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First Day of Slaton's Fair Booster Trip Goes Over With a Slam--6 Stops Made

Harley Sadler To Be Here All Next Week

Next week Harley Sadler will be here the entire week with his show. Mr. Sadler states that his show is bigger and better this time than ever before. His opening bill will be on Monday night. There are 30 people with this company and they have their own band and orchestra. They have new plays, new vaudeville and all are guaranteed attractions.

Harley Sadler and his shows are not strangers among you as he is your favorite comedian and plays this city twice a year. West Texas and the South Plains is the home of Harley Sadler. He perhaps knows more people personally in West Texas than any one man. His shows are clean from start to finish.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist church will hold their Christmas bazaar on December 5th and 6th.

Mrs. Alexander Dunn of Southland has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. V. P. Williams.

"Big Country Store" Slaton Gets Good Rain Tuesday Night

The Custer Theatre announced in the Sunday Slatonite that through the co-operation of the progressive merchants of Slaton they had made it possible for that theatre to stage one of the biggest "Country Stores" in the history of Slaton.

Everyone understands what a country store is we presume. But for the benefit of those that perhaps do not understand just what it is we will explain it in brief: These merchants donate to this theatre merchandise to be given away on a certain date. If you attend this theatre you will receive a ticket that will allow you to participate in the awarding of these prizes. This "Country Store" will run for the next two weeks, closing Friday night, September 26 when these premiums will be awarded.

We note from the large ad that appeared in Sunday's paper that Owens & Ragdale, Jewelers of our city are giving away a \$50 string of pearls. This valuable prize and one that anyone would be proud to possess. Attend this theatre between this and Friday the 26th and share in these premiums. Watch Custer Theatre advertisements in this paper for announcements from time to time.

Slaton Gets Good Rain Tuesday Night

Tuesday night the Slaton country received another good rain. This rain was not needed just at this time and will perhaps delay cotton picking a few days. It rained several hours and the entire town was a solid lake of water Wednesday morning.

Of course this rain will be of material benefit to the late cotton and feed. It is still cloudy and misting at this writing at ten o'clock Wednesday morning and looks like that we might receive another down-pour any minute.

The Young Peoples Sunday School Class of the Baptist church expects to meet in their new class room next Sunday.

If you are a member of this class you are urgently requested to be present.

Every young man and young lady of Slaton, not in Sunday School elsewhere is given a cordial invitation to become a member of this class. We assure you a hearty welcome and believe if you come you will want to come again. Try us anyway!

Realizing the value of friends to Slaton, an automobile caravan of Fair Boosters, left Slaton Tuesday morning at 9:30 sharp for an all day jaunt, during which time members of the caravan shook hands and spoke to hundreds of people who were invited to the Slaton Fair to be held on September 26th and 27th. There were 22 automobiles in this caravan and all loaded to capacity with Slaton business men and women.

The first stop was at Ropes due west of Slaton where we received a glad hand of welcome by those progressive citizens of that little city. The Booster Club of Ropes had made a big tub of ice cold lemonade and had it waiting for the thirsty bunch of boosters upon their arrival. Several speeches were made at this stop and the band rendered several pieces and literature was distributed.

The next stop was at Meadows where we were received in that good old western style and were made to feel that we were at home. This little city was invaded like a storm and every business house visited by the various Slaton boosters. The band was on the job pronto and was soon in full swing with these melody airs.

When we left Meadows Mr. Ross gave instructions that we must make it to Brownfield in time for dinner. Well, we made it on schedule time, all cars parading around the square at Brownfield and winding up and parking on the north side of the square where we were greeted by Mr. J. E. Stinson, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. This gentleman informed us that our band would render a few pieces of music and then we could eat dinner and that he had arranged for a short program afterwards.

This sounded good to this bunch of hungry people. The crowd scattered here and there meeting old friends and making new acquaintances.

