

The Snyder Signal

TWENTY-NINTH YEAR.

SNYDER, SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1916.

NUMBER FORTY-TWO

PYRON MURDER CASE DISMISSED

CASE AGAINST PETE LONG AND OTHERS GOES OFF THE DOCKET

INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE CAUSE

Copy of the Motion for Dismissal as Filed by the States Prosecuting Attorney.

During the closing days of November 1914 a stranger afterwards identified as A. L. Peters was found dead in a barn on the Armstrong farm near Pyron in the eastern part of Scurry County. The man had not been dead long when found. The body was hanging to a beam or rafter in the horse stall with a wire around his neck and the throat had been cut. The position of the body led to the belief that it had been hung after the throat was cut. The Armstrong boys had some men there picking cotton.

The stranger had been seen about Hermleigh for sometime prior to the killing and was seen going along the railroad toward Pyron on the morning of the day the body was found dead.

Sheriff Merrell and others spent two or three days there investigating the matter and as a result Pete Long, Emerson Armstrong, Marvin Armstrong, Sherman Armstrong, J. L. Chaffin and Elbert Haynes were arrested and brought to Snyder.

The dead man also was brought here. It was found that he had people somewhere but they left him to be buried here, and it was done.

At the March term of District Court in 1915, the six suspected men were indicted by the grand jury. The case was continued at the September term. Since then District Attorney Stinson had summed up all available evidence and has decided that he hasn't sufficient evidence to insure conviction and last Monday he filed a motion to have the case dismissed. Following is the full text of the motion and his reasons for it:

"THE STATE OF TEXAS" Vs. No. 594

Pete Long, Emerson Armstrong, Marvin Armstrong, Sherman Armstrong, J. L. Chaffin and Elbert Haynes.

In the District Court of Scurry County Texas, March Term, A. D., 1916.

Now comes the District Attorney and asks the Court to dismiss the above entitled and numbered cause for the following reasons, to-wit:

(1) The indictment in the case charges the murder of one A. L. Peters, in Scurry County, Texas, on or about the 27th day of November, 1914, said indictment for said offense returned at the March term 1915 of the District Court of said County and filed in said Court on the 26th day of said month.

(2) To secure a conviction in this case the prosecution must rely on circumstantial evidence; that is, the evidence to warrant a conviction on circumstantial evidence, each fact necessary to the conclusion sought to be established must be proved by competent evidence beyond a reasonable doubt; all the facts (that is, all the facts necessary to the conclusion) must be consistent with each other and with the main fact sought to be proved; and the circumstances taken together must be of a conclusive nature, leading on the whole to a satisfactory conclusion and producing in effect a reasonable and moral certainty that the accused committed the offense charged, and in such case it is not sufficient that the circumstances coincide with, account for, and therefore render probable the guilt of the accused; they must exclude to a moral certainty every other reasonable hypothesis except the guilt of the accused, and unless they do so beyond a reasonable doubt the evidence would be insufficient to warrant the jury in finding the accused guilty.

(3) At this time all of the evidence in possession of the State that would be competent and material to establish the guilt of the accused in this case would be insufficient to warrant a jury in returning a verdict of guilty

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Photo Copyright International News Service: Map showing the country along Mexican border in which Villa and his band of murdering, looting bandits are operating. Insert above—Major General Funston, U. S. Army; Below, left to right—Zapata, Carranza and Villa.

SCURRY COUNTY GINNING FIGURES

The cotton crop of Scurry county is all in, save a few bales of bollies to be ginned next week and the bulk of the crop is at least up to the average of West Texas counties.

There would be considerably more bales if reckoned by pounds. It is known that during the ginning season extra heavy bales were turned out at most of the gins.

The open season has made it possible to save all the cotton. After the main picking was over the farmers continued to bring in bollies and "grab" cotton and the well equipped gins have made good sample of it.

The uncompleted report shows the ginning in the county as follows:

At Snyder.	Year	This
Farmers Union Gin	3426	51
Fuller Gin	2272	28
Brice-Burnett Gin	2027	28
E. F. Sears Gin	1601	17
At Hermleigh.		
Fuller Gin	1220	21
Corley Gin	777	81
Bills' Gin	400	68
At Camp Springs.		
Trice Gin	1205	27
At Fluvanna		
Malone Gin	1531	91
At Dunn.		
Fuller Gin	1629	44
At Ira.		
Fuller Gin	1810	23

METHODIST REVIVAL MEETING BEGINS SUNDAY

Revival services will begin at the Methodist Church Sunday morning April 2nd, and continue from day to day as long as it seems wise. While we have felt the need of a revival as a church and have felt that the Church as a Church needed to engage in a revival, the prime object of this, as of all genuine revivals of religion is the salvation of those who are unsaved. We invite all Christians of all denominations to assist us in these special efforts. We most cordially extend this invitation to the other churches for several reasons.

First, in the spirit of Christian fraternity we desire their fellowship; Second we need all the help we can get to accomplish the needed results; Third, we feel that a revival projected only for selfish reasons, would fail and ought to fail. We hope therefore that all Christian people will feel perfectly at home with us and will render all the assistance possible.

The announcements will be made more in detail from the pulpit Sunday and from time to time.

Rev. R. A. Clements, pastor of the Methodist church at Colorado will be with us to help lead the forces.

Mrs. J. H. Jean and Mrs. W. H. Jean of Westalla, were guests Saturday of Mr. W. H. Ramsey's family.

Mrs. N. R. Clements left Saturday for Cisco to visit her sister who was recently stricken with paralysis.

PARTIAL REPORT OF SCHOLASTICS

The taking of the Scholastic census of Scurry County has been finished up this week. Up to Thursday, twenty three of the forty two districts had filed their reports. In these creases are shown except three which have decreased. The 23 reporting show an increase of 253 over last year. The scholastic population last year was 2554. It is reasonably expected that when the complete report is in the number will go above 3000.

Following is a list of districts with their numbers last year and the number this year of those reported.

District	Last Year	This Year
Faver, No. 1	28	51
Gunn No. 2	28	28
Pyron No. 3	17	21
Camp Springs No. 4	68	81
Cottonwood Flat No. 5	27	27
Canyon No. 6	91	91
Bison No. 7	44	73
Conro No. 8	23	33
Bethel No. 10	62	76
Independence No. 11	46	63
Plainview No. 12	90	93
Fluvanna No. 13	162	162
Bookout No. 14	34	34
Crowder No. 15	34	61
Wheat No. 17	57	107
Strayhorn No. 18	39	50
Martin No. 19	32	33
Ennis No. 20	41	40
Fisher Co Line No. 21	16	17
China Grove No. 22	58	58
Lone Wolf No. 23	27	27
Mitchell Co Line No. 24	46	46
Sulphur No. 25	26	26
Deep Creek No. 26	23	29
Whately No. 27	6	6
Woodard No. 28	24	42
Joe Bailey No. 29	6	9
Arah No. 30	35	35
German No. 31	46	58
Sharon No. 33	62	63
Moorar No. 24	35	35
West Point No. 35	39	39
Santa Fe No. 36	32	28
Egypt No. 37	15	28
Loyd Mountain No. 38	40	38
Ira Independent	121	153
Dunn Independent	158	158
Hermleigh Independent	200	207
Snyder Independent	615	615

Fire Company Re-Organized

The Snyder Volunteer Fire Company re-organized last Tuesday with sixteen active members.

A. C. Wilmett was elected chief. H. G. Towle assistant chief. Olin F. Hardy, Secretary. O. F. Davenport, treasurer. The company is pretty well equipped and ready for service. The fire company is one of the most worthy organizations of any town. An absolute necessity and it is hoped the people of Snyder will be loyal to the boys and give them liberal support and encouragement.

Dudley Kennedy, representing the West-Cullum Paper house of Dallas was here last Friday.

PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURT

Judge John B. Thomas came in on Monday of second week of District Court and took his bench and work went on.

The Court rendered judgment in the case of Mrs. Avie P. Wright et al vs. P. & S. F. Ry. This was a suit for damages growing out of the killing of Garland Wright last summer when a train struck an automobile in which Wright was crossing the track. Judgment was rendered for \$6000, \$3700 for Mrs. Wright and \$750 for each of the children.

J. A. Miller vs. H. P. Wellborn, to Try Title, continued.

Murtice Jordan vs Edward B. Jordan, divorce, judgment rendered as prayed for.

J. C. Temple vs. Alfred Temple, et al, for Specific Performance, set for second week.

J. J. Gray vs. L. T. Patterson et al, specific performance.

State vs. Geo. M. Roe, swindling, marked on docket to be dismissed.

State vs. Armstrong, et al, murder, dismissed.

John Hutchinson, rape, two cases, transferred from Fisher County. Set for this week.

G. M. Biggs, forgery, set for this week. Defendant sick.

Tom Bruton, assault with intent to murder. Set for Wednesday. This case grows out of the mysterious shooting of Bill Tatum at his home here last winter. Bruton was arrested on the night of the shooting and has been out on bail.

The case of Ferguson, Price and Peters went to trial Tuesday and consumed two days. This is a suit for damages against the T. & N. O. railroad and three or four other roads for alleged damages to a shipment of cattle enroute from Beaumont to Snyder.

The Grand Jury turned in a batch of bills Friday and recessed till Tuesday. On Tuesday evening they turned in another batch, making a total of ten felonies and nine misdemeanors and then kept on at work. They seem to be making a thorough sift of the moral condition of the county.

The busy twelve turned in more bills Wednesday evening making a total of 31 in all—13 felonies and 18 misdemeanors.

The Grand Jury adjourned Wednesday evening but filed no written report.

The court will probably continue through next week.

The argument in the damage suit of Ferguson et al vs. T. & N. O. Ry. Co., et al was concluded Thursday morning and the jury took charge of the matter.

Jury verdict for plaintiff for \$300, against T. & N. O. This jury consists of R. Groves, J. L. Breeding, J. C. Williamson, Zack Taylor, R. M. Coston, H. C. McCormick, Andy Trevey, G. N. Richardson, S. J. Littlepage, Jas. Humphrey, J. L. Crowder, J. J. Crenshaw.

N. L. Biggs, charged with forgery was taken before the Court Thurs-

SETH WARD COLLEGE DESTROYED

THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLAR LOSS ON METHODIST SCHOOL AT PLAINVIEW.

TWELVE THOUSAND INSURANCE

School May Be Rebuilt—Officers Meeting Held Wednesday Night to Study Situation.

Special to Snyder Signal:

Plainview, Texas, March 30—Seth Ward College, a Methodist institution was destroyed by fire here about 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The main building, a three story concrete structure and the girl's dormitory were burned. The fire originated in a small out house near the dormitory building and extended to the dormitory, where thirty girls boarded with President B. M. Johnson and family. Most of their personal effects were saved from the burning building.

After the Dormitory had burned, a spark from the dying flames caught under the cornice of the roof of the Main Building and the high wind fanned it into a blaze.

As Seth Ward addition is located a mile north of the city, there are no water mains in that vicinity and the flames could not be reached by the firemen.

The loss on the main building is estimated at \$25,000 and on the dormitory \$4,000. The buildings were insured for \$11,000.

The homeless girls were provided places for the night in Seth Ward Heights. The Young Men's Business League of Plainview immediately organized corps to arrange for homes for the boys.

A call meeting of the Board of Trustees and the citizens of Plainview was held Wednesday night and plans are being made so that students will not lose credit for their school work done this year.

A later report says that the value of the buildings and contents is \$55,000 and \$12,000 insurance is carried. On account of the fact that there is no fire protection in Seth Ward Heights, the fire insurance risk is high.

It is thought that the college will be rebuilt, but officers cannot say until the Board meets. Seth Ward College is endowed for sixty thousand dollars. The Boys' Dormitory was burned two years ago and brick is on the ground to rebuild it.

BAND STAND TO BE ERECTED AT ONCE

The Snyder Signal is advised that Director C. C. Anderson of the Snyder Concert Band, has turned over to a committee, with George Harris as Chairman, \$117.50, amount collected on band stand subscription, also the unpaid list, which will be completed at once and work is soon to begin on the Band Stand.

There is not enough on hand to complete the desired structure, and it is expected that the committee will solicit the amount necessary to build an adequate stand.

Mr. Anderson says the band will give some first-class concerts as soon as the stand is ready.

OFFICIAL MEETING OF SNYDER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

All members and interested citizens of Snyder are called to meet in semi-annual business session of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce at the court house, in Judge Brown's office, Friday afternoon, April 7, at 5 o'clock for the purpose of electing new officers, a board of governors and to transact any other business that may be brought before the body.

Signed: E. J. ANDERSON, President

J. P. CHAMBLESS, Secy., Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

day and entered a plea of guilty and was given a sentence of two years in the penitentiary.

The case of J. O. Temple vs. Albert Temple, et al, was put to trial Thursday afternoon. This is contest for division of an estate.

SNYDER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

STATE APPORTIONMENT CUT DOWN FROM EIGHT DOLLARS TO SIX DOLLARS

AN EIGHT MONTHS' SCHOOL

By Cooperative Support and Tuition Plan School Will Continue for Eight Months

The Board of Trustees of the Snyder Independent School District met Tuesday morning and discussed the plans for continuing the schools. In the first place the board considered the fact that the state apportionment was cut down from \$8 per scholastic to \$6 this year. This was unavoidable by the school board of Snyder. It appearing that the money received would run the schools for this week only making seven months, and the interests of the children being duly considered the board decided that the school must not be closed until the expiration of eight months. Several plans were considered and the board finally decided to continue as a subscription school. The rates of tuition to be collected was set as follows:

First and Second grades, \$1.50; Third and fourth grades, \$2.00; Fifth sixth, and seventh grades \$2.50; High school \$3.50. These rates apply to all pupils who attend and all will pay in advance on the first day of the subscription term which is next Monday, April 3. Of course if some cannot come on that day and want to come later they may do so on the payment of the regular tuition.

It is to be hoped that all pupils will be kept in school. To close the schools means that pupils can not be promoted. It means that the work next year will be hampered by having part of this year's work to do. It means that the schools will lose their standing in this section of the state and take second rating. It means that all the constructive work of the past several years is a total loss. It means that the school will lose its affiliation with the University, it now having thirteen units and with a good prospect for four and one half more. It means turning your children out on the streets and other places when you can not use them and when they will have nothing to do.

In view of the above we ask you to support your schools loyally as you have done in the past. Stand by us now in our earnest desire to keep the schools up to the high standards of the past and keep Snyder schools at the top where they belong. Give your boys and girls a chance for a good common school education. Thanking the patrons one and all for their hearty co-operation and again asking you for the same, I am,

Yours to serve,
E. A. WATSON,
Superintendent.

WELLS-FARGO PEOPLE TO AID FIRE SUFFERERS

The disastrous fire that swept the city of Paris, Texas, last week has left hundreds of people homeless and much destitution is reported. Calamities of this sort always stir the sympathies of the people throughout the country and contributions are started forward for relief. It is a habit of Wells-Fargo Express Company to take front place in these movements to aid humanity and they are prompt to notify the public to use their facilities to get supplies transported free of charge.

In this case, the Agent at Snyder several days ago received the following letter of instruction.

"Dallas, Tex., March 24, 1916. J. F. Stoabs, Agent, Wells Fargo & Company, Snyder, Texas.

"You may accept and waybill free shipments of supplies for the Paris fire sufferers, such supplies to be consigned to regularly authorized relief organizations."

