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SLATON SETTING ITSELF RIGHT BEFORE THE WORLD

It is a matter of common knowledge to all who live in Slaton, as well as to many who do not, that this fair little city has been having a trying time getting on the commercial maps. The town is only two and a half years of age, having come into existence since the last census. As everything commercially dates from the census Uncle Sam's maps of information and investment give very little real data on this enterprising youngster of a town except that it has a population of perhaps fifty hopeful souls. Some of this treating of our city so lightly and wrongfully has been prompted by design at the source of information, while perhaps most of it has been due to lack of information. Envious ones would keep Slaton away from the world which will soon come to recognize its advantages.

But the misrepresentations, coming from whatever source, are to cease. Live business men of Slaton, who have the best interests of the city at heart, have prepared a conservative statement of actual facts and figures about this town and country, the improvements here and those contemplated, the population, business houses, natural resources, etc. These affidavits will be sent to the Dun and Bradstreet commercial agencies, Santa Fe officials, publishing houses, and to others who ought to know the facts about Slaton.

It is well known to many that even railroad folders, maps, circulars, and literature printed about this city have represented us as having only fifty population. When prospective purchasers or homeseekers in the east look up Slaton in what is held out as reliable sources and consider the (to us) ludicrous statistics furnished by uninformed bureaus of information, they could conclude only that Slaton is a good whistling station, a dark spot on a railroad, and perhaps pass up the town, and country as well. It is not possible to estimate the extent that development is held back if such amazing data is allowed to remain uncorrected. But is up to Slaton to place herself on the map, and correct such matters. That is what a commercial club is for.

Instead of a mere fifty population we have between eight hundred and a thousand people of the best class on earth, and they are indeed proud to name Slaton as their home. We have more than fifty business men, and several times fifty people working for the Santa Fe at this place. We have three times fifty pupils in the public schools, and as many more children under school age. We have fifty business houses, and one half of them are brick or concrete structures. We have the best and most substantially constructed city for its age in the world, and even today far ex-

Did You Call on the Grocer?

Did you get what you wanted—all of it—and the right kind? You did if you deal here, because we keep none but the choicest qualities, in the greatest variety and our prices are most reasonable. We want to have your custom and to get it we promise to tempt you with the finest qualities of Groceries that were ever offered to a discriminating public.



SLATON SANITARY GROCERY

YOU ONLY PAY FOR WHAT YOU BUY, AND AT LOWER PRICES

"The Sanitary Way is the Only Way"

ceeds any other city on the South Plains in thoro workmanship, sanitary surroundings, neatness and beauty. We have railroad improvements already totaling twenty times fifty thousand dollars, and these are being constantly increased. By the time Slaton doubles its age these improvements will double themselves, and the town will have doubled twice in size.

Never in all the history of city building has ever any other town the age of Slaton had such brilliant, gratifying prospects for the future spread before it. No city ever faced the future with a greater abundance of natural resources. No city at two years of age ever had laid out for her future development such elaborate and comprehensive plans for railway construction as have been adopted for Slaton. Had

either Amarillo, Denver, Fort Worth, Dallas, or Portland at at two years of age faced a future such as Slaton has before it now either city would have considered itself especially favored.

RILEY TRAIL SET FOR DECEMBER 29 --ONE INDICTMENT

The grand jury empaneled last week in the district court at Lubbock, remained in session only three days, and returned one indictment. It was for murder against Dr. E. M. Riley for the killing of J. W. Smith at the Slaton depot on August 10th. Riley's trial is set for the 29th of

this month, the last week of the present term of court. The grand jury will reconvene on the 22nd of this month. J. H. Paul is the only Slaton man serving on the grand jury.

A shipment of Uncle Sam's ten-juch guns came thru Slaton Monday enroute from Galveston to San Francisco. Each gun made a pretty fair carload itself and is an imposing object for a short grass citizen to look upon.

Supt. P. M. Faulkner of the Slaton schools attended the annual meeting of the State Teachers Association at Dallas last week.

If you want a windmill be sure you see B. C. Morgan, the Slaton windmill man.

NEW TRAIN GOES ON JANUARY FIRST --OTHER CHANGES

The Santa Fe will change the schedule of passenger trains 27 and 28 Sunday, making the time of each run twenty minutes shorter.

Another new time table will be put into effect on January 1st to supercede the one issued Sunday, and at that time another train will be put on. This new train will be the fast one from Galveston to San Francisco via the Texico Cut-off, and means a boost for Slaton.