After lunch all gathered back at the Court House lawn and the band took its place in the band stand and rendered a short concert. And lo, and behold the first thing that we knew the entire student body of the Brownfield public school was passing in review on the north side of the square. They marched around the square and came upon the court house lawn on the east side and formed themselves into a solid mass right in front of the band stand and the speakers stage. There were six hundred of them.

We were welcomed to the city of Brownfield by the president of the

S. S. McDonald Returns From Dallas Market

S. S. McDonald, manager of the McDonald Variety Store, returned Saturday from Dallas where he went the first part of the week to buy more goods for his variety store. While at Dallas Mr. McDonald purchased his holiday goods and will have them on display early in the season.

Mr. McDonald states that business was so much better than he expected that he had to make a rush trip to Dallas to secure more goods. He states that his business is growing day by day and that he is well pleased with the prospects of his business.

GOOD CROWD AT READING ROOM FOR REHEARSAL

There was a large number gathered at the Santa Fe Reading Room Monday night to arrange for the Slaton Episode in the Cotton Pageant that will be staged at Lubbock during the South Plains Fair.

Mrs. Lomax and Mr. and Mrs. Overstreet were down from Lubbock to help in the arrangements.

While there was a good many present we are informed that they still need several more men and women to take part in this affair. They will go to Lubbock to rehearse this play on September 23 and 29. You are requested to be there at 8:00 p. m. sharp. The pageant will be staged at 8:00 p. m. on October 4th at 4 o'clock.

Chamber of Commerce. He was followed by several speakers from Slaton. Then we were invited to remain just a little while longer that we might partake of a watermelon feast provided for this occasion by the Chamber of Commerce of Brownfield. There was something like twenty ice cold watermelons cut and the Slaton Boosters could be seen here and there partaking of these fine melons and discussing the hospitality of Brownfield.

We left Brownfield at 2:30 for Tahoka, we spent something like an hour with these people and from there drove to Wilson where the band rendered another concert and speeches were made and literature pertaining to the fair was distributed.

Southland was to be the last stop on the trip and we made it there by 5:30 and spent a good while in this thriving little city to our east shaking hands with friends and inviting them to Slaton to the Fair. Thence we turned homeward and arrived about 6:30 on the old home grounds, a tired but happy bunch of boosters.

Manager Phillips of S. W. T. & T. Here Monday

Mr. Phillips, manager of the Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone Co., with headquarters at Lubbock, was in our city Monday looking after business matters for his company at this place.

Mr. Phillips states that they have extensive improvements booked for Slaton that will take place between now and the first of the year. They are completing a new toll lead from here to Lubbock carrying six circuits that calls for an expenditure of \$56,000. This is one of the best toll leads in the State. They will also rebuild the circuits from here to Sweetwater during the next few months.

At the local exchange they are installing an additional switchboard that will carry eighty additional drops for telephones, and they are also installing a new main frame in the office that will better the local service. The new improvements for Slaton calls for additional cable to be strung.

Mr. Phillips states to the writer that this district has recently been divided, Lubbock being the dividing line. Heretofore Amarillo has been headquarters for this entire district from Amarillo south to Snyder, and under the supervision of the Amarillo office. In the future the district offices will be at Lubbock for all territory south of Lubbock to Snyder and Mr. Phillips is District Commercial Manager.

Dr. Tucker Raises Fine Peaches

Monday Dr. W. A. Tucker, one of our local physicians, presented the Slatonite office with four great big peaches. These were the largest peaches that we have seen this year.

Dr. Tucker states that the trees that bore this fruit were only four years old and that he planted the seed himself four years ago. He also states that he received some fruit from these trees the third year. The Dr. requested that we eat the peaches and plant the seed. We have already eat them up and will plant the seed at the proper time and sincerely hope that we have as good luck with these seed as Dr. Tucker has.

We thank you Dr. for this fruit, it was delicious.

Mrs. Irene Grantham, and daughter of Snyder, were here shopping and visiting Monday.