"J. A. HYDE, Superintendent."

Mr. Stoabs is ready to bill out any shipments sent in for the Paris fire sufferers.



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Nannie White and husband to H.
J. Brice, lot 4 block 25, Blankenship
addition, \$1200.

H. J. Brice to H. L. Davis lot 4,
block 25, Blankenship addition,
\$1200.

J. W. Hayship and wife to W. C.
Hardman, lot 2 in block 67, Grayum
& Nelson 2nd addition, \$400.

Marvin P. White and wife to O.
C. Duncan, north half of block 4,
Scarborough addition \$1100.

O. C. Duncan and wife to P. H.
Colwell and wife north half of
block 4 Scarborough addition \$245
and assumption of certain notes.

D. L. Rodgers to W. H. Tebbs, lot
7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block 124
in Fluvanna, also two parcels or lots
in block 145 \$800.

J. T. Anderson to D. L. Rodgers,
lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block
124 and two lots in block 145, 750.

O. P. Thrane to Giles W. Bowers
160 acres out of patent 262, H. &
G. N., \$700 and assumption of notes.

M. A. Grimes and wife to Miss
Desie McFarland lot 2 and north half
of lot 3 in block 23 Lundy Park addi-
tion \$1500.

G. H. Paul and wife to L. C. Darby
lot 4 in block 35, Hermeigh \$300.

Hermleigh Townsite Co., to S. H.
Paul lot 4, block 35, Hermeigh, one
dollar and other considerations.

J. A. Wilson and wife to J. L. Dietz
one acre out of section 485, block 97
\$50.

A. L. Tabor to Jessie Flint, N. W.
quarter of section 1, block 3, H. & G.
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**NOTICE OF EXAMINATION
FOR TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES**

An examination for teachers' cer-
tificates will be held in each county
in the State on Thursday, Friday and
Saturday, April 6, 7 and 8. In this
examination the following schedule
will be used.

Thursday forenoon: History of Ed-
ucation, Physics, Solid Geometry,
American Literature.

Thursday afternoon: Psychology,
Chemistry, Bookkeeping, Plane Trig-
onometry.

Friday forenoon: Physical Geog-
raphy, Physiology, Composition,
Arithmetic.

Friday afternoon: Texas History,
Grammar, Descriptive Geography,
Plane Geometry.

Saturday forenoon: Spelling, Writ-
ing, Methods and Management, Civ-
ics, Reading.

Saturday afternoon: United States
History, General History, Agricul-
ture, Algebra.

The examination for Scurry county
will be held at the Central school
building, Snyder, on above named
dates.

C. R. BUCHANAN,
County Superintendent.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC.

All lands adjoining Deep Creek
from the Russell bridge south of Sny-
der to Brook's lands, are posted. All
trespassers will be dealt with as the
law demands. No hunting, fishing,
picnicing, or bathing. This notice is
to all regardless of size, age, color or
sex. This includes the R. S. & P.
lands which are under lease.

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Z. F. SAMPLES,
H. E. ROSSER,
W. T. THOMPSON. 45

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first class work. See us in the
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**Announcements of Services at the
Various Churches of the City. The
pastors are invited to use this col-
umn as they see fit.**

First Baptist Church
Preaching morning at 11 o'clock.
Preaching, evening at 7:30.
Teachers and Officers meeting,
Sunday at 4 p. m.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday at
7:30 p. m.
Choir Practice Friday at 7:30 p.
m.

Ladies' Meetings: Circles meet on
second and fourth Mondays. Busi-
ness meeting first Monday at church.
Missionary Meeting third Monday.

Methodist Episcopal Church South
R. A. Stewart, Pastor
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p.
m. by the pastor.
Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.
m.

Epworth League 6:45 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday even-
ing at 7:45.
Choir Practice Friday night.

Everyone invited to all our services
Strangers cordially invited to attend
our service while in the city.

Presbyterian Church
Sunday School in the morning at
9:45. C. R. Buchanan, Superintendent.

Preaching Service at 11:00 in the
morning and again at 8:00 in the
evening by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Big-
bee.

Christian Endeavor one hour prior
to evening worship.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday even-
ings at 8:00.

You are invited to worship with
us.

First Christian Church
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Communion Service at 11 a. m.
Ladies' Aid meets Monday after-
noon at the church.
Prayer Service Wednesday even-
ing.

Grace Episcopal Church
Services every second Sunday at
11 a. m.

Sunday School 10 a. m.
E. J. Anderson, Supt.

You are cordially invited to be
present and take part in all these
services.

Church of Christ
Eld. J. P. Nall, Minister.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays at
11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m.
Bible Lesson every Sunday at 10
a. m.

Communion every Sunday at the
morning service.
Everybody cordially invited to at-
tend these services.

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Christ on Scarborough Street meets
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Fe as general freight and passenger
agent, in Amarillo, and it is under-
stood that he is to be connected with
the company out of Chicago, making
his headquarters there, later.

Mr. Brinker will remove his fam-
ily to Chicago this week. His new
duties in connection with the P. &
S. F., will require him to be in Chi-
cago much of the time until his new
duties in connection with the express
traffic of the Santa Fe System will
call him there permanently. Mr.
Brinker's successor at Amarillo has
not been announced.—Amarillo
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At Farmers' Union Meeting.
The District Convention of the
Farmers' Union for West Texas was
held last week at Wichita Falls. A
strong delegation attended from
Scurry county and they report an in-
teresting and profitable meeting.

The Scurry county representatives
were: C. B. White, F. I. Townsend, O.
L. Morrow, Pat Johnston, R. H. Byn-
um, George Hendryx, A. J. Horton, J.
R. Williamson, E. A. McMath and
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believe you need a dose of dangerous
calomel just remember that your
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bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone, which
is entirely vegetable and pleasant to
take and is a perfect substitute for
Calomel. It is guaranteed to start
your liver without stirring you up
inside and cannot salivate.

Don't take calomel! It makes you
sick the next day; it loses you a
day's work. Dodson's Liver Tone
straightens you right up and you
feel great. Give it to the children be-
cause it is perfectly harmless and
doesn't gripe. No. 10

A. A. Cumbie was here Saturday
from Polar and visited at the Signal
saletum.

Fresh shipment of Vitona just re-
ceived at the Signal office. 38tf

Miss Christine Morrow visited at
Hermleigh.

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preparing for row crops; it is now almost universally used for plowing for small grain crops
by listing and re-listing, leaving the ground in oval waves, which not only catches and holds
the moisture but prevents the loose soils of the West from blowing away.

The adjusting link on front end of beam is an important exclusive feature
on the No. 111, absolutely preventing the point
from running below the desired depth. The wheels
are provided with dust-proof boxes, an immense
help in the sandy loan lands of the West.

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of any of the row crops, besides can be equipped for both
corn and cotton. You will have to see this wonderful improve-
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This Lister has all the advantage of the No. 111 and in addition has rear wheels. This is desired in many
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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.

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FOR SALE—HighClass ribbons for Oliver and Remington typewriters at the Signal office. 35tf.

Mrs. Walker McMullan went to Fluvanna Wednesday.

J. A. Chandler of McGregor is visiting friends in Scurry county this week.

R. A. Lusk, one of our new citizens residing on E. A. Birdwell's farm was in town Tuesday.

Mr. J. A. Weems was here from Fluvanna Wednesday.

Horace Holley was here Wednesday from Ira.

Andrew Kemp was in from Hermleigh Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Connell were here Wednesday from their Borden county ranch.

J. S. Knight, an attorney of Knox City has been here attending Court.

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MORE MEN THAN WOMEN HAVE APPENDICITIS

Surgeons state men are slightly more subject to appendicitis than women. Snyder people should know that a few doses of simple buck-thorn bark, glycerine, etc as mixed in Adler-i-ka, often relieve or prevent appendicitis. This mixture removes such surprising foul matter that ONE SPOONFUL Relieves almost ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas. The INSTANT easy action of Adler-i-ka is surprising. The Grayum Drug Co.

Mrs. F. J. Grayum is expected to arrive home Saturday morning from Kingsville, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Hodges and children.

Nolan county voted last Tuesday on a proposition to issue \$100,000 in bonds to build a new court house. The proposition carried by a vote of 701 to 546. Every precinct in the county outside of Sweetwater gave a majority against. Even Roscoe's vote was 74 for and 160 against. Sweetwater voted 566 for and 35 against.

Mr. Bryan has been named as a delegate to the National Democratic Convention. He says he will oppose putting a nationwide prohibition plank in the platform.

W. P. Thompson and Pat Thompson of the Ira country paid the Signal a visit Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gentry and their baby daughter were in Snyder Wednesday.

For conditions of the system usually attributed to Impurity of the Blood—Try a bottle of Penslar Laxative Blood Alternative. Thompson Drug Co. 42

Snyder 4, Hermleigh 3.
The Snyder High School defeated Hermleigh High School last Saturday in a game of baseball. The features of the game was the pitching of Johnson for Snyder and batting of B. Grayum.

Penslar's Red Rose Talcum. At Thompson Drug Co. 42

Mrs. W. C. Fullilove and Mrs. Dr. Johnson took Mr. Fullilove to his ranch Wednesday and they said that returning they traveled 35 miles in an hour.

C. W. Morton of Route 1 returned Wednesday from Taylor county where he has been doing some carpenter work. He says that county is dry and people are having to haul water. He and Mrs. Morton will read the Signal from now on.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Gray and Mr. J. B. Cathron came in Wednesday to meet Mrs. Cathron on her arrival from East. They dined at the Manhattan and then returned to the Gray ranch at Durham.

J. B. Pickle and Joe, Jr. went to Roscoe Wednesday evening.

Judge J. H. Beall, E. M. Douthitt and T. Vard Woodruff of the Sweetwater bar attended court here this week.

Snyder people have responded nicely to Mayor Noble's request to clean up and the wagons are hauling away the trash and old rubbish.

Dr. Howell for Mayor.

Upon strong solicitation from many friends and voters of Snyder, I have consented to allow my name to be placed on the city election ticket on Tuesday, April 4 as a candidate for Mayor of Snyder. In submitting to the will of my friends I do so with a view of showing my appreciation of the confidence thus placed in me, and if elected to the honorable position, I assure you that I will do everything in my power to conduct the affairs of the office wholly in the interest of all the people, using my best judgment as to conservatism, consistent with these progressive times.

If, after careful consideration, you deem my preference as the man for the place, I assure you your vote and influence will be duly appreciated.

R. L. HOWELL.

Missionary Ladies Grateful

The Ladies of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary desire to thank the public for their liberal patronage Monday at the dinner.

There will be a regular meeting of the Auxiliary Monday April 3, all members are urged to attend.

Supt. of Publicity.

GINNING NOTICE

Please bring in your cotton that you wish to have ginned by close of Friday, April 7th for we intend to close for the season on that date.

FARMERS UNION GIN CO.

The son of Tax Assessor Joe Merritt got tangled up with his refractory team in town one day this week and was quite severely hurt.



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SNYDER, TEXAS

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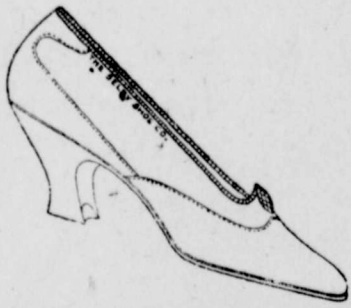
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10.00 a m		10.15 a m		Lv SNYDER Lv	4.00 p m		3.45 p m		
10.50 a m		11.20 a m		Ar Fluvanna Lv	1.45 p m		2.50 p m		

Read Down

Read Up

Schedule subject to change without notice.

FORT WORTH—North District Rally, Maccabees. Tickets on sale April 9th, final limit April 12th. One and one-third fare for round trip.

DALLAS—District Rally Maccabees. Tickets on sale April 6th, final limit April 9th. One and one-third fare for round trip.

DALLAS—Scottish Rite Reunion and Shrine Meeting. Tickets on sale April 9th, 10th, 13th and 14th, final limit April 15th. One and one-third fare for round trip.

DALLAS—Lumbermen's Association. Tickets on sale April 10th and 11th; final limit April 15th. Fare and one-third for round trip.

DALLAS—Texas Giners Association. Tickets on sale, April 19th and 20th, final limit, April 23. One and one-third fare for round trip.

DALLAS—Grand Commandry Knights Templar. Tickets on sale Apr 22 and 23. Limit Apr. 30. One and 1-3 fare for round trip.

HOUSTON—Texas Federation of Labor. Tickets on sale, April 23rd, final limit May 1st, One and one-third fare for round trip.

SAN ANTONIO—Fiesta San Jacinto. Tickets on sale April 24th to 28th inclusive; final limit April 30th. One and one-fifth fare for round trip. Tickets on sale April 26th only, final limit, April 29th, fare from Snyder, round trip \$9.05.

GEORGETOWN—Texas Volunteer Union for Foreign Missions. Tickets on sale April 20th, final limit April 25th. One and one-third fare for round trip.

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J. L. ROBINSON, Agent

Spring Dress Up Week

This store joins Hand-in-Hand enthusiastically with thousands of stores throughout the country to make this period from now to April 8th an eventful period for men, women, misses and boys. Coming as it does three weeks before Easter, a golden opportunity is presented for inspection, and an ample time for your decisions and selection. This idea "Dress-Up Week" is a wide-flung one and reaches from coast to coast. We wish to bring Snyder right in the midst of anything up-to-the-minute.

The women's department will be complete with suits, coats, skirts, waists, millinery and all necessary accessories for dress in all the season's newest modes.

Those who come only to inspect and pass judgment on display will be quite as welcome as those who come to buy, for courtesy and willingness go hand in hand.

Pretty Spring Hose

You not only find a beautiful assortment of fancy colors for the grown-ups, but also for the child and little tots. These fancy colors, as the staples black and white, are very popular because of splendid finish and wearing qualities.

women's pure silk Gordon Hose, high-spliced heel, double toe and sole, with 6 inch lisle top-out sizes, black and white \$1.00
 women's pure silk Gordon Hose, high spliced heel, double toe and sole, with 4 inch lisle top, black and white \$1.00
 women's Gordon Fiber silk with reinforced toe and heel, double sole with lisle top in black and white 50c

Many attractive new Blouses will be shown Monday at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.00.

NEW SPRING LACES

With every piece of material should be some kind of trimming, which we have a wonderful assortment of. Lace netting, edging and embroidery from the narrowest to the most desired wide widths. Our val laces are in the most dainty patterns suitable for the infants wear, in all widths and in the two leading shades of cream on white. Don't fail to trim that beautiful white dress on some of this attractive trimming.

LADIES' HIGH BOOTS

After securing your supply of everything from coat suit, dress, headwear, underwear, and hose you are not completely dressed up until you are fitted in a pair of our high white buck boots, for street wear, or one of our dressy, snappy style of pumps for afternoon wear. You will be conscious of the fact that there is something lacking about your attire when you join the dress-up parade if you fail to purchase one of the above mentioned articles.

Our 9 inch lace boot made of white washable buck, with hand turned sole, Louis heel. The pair \$5.00

Men's Footwear

To complete the dress-up affair we want to call special attention to our men's display of footwear. We are showing a complete line of all the very newest leathers in the most wanted English lasts.