With the increased business by the establishing of regular service over the Cut-off the pay roll will increase substantially. It is stated that the pay roll will be fifty per cent. larger soon after the first of the year. The Slaton shops have had all the work the present force could handle this fall, and an increased business means a larger force. The third freight train has been used between Slaton and Sweetwater for thirty days now, and the business seems to be getting heavier instead of being relieved by the extra train. The business from the Lamesa road has been heavy lately, also, due to the shipping of cotton and grain. It will not be surprising if the new card on the first of the year calls for a change in the Lamesa train service.

The statement that it has been raining this week is pretty monotonous in Slaton, as the only sunshine we have had for a week came out yesterday. About four inches of water has fallen since Friday, the first rain amounting to two inches. The subsoil is thoroly soaked and this is another time when the Plains has enough moisture to last for some time.

Nearly every gin on this part of the South Plains handled over a thousand bales of cotton this year. Pretty fair for a short grass country way "up" on the plains where the land under cultivation is but a small portion of the domain and where many other crops grow just as prolifically as cotton.

The Tahoka gin has been ginning cotton in the bolls, with a home-made boller which is a steel suction fan surrounded by a number of iron bars. The fan is run at a high speed and breaks up the bolls as they go thru. A man is required at each stand to keep the hulls cleared back. The balled cotton sold for nine cents, says the News.

B. C. Morgan and Ollin Petty were returning home from the Coleman farm seven miles south of Slaton, after putting up a windmill there, last Friday when the big rain came 'up,' and from the soaking they received both say they know that it was a real alfalfa sprouting rain.

NOW AND THEN



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Great Pill Maker Declares We Are Nearing the Tabloid Age.—News Item.

Ide Guaranteed Shirts

Particular about shirts?

Most men are. Heard about the dandy assortment just received by us from the great Ide factory at Troy?

Most every good shirt cloth you can think of. And talk about handsome patterns and colorings—but no use trying to describe them here—you must see them to appreciate their goodness.

Remember they're guaranteed color fast, perfect fitting and to wear satisfactorily. Your money back if they don't make good.

\$1.50 and up

Sold only at Simmons & Robertson's



Watch Our Show Windows for Newest Creations and Leading Prices.

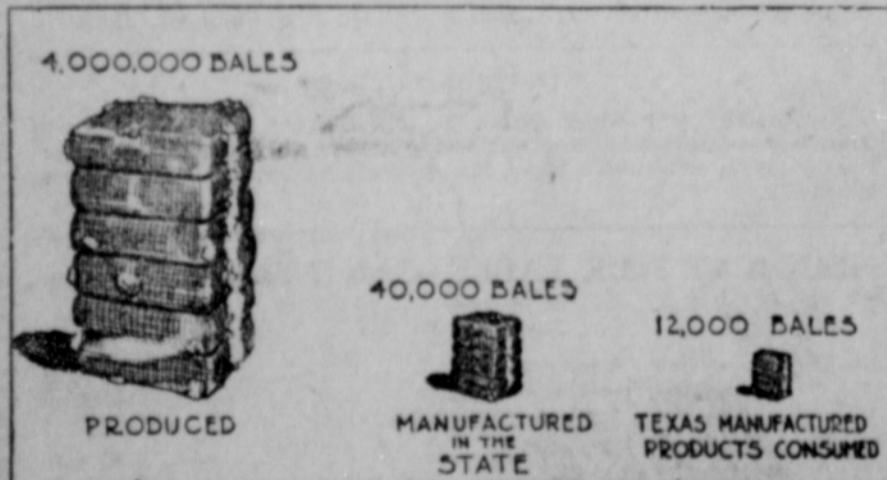
Simmons & Robertson Slaton

New Sport in the Alps



"Bob-rolling" is the latest summer sport in the Alps. The roll bob is the invention of Mr. Sanger, a well-known sporting visitor to Davos Platz. It is fitted with rubber-tired wheels and proves a highly amusing and exciting sport. The only danger is running on wet roads as the bob is liable to skid. They are much used on the bob run from Davos to Klosters.

OUR HOME INDUSTRIES



IV—COTTON MILLS.

"We produce approximately 4,000,000 bales of cotton in Texas per annum; we consume in cotton fabrics of all classes 220,000 bales; we manufacture 40,000 bales and the Texas market takes only 30 per cent. of our factory output."—Commercial Secretaries.