Miss Robertson to Represent Slaton As Duchess at Abilene Fair Next Week

SLATON MOTOR CO. TRACTOR DEMONSTRATION BEST IN STATE

As per schedule and as advertised the Slaton Motor Co., dealers in the Fordson Tractors, tractor demonstration at the Bell Dixon place south of town Friday evening that was believed to be the best demonstration staged in the state up to the present date.

District and factory men were present to assist the Slaton Motor Co. in this demonstration.

Every person that attended this demonstration registered and was given ticket with a number. Of the large number that registered 57 were car prospects, four truck prospects, 50 tractor prospects and 29 tractor owners. Mr. R. H. Whitaker, the tractor salesman, had everything in readiness at the hour for the demonstration to take place and all implements used functioned properly and the people that attended were more enthused.

The following implements were used Two-row lister, three-row Go-Devil,

Foot Ball Game To Be Ralls Fair Feature

One of the star features of the Ralls Fair will be a foot ball game between the Ralls and Slaton high schools. The Ralls High has made quite a record in the past years in foot ball and the Slaton eleven according to rumor, has a fast bunch this year. Something more than thirty high school boys are trying to make the Ralls team and it is expected that Coach Compton will be able to select a gang this year that will surpass anything ever achieved in the past. This foot ball game will be played on Friday, September 19th, near the park. No admission will be charged.—Ralls Banner.

ABILENE, Sept. 16.—Miss Muff Robertson will represent Slaton as Duchess to the fair pageant and coronation here Monday September 22.

A huge open-air stage and amphitheatre is being built in front of the grandstand at the West Texas Fair park for the big stella night attraction opening the fair here, when the second annual crowning of the Queen of West Texas will take place, with gorgeous background of pagentry, spectacular lighting effects and costuming. The Queen's identity is being kept a profound secret, and will only be disclosed at the coronation: but dozens of West Texas fair daughters have already been announced as duchesses from the various cities of the section, to take part in the gorgeous spectacle of her crowning.

The visiting duchess will have leading parts in the pageant proper this year, which will be staged with spectacle thrills and unusual displays. Dances before her majesty the Queen and tremendous fireworks displays will also feature the occasion. The usual monotonous details of such pageants have been eliminated.

The night shows and entertainment numbers of the West Texas Fair are the most elaborate ever offered in this part of country. Fireworks will include the last word in modern pyrotechnic art, with striking sensations for special features. Night airplane flights with fireworks, special concerts by the famous Chicago Cadets Band under the direction of Al Sweet, hippodrome acts and numbers will feature each evening's program of the Fair. A "Joy Zone" complete will hold forth on the midway.

Madisonville Pastor Takes Church At Wilson

MADISONVILLE, Sept. 14.—The Rev. Graves Dardy, Pastor of the Madisonville Baptist Church has resigned and is moving to Wilson, Texas, in Lubbock county, where he has been called to the pastorate of the Baptist church of that place. Rev. Dardy has been pastor of this church for the past six years. Mr. and Mrs. Dardy were given a farewell reception by the membership of the local church. A pastor has not been called for this place.

Farmers Met Monday To Discuss Cotton Picking Situation

FUNDS WILL BE DENIED SCHOOLS FAILING TO COMPLY WITH LAW

Austin, Sept. 15.—More participation by independent school districts in Texas in the per capita apportionment of the available school fund for this scholastic year, 1924-25, the boards of trustees of such districts must have filed with the State Department of Education bonds of the school depositories for approval, S. M. N. Marrs, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, says:

This announcement was made in connection with the payment during September of \$2 per capita on the state scholastic year being \$11 per capita. This is the first year in the history of the state a substantial payment will be made during the first month of the school year, Marrs said. It is imperative, however, that these bonds be filed and approved.

"Of practically 900 such independent districts," Marrs said, "only 130 have complied with the law, although blank bonds were mailed to all school boards on July 7."

"It is also necessary for the scholastic census to be complete. As soon as the census in counties and districts

has been finally determined, payment on the per capita will be made."