We call special attention to our white Ivory sole, kid upper English last, in black and tan, at \$6.00

Also ones with buck top Russian and black vamp, low heels, English last, at \$6.00

Townsend Oldham's oxfords, tan, kid and calf, at \$5.00

Trunks, grips and Suit Cases

Await your needs. Ready to show you the very choicest trunks from the very best manufacturers, down to the lowest priced good trunks and bags.

If its Ladies' apparel, we have it. Men's clothing--don't hesitate to study whether it could be found in Snyder? We always carry the latest up-to-the-minute merchandise. We want every man, woman and child to get the Dress-Up-Spirit.

TOWNSEND-OLDHAM & COMPANY

"EVERYTHING" and Clothing

A. E. Matthews Dead.

Mr. A. E. Matthews, aged 34 years, a brother of Mr. E. E. Matthews of Snyder died here Monday night after a long illness. He came here several months ago from Terrell and was sadly afflicted with lung trouble. He has had comfortable quarters in a tent and has had every possible attention. He was a prominent and successful commercial traveler for a long time with headquarters at Terrell and had friends in all parts of the state.

Te body was prepared for shipment Wednesday by Undertaker Stokes and was taken Wednesday evening to Georgetown for a long time with headquarters at Terrell and had friends in all parts of the state.

JUST RECEIVED A CAR OF RED FENCE. WILKIRSON LUMBER CO. 40

Lon Graham fished all night and didn't catch anything. He says because of no high water there are no fish in the creek. See what Mr. Lane says about it. If he fails to catch any, then Lon must surely be right.



Buy Good COAL

Maybe you can beat our price a little other places, but what do you get? You do not get the best, and in the end you lose.

CHANDLER-CANON Is Our Stand-by

See our Windmill man, also let Ed Darby do your Smithing and Shoeing.

Baze & Son PHONE 262

ADMINISTRATION SEES EFFECT OF MEDDLESOME TREACHERY

President Wilson and his Cabinet have been worried no little over the exciting and false newspaper reports being sent in from the Mexican border. The news from the punitive expedition is being censored as rigidly as possible and it seems that reporters are giving ear to ten thousand idle rumors and are writing them up as facts. They know the people are keen to read about the trouble and they are feeding that morbid desire to surfeit. The consequences are that the public nerves are on edge and people are dreading the probable outcome of the disturbance.

Authorities in Washington have come to believe that interested influences are being exerted to force the United States to declare war.

It is known that there are American interests in Mexico that have suffered by the Mexican turmoil and they feel that if the United States government were back of them they could redeem their lost fortunes, and they would be willing to see a sacrifice of American men and money to enrich themselves.

Senator Fall of New Mexico, now in El Paso grows vindictive in demanding of President Wilson the names of alleged traitors who are seeking to force intervention. In this, the Senator has laid aside reason in order to create a political issue.

The President and cabinet can see the effect of such traitorous influences and never know who are guilty. Men do not concoct such schemes in the open. They work under cover. Men high up in the Councils of the nation, use henchmen of lower order to foment the trouble, and then in pretended innocence appear stricken with dismay when the scheme is discovered.

Epworth League Program

April 2.

Topic—God wants every one saved.

Leader—P. M. Bowden

Song

Prayer.

Song

What every man desires.—J. Paterson.

The Most Wicked of Men may be saved—Miss Holder.

Salvation from the beginning to the end of life.—Mr. Robinson.

Song.

Song.

League Benediction.

The Signal and Dallas News \$1.75.

INTERSCHOLASTIC DEBATE AND COUNTY TRACK MEET

The Signal is advised that the interscholastic debate of Scurry county will take place at the High School auditorium tonight, under the direction of Prof. J. W. Leftwich, of Hermleigh. Following the debate, beginning Saturday morning there will be a county track meet and it is presumed these exercises will take

place at Wolfe's Park. No official program has been announced.

Prof. Black announced to High School pupils that the contestants would arrive here Friday and remain over Saturday, otherwise no publicity has been given the program and at press time the Signal could obtain nothing official, other than as stated in the foregoing.

The Signal and Dallas News \$1.75.

Meeting of Aid Society.

The Baptist Ladies Aid and Mission Society met in regular meeting Monday afternoon. We had a splendid crowd with several visitors present.

This being the time for the Bible lesson. Dr. Fry of Abilene, gave a lecture on the first part of the book of Acts. It was a joy to be in the meeting and hear him. We regret that his time was limited.

Next Monday is business meeting. Come and bring some one with you who is not a member of the society. —REPORTER.

J. G. Flowers of Wichita Falls will come in Sunday to visit in the home of J. J. Hunter and family.

Mrs. M. S. Doss of Seminole is visiting with the family of Mr. S. C. Porter.



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This contest is open to any man, woman or child who is not connected, directly or indirectly, with the Film Company or the newspapers publishing the continued story. No literary ability is necessary to qualify as a contestant.

You are advised to see the continued photo play in the theaters where it will be shown—to read the story as it runs every week, and then send in your suggestion. Contestants must confine their contributions for the sequel to 1,000 words or less. It is the idea that is wanted.

SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

A feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley, over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, found in a fallen meteor by an ancestor. Also, the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American. When a daughter is born to the colonel and the mother dies the colonel buys a gypsy boy and substitutes him. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the girl, Esther, reared in secret, and leaves her son undetected as the heir. The gypsy has obtained possession of the diamond from the sky, and a document with the Stanley secret. Years later Hagar, gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with Esther. Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's friend, adopts Esther. Arthur Stanley, son of Hagar, falls in love with Esther, and so does his companion and cousin, Blair Stanley, rightful male heir of Stanley. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor and tries later to put the blame on Arthur, who takes the gem. Arthur Stanley eludes his pursuers and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. At a ball, at which an adventurer, Vivian Marston, wears the borrowed gem, Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, steals the diamond, and to avoid detection drops it into a mail box. Arthur leaves Richmond and goes to the west. The diamond passes into a mail bag, picked up by Quabba, organ grinder. Quabba's monkey steals the diamond. Hagar takes Esther to Stanley hall.

Tom Blake, a detective of Richmond, who is hired by Hagar, produces finger prints convicting Blair. Hagar produces silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Hagar's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the finger prints, leaving the gypsy queen demented. Marmaduke Smythe, lawyer, arrives to announce Arthur is heir to the deceased Earl of Stanley. Learning Arthur is a fugitive he seeks Blair instead. To win Vivian, Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Their train is robbed, Vivian losing the diamond, which a slain train robber drops in the desert. The \$10,000 he stole is found by Arthur, now known as John Powell, sheep herder. Vivian deserts Blair, telling him he must regain the diamond for her. Luke Lovell, driven from the camp after learning Hagar's secret, leaves to seek Blair. Hagar is under treatment and Esther is in Richmond society. Abe Bloom, gambler, knows Blair's guilt and covets the diamond. He calls it the price of his secrecy.

The diamond is later picked up by an Indian woman, Dr. Lee, Arthur learns, died of heart disease. Becoming very rich he buys Stanley hall, sold at auction, through Blake, and also provides for Hagar and Esther. Luke Lovell buys the diamond from the squaw, but loses it in a fight on Santa Barbara bay, the gem sinking. Vivian, desiring aid to ensnare Arthur, sends for Blair.

Esther and Quabba, also Blair, go to the California mines to seek Arthur. Smythe is sent west by Blake. Vivian Marston is saved from drowning by Powell, who is infatuated by her. Smythe finds the diamond and gives it to Esther to deliver to Arthur. Blair and Luke go to the yacht in Arthur's absence and find Esther there.

Esther and Quabba escape while Blair and Luke battle. Blair in the meantime has joined Vivian in Los Angeles. Durand, "king of diamonds," a crook known to Vivian, goes to a saloon near the mines in hope that he can learn the whereabouts of the diamond. There he meets Luke Lovell. Esther and Arthur appear on the scene. The diamond is lost in a melee. Esther saves Arthur, who is injured, and he goes to Los Angeles in care of the physician-crook, Durand. Esther follows and is refused admittance to see him. In the meantime Smythe has hid the diamond in a tree. It is later found by two bill posters, one of whom murders the other for the diamond. Arthur is "doped" by Durand, De Vaux and Vivian, although Blair, who has taken charge of Arthur's business affairs, protests.

CHAPTER XLII.

The Working of the Conspiracy.

EVER before him in the darkness the contorted face of a dead man and ever jangling in his breast the crystal and metal trumpany that cost his comrade's life! A cold sweat was on the forehead of Williams, the billposter, as he saw these things and felt these things and ever brutally lashed the wretched horse over the rough and stony mountain road in the stifling darkness.

Once he did this just as the front wheels struck a stump or boulder. The rickety wheel crashed, the wagon went over, and the man was flung out head first on the road. With the collapse of the wheel the flickering lantern jolted out and the glass broke and tinkled in the road as the wagon toppled over, and the frenzied horse, relieved of his dragging burden, sprang with a flash of renewed strength and galloped off until, entangled in the sundered harness, it tripped and fell heavily and lay heaving and helpless on the mountain road.

Then, cursing the deed he had done and the trumpany he had done it for,

Williams, the billposter, roused himself and wiped the blood that ran into his eyes from a deep cut in his forehead, held a handkerchief to the aching wound and limped off into the night, but still holding fast to the diamond from the sky.

Marmaduke Smythe also fled from the burning fallen tree and the dead man beneath it and ran, forgetting his own fears and misery at the haunting memory of this phantom of the night. The moon came from behind a cloud and dimly revealed the gray roof and dull white walls of the ranch house by the bee yard. Toward it Smythe ran wildly, and, reaching its door, he hammered furiously with both fists and, forgetting the stolid composure of a lifetime, screamed loudly he knew not what.

The rancher, roused, came down to the door in answer to the clamoring summons in the night. Behind him



The Wagon Went Over and the Man Was Flung Out.

his frightened wife, holding high a lamp. Frayed and tattered, more like a tramp than a prim man of the law, the half hysterical Englishman told his broken story of a dead man lying beneath a burning tree, and then, as though he would put the horrid occurrence behind him, the strange messenger turned and fled again. And yet for all his fright and all his panic the Englishman had clung instinctively to the deer head that had been his impedi- ment, beloved and cherished, since the sale at Stanley hall. How long ago that was, whether days or weeks or months, Marmaduke Smythe could not have told.

"It was all a horrid nightmare," he afterward would say. "America is all right for the Americans," he would add, "but it is deucedly weird, wild and murderous for a British subject to retain any desire to sojourn there. Had it not been my bounden duty as legal representative of the earls of Stanley to find the American heir I would never have visited or loitered in such utterly impossible wildernesses and crude communities, I heartily assure you."

But the worst of Marmaduke Smythe's hardships in darkest Ameri-



Mr. Powell Could See No One, She Was Told.

ca were over. By dawn he reached a distant ranch and encountered a the whiskered farmer driving to the nearest town. Smythe and his precious deer head rode twenty miles in more or less comfort and arrived, dusty, tattered and torn, at a fair sized city. At the straggling outskirts he plucked up courage again and then when they drove up a business street the sign "King George Hotel" above a somewhat middle class hostelry to have a high standing a name made Smythe clench the old rancher hastily by the arm.

"If you will stop here I will alight thank you," he said. The farmer stopped his horse at the curb. Smythe paid him and thanked

him again and crossed the sidewalk, carrying his deer head trophy, also dusty and travel marked. The day clerk, loitering at the doorway, smiled at the eccentric looking figure before him.

"I have been lost in the wilderness and suffered untold hardships for a fortnight," stammered Smythe. "Could I secure a room and bath?"

"Sure!" said the matter of fact hotel clerk. "You can have two rooms and two baths if you pay for them."

Marmaduke Smythe took off his hat, pressed it in a reverential manner to his breast, gazed at the sign at the doorway of the hotel and cried fervently, "God save the king!"

Then a dizziness overcame him, his eyes closed, and he swooned back stiffly on his heels. Hogan, the head porter, passing by with his hand truck, deftly followed the quick gesture of the clerk and ran the truck under the heels of the swooning Smythe as he fell stiffly back, still holding, however, to the deer head with a strong, tenacious grip.

This was Lawyer Marmaduke Smythe, out of the wilderness at last, delivered safely to a room and "bath," while the day clerk signed the register for him as "Lord Saveus, London, England."

Meanwhile in Los Angeles Esther resolutely stayed on, determined to see Arthur, despite the efforts she knew were being made by those who surrounded the injured man to prevent it. She did not trust to Vivian's promise that she should see Arthur when he was conscious or recovered. Day by day she called at the Powell mansion, as Arthur's beautiful residence was known, and day by day she received word from the impassive faced manservant that Mr. Powell could see no one.

Then one day she was coldly told that Mr. Powell had been taken early that morning to a sanitarium and that his condition was critical, so far as the results of his mental injuries were concerned, but that physically he had improved.

This statement was true only in so far that it was the desire of Durand and Vivian to have Arthur removed from the city. But, weak willed as he was under the drug addiction, Arthur was stubborn and set against leaving Los Angeles. He hardly dared mention the name of Esther or ask



The Conspiracy Was Revolting to Blair.

questions concerning her, for since his physical and mental weakness had been augmented by the drugs which he used, as he thought, in secret, the whole effort of Durand, De Vaux, Vivian and even Blair had been to convince him that his recollections of having seen Esther were but the manifestations of periodic insanity, caused by his injuries.

And so the soul stranglers had achieved their dreadful purpose. Between their concentrated suggestion and the use of drugs Arthur had become convinced that his obsession regarding Esther was a manifestation of madness, and he grew terrified at the thought of it and endeavored to keep Esther from his mind.

"How is Arthur?" asked Blair upon one of the few occasions they were alone. "I mean, how is he really?" Blair added, "for I don't believe a word that cursed Durand says in his smug fake doctor phraseology."

"Arthur grows stronger bodily every day," said Vivian, "but his dope taking makes him a mental weakling. He whines continually, and sometimes he cries like a little child. This is when he thinks of Esther."

Bad as Blair was there was something in his blood that made such a slow working, soul wrecking conspiracy revolting to him. He sprang from his seat, his face working convulsively with rage.

"I'll have no more of this!" he cried. "Whether Arthur Stanley is the actual heir to the Stanley earldom in England and the diamond from the sky, or whether he is a gypsy changeling, as Luke Lovell hints, I do not care. I have hated him since boyhood, and I hate him now! He stands in my way but he always fought fair. This way of dragging his manhood out of him with drugs is not mine!"

CHAPTER XLII.

In the Lion's Clutch.

"YOU'RE a nice one to talk!" said Vivian to Blair. "I suppose you hate this job?" And with an expressive gesture she indicated the luxurious private offices of the Good Hope Oil company the headquarters of John Powell's oil mining and other industrial ventures which Blair Stanley, as a relative and a supposed business associate and interested capitalist from the east, had taken full charge of.

Blair winced. The shot had gone home. If Arthur Stanley, as "John Powell," recovered in body and health if he shook off the shackles of mor-



Vivian Threw Her Arms Around Him.

phine and rid himself of the harpies who surrounded him, it would mean the end of the power and authority that had become sweet to Blair.

Vivian laughed as she noted Blair's changed expression. "You see," she said, "you may hate Durand and you may despise De Vaux; but, after all, it was a good thing for you that Durand was present when Arthur was injured and saved his life and brought him back. Durand has played fair with you and put you in the saddle here. So it was lucky for you that he and De Vaux came to find the diamond."

