Seattle of today and around which cling the memories of the early 60's.

Seattle is justly proud of her streets and boulevards. She has 178 miles of paved streets, 121 miles of plank streets and 617 miles of graded streets.

In the business districts and on streets subject to heavier forms of traffic, the paving is of vitrified brick and stone blocks, extending from which, as traffic conditions warrant run the miles of smooth asphalt; it is a fact as recorded that since 1904 Seattle has spent \$5,440,000 on parks, play grounds and boulevards.

The boulevard system is entirely separate from the streets and under the control of Park commissioners. Among the other big undertakings is the opening of a canal that will unite the waters of Puget sound with those of Lake Washington. This canal leads across the northern part of the city and when completed will enable vessels to pass into Lake Washington.

Seattle boasts of an ideal climate, the summers are cool and the winters are mild. There is little if any snow fall. In the summer the temperature rarely reaches 90 degrees and zero weather is unrecorded in the city. The average high temperature is 74 degrees in July and 70 in August. The average low temperature is 43 degrees in Dec. and 38 degrees in January. The annual rain fall is 35 inches.

Seattle is also noted for healthfulness. The records of the health department of Seattle for a number of years show that the average annual death rate is 9.3 per thousand among the adults, and the statistics show that the loss by death of children in Seattle under the age of 5 years is but 189 to the 100,000.

Comparison will show that this is very low. Other localities claim to have the lowest death rate—Seattle simply gives its figures officially compiled and asks that these be compared with similar figures in any other part of the United States.

The nights are cool insuring restful sleep. Malaria and kindred diseases are unknown.

No city in the world is situated in command of a more varied and resplendent array of natural beauties.

On the one side stretches the harbor and the broad waters of Puget sound, its sparkling waters reaching the very foot hills of the serrated Olympics. On the other hand the full length of the city and miles further in both directions lies Lake Washington, an inland sea of itself, well beyond whose eastern shores again rise foot hills that lead ever up and up to the snow-clad Cascades. Directly to the south stands Mt. Rainier, the third highest peak in the U. S. reaching the dizzy height of 14,448 feet, its summit ever crowned with snow the year round.

I had the pleasure of being on Lake Washington one morning at sunrise and as the sun came up over the snow covered peaks of the Cascades, and caught lake and city, the reflection in the windows of the city, reflecting back in the still waters of the lake it made a scene never to be forgotten.

I also had the pleasure of being on the lake in a small launch at night and as we passed up the lake front just as far as the eye could see twinkled thousands of electric lights with the city sitting on a hill overlooking the lake and sloping down to the very water's edge. The illumination was certainly great.

Well, I could go on and on telling of the wonderful scenes and then could not tell it all.

As I bring this letter to a close the day is drawing to a close and as I look through the window at the placid waters of the lake and on to the city and then beyond to the serrated Olympics' snow clad peaks and watch the setting sun linger there one short moment and as city, lake and woodland are bathed in the glories of the setting sun it seems to be giving them a fond goodnight kiss. The scene is beyond all description.

Well, I will close for it is perfectly impossible to tell it all.

Bellvue is 20 minutes by car and 20 minutes by boat from the city proper.

Good night, your brother,  
EVERT A. SMITH.

Preaching at Church of Christ.

The Signal is authorized to announce that Eld. W. W. Brewer of Roscoe will be in Snyder and will preach for the Church of Christ tomorrow night and Sunday. The public cordially invited.

I am in the market for Scurry county script. Highest market price paid.  
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