"Another factor contributing to the delay in mailing out the apportionment warrants is the failure on the part of depositories to file their annual statement of school funds. The law requires these reports to be filed in the Department of Education by Oct. 1 for the scholastic year ending Aug. 31.

"Good business suggests that definite account of the expenditure of public school funds should be rendered annually and when this is not done prudence demands that no further payments be made until there is a compliance with the law.

"The small amount expended for textbooks in 1923-24 on account of economy caused by the textbook litigation has contributed to a balance to the credit of the available school fund on this date of \$4,719,678. After paying \$2 per capita in September there will be a sufficient reserve to purchase all of the textbooks for 1924-25 and in addition make another payment of \$1 per capita during October.

Monday evening at 3:00 o'clock, about fifty of the cotton farmers of the Slaton country met at the city hall to discuss the proposition of how where and when to secure cotton pickers to gather the immense cotton crop in this immediate territory. There were representative farmers from every community within a radius of twenty miles of Slaton at this meeting.

After discussing the proposition for a while it was decided that an organization should be formed to handle the situation to be known as "The Farmers Cotton Pickers Association" and J. W. Nesbitt was elected president and J. J. Ross secretary of this association. Mr. Ross was instructed to place advertisements in the leading newspapers of the State for cotton pickers. No price as to the price that will be paid pickers is stated in these advertisements, but we understand that it will start at a good price.

Another meeting will be held next Saturday at 4:00 o'clock at the city hall and every farmer is urged to attend this meeting and discuss this matter further. If you want cotton pickers come to this meeting and cooperate with these men. If you will be unable to attend, go to Mr. office some time this week and register the
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TH' OLE GROUCH

WHEN TH' EDITOR MAKES FUN OF ME IN TH' PAPER, I GIT EVEN BY ANSWERIN' HIM IN VARIOUS WAYS, SUCH AS HANGIN' 'ROUND TH' OFFICE, BOTHERIN' TH' PRINTERS, READIN' TH' EXCHANGES AN' TH' GALLEY PROOFS, BUTTIN' IN WHEN CUSTOMERS CALL AN' SO FORTH. HE GETS A PRINTESHOP PESTY UP AN' AWFUL THING! HEH! HEH!



BABY HAS 13 FINGERS AND 12 TOES

A month old baby, whose parents reside near Abilene, was brought to Lubbock last week, the infant having six toes on each foot and on its right hand there were six fingers while the left contained seven. All the digits were perfectly developed.

The doctor who examined the infant declared it a very extraordinary case, but refused to remove any of the phylanges.—Exchange.

two-row cultivator, No. D-45 and No. 75 Oliver Disc plows, Tandem disc harrow and a McCormick one-row binder with a tractor hitched and one man drive. This last equipment was demonstration in an adjoining field on some kaffir corn.

Mr. Stokes, manager of this company, states that the tractor season will be several weeks ahead of last year and they are going to take advantage of the early business. Mr. Whitaker is on tractor sales exclusive making service call well as calls on prospects.

The Slaton Motor Co. gave away at this demonstration \$25 in cash and five Ford emergency kits.

West Texas Fair ABILENE

September 22 to 27

At an expenditure of a tremendous sum of money and the combined efforts of hundreds of Abilene and West Texas citizens, both men and women, serving without compensation, we have succeeded in organizing and will open Monday September 22.

The Great West Texas Fair

Its object is the development of West Texas and the entertainment of West Texas citizens. The program is varied, covering every phase of interest, entertainment and endeavor. A brief of the program follows:

MONDAY—Opening Pageant, crowning the Queen of West Texas

TUESDAY—Public School Day. Football. Abilene High vs. Stamford High.

WEDNESDAY—Automobile Races

THURSDAY—Football Abilene Christian College vs. Clarendon College.

FRIDAY—Shrine Day. Automobile Races.

SATURDAY—Traveling Men's Day. Football Simmons vs. Baylor. Anson High vs. Big Springs

EVERY DAY

Gates Flying Circus. Agricultural Show. Manufacturers' Exhibition. Automobile Show. Dog Show. Con T. Kennedy Shows on the Midway. Concert Band. Simmons College Cowboy Band. Abilene Christian College Band. McMurray Band. Hippodrome Amusements furnished by the World Amusement Company. Live Stock and Poultry Shows.