At these words Blair burst into a rage. "They shall never have that!" he cried fiercely. "The Powell millions, made in oil or mines, are just as any other dirty money to me. But the diamond from the sky belongs to the Stanleys alone. It came from no human hand, but fell from the stars in a molten meteor, born of a miracle to our adventurer ancestor. If a hundred lives stand in my way the diamond shall never be the vulgar swag of thieves, cut up to be made marketable and hawked through the jewel marts of the world."

Vivian threw her arms around him. "Blair," she cried, "they must never have the diamond! I would suffer myself to be cut to bits rather than it should meet a shameful fate like that!"

And these two looked into each other's eyes and understood and trusted each other fully, for they both remembered the night of the Randolph ball—the first time in a generation the diamond from the sky had blazed upon the breast of a fair woman, and that woman was Vivian Marston! In many things they could and would be the accomplices of the suave Durand, the king of diamonds, and the rest of "the pack," but the diamond from the sky was the Stanley heritage, and, base as Blair was, his honor, rooted in dishonor, stood. He would have died a thousand deaths ere the diamond should be partitioned and debased, and yet he would have clasped it with a kiss, whole and priceless, around the neck of the woman he loved. That was the Stanley way.

"The big blowoff" of Stanley's stupendous circus, as its proprietor would say, was undoubtedly La Belle, the Lady of Lions. Splinters, the clown, was a big hit too. But La Belle's act with the fierce great Nubian lion Lancelot was the "blowoff." It was the last act on the bill and sent the crowds away thrilled and satisfied. Of herself, La Belle was new to the show this season, and Splinters was her husband. She was bold and handsome, and Splinters, the clown, was tormented with many a bitter pang of jealousy through her coquettishness—to mildly describe it.

Sam Santley, proprietor of Santley's stupendous circus, was what was known as a working boss. Through devious ways—luck at gambling and by the exercise of sharp practices—he had gained his way from card shark to ownership of a show that bore his name. Santley personally supervised his own show from big top to cook tent. He acted as ringmaster and announcer when the star acts were on.

When Sam Santley published his call for show people in the amusement journals there was one line that always was in the advertising. This line read: "Boozers and chasers do not write. You will not last a minute." Translated from circus jargon this Delphic utterance meant that drunkards and male flirts need not endeavor to join with Santley's circus. The reason of this was that Sam Santley attended to all these matters of Bacchus and Venus himself.

He sold beer to the "graffers" and "kinkers" and "razorbacks"—that is, the sure thing gamblers and pickpockets, graffers, the acrobats and riders, kinkers, and the canvas men and other employees, razorbacks.

But when there was hard drinking to be done with that show Sam Santley did it himself and got murderously

and then suddenly drunk, only to be up more or less red eyed and trembling and yet alert and on the job when the big tops went up on the lot the following morning. And as for the ladies—the "Jones" he called them—Mr. Santley also monopolized the fair. Woe to any of his circus people who transgressed the bounds of strict morality with his show! But with himself it was another matter, and Sam Santley looked with longing eyes on La Belle the Lady of Lions.

The show had reached Los Angeles playing up through Lower California and the Texas border. Business looked good, and Sam Santley himself walked from the performers' entrance of the big top highly pleased with himself and the world in general. In the performers' entrance La Belle, the Lady of Lions, had given him a smile. Splinters, the clown, had seen it, and his face had contorted in jealous hatred under his bismuth makeup. Then Sam Santley had strode to the "privilege" tent, where his advertising men and the followers of the circus generally met for social converse when "on the lot." When the performance was going on in the big tent there was a lull for the grinders, door talkers and shillabars, not to mention the plate board cane and doll rack men and other purveyors of amusement out of and in the side shows. This lull was taken advantage of by dropping into the "privilege" tent for bottled beer and perhaps a brisk "pass" or two at craps. All these things paid Sam Santley. He sold the bottled beer at a profit, and no temporary game of craps was so short but what the official "pass picker" swept in Mr. Santley's percentage.

At the entrance of the "privilege" tent Sam Santley, in his ringmaster's costume, is accosted by a grimy, shambling, shaking man in a stained and tattered suit of paste marked overalls.

"What's the matter with you? Get out of the way!" growls Santley.

The creature before him moistens his lips and mutters:

"I am Williams, boss—Jack Williams. I was out with the bill posting outfit, don't you remember?"

"Why aren't you out with it now?" snarls Santley. "Got drunk, I suppose, and quit the job cold, and now you're here with a hangover panhandling. Get off the lot before you're kicked off. As for any money, you don't get a jenny. Beat it!"

"But listen, boss. I wasn't drunk; I didn't quit. I walked 100 miles like a crazy man. A tree fell on the wagon in the woods way back in the interior and killed Ben Burk and the horse and smashed the wagon."

"Come in and tell me," interrupted Santley, for the loss of a horse and bill posting wagon was something to worry about. That Burk had been killed did not matter much. Bill posters cost nothing. It is different with horses and wagons.

Then, seeing Williams was shaking as with ague, Santley ordered a drink of whisky from his private stock for him. Williams gulped it down and told his story as best suited him. But he said no word regarding the trumpany that had perhaps been the real cause of the death of Burk the billposter and the loss of the horse and wagon.

A game of craps attracted Santley's attention after he had made a mental calculation that after all the horse was a foundered old bit of crow bait and



The Crowning Hit Was La Belle, the Lady of Lions.

the wagon a rickety affair that could be replaced at slight cost.

"A hundred dollars at the outside is the loss," thought Santley to himself.

He always had been lucky at dice. The cynical idea occurred to him that he might here in a brief moment recoup this loss. He drew a roll of bills from his pocket, tossed a \$100 note on the crap table and growled, "Why shoot for chicken feed?"

Ragged, unkempt, without a dollar in his pocket and realizing Santley would absolve himself from any wages that might be due him, owing to the loss of the horse and wagon, the miserable billposter eyed the hundred dollar banknote hungrily. Instinctively his hand searched his clothes, and fate- instinctively and as if drawn by fate the wretched man brought forth the diamond from the sky.

Santley eyed the chain and locked

curiously. He thought how it would adorn the fair throat of the coquettish La Belle, the Lady of Lions.

"I shoot a hundred bucks against the junk!" he growled and tossed the dice to Williams.

The necklace with the great diamond clattered to the table. Williams seized the dice with trembling hand and rolled them along the table top. "Come seven!" he gasped and snapped the thumb and finger of the casting hand.

The dice rolled, paused, spun, rocked and settled. Two aces were uppermost. A losing first throw!

Santley chuckled, swept the stakes up in his hairy paw and laughed hoarsely at the chalky faced, trembling wretch who had lost the guerdon that he had reached up from the knees of murder for—the diamond from the sky!

That night it blazed upon the breast of a false woman. That night Splinters, the clown, crept in the cage of Lancelot, the lion, and whispered into his ears the secret, and the lion nodded as though he understood.

The next day Quabba learned through a fellow countryman, the gardener at the Powell mansion, that John Powell



Mr. John Powell Was Taken to the Circus.

had not been taken to a sanitarium to convalesce. In fact, Quabba learned that physically Mr. John Powell had so far recovered that at the doctor's order he could now be taken out, and in order to divert him his friends were to take him to the circus that afternoon.

Esther received the information late and had arrived and entered the arena when the performance was well under way. At the end of the aisle, near where she sat, and at the edge of the hippodrome track was the private box containing Arthur, Blair, Vivian, Durand and De Vaux. All eyes were turned upon the arena, where Santley was announcing the thrilling and sensational act to follow: "La Belle, the Lady of Lions, and Lancelot, the superb untamed Nubian king of beasts."

Esther crept slowly down by the box to speak to Arthur when suddenly all in that box roke to their feet with a gasp of astonishment, for there on the breast of the woman in the lion's cage, gleaming and dazzling in a shaft of sunlight, blazed the diamond from the sky.

Then a loud cry of horror rose, and the vast audience heaved as a wave heaves, for the lion had sprung at the woman ere her smirk could change to a look of fear and had struck her down and with his cruel claws rent her fair bosom and tore away the gleaming jewel there.

Santley shrieked and sprang forward, and just then the clown, Splinters, standing behind him, drew a pistol from his pierrot garb and shot the man through the back.

The lion's paw drew away, bearing the diamond with it to the cage edge, and a hand reached for it. And then the crowd surged out in panic, screaming in horror, and Arthur and Esther were torn from each other by the human wave.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Couldn't Be Flattered.

"Oh, go way! I don't want any insurance. Don't try to jolly me—I can't be affected by flattery. I'm not that kind of a man. Why?"

"That's just what I thought," interposed the agent. "The minute I found your name on my list I decided to call on you at once. It is sickening to have to keep calling on men who expect you to jolly them and praise them and flatter them all during a business conversation. It isn't done by any business house in the regular course of business, so why should it be done by agents? My dear Mr. Grouch, we need such men as you. We need them greatly and always. I have flattered until my mind is a storehouse of endearing adjectives and pet names, and I tell you I'm tired of it. I could tell at a glance that you were far beyond such crude methods. No man who has achieved the position you have and attained the honors of the top rung of the ladder purely through his intelligence cares for any of that stuff. It's one of the high lights in my life to meet such a man—and to find that I don't have to use the puerile methods of my trade on him. I thank you, sir, from the bottom of my heart. Yes, sir, sign on the dotted line. Thank you, sir. Good day."—New York Post

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SOUTH RESENTS ASSAULT ON MEMORY OF SOUTH'S LEADERS

Cyclone Davis is a citizen of Texas. He is a political fire brand. He has at various times in his life gone about under different political flags. He has in past years been a vigorous prohibition orator and because of that he has held the respect and half hearted confidence of lots of good people who have believed that a prohibition cloak was a cover for other political sins.

For a number of years he went about over the country as a populist orator and with his characteristic force and vigor he fought the democratic party over all the ground. When he found that the populist party had nothing to give him, he bolted over to the Democratic party, took a place up in the "Amen corner" and became one of the chief priests in the democratic synagogue. Then he wanted the democrats of Texas to send him to Congress and they did. Just because Cyclone had been working for prohibition, the prohibitionists of Texas thought he deserved honors.

Southern democrats sent him to Congress—men whose fathers went through a long and bloody war in defense of Southern rights and Southern honor—voted to send Cyclone Davis to the Congress of the United States. He is there now, with his same old brazen disregard for the sacredness of a Southerner that obsessed him in his palmy days when he abused, maligned and vilified the political doctrines of the fathers of democracy and fought the party that was striving to preserve the individual independence of American people.

Not content to uphold the policies and traditions of the party that has honored him, he assumes the sensational role of an iconoclast and huris an insult into the face of every Confederate Veteran, every lover of the memories of the Confederate cause.

Some weeks ago he had printed into the Congressional Record one of his impassioned speeches in which he took pains to assault the memory of certain leaders of the Confederacy.

The reported utterance as quoted in an article by Upshur Vincent is: "When W. L. Yancy, Robert Toombs, Jeff Davis and others met to extend slavery by the annexation of Mexico and Cuba as slave country south of Mason and Dixon's line and later to secede from the Union to have their special privilege to appropriate the labor of slaves as legal, they never had a more damnable design on American liberty than that bunch."

"When the slave masters met they, with complacent aristocratic minds, covered their sordid knavish designs under the sweet and sacred terms of states' rights."

It is but natural that Southern people should resent such a tirade of abuse. Sterling Price Camp at Dallas has started out to condemn the assault and it is said old Confederate soldiers everywhere feel the same about it. Some of the Southern members of Congress have felt the insult and a move was set on foot last week to have the utterances expunged from the Congressional Record and it was done by a big majority.

WITH OUR EXCHANGES

Tourists to Corpus Christi will henceforth be compelled to carry a little phial in their hand baggage, as old Nueces county has gone dry.—Austin American.

Falling of such preparedness, the Rotary Club may prove a boon.

Bruce Autry and Morris Jones will represent the Big Springs High School in the debate with the Sweetwater debating team at the Christian church in this city tonight. An admission of ten cents will be charged to help defray the expense of bringing the Sweetwater debaters to this city.—Big Springs Herald.

Bruce had already made a fine reputation in oratory before he moved from Snyder.

Uncle Sam should have offered a reward of \$250,000, dead or alive, for the head of Villa. Then some of his noble compatriots would have betrayed their chieftain and been enriched by the loot.—Fort Worth Record.

Why didn't you suggest it sooner?

To remove the water of the Pacific ocean it would require the filling of a tank a mile wide, a mile deep and a mile long every day for 440 years.—Abilene Reporter.

A job that would hold our unemployed gentlemen longer than it took the kid to calculate it.

The best time to catch a bad man is when he is in sight. To wait a week and let Villa get deep into the

heart of Mexico—well, we will neither catch him nor scare him, but we will have given the other branch of the Mexicans a chance to dig their trenches and get ready to oppose us. There seems to be very little protection for the people who live on the Mexican border. It will do no good to move the border this way further, for the opposition will follow it. A well drilled and loyal army on that front is what we have needed all the time.—Stamford Leader.

Impatience and rashness have spoiled many good plans. The United States had to go slow until everything was ready. Chasing a criminal on foreign soil is different from running him down from one county to another.

Speaker Champ Clark is Kentucky born but Missouri bred. He says that President Wilson 'bred the world by the tail.' The Washington Herald is right in its demand that the speaker should be more explicit.—Ft. Worth Record.

A tail hold is good enough, as long as it doesn't slip.

At a cost of \$35,000 per day Uncle Sam is chasing Francisco Villa. If he had let former Governor Colquitt alone, Texas rangers would have kept Mexican bandits away from their border for nothing.—El Paso Times.

Uncle Sam had soldiers at Columbus, but they were asleep. Probably Colquitt would have used the sleepless brand.

CULBERSON SUPPORTS JUDGE BRANDEIS.

Senator Culberson announces that he will vote to confirm Judge Louis D. Brandeis appointment to the Supreme bench. Culberson is chairman of the Judiciary committee and has always sought to preserve the dignity and purity of the Courts.

His announced attitude will probably go far to decide other senators. The big interests have made a merciless fight on Brandeis, but they have proved nothing derogatory to his ability and character. The very things they charge against him prove his eminent fitness for the position. He is a man who loves justice and would decide against a friend as readily as a stranger if he finds his friend in the wrong and retainer fees cut no figure in his discharge of duty.

Texas has been doing more in recent years than ever before to provide against fires and fire losses and there were more big fires in the State last week than probably ever before in the same length of time.

Cotton linters sold last season at three fourths of a cent a pound and this season at 7 1/2 cents. The manufacture of explosives caused the advance.

Secretary Daniels of the United States Navy department has called down the enemy of armor plate manufacturers because he has put all government shops to work and is producing plate at just a little more than half as much as the contract manufacturers have been selling it to the government. Another thing he has done. He found that clerks in adjoining offices were piling up stacks of correspondence concerning just any sort of trivial transaction and that very little real work was being done. Now when one clerk has a little business transaction with another he just steps into an adjoining office and calls for what he wants. This plan has cut out about 90 per cent of red tape foolishness and fewer clerks can do the work. Of course the brotherhood of clerks will kick, but the country will applaud.

The Dallas News of Monday said Carranza troops had Villa surrounded on three sides and American forces were approaching his lair from the other side. The only chance for him to get out was through the Sierra mountains to the north and all passes there were guarded. Then came the Star-Telegram Tuesday saying Carranza troops had whipped a Villa squad and the leader had fled north. Then we waited to hear that he had been captured in the mountains and we are still waiting next day.