LOOKING FOR RAPIST

Sheriff Flynn was down from Lubbock Friday watching for a tramp who had drugged and assaulted a Mrs. G. D. Williams near Crosbyton. The woman was alone and the man forced her under threats to drink from a bottle. The liquid rendered her unconscious. It is reported the man was caught at Floydada.

Box Supper

There will be a box supper at the Hotel Singleton

Saturday, Nov. 22

Given by the Ladies of Woodmen Circle
Grove No. 1320 of Slaton, Texas

EVERYBODY INVITED

Every lady in Slaton is invited to bring a box and attend. Also the gentlemen to come and buy. There will be extra boxes for ladies that do not bring a box. Free chocolate and tea will be served. Plenty of music. Come.



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SOUTH PLAINS LAND COMPANY, and HARRY T. MCGEE,
Local Townsite Agents, Slaton, Texas.

"Tony The Convict" next Friday night.

LOCAL GOSSIP

R. A. BALDWIN
ATTORNEY AT LAW
Office West Side of Square
Slaton, Texas

JNO. R. McGEE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
LUBBOCK, TEXAS
Practice in all State Courts

S. H. ADAMS
Physician and Surgeon
Office at Groner's Drug Store
Residence Phone 16
Office Phone 3

J. G. WADSWORTH
Notary Public
INSURANCE and RENTALS
Fire, Tornado, Plate Glass,
Automobile, Accident, Health
and Burglary Insurance

Office at FIRST STATE BANK
Slaton - Texas

"Don't Walk Your
Legs Off 'Looking'
for that Fellow
Brown—

The QUICKEST way to
catch him is to sit still
and extend your arm just
far enough to grasp your



then tell "central" you
want to talk to Brown
and—"Hello, there's
Brown already." So easy

Western Telephone Co. Y
Slaton, Texas

Slaton Livery Barn

G. L. SLEDGE, Proprietor
Good Teams and All Livery Accommodations.
We have for sale at all times—

Hay, Grain and Feed, Chicken Feed
Ground Oyster Shells, etc.

Slaton Cleaning Works

Alex DeLong
Strictly First Class Tailoring
A Trial Will Convince
"Old clothes made new; new clothes made too."

SLATON PLANING MILL

R. H. TUDOR, Proprietor
Contracting and Building
Estimates furnished on short notice. All work given careful
and prompt attention. Give us a trial.
North Side of the Square

A. E. Howerton is in Waco this week.

John Levy went to Sweetwater Tuesday, to be gone for a few days.

Go to B. C. Morgan to get that windmill and pipe. Prices are the lowest.

J. S. Blackwell was in Lubbock Monday on business in the district court.

J. B. Walker, deputy sheriff of Lynn County, was in Slaton last Saturday on business.

The Slaton Odd Fellows Lodge has changed its night of meeting from Friday to Monday.

Received a shipment of Eclipse and Standard Windmills at B. C. Morgan's, west side Square.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Stokes arrived home Sunday from a visit at their old home in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Compton returned last week from Brownwood, having sold their business there.

The Ladies of the Woodmen Circle thank the public for the liberal patronage given their box supper. The proceeds of the supper amounted to about \$30.00.

Mrs. Pinkston and children of Post City came to Slaton Monday to visit at the home of W. H. Proctor. Mrs. Barclay accompanied them but returned to Post the same day.

The next regular meeting of the Woodmen Circle Grove is held Dec. 13th at which time the election of officers for next year will be held, also arrangements made for a public installation in January. All members please attend.—Carrie Blackwell, clerk.

MUSIC HONOR ROLL.
Number of hours and minutes practiced during music month:

	HRS.	MIN.
1 Hattie Joplin	49	
2 Dewey Wood	37	45
3 Lona Sowell	34	
4 Lily Mae Wood	28	
5 Willie Vermillion	23	40
6 Margaret Hoffman	22	45
7 Esther Young	22	
8 Miss Vermillion	22	
9 Francis Hoffman	20	
10 Ruby Hoffman	19	40
11 Katie Brasfield	18	30

Five Hundred Club.
Mrs. P. E. Jordan entertained Wednesday with "500" in her own charming manner. The spacious reception hall and dining room were aglow with large chrysanthemums and pretty ferns. Appropriate score cards of Thanksgiving were used and at the conclusion of the games an elaborate course luncheon of turkey and dressing, cranberries, pickles, hot rolls, and pumpkin pie with whipped cream was served.
Those who were fortunate in being present on this occasion were: Mmes. Wicks of St. Louis, Paul, Parker, Brannon, Spetter, Hudgins, Robertson, Howerton, Page, Twaddle, and Campbell; the Misses Spetter, Susie Talley, Myrtle Dunscomb, Twaddle, and Pearl Dunscomb.