A Galveston press reporter says that numbers of Mexicans of different factions are going back to their old homes and he predicts that in case of blood drawn by American soldiers from any Mexicans will precipitate a combined resentment from all Mexican factions. In that event the United States would have to accept war.

Mayor Lea of El Paso is reported to join Senator Falls of New Mexico in resenting President Wilson's charge that false reports are being published from the border, but just about the same time the City of El Paso passed an ordinance imposing a fine of \$25 to \$200 on reporters who send out false reports of conditions there.

So long as the candidate or the people pay the expenses of primary election it is not the province of the State to interfere, but if the state proposes to say how these elections shall be conducted it becomes a state matter and the state should pay the bills.

There ought to be a general pruning at State and County Offices and at Washington of the official vine and cut off a lot of useless branches. It is said that there are numbers of clerks in Washington who never do anything but draw their salaries.

LITTLE SIGNALS

Clean-up day was observed in Snyder Mayor Noble is "there with the goods" and will turn the city over to his successor fresh as a June apple.

Tomorrow is the Interscholastic debate. Take an interest in these affairs.

The court house lawn has put on a coat of green.

Coming—The Methodist Revival, April 2nd.

Coming—the band stand, right away.

Coming—The Glee Club, April 16.

Since the small grain acreage will be short and there is such a demand for feed stuff, it has been suggested that planters use as much land as possible for forage crops and not give too much to cotton which at this time seems so tempting to do. Think about it, Mr. Farmer.

The Band Stand is coming up—Director Anderson advises that the Snyder Concert Band is willing to furnish music if they can have a place to play. There is nearly enough money on hand. Let's finish the job.

Chamber of Commerce Meeting Friday afternoon, Apr 7 at 5 o'clock. New officers and a Board of Governors are to be elected. Let there be a full attendance and every fellow do his part.

When it rains, use the split log drag—the roads are getting rather rough.

Editor Martin of the Foard County News is in Washington on Business. Now what on earth can an editor do in Washington?—Knox City Journal. Martin can tell the Senators about the big pumpkins and squashes grown in Foard County.

President Wilson and his cabinet have been forced to believe that certain American influences are striving to precipitate a general war between the United States and Mexico and they are determined to forestall such a calamity if possible.

Americans along the Mexican border are uneasy. They have almost no confidence in Mexican promises. They don't believe the Carranza forces are trying to catch Villa.

Mexican leaders want to get to Villa before the American troops do. Then the American soldiers will come out and leave it up to Carranza to do the rest.

PYRON MURDER CASE DISMISSED

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in that the state cannot prove that the deceased was ever with defendants during his lifetime or was ever with them or either of them at any time preceeding the discovery of the body of deceased at the place where it was found; The State cannot at this time, nor has it ever been able to do so, prove that the defendants, or either of them, had in their possession the instrument or means which was used to inflict the wound that produced the death of the deceased; that the State never has been in possession of any clothing or garments identified as having been worn by either of the accused at the time the homicide was committed; neither of the defendants have made confession admitting their guilt of either of the accused in this case.

(4) With one or more of the affirmative facts lacking in evidence as set out in the 3rd paragraph herein, the circumstances are wholly insufficient and incomplete to warrant a conviction of the defendants or either of them, however guilty they may be of the crime charged to them, and it would be a waste of time and money to proceed further with said case at this time.

(5) If the defendants are guilty as charged in the indictment and should be tried now upon insufficient testimony and should be acquitted, under the law, which would be the result of this case if tried at this time, said acquittal would forever bar a prosecution of said defendants, or either of them should further investigation disclose sufficient evidence to convict.

Wherefore, in order that the State shall never lose its right to prosecute whoever may be guilty of said crime when sufficient evidence may be obtained to warrant such prosecution, this motion is filed to dismiss this cause from the docket of this court at this time.

—District Attorney—

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Rev. J. M. Perry of Midland was the guest this week of Mr. J. L. Robinson and family.

J. V. Swint of north Snyder is reported critically ill with pneumonia.

S. A. Sutton of Ellis county was the guest this week of J. J. Harris.

The Latest Styles

in Coat Suits

We have just received a big Shipment of Coat Suits and these are the very latest styles among these are the Palmer, Iris and other well known garments that need no introduction to you as the quality is the best and the styles are chick, smart and refined. These are garments that you will appreciate and at a price far less than inferior makes. Come in and let us show you them. Remember that we sell a New and Better Grade Hose for less Money.

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WHITE PLYMOUTH EGGS—Thorough bred white plymouth eggs \$1.50 per setting of 15. Mrs. J. H. Birdwell, Route 1, Snyder, Texas. 43p

FOR SALE—One Duroc Jersey Boar 4 months old, Pedigree furnished, also some nice sow pigs 2 1/2 months old. Phone or write Dwight Monroe. 42

COMING soon to Hermleigh, Texas and Maxwell Hotel at Snyder, warranted pure Honey from Stahmann & Co's Apiary, Clint, Texas. Gathered from Mesquite and other blossoms. 60 lb can extracted 9 cents a pound; 60 lb can comb 12c a pound. 42tf

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TURKEY EGGS—The real Bourbon Reds. \$2.75 or 10. \$5.25 for 20. Mrs. D. F. Ware, Fluvanna, Texas. 45p

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boile at Altus, Okla., was burned last Saturday and their two children perished.

M. K. & T. cotton sheds, a large rooming house, a warehouse and 48 freight cars were burned at Houston last Sunday.

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FOR SALE—Registered Duroc Jersey Boar, 18 months old, will weigh 300 pounds. Price \$25.00. D. M. Roberts, Fluvanna, Texas. 43p

FOR SALE House and lot close in. See P. E. Davenport at Snyder Fruit Company. 45

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LOST OR STOLEN—From my car, a roll of tools. Return to J. W. Hendryx, carrier No. 5 and receive reward. 42

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WANTED—One of the largest magazine publishing houses desires to employ an active man or woman in this community to handle a special plan which has proven unusually profitable. Good opening for right party. Address with two references, Publisher, Box 155, Times Sq. Sta. New York City. 43.

Miss Maggie Ramsey's school at County Line near Wastella closes this week.

We have a nice assortment of Iron beds that we are going to sell. Some one will get some bargains. A. P. Morris. 35tf.

The Country Club house at San Antonio burned at 3 o'clock last Sunday morning and six persons perished.

Special Sale on Iron beds, there has never been such prices made in Snyder before. A. P. Morris. 35tf.

Mrs. F. L. Hutcheson attended the declamation contest Saturday night at Roscoe.

Mrs. W. C. Vick of Dermott is spending a month in Snyder under the treatment of a physician.

Selectd Articles of Interest to Farmers

(Compiled by O. P. T.)

DIVERSIFICATION OF CROPS BEST FOR THE FARMER

R. R. Claridge, Agricultural Agent Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. Fort Worth, Texas.

Probably no one in Texas is so non-progressive as to contend that diversified farming, as against the one-crop system, is not only better for the farmers individually and collectively but as well for varied industry. Indeed, examination of farming conditions in all countries and in all sections, invariably discloses the fact that the people thereof are intelligent and prosperous in about the ratio that crop diversification is practiced. Therefore, the question in Texas does not seem to be so much as to whether diversification is good for the farmer and everybody else, but rather as to how our Texas farmers may best be aided and encouraged, morally and materially, by our business interests.

A Safer System

Diversification is safer because in case of failure of one crop, there are chances for success with others; whereas, depending upon a single cash crop, as for example, cotton or wheat, the farmer in case of failure of that crop is out of business for the time being and along with him, all interests depending upon him.

On the other hand if he grows several market crops, maturing at different seasons he not only has that many for chances for income, but the returns come oftener than where he depends upon a single crop for cash returns. Reminds that in a few sections of Texas this season, where the boll weevil caused serious damage, the situation was saved by other crops. For instance, in one Central West Texas town where the weevil made almost a clean up of the cotton crop, the peanut crop, low as was the price, "saved the country." In this same town, by the way \$7,000,000 cash was paid out in one day for "goobers" alone.

A Soil Building System

A single crop system is a soil skinning system because it does not permit of a crop rotation, or the keeping of sufficient live stock, both of which are prime requisites of soil conservation, the latter growing into money while the farmer sleeps. In short, the world over, diversification

and soil improvement are always found in double harness, working for the farmer.

However, those who have given close consideration to the advantages of variety in crops, and the adaptability of the different sections of our State to their production, do not naturally anticipate that each farmer should attempt to grow all the crops promising a profit in his section, as each farmer must of necessity be governed by the size of his farm, the character of his soil, his working force and other things which affect him individually. But, within the limit of his possibilities, he should vary his crops enough to make his business safe, and permit, at the same time to keep up the fertility of his soil.

Co-Operation Among Farmers

I am led to believe that farming communities are coming, slowly though it be, to realize that under prevailing conditions, they must study and practice co-operation for their mutual good. Profitable marketing for instance, is impossible without co-operation. Growing individually, less than car lots, they cannot even load cars without co-operation. A case came to my attention the past season where a community lost the sale of ten to fifteen cars of watermelons, because they seemed unable somehow to get down to "team work" in loading.

Organized into close-working co-operative associations, the farmers may do many things collectively which are impossible for them to do alone. The various agencies—The United States Department of Agriculture; the A. & M. College, the State Department of Agriculture, the Commercial bodies, the Railroads and last but by no means least, The Press seeking to aid the farmers in working into better methods and better living on the farms, find their greatest handicap in lack of organization among the farmers.

DIVERSIFICATION FROM A BANKER'S STANDPOINT

W. P. Andrews, Cashier First National Bank, Fort Worth, Texas:

We generally hear the old expression that "Competition is the Life of Trade" but why have we never heard that competition without Co-operation is the Death of Trade? Did you ever see a business whose success was not due to the co-operation of its employees; did you ever see a bank that had grown to be a power of finance without the co-operation of its officers and directors; did you ever see a town that stood for anything without the co-operation of its people, both in a business and social way? So it is with the community or the State. For prosperity and advancement there must be co-operation of its people, that is, its farmers, merchants and bankers. There must be competition abroad, but co-operation at home—competition with other states and co-operation in our own state means diversification.

You might ask why this is true and I would say because the one crop plan is the competitive idea, each producer being in competition with the other producer in his own community and State and only raising one staple product which will more than compete with other states, but still at the same time spending all the profits of this product in purchasing the necessary food products from a foreign territory. The result of this must necessarily mean high prices in food products to our people and low price of our own staple product, while on the other hand the diversification plan is the co-operative plan.

By this plan we would raise enough food products for our own consumption and one or more staple articles for competition. We co-operate with ourselves in saving by raising our own food products and we compete with other communities in our staple products. The diversification plan plan therefore naturally means the economical plan; the economical plan is always the best financial standard.

Altogether the banker looks with more favor upon the credit of a man who is diversifying his crops than he does upon one who is planting only one crop. Considering the failure of seasons, the diversifier will have more resources for taking care of his credit and his obligations, while if the one crop man makes a complete failure he still has himself to feed.

Among the people who are studying farm economics of the world, is a man of broad knowledge and experience who told me that he had never yet found a country that had only raised one raw product entirely that had ever showed very much advancement. He referred me to such countries as the Brazilian Coffee and

Texas Christian University GLEE CLUB

Under Direction of Prof. Cahoon

Will give a concert at the

Christian Church

Under Auspices of Ladie's Aid

Thursday, April 6, at 8 O'clock

ADMISSION: Adult 35c, Children 15c

The Glee Club is one of the best in Texas and the Snyder public will have a rare treat in listening to their musical selections. There are nineteen in the company.

Eld. J. P. Nall preached at Fluvanna last Sunday.

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8 per cent money, on good land on long time. We are fully ready for loans again. Ask our clients all over this territory who have been borrowing from us for years and years about our liberal terms and then see or write us for details. Quick work with us on loans.

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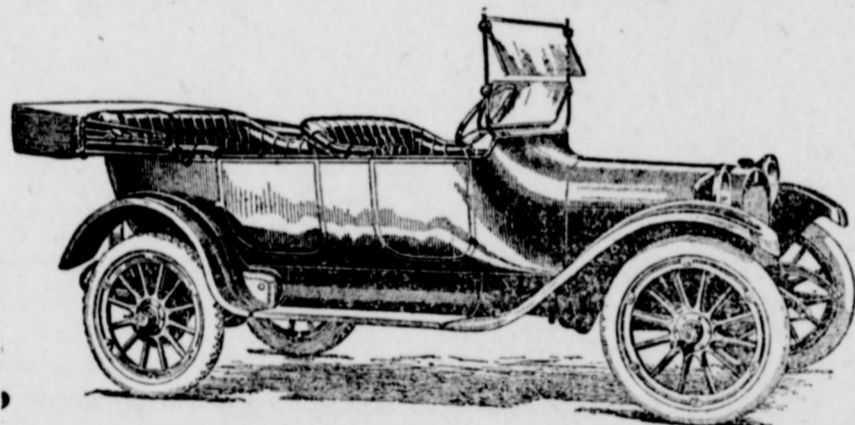


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We know it's hard for a man to make up his mind just where to buy a suit and one that will please him—But—why meditate—when you can put it up to us to select the suit that will fit you, and one you'll look best in.

We're the ones to worry about pleasing you—but we're not worried, and if you knew what a dandy stock of New Spring Suits we have here, you wouldn't wonder at our confidence. The new two button sack makes an ideal business suit. Lots of men make it a point to select their suits just as soon as they learn our stocks are complete—and there are lots of reasons for doing this, too—we'll tell you of them if you say so. Prices begin at \$6.00 and rise by easy stages to \$30.00

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and will keep these cars in stock and all parts and accessories for this make of car.

We especially invite the owners and users of the Dodge Car to make our Garage your headquarters, assuring you that we will render you the best service within our power.

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We have on hand a few used Cars that we will place at exceptional bargains for quick sale.

Again inviting the users of Dodge Cars to make The Snyder Garage YOUR GARAGE, we are yours for efficient service.

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PROMINENT CITIZEN TESTIFIES FOR VITONA

The following expression, from a prominent Scurry County man, fully explains itself:
Hermleigh, Tex., Oct. 18, 1915.
Eld. M. M. Melton:
Dear Sir:
I write this to let you know that I have been greatly benefited by the use of VITONA and can recommend it as being all that you claim for it. I am 86 years old and feel better than I have felt for several years.
Respectfully,
N. M. LESLIE.
23-4t. Vitona can be had at the Signal office or address P. O. Box P., Snyder, Tex.

GUY E. CASEY FOR DISTRICT CLERK

The Signal is authorized this week to state that Mr. Guy E. Casey, of Ira is a candidate for the office of District Clerk of Scurry County, subject to the votes of the democrats of this county in the July primaries.
Mr. Casey is a young man of pleasing personality and unimpeachable character. He has lived in Scurry county for the greater part of his life and is in every way fully identified with the interests of the County. For several years he has engaged in school teaching and is recognized as an educator of ability. He is now a strong member of the school faculty at Ira, and as in other communities heretofore, he is doing energetic, conscientious work and giving his patrons satisfaction.
He is a man of good practical education, gained by years of work and study and is well qualified to discharge the duties of the office to which he aspires. He is sound and true as a democrat and submits his candidacy to the voters to pass upon.
He is offering for office on his personal merits and asks an honest, earnest investigation of his character and qualifications.
If elected he will give the office his best efforts and will at all times be found ready to extend to the people every courtesy within his power. Consider his claims when you go to vote.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

A. W. Howell and wife to J. Q. Borren, 60 acres out of Section 29, blk. 3, H. & G. N. \$1100.

P. J. Ingle and wife to Miss Lizzie Watkins, lots 2 and 3 in block 6, Grayum & Nelson Heights addition, \$250.

C. W. Cecil and wife to R. L. Ball northeast quarter of Section 170 in block 97, H. & T. C. \$4,000.

Special Announcement.

This is to advise the people of Snyder and surrounding country, that while I carry a full and complete line of staple and fancy groceries, I am the only grocery store that gives Free Mileage coupons on all cash purchases. This is a new plan of profit snaring nature, which has proven a great success all over the United States, and it will be to your interest to call and get the details of the proposition.
Thanking you for liberal patronage in the past and soliciting a continuance of same, I am yours truly,
J. W. TEMPLETON.
37.

A tornado of considerable force spread out over north Texas Friday night and good rains fell over north and Central Texas, extending as far west as Cisco, Brownwood and Coleman.

REMOVAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Owing to the closing of the business of the Hunter Mercantile Company, I desire to announce to the public that I have moved my millinery establishment to the A. D. Dodson store on the East side of the square, where a cordial invitation is extended to the ladies to call and inspect my well selected designs in the latest creations in headwear.
Thanking you for liberal patronage already accorded me and soliciting a continuance of same, I am
Yours very truly,
42 MRS. VIRGINIA THORNTON

Miss Una Parsons who is attending Simmons College in Abilene came home last Friday, accompanied by a friend, Miss Lindley, to visit the home folks. They returned to Abilene Sunday afternoon.

Complete line of high-grade Commencement Program samples on exhibit at the Signal office. The Hardy & Chambless printing department is equipped to handle school orders for Engraved Programs, Invitations and cards, or we can print them to please you. See us before placing your order.
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Mr. T. B. Favor of the Fluvanna country has been here this week attending court and paid the Signal a friendly visit. He says wheat in his neighborhood is still looking good. Some fields are about to begin to joint and is being pastured back.

FREE

With \$1.00 or more of goods bought for cash or account settled amounting to \$1.00 or more will give free Gold Fish and Globe, Monday, March 27th.
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Scurry County farmers have their land in fine fix for planting.

COUNTY SEAT ELECTION PLANNING FOR KENT

The people over in the east part of Kent county are about to pull off an election to move the county seat of Kent from Clairmont to Jayton. Jayton and Girard are both good towns and both are in the east part of the County and on the railroad. The country over there is pretty thickly settled and unless Clairmont and Polar bestir themselves they are in danger of suffering the fate of Buffalo Gap, when the railroad drew the county seat of Taylor County from there to Abilene. Jayton and Girard had a mass meeting at Girard last week and started the ball rolling good and strong and the people there are pulling together to move the county seat.

The Scholastic Census

Miss Maud Pryor was selected by the Board of Trustees of the Snyder Schools to take the census. She has been all over the territory of the District and has enrolled 758 pupils so far. There may be a few who have been missed. If so, the parents will do the schools a favor and their children justice, if they will see to it that they are enrolled. This is a very important matter as the schools get the state apportionment on all pupils enrolled. We kindly ask all persons to make inquiry as to this matter at once and report to Miss Pryor before the first day of April since the census must be completed in this month.

If it is more convenient parents may give me the enrollment as I have some blanks for that purpose.
Respectfully,
E. A. WATSON,
Superintendent.

Rev. W. E. Caperton and family complain (?) that they were the victims of a merciless pounding on Saturday evening. Mesdames Mauzey and Hall with Walter Davis drove up to the home in Walters' delivery car and without a moment's warning began to unload groceries, flour, meal, lard, bacon, sugar, and all manner of canned goods, etc. too numerous to mention. The Woman's Missionary Society, we understand was behind the move.—Sweetwater Journal.

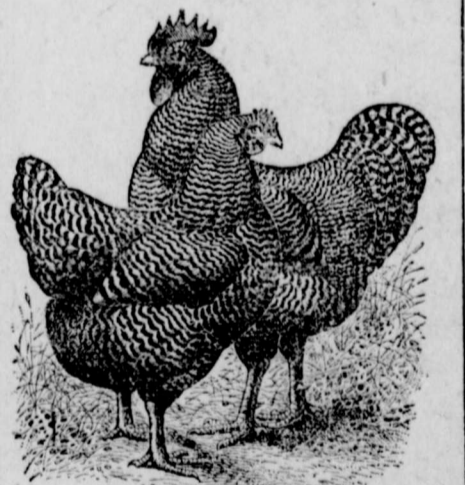
Typewriter Announcement.

Just received the latest Model No. 9, Oliver Typewriter, for which we are sole agents in Snyder. This type writer will be of great assistance to business farmers as well as mercantile men. Ask for a demonstration. You will then be permitted to take the machine for a limited trial, and we make a specialty of installment sales. Just think 17c per day will put one of them in your home.
Scurry County Abstract Co.
27t Basement Court House, Snyder, Texas.

Primary Act is Void.

The Presidential Primary Act of the Thirty-Third legislature was held unconstitutional and unenforceable Wednesday by the State Supreme Court in an unanimous opinion written by Chief Justice Nelson Phillips.

Remember the Guaranteed Forever Electric Flat Iron the Electric Light Company is giving free with each house wired from March 15th to April 15th inclusive. Price for wiring \$1.50 per light. Have Electric Lights.
40



BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK Eggs For Sale

Packed and shipped, per setting \$1.00
Delivered in Snyder, per setting .75
At residence per setting .50

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Snyder, Texas

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Benn Pitman, Founder,
Jerome B. Howard, President.

When you come to Sweetwater, Texas, drive your car in the National Highway Garage. On the west side of the square, near the hotels. No charges to tourists and visitors for day storage. Do not leave your car in the hot sun, it will ruin the varnish and upholstery on your car. You are welcome to make our place home, while in Sweetwater. We have free air and water on the side walk. We carry a fine line of accessories and tires. Our readers are especially invited to call on them when in Sweetwater.
42t

Rev. W. F. Fry of Abilene preached last Sunday at the Baptist church. He spent Monday in the City and paid the Signal a fraternal call. Bro. Fry was for a while editor of the Baptist Evangel.

SOCIETY PRINTING, MONOGRAM stationery, wedding invitations, club year books and other classes of printing that requires typographical ability. The Signal.

M. T. Wright of the State of Colorado was meeting old friends here Saturday.

J. R. Burditt and George Flint left Sunday for Haskell county after a bunch of horses.

MUSIC STORE

Popular songs, teaching pieces instruction books and everything in the string instrument line.

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for the Lyon & Healy Pianos; come and see the new model K at \$350.00 the best piano value in AMERICA.

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FOR BRONCHITIS, WHOOPING COUGH, CROUP, COUGHS AND COLDS

Make the Best Remedy at Home—128 Teaspoonsful for 50 cents.

If everything was sold in as liberal and fair a manner as the below named druggists are selling Schiffmann's New Concentrated Expectorant, absolutely no cause for complaint or dissatisfaction could possibly arise from anyone. These druggists say—"Buy a bottle of this remedy and try it for Bronchitis, Whooping Cough, Severe Cough, Croup or any Bronchial Affection, and we will return your money, just the same as we do with Schiffmann's famous Asthmador, if it does not give satisfaction, or if not found the best remedy ever used for any of these complaints." Why not take advantage of this guarantee and try this medicine, and get your money back, rather than buying another purely on the exaggerated claims of its manufacturer or on the strength of testimonials from others and run the chance of getting something worthless and also wasting your money?

In buying this remedy, besides securing an absolute guarantee of its efficiency from these druggists, you also get about eight times as much medicine as you would in buying most any of the old-fashioned, ready-made kinds, which average from 20 to 32 teaspoonsful, because 50c worth makes a whole pint (128 teaspoonsful) when mixed at home with simply one pint of sugar and one-half pint of water. This remedy positively does not contain chloroform, opium, morphine or any other narcotic. It is pleasant to take and children are fond of it. You will be the sole judge, and under this positive guarantee absolutely no risk is run in buying this remedy. Druggists everywhere are authorized to sell it under the same guarantee as Schiffmann's famous Asthmador of "Money Back" if not perfectly satisfactory. R. J. Schiffmann, Proprietor, Saint Paul, Minn. Guaranteed here by The Owl Drug Company.

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"The Car Ahead"

Forty H. P. \$950. Delivered
Four
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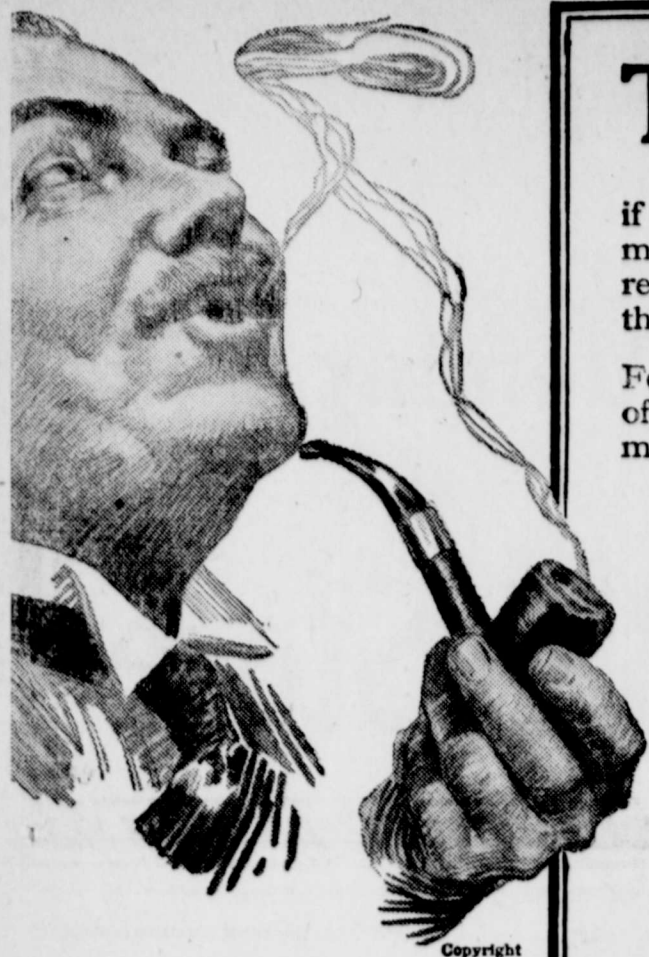
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The Farmers Union Gin Co., will gin Friday, April 7. Plenty of storage room in the cotton house should you wish to empty your wagon before that date.

Farmers Union Gin Co.



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if you want *personal* and *positive* information as to how delightful Prince Albert really is, smoked in a jimmy pipe or rolled into the best makin's cigarette you ever set-fire-to!

For, Prince Albert has a wonderful message of pipe-peace and makin's peace for every man. It will revolutionize your smoke ideas and ideals. The patented process fixes that—and cuts out bite and parch!

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is so friendly to your tongue and taste that it is mighty easy to get acquainted with. You'll like every pipeful or cigarette *better than the last* because it is so cool and fragrant and long-burning. You'll just sit back and ponder *why* you have kept away from such joy'us smokings for so long a time!

Men, we tell you Prince Albert is all we claim for it. You'll understand just how different our patented process makes Prince Albert quick as you smoke it!

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On the reverse side of this tidy red tin you will read: "Process Patented July 30th, 1907," which has made three men make pipes where one smoked before!

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

Management, Circulation, Etc., Required by the Act of Congress of August 24, 1912.

Of the Snyder Signal, published Weekly—Friday at Snyder, Texas for April, 1916.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Scurry, ss:

Before me, County Clerk of aforesaid county, personally appeared J. P. Chambless, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the publisher—manager of the Snyder Signal and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publishers, editor, managing editor, and business managers are:
Name of Publisher Hardy & Chambless, Snyder, Texas.
Editor, J. S. Hardy, Snyder, Texas.

Managing Editor J. P. Chambless, Snyder, Texas.

Business Manager, J. P. Chambless, Snyder, Texas.

2. That the owners are: (Give names and addresses of individual owners, or if a corporation, give its name and the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of the total amount of stock.)

J. S. Hardy, Snyder, Texas.

Olin F. Hardy, Snyder, Texas.

J. P. Chambless, Snyder, Texas.

Mrs. Malinda Tinker, Wichita Kan.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are: (If there are none, so state.)

Mergenthaler Linotype Co., New York City.

Malinda P. Tinker, Wichita Kans.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders, if any contain not only the list of stock holders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholders or security holders appear upon the books of the company

as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiants full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by him.

5. That the average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed, through the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the six months preceding the date shown above is 1772. This information is required from daily publications only.)

J. P. CHAMBLESS,
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of March, 1916.
W. T. SKINNER, County, Clerk.
By Charlotte Sturdivant, Deputy.

PLEASANT HILL

Herbert Garoute was seriously injured one night last week when his horse became frightened while he was returning from the carnival. He was thrown from the buggy and was trampled beneath the horses feet. He suffered severe wounds about the head and face. His older brother was also thrown from the buggy but was only slightly injured.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ellerd and daughter visited Prof. and Mrs. O. L. Howell of this community.

The play which the school children have been rehearsing will take place at the School house Friday night, March 31, they are promising every one a good entertainment.

Vern Merritt was badly injured a few days ago when he was thrown from a horse. His nose was broken and he received several other serious injuries.

Some of the people of this neighborhood have been putting in telephones this week.

Everybody enjoyed the party at Mr. Masseys'.

A number of young people visited the carnival last week.

Mrs. Tom Davis of Cottonwood visited Mrs. J. L. Lewallen this week.

BELL SCHOOL HOUSE

The Sunday School which has been quite recently organized is progressing nicely. There was a large attendance Sunday and we have great hopes for the future of this community.

Cecil Chorn who has been ill with pneumonia is said to be doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Chorn and Lee Tims returned from a visit to Fort Worth a few days ago.

Singing was at Mr. Jack Watson's Sunday night. There was a large crowd present.

There will be church at the school house Friday night before the second Sunday. The object is to raise money to buy an organ for the Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lewis visited Mrs. Lewis' mother, Mrs. Lillie Kimbrough of Ennis Creek this week. Mrs. Kimbrough has been very sick but is said to be improving.

Mr. B. E. Whitehead left for Fisher County, Saturday to visit his brother whose little girl is very sick.

CRADLE ROLL

Born, March 25 to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Holt at West Point, a girl.

Born, March 26 to Buck Ashburn and wife, at Hud, a girl.

Born, March 27 to J. H. Walker and wife at Polar, a boy.

Born in Snyder, March 28 to Wm. Baugh and wife, a boy.

Born, March 30 to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Huey, east of town, a girl.

Huddleston-Green

Rev. C. H. Kelly performed the marriage ceremony of Mr. Millard Huddleston to Miss Anna Lois Green Thursday, The happy couple reside on the McMullan farm north of Snyder.

A message from H. G. Towle says he will arrive home next Sunday.

Thompson Drug Company have constructed a nice screened-in booth for their prescription department.

L. L. Forrester, of Wilson, Texas, has been the guest this week of his son, W. L. Forrester, of the Grayum Drug Co.

Wanted.

10,000 pound of Hens, will pay 10c per pound. Snyder Produce Co.