L. C. Robertson arrived in Slaton Tuesday from Enid, Okla., on a business trip. Mr. Robertson recently went to Enid from Slaton to engage in the grocery store business with a son, and the Slatonite has it that the comparison between this country and that isn't as favorable as he shot, and he may return to the South Plains. Mrs. Robertson's health has not been as good at Enid as it was at Slaton.

A large number of visitors were in Slaton last week attending the Fifth Sunday Meeting at the Baptist Church. The Rev. J. R. Balch tendered his resignation as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Slaton, but has not as yet accepted a new pastorate elsewhere. This resignation came as a great surprise to all, and the church has made no choice of a new pastor yet.

Geo. Branham, son of Dr. G. H. Branham, is back in Slaton after an absence of more than a year. He is with the Western Electric Company.

First State Bank of Slaton

No. 754

Capital \$15,000.00

When times are good have an account with us and when times are hard we will take care of you.

Guaranty Fund Bank

Bring us your deposits. See us for loans.

J. S. EDWARDS, PRESIDENT
O. L. SLATON, VICE PRESIDENT

P. E. JORDAN, CASHIER
J. G. WADSWORTH, ASST. CASHIER

You can help the Slatonite help Slaton by passing along a good word for us.

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R. J. Murray & Co.
SLATON, TEXAS
For Information
About the City of SLATON
and the Surrounding Country

City Directory and Railway Guide.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST CHURCH.
J. P. Calloway, Pastor.
Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m. R. G. Shankle, Superintendent. C. C. Hoffman, Asst. Supt.
Preaching services every second and fourth Sundays in the month at 11 o'clock a. m., and at 7:30 p. m.
Womans' Missionary Society meets every Monday afternoon at three o'clock.
Union Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Methodist church. Everyone welcome.

BAPTIST CHURCH.
J. R. Balch, Pastor.
Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m. J. W. Patterson, Superintendent.
Preaching services every first and third Sundays in the month at 11 o'clock a. m., and at 7:30 p. m.
Ladies Aid Society meets every Monday at 3 o'clock p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. Word, Pastor
Preaching every fourth Sunday in the month at 11 o'clock a. m., and at 7:30 p. m.

SLATON COMMERCIAL CLUB.
R. J. Murray, president; R. C. Edgell, secretary. Club meets every Thursday evening at 8.00 o'clock at the McRea Hall on Texas avenue.

INDEPENDENT ORDER ODD FELLOWS.
Slaton Lodge meets every Monday night at 7.30 o'clock in the MacRea hall. P. M. Faulkner, Secretary. R. A. Baldwin, N. G.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.
Slaton Camp 2871 W. O. W. meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in each month at MacRea Hall. J. T. Bellomy, C. C., J. M. Simmons, Clerk.

WOODMEN CIRCLE.
Slaton Grove Woodmen Circle No. 1320 meets on second and fourth Thursday evenings each month at 3.30 o'clock in the MacRea hall. Visitors cordially welcomed. Mrs. Ida Bellomy, Guardian. Mrs. Carrie Blackwell, Clerk.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.—Santa Fe South Plains Lines

SOUTH BOUND.		
No. 27, Arrives from Amarillo	2:30 p. m.	
" " Departs for Sweetwater	2:55 p. m.	
NORTH BOUND.		
No. 28, Arrives from Sweetwater	10:40 a. m.	
" " Departs for Amarillo	11:05 p. m.	
AMARILLO LOCAL.		
No. 93, Arrives from Amarillo	5:15 p. m.	
No. 94, Departs for Amarillo	6:00 a. m.	
LAMESA LOCAL.		
No. 83, Departs for Lamesa	3:20 p. m.	
No. 84, Arrives from Lamesa	11:30 a. m.	

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Entered as second-class mail matter September 15, 1911, at the post office at Slaton, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Christmas advertising must be done before Christmas shopping will take on very large proportions.

The Lubbock Avalanche said that "district court is now grinding." We suppose it is understood that the lawyers get the grist.

"Well, has the longitudinal lines slipped a few cogs and given us Louisiana weather?" asks a caller. Naw, it's just the South Plains coming back into its own.