Joe Church and family have moved from Hud to Snyder. They occupy the Hairston home in the east part of town.

Iron beds almost at wholesale cost at A. P. Morris'. 35tf.

R. Glasscock of Stephens county was here Wednesday enroute to New Mexico.

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Obtainable Right Here
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We Know Tires, And When
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The City Garage
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Snyder, Texas



OFFICIAL COTTON REPORT

Official report up to March 10, 1916.

United States—

1915 11,059,430

1914 15,905,840

Texas—

1915 3,065,287

1914 4,390,200

Scurry County—

1915 18,227

1914 29,902

Miss Mollie Ryan Flowers of Columbus, Ky will arrive Sunday to make an extended visit with the family of J. J. Hunter.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WHOSE PREMISES ARE SITUATED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE THAT ON AND AFTER THE FIRST DAY OF JULY, A. D., 1916 ALL SEWER CONNECTIONS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN PROPERLY MADE ON THE NEW FAUGHT AND SPRING STREETS EXTENSION, ALSO ON THE LINE RUNNING IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION FROM THE CENTER OF SNYDER OR ANY OTHER LOCALITY, PLACE OR PREMISES SHALL BE AMENABLE TO THE TERMS OF THIS ORDINANCE AND FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH SAME SHALL RENDER THEM LIABLE TO THE PROVISIONS HEREOF.

Sec. 1—That all lots, property and premises, within the limits of the City of Snyder, Texas, any part of which lying and being within one hundred and fifty feet of the sewer

line, composes the sanitary district of the City of Snyder.

Sec. 2.—It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, whatever to use or maintain, or permit to be used or maintained on any premises situated within the limits designated and prescribed in Sec. 1 of this ordinance, and owned, rented, leased or controlled by such person or persons, any privy, cesspool, water closet, urinal basin, slop sink, slop drain, bath tub or water waste drain from any laundry, livery stable, or any other receptacle whatsoever used or to be used for the purposes of receiving or removing sewerage matter, or slops of any kind, unless the same shall be connected with the system of sanitary sewerage, of the City of Snyder, Texas, after ninety days notice to such person or persons from the City that the sewer line is ready for service by being published in some newspaper in the City of Snyder.

Sec. 10—That every person who omits or refuses to comply with or resists or wilfully violates any of the foregoing provisions of this ordinance is hereby declared to be guilty of misdemeanor, and each day of any violation of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offense and on conviction shall be fined for each offense in any sum not to exceed twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication, this 8th day of December A. D. 1911.

MAC TAYLOR,
Mayor

Done at Snyder, Texas this 28th day of March, A. D., 1916.

E. J. ANDERSON,
In charge of the City Water and Sewer Departments.



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OVER THE
WHOLE FAMILY

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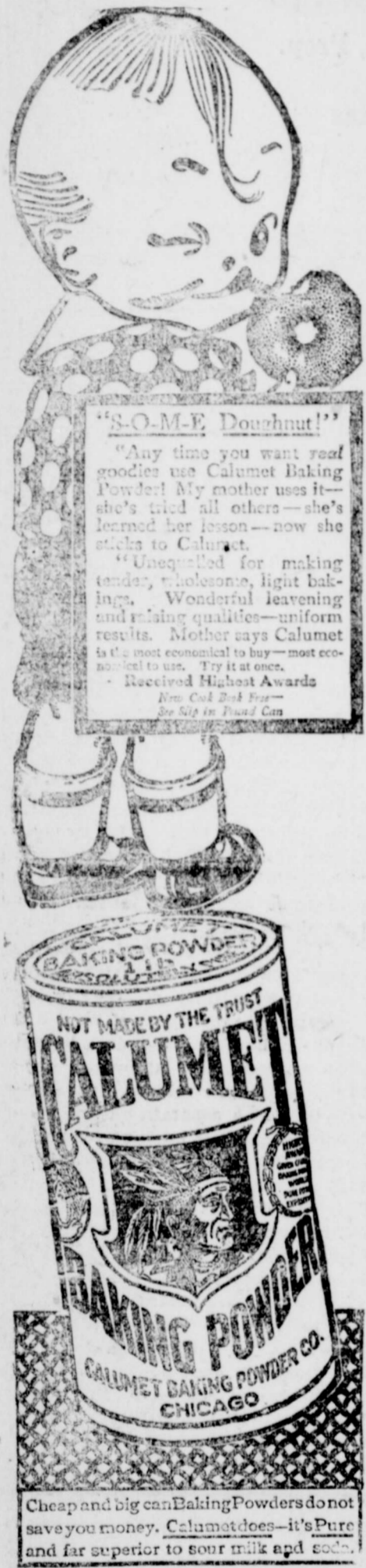
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Have just received a full shipment of the prettiest line of
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20 per cent Discount on all Blouses sold Monday.

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"S-O-M-E Doughnut!"
 "Any time you want real goodies use Calumet Baking Powder! My mother uses it—she's tried all others—she's learned her lesson—now she sticks to Calumet."
 "Unequaled for making tender, wholesome, light baking. Wonderful leavening and rising qualities—uniform results. Mother says Calumet is the most economical to buy—most economical to use. Try it at once."
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GLINTS OF SUNSHINE

List of New Subscribers and Renewals

- E. B. Smith, Ira,
- S. C. Porter, Route 5,
- G. B. Glover, Snyder
- C. T. Jones, Ira,
- Mrs. A. H. Griggs, Ira
- Joe Reep, Rotan
- J. F. Wilson, Dermott
- C. C. Marr, Ira,
- J. H. Williams, Meridian,
- Mage Montgomery, Aquilla,
- A. J. Ellerd, Route 5
- G. S. Conro, Snyder
- J. W. Card, Route 1,
- S. G. Tomlinson, Ira,
- W. H. Crowder, Ira
- C. B. White, Route 5
- G. W. Wemken, Hermleigh,
- G. A. Glen, Snyder,
- D. Z. Hess, Pyron,
- Rev. W. H. Hardman, Sweetwater,
- H. B. Miller, Dunn,
- Jim Ketner, Snyder,
- Mrs. Mary Mann, Colorado,
- Chas. Shoemaker, Jacksonville,
- J. D. Doak, Route 5,
- C. Nation, Snyder,
- H. C. Gill, Route 5,
- J. N. McDonald, Snyder,
- W. L. Rhoades, Ira,
- Mrs. Nettie Wilson, Snyder,
- J. M. Orr, Route 1,
- R. B. Smith, Polar,
- J. A. Smith, Snyder,
- W. J. Gideon, Mineral Wells,
- W. E. Sorrels, Ira
- Woodruff, Chastain & Woodruff, Sweetwater,
- A. L. Casey, O'Brien,
- G. M. Garner, Route 1,
- Geo. Wenninger, Snyder
- C. E. Eastman, Arah Route,
- T. N. Nunn, Snyder,
- L. A. Berry, Route 2,
- J. S. Hart, Route 3,
- B. F. Pryor, Snyder,
- A. E. Dozier, Dunn,
- E. E. Carlile, Route 1,
- J. Q. Richardson, New Mex.
- H. C. McCormick, Route 1,
- C. Morton, Route 1,
- Walter Gentry, Hermleigh,
- W. P. Thompson, Ira
- W. S. Bruton, Comanche,

An English ship was sunk the other day by a German torpedo and 24 Americans went down. Now, after all that has been said about Americans taking such risks, this country ought to pass it up without notice.

Editor Redman of the Hermleigh Enterprise was a business visitor in Snyder Monday.

MORE ELECTION LAW TROUBLE.

Since the Supreme Court has decided that the presidential preferential primary election is unconstitutional, the question has been raised by Chairman Paul Waples of the Democratic executive committee as to the status of the run-off primary for the United States Senator. The Courts hold in the presidential primary that the state shall not pay the expenses of such election and Mr. Waples has asked the Attorney General to say whether or not the expense of a second senatorial primary comes under the same rule. The democrats in State Convention declare for a majority nomination and the legislature enacted a law to that end, but possibly it must suffer the same fate of the presidential law.

With five or six Senatorial candidates in the field it is hardly probable that any one will get a majority of all the votes cast, and without a second vote as between the highest two, the majority law will be of no effect.

Mr. Waples has raised a pertinent question and it is expected the Attorney General will give his decision as early as possible, so the people may know what to do.



Excursion Rates

Sweetwater, Texas—Account Convention of Commercial Organizations, account Establishment of Second A. M. College, April 5th, 1916. Round trip tickets on sale April 4 and 5, 1916 at fare and one-third. Limited until April 7th, 1916.

Heford, Texas—Account Panhandle Ass'n I. O. O. F. April 12 and 13. Round trip tickets on sale April 11 and 12, good until April 15th at fare and one-third.

Dallas, Texas—Account Grand Commandry of Texas Annual Conclave, Knights Templar, April 23-28. Round trip tickets on sale April 22-23, good until April 30, 1916 at fare and one third.

Canyon, Texas—Account Dedication West Texas State Normal School, April 21-22. Round trip tickets on sale April 20-21, 1916, good until April 23 at one and one-third fare.

L. I. GARTON,
 March 23, 1916.

El Feliz Club.

Mrs. Weldon Coats made a charming hostess for the El Feliz Club Friday, March 24th.

After a short business session presided over by Mrs. Fritz R. Smith, several games of 42 were played, Mrs. Fred Clark winning high score.

A most delicious luncheon was served the club members and little Misses Ellen Buice Johnson and Vonceille Paxton.

Mrs. Towle will receive the club Friday April 7th at her home in West Snyder.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION NOTICE

The election of Snyder School Trustees will be held Saturday, (tomorrow) April 1, and all who desire names on the ticket are requested to file same with me by noon today, Friday, March 31.

A. JOHNSTON, Sec'y,
 Snyder School Board

GINNING NOTICE

Please bring in your cotton that you wish to have ginned by close of Friday, April 7th for we intend to close for the season on that date.

FARMERS UNION GIN CO.

County Court Jury List.

The April term of the County Court will begin in Snyder, April 11, 1916. Following is the list of the regularly drawn jurors for the term.

J. J. Anderson,
 D. C. Beebe,
 E. A. Birdwell,
 D. C. Arnett,
 Will Caffy,
 P. W. Cranfill,
 R. W. Cunningham,
 Wm. Hall,
 J. T. Kidd,
 J. P. Billingsley,
 John L. Andrews,
 W. A. Cliff,

Summer School Announcement

I herewith announce that I will open a summer school in Snyder beginning Monday, May 9th and continue until June 9, one month. All patrons who desire to take advantage of this term will please notify me at the earliest possible time. Tuition \$2.00. 42tf

Miss Lizzie L. Watkins

The Famous Jergen's Eutaska Toilet Goods. Thompson Drug Co. 42

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Rheumatism, Gout, Kidney and bladder Troubles, Indigestion, Catarrh, Piles, Eczema, Diabetis, inflamed Sore Eyes, Erysipelas, Flux, Constipation, Female Complaints, from childhood to old age, Fits, Nervous Troubles, or any diseases arising from impure or impoverished Blood and all Skin affections, try

Nature's Mineral Ore

If you are afflicted with any of the foregoing, send \$1.00 for a month's treatment and full instructions.

Address Postoffice Box P., Snyder, Texas

Money refunded if patient is not fully satisfied with results. See the mineral on exhibit in Snyder Signal Show Window.

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Machinery:

A Good Figure, Soft Hands, Good Looks and Time to Enjoy life.

Muscles:

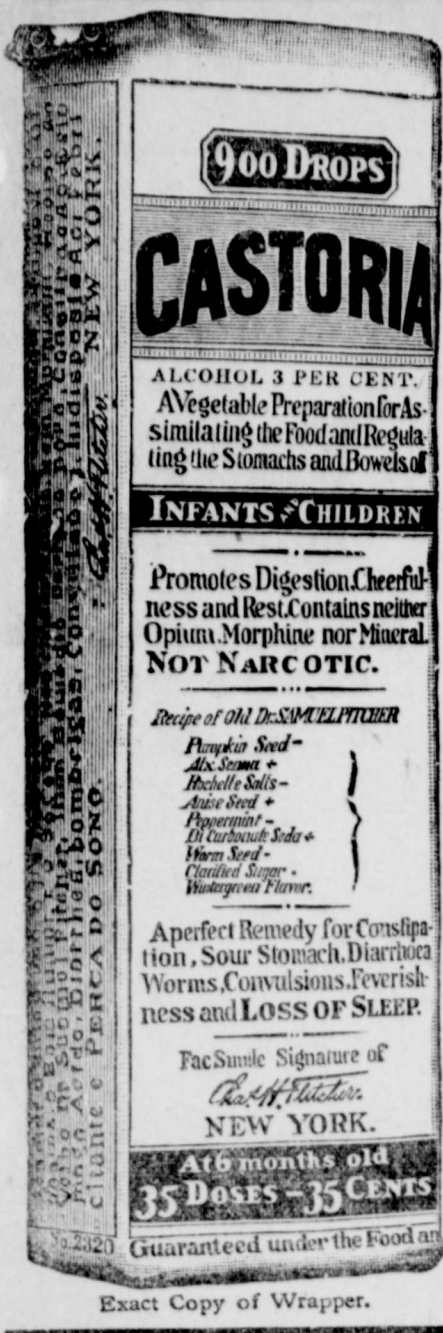
A Bent Back, Rough Hands, Wrinkles and Premature Old Age.

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? WHICH ?

The meanest man in the world is the man who can but will not in this age of labor saving machinery obtain for his wife that which will free her from the back-breaking, wrinkle-making wash board.

Our Cash plan is proving to be the most satisfactory system we have ever established and our customers are agreed that it is a money saving system. "The CASH Way is the MONEY SAVING Way."

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
Chas. H. Fletcher
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In Use For Over Thirty Years
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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

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Located in New Wilmett Row South of Post Office
Hand Made Cowboy Boots a Specialty
Best material used. Best skill employed. Repairing done properly and promptly
In New Location, South of Postoffice, Snyder, Texas

The Ladies are Invited to See
Our Showing of Millinery
for the Season.
Watch A. D. Dodson's Store Window for New Styles
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FORD
The Universal Car
Now Ready For Delivery
Come Get **YOURS**
MOLINE INSTRUMENTS
Sweet William, Dutchess, A1 and Double Dutchess.
PLANTERS
Dutch Tango Cultivators. Good Enough Gangs.
Drag Harrows and anything else in Farm Machinery can be had at
Joe Strayhorn's
Snyder, Texas
We have handled the Dutchess Planter for 12 years and have never had to order an extra.

CONGRESSMAN STEPHENS AND HIS PEOPLE.

Congressman John H. Stephens of Vernon has been in Congress for a long time. He has been considered a strong and honest man and his home town and county have in past years worked faithfully to keep him in Congress. But he seems now to be in bad with his home folks.

Mr. Stephens is opposed to President Wilson's preparedness policy and his constituents seem to be with the president. They seem to not specially censure their congressman for his conviction, although they want a congressman to be a true representative, but they do condemn any sort of a suggestion to palliate them and soothe them into agreement by a promise of special legislation. They resent any sort of an effort to trade or barter away their ideas on an important proposition.

Following a vote in Congress last week on a bill to increase the standing army, Mr. Stephens sent the following telegram to his home people: "Washington, D. C. 3:12 p. m. March 20, 1916.—C. S. McColloch, Vernon, Texas. The Hay anti preparedness bill passed by a vote of 183 to 193. Speaker Clark voted with us against the big army. We may now get an appropriation for our Vernon Federal Building, provided we can also vote down the big navy bill when it comes up.