We congratulate the Lubbock Avalanche on the installation of a linotype, which is a typesetting machine. Any town which supports a paper like Lubbock does the Avalanche deserves the distinction of being a linotype town.

It would not take very much more advertising to enable us to increase the size of the Slatonite and make it a better representative of Slaton. A larger paper means another printer in the office and more typesetting, consequently more news and more respect for the town by the people around us and the outside world which is watching Slaton.

The Slatonite prints the news without favor, but news that we never hear anything about does not get into print. Anything of interest to our readers is news. Even if it is about some fellow who is not a patron of ours if it is news we print it just the same. There is no one place in town which takes precedent over another in the news columns of the Slatonite. Any time you fail to see a certain item of news or article on town improvement which you think might well have appeared in the paper, before censuring wonder whether the matter was ever brot to the editor's attention or not. Make our paper your paper so we can both better boost Slaton.

Let's forget the past, break the handle off the hatchet, wipe the slate clean, and start out in 1914—with the beginning of the new year—in harmony and with a united effort to call a few of the bets Slaton has been overlooking in the past. The new year holds much promise for Slaton, and we can make it a reality. Everything points to a large commercial activity soon, and if we meet that opportunity with a united booster organization we can accomplish much. If we can't harmonize we just set the town back another year. Don't stop to ask if the other fellow is going to do his part, but ask our own heart: "Am I doing MY part to bring this about?" Be charitable and unselfish and extend the olive branch, and see how quick the other fellow takes it and feels foolish because he wasn't the one to make the advance first. This doesn't apply to anyone in particular but to everyone. We are going to build a city here, so let's be up and at it.

Jack Alley has resigned as postmaster at Tahoka and the war is on. There are half a dozen candidates for the place.

There is much talk of circulating a petition to present before the commissioners' court at Lubbock to see if we can't get street lights for Slaton. A prominent farmer, so it is rumored, wants his barnyard lit up o' nights to keep coyotes away.

Friends of R. C. Edgell will be sorry to learn that he has been sick since going to McAlister, N. M., becoming ill on the train on his way there. He was too sick to talk for several days, having a badly swollen tongue, and had to subsist on soups. However, he says he is recovering and is getting hungry enough to make a full harvest hand at the table.

There is a movement started to organize a band in Slaton. Several instruments have been promised already, and more are in prospect. Encourage the organization of a band and help along the good work. A good live band will put more ginger in the town than any other society of equal strength. Anyone interested see A. E. Arnfield at Proctor & Olive's. Mr. Arnfield is a band man.

Thanksgiving dinner was said to have been the most expensive meal the average American has eaten in the last twenty five years. It cost from thirty-five to one hundred per cent. more than it did ten years ago, and from fifteen to fifty per cent. more than any other Thanksgiving dinner in the last six years. They must have overlooked the high cost of living on making the tariff slate. We'll have to see Woody about that.

"Tony The Convict" next Friday Night.

Use of Calomel Practically Stopped

For Billious Attacks, Constipation, and All Liver Troubles, Dangerous Calomel Gives Way to Dodson's LiverTone.

Every druggist in the state has noticed a great falling off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason. Dodson's Liver Tone is taking its place.

"Calomel is often dangerous and people know it, while Dodson's Liver Tone is perfectly safe and gives better results," says R. L. Blanton, proprietor of the Red Cross Pharmacy of Slaton. Dodson's Liver Tone is personally guaranteed by Mr. Blanton who sells it. A large bottle costs 50 cents, and if it fails to give easy relief in every case of sluggishness, you have only to ask for your money back. It will be promptly returned.

Dodson's LiverTone is a pleasant tasting, purely vegetable remedy—harmless to both children and adults. A bottle in the house may save you a day's work or keep your children from missing school. Keep your liver working and your liver will not keep you from working.

Early Christmas Buying Means Getting the Choice Articles

Our mammoth stock of Holiday Notions is now on display at our store, and from this choice as well as varied assortment everyone can find suitable gifts for all purposes. Our jewelry line will be complete for the particular holiday trade. Come and see our goods.

Red Cross Pharmacy

R. L. BLANTON, Proprietor

Mr. Merchant!

Do You Know That

Santa Claus

won't know where to do his shopping unless you tell him you can supply many of his needs. Get wise, Mr. Merchant, advertise in this paper NOW and tell him of your stock of goods.



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