"JOHN H. STEPHENS" A reply was prepared and signed by Vernon people and sent to Washington which said:

"Vernon, March 23, 1916.—Your message to McColloch received. Vernon people are not willing to barter their birthright for a mess of pottage in the form of a two by four postoffice. We favor preparedness along the lines indicated by the President. Champ Clark is not our representative. We expect you to perform that service and stand by President Wilson."

The Vernon Record—the leading newspaper in Willbarger county says: We repeat the message sent by Congressman Stephens was particularly unfortunate. Not only do we believe it was unfortunate for his own political interests, but the reference to the Federal building is resented by Vernon people as an incident of their patriotism. It was also unfortunate that the name of Speaker Clarke was mentioned in that connection. Neither the Federal building nor the high esteem in which Speaker Clarke is held by Vernon people was pertinent to the preparedness legislation. And the fact that these two side issues were mentioned, apparently, to reinforce Mr. Stephens' opposition to the preparedness legislation of the administration is taken as a proffered inducement for Vernon people to recant on the preparedness question. If they did not, one may easily infer from the message, there will be no Federal Building for Vernon, and the further calamity of being out of harmony on this question with the popular Speaker of the House of Representatives, whom Willbarger honored with her support for the presidential nomination in 1912.

Mr. Stephens may as well understand that the position of the people of Willbarger County on a question of National policy is not to be influenced or determined by the promise or refusal of a Federal building. The appropriation for it was made some three years ago, and we have had the assurance of our Congressman that actual construction would commence as soon as the over-worked force of Government architects could make the plans and specifications. But, now, after some three hundred citizens of Vernon called on Mr. Stephens to support the President's preparedness and foreign policies, it seems that there are some strings to the appropriation and these are to be severed only on the contingency that the President's Naval increase program is defeated!

Autos Made New.
I am prepared to refinish your automobile in a manner as to make it look brand new. I also make a specialty of repainting buggies, carriages, etc. as well as refinish pianos. If you have any delapidated vehicles or furniture of any kind, be sure and call on me. I will give estimates and can do the work on reasonable notice. Satisfaction guaranteed.
F. N. GRAVES,
3914 The Second Hand Man Snyder, Texas

The Signal learns that Rev. O. J. Hull has been elected to represent Simmons College in an inter-Collegiate oratorical and debating contest soon to be held at Abilene. The other contestant will be a representative from the Arkansas Baptist College at Texarkana.

Hall Brumley was here Saturday from Hermleigh. Capt. R. C. Herm was a business visitor in Snyder Saturday.

DERMOTT ITEMS.

Well the old cow she has crossed the road, why so, because she crossed the road sir.

We are having one of those old fashioned windy March days, it is a plumb good one too.

Us upland people sure do need some dampness so the vegetation and wheat might get a start, we farmers are getting kinder scared of a dry spell while the wheat is growing a little but shooting up with a small weakly stem.

Bro. Ellis preached one of those lovely sermons last Sunday which was thankfully received by those present.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Mepels, a girl.

Uncle Jep Brown and Mr. Greenfield and Mr. Tom Huffman made a run to Fort Worth to the Fat Stock Show last week. They reported lots of fat stuff of all kinds, both cattle and hogs and sheep included. They all came in all right.

The peach trees are in full bloom. There is a good chance for the crop to be caught by Mr. Jack Frost yet, but we hope not.

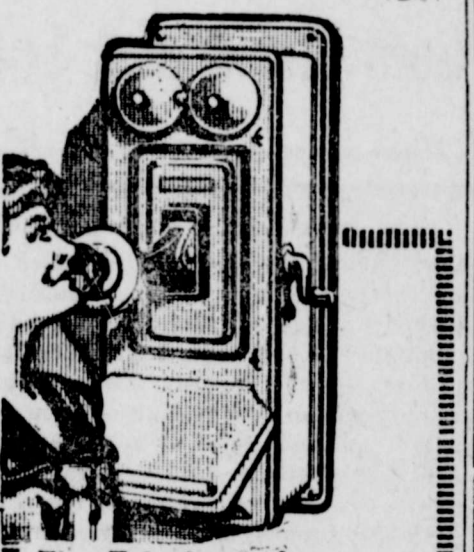
Willie Wilson came in from the west and says everything is flying there now.

I understand that he has struck water in his well. That is a mighty fine thing to have.

The people all along the road leading from Fluvanna to the Polar and Dermott road, east from Fluvanna are all moving their fences back. Just as soon as the road is finished we will have as good a road as we could wish for for about ten miles.

Claud McDermott came in from Utah the other day. He left his family there. He came in on business and will return as soon as he gets things in shape to leave.

Health is good as far as the scribe has any knowledge of and so luck to the Signal and her editors as we cant do without it. It is getting to be close up to the Dallas News. Those stories are good for us young people to read. Many good wishes.
—Star of the West.



The Telephone Joy of Farm Life.

Life on the farm is made pleasanter and more secure by Bell Telephone Service.

Pleasanter, because it brings messages of cheer and companionship from friends far away, more secure because it brings help immediately when there is need.

Write our nearest office for information.

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says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: "Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 35 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill.
I wish every suffering woman would give
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a trial. I still use Cardui when I feel a little bad, and it always does me good."
Headache, backache, side ache, nervousness, tired, worn-out feelings, etc., are sure signs of womanly trouble. Signs that you need Cardui, the woman's tonic. You cannot make a mistake in trying Cardui for your trouble. It has been helping weak, ailing women for more than fifty years.
Get a Bottle Today!

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas, in Bankruptcy, Abilene, Texas. In the matter of Jesse Franklin Wilson, Bankrupt, No. 494, in Bankruptcy.

Abilene, Texas, March 24, 1916. OFFICE OF REFEREE.

To the creditors of Jesse Franklin Wilson of Fluvanna, in the County of Scurry, and District aforesaid, a bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of March, A. D., 1916, the said Jesse Franklin Wilson was duly adjudged bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at my office in the city of Abilene, Taylor county, Texas, on the 8th day of April, A. D., 1916, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time

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the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
K. K. LEGETT, Referee in Bankruptcy.

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PUT ONLY 5 CENTS IN OUR BANK - INCREASE IT 5¢ WEEKLY; YOU WILL HAVE \$63.75 NEXT CHRISTMAS IF YOU JOIN OUR CHRISTMAS BANKING CLUB
YOU CAN ALSO BEGIN WITH 1 OR 2 CENTS THE FIRST WEEK OR 10 CENTS AND INCREASE YOUR DEPOSIT THE SAME AMOUNT EACH WEEK. YOU WILL THEN HAVE NEXT XMAS:
1-CENT CLUB PAYS \$ 12.75
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YOU WILL HAVE ALL THIS MONEY NEXT CHRISTMAS. COME IN—WE WILL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT. COME IN AND GET A CHRISTMAS BANKING CLUB BOOK FREE.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF SNYDER, TEXAS.

NOTICE.

I am exclusive agent, of Scurry County, for the Post Home Farms and Ranches now being sold in Garza County, and I would like for all LIVE agents to get in touch with me at once. This land is selling very fast and any GOOD LIVE WIRE can make some nice business very easy. We have sold over 200 of these farms and the people are on them. Come up and let us show you what we have. There never was a proposition in Western Texas like this and probably never will be another. We want good people on this land and to do this we must have good agents. For further particulars write or phone,

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We mean by this prompt, personal attention to your drug wants.

Next in order is quality. We will not sacrifice quality to price.

In other words we will not stock the goods bearing the label of the cheap manufacturer.

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Baker, Grayum & Anderson, Snyder, Texas.

Smith Brock, formerly of Hermleigh, but now residing at Lamesa, was attending court here this week. Brock served for a long time as a member of our commissioner's Court and he was a good one. We have just loaned him to Dawson county, and hope to get him back before long.

Bison school district had 44 scholars last year and has 72 this year. If all the districts in the county have increased at that rate, we'll have to build larger school houses.

Every town needs men of progressive thinking powers in the matter of city building.

G. N. Richardson was in Monday from Dunn. He still has town airs about him.

Back From El Paso.

Mr. B. F. Pryor returned Sunday from a stay of three weeks in El Paso and his health is greatly improved. He has come back to go vigorously into his campaign for Tax Collector and is in fine trim for running.

He says the people in El Paso are not panicky over the Mexican situation. Their only fear is that bandits may slip in and burn or dynamite the town. The people in the country and in the smaller towns are more uneasy because they are not so well protected.

Conditions are not as bad there as the press reports indicate. There are thousands of rumors that are discussed and passed up as idle and groundless. The Americans are not sure of the sincerity of the Mexican Commander at Juarez and there is not as much passing over the line as in former years.

Mr. J. Y. Bowen was here Monday from Pylon feeling as spry as a boy.

Fresh shipment of Vitona just received at the Signal office. 38tf

Worms in hogs are expensive to feed. Salvat will kill them. Grayum Drug Co. Guarantees it.

Mrs. A. T. Bridgeman is suffering with a severe attack of Eresipelas at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marvin Wood in Snyder.

Sears & Roebuck.

Have one live competitor in Snyder. Iron beds at almost wholesale cost. A. P. Morris. 35tf.

Esquire T. C. Stinson was in from his farm Monday. He appears to be enjoying private life after his many years of faithful service as a county commissioner. If the roads are not good now he can blame the other fellow.

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Baker, Grayum & Anderson, Snyder, Texas. 45

Mr. T. N. Nunn stopped a Signal man on the street Monday long enough to chuck a dollar into his palm.

At the First Baptist Church.
Rev. W. C. Taggart, of Stamford, Texas, will preach at the morning and evening hours at the First Baptist church.

Everybody is invited to worship with us.

Alto Vista is "The Pure Ice Cream."

The Snyder Hotel Building is being equipped with a new awning. This hotel has recently changed hands.

Notice

My book of accounts is at Grayum Drug Company. All patrons knowing themselves indebted to me will do me a great favor by calling there and settling as I will be away for awhile taking post graduate work.

A. O. SCARBOROUGH 42

Mrs. J. C. Sprague of Canadian, Texas, is the guest of her sisters, Misses Mary and Vera Heath.

Use Salvat for worms in your live stock. Grayum Drug Co. sells it. 45

Remember the school trustee election tomorrow.

The New Airdome.

Med C. Ellis, proprietor of the Opera House Picture Theatre is this week erecting his Airdome and will be ready to begin the summer season with a modern open air theatre.

The outside walls have been erected and work is going on with the stage.

The floor of the airdome has a natural incline and will add wonderfully to the view of the pictures.

Mr. Ellis is taking especial pains with the erection of the Airdome and has made a study of projection and is arranging his machines so that a perfect picture will result. Two modern picture machines will be installed and continuous program will be run.

The people of Snyder should be pleased with the new theatre and give Mr. Ellis your co-operation.

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Presbyterian Aid Society Meets.

The Presbyterian Aid and Missionary Society held its regular meeting Monday 4:00 p. m. with Mrs. S. T. Elza. Devotional exercises were led by the President.

This being the time for the annual election of officers the following were elected: Mrs. Mary B. Shell, President; Mrs. John Andrews, Vice President; Mrs. S. T. Elza, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Edgar F. Smith, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. R. Buchanan, Treasurer.

Mrs. Mary B. Shell was elected as Presbyterian delegate, Mrs. J. B. Kerr alternate. The Society has just completed their missionary Study Course and will take up a course in Bible study.

The Society meets on second and fourth Mondays in the homes of the different members, much interest is being shown and we are looking forward to great results from this year's work.

—REPORTER.

The Arcade has treated their store front to a new coat of paint.

Gilbert Champion arrived here from Slaton, Texas, Thursday and enrolled as a student in the Snyder Business College.

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DR. PRIGES' CREAM



BAKING POWDER

Made from cream of tartar derived from grapes.

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Guaranteed to stop dandruff, itching scalp, falling hair and "milk crust" on babies.

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J. E. Estes got tangled up with a motor cycle Wednesday in the street near the Maxwell hotel and his right foot was broken.

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

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We carry a complete line of Reach Official Base Ball Goods

A fine assortment of fancy box and plain correspondence stationery. The latest in initial linen finish and bond papers.

Thompson Drug Company
L. T. Stinson, Mgr. "A Better Drug Store"

H. G. Towle

Gold Filled and Solid Gold Pocket Knives

H. G. Towle

The office of county school Superintendent will come about automatically this year. Who wants the job?

Carl Hutcheson of Fluvanna returned Tuesday from Fort Worth. He says a big rain fell there and creeks were all up.

New members in the church and in the community appreciate being recognized by the older members and given something to do.

R. L. Cumbie one of Polar's substantial young citizens has moved to O'Donnell to reside.

The Dog Poisoning Campaign.

Up to the time of writing there has not been a day passed that has not seen demands for poisoned grain and the work is still going on. Over 1350 of the supply of 1400 ounces of strychnine have been distributed and if there is a demand another order will be secured. Twelve hundred ounces were disposed of at \$1.00 per ounce and the remaining 200 ounces were raised to \$1.10, but this addition was readily paid, it being so much less than the regular retail cost of strychnine.

What has the campaign meant to Scurry county? Here are a few figures:

578 bushels of grain poisoned; 910,000 holes poisoned; 15 holes to the acre; 60,666 acres, a conservative average of three dogs to the hole 2,730,000 dogs. Figure that six dogs eat and destroy enough grass and feed for one animal and you get the enormous herd of 455,000 head of stock being fed off the grass that will be saved as a result of the prairie dog campaign in Scurry county.

The County Commissioners advanced \$465.25 to pay for the first order of poison. They have received back \$365.25 and the other \$100 is held in the bank in case another order is decided on. The Commissioners action has meant the actual cash saving of \$700 to the farmers and land owners of the county on the purchase cost of the strychnine in addition to the saving of the grass that can scarcely be estimated, but which will not be less than \$100,000.

The cost of killing the dogs, poison and labor amount to about six cents per acre.

Have everybody killed their dogs? No yet. There seems to be some folks who are waiting to be forced by the law that becomes operative next year, when an official will be able to do the work and collect cost. Some seem to be determined to re-populate their neighbor's lands where the dogs have been killed. A case of an owner of a section of land, surrounded by thrifty farmers who have killed, have entreated the owner of that section to kill his dogs, but he is not ready yet; in other words he refuses to kill with the result that his dogs will go over into the lands and make the farmers to kill again next year. Is there a remedy? Each farmer around this section can by law collect \$2.50 per month, whilst the dogs are entering their lands. It will pay the owner of the section to kill his dogs now, rather than pay something like \$15 per month for a year or more.

There are a number of such cases, and it certainly reflects on the neighborhood spirit of any adjoining owner who has so little concern for his neighbors property as to cause it to be destroyed.

Mr. Pearn is in Snyder every day and is meeting the demand for poison

Everybody who are going to kill their dogs should at once send him their orders. In a few days the present supply will be exhausted and if there is sufficient demand another supply will be secured. It will be

well, however to communicate with Mr. Pearn at once so that he will know the intention of those who have not already acted. The coming of green grass makes no difference to the killing. The dogs

can be killed just as well in spring and summer as in winter.

—Contributed.

Mr. G. Kline an attorney of Haskell was here this week.



A Wired Home is within the reach of all

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