Reduced Railroad Rates, The Lowest Ever Given, To Abilene For

The Great
West Texas Fair
Sept. 22 to 27

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Frances Elkins is visiting her aunt, Mrs. V. P. Elkins

Mrs. Effie Dunn was a Lubbock visitor Monday.

Mrs. Sam Davidson of Wilson was shopping in the city Thursday.

Mrs. J. Holt Smith and small son, Mitchel of Lamesa, are visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Scott this week.

Miss Victoria Brewer of London, Kimble county, Texas, is visiting Mrs. Hodges at the J. A. Klansner home.

Mr. and Mrs. Boon of Brownwood, left for home Monday after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Pevy.

A. B. Dodgen of Santa Anna, who has been visiting and prospecting in this community, has returned to his home.

Mrs. P. J. Siler returned from Crosbyton Saturday after a weeks visit with friends and relatives at that place.

Mrs. Chas. Paek and daughter, Bettie, who have been visiting the summer in Oklahoma City, have returned to our city.

The West Ward Parent Teachers Association meets Thursday at the auditorium at the West Ward school building.

Miss Jophene McHugh, C. C. Hoffman and Royce Pember left Sunday for Austin where they will attend the State University.

NOTICE

The ladies rest room at the City Hall has been designated "Strictly for Ladies" hence forth, there will be no men loafers, elections nor meeting of any nature had therein by the men.

J. L. Cruce, Mayor.

A favorite remark at my casting office, "come and see me next week."

To All Members of the FARM BUREAU

We have all papers in connection with the shipping of Cotton to be handled through the Bureau, and will be glad to give every member of the Bureau the benefit of our experience by assisting them in preparing all papers in connection with same.

We shall be glad at any time to explain the method of handling your cotton. Bring your gin tickets, as it is necessary to have them to make out papers.

SLATON STATE BANK

Miss Virginia Egbert of Amarillo passed through Slaton Sunday on her way to Chicago where she will enter a Musical Conservatory. Several of her friends were invited to a luncheon at the Harvey House during the noon hour.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cato of Lamesa, spent Sunday with the latter's sisters, Mrs. Elliott and Miss Pauline Loky.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Keys are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy at their home. This youngster gladdened this home on Friday, Sept., 12th.

Grand Opening SALE

We are announcing to the Slaton people, and surrounding territory, that our Grand Opening Sale, will begin

Friday, Sept. 19th

at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

We are new people here with new Fall Merchandise and new prices on same.

Do not miss this opportunity! We are offering to the whole public a 15 per cent discount on every dollar that is spent with us. Also, one hundred free packages will be drawn by the first hundred customers that enter our store, on our opening day.

Don't forget our date and hour of opening. Hurry! and be one of the hundred to receive one of our free packages. Your visit will be appreciated.

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GIVE THOUGHT TO YOUR READING FOR THIS WINTER

The time of the year is almost here when we can get the most out of an hour of reading each evening. During the summer most of us give up that habit, but when Fall of the year comes around, and the weather begins to get cooler, it is time to start again.

Now is a good time to start planning for your winter's supply of reading material. And when we say plan we mean plan. If we must read whatever we can get our hands on at the particular time when we can spare a few moments in that way, we fail to get any more benefit out of it than just the temporary enjoyment and past time there is in it. We never get anywhere. Therefore, we are of the opinion that we should have some system, and exercise some forethought about what we intend to read.

If you like fiction, subscribe for a few good magazines, or buy them at the news stand as you need them. But don't buy the kind that print cheap grades of fiction. Anybody's mind is worse off after reading fiction of that kind. There is a lot of high class fiction in better magazines that you will enjoy more than the cheap stuff, and when you have read it you will enjoy more than the cheap stuff, and when you have read it you will be better off than before you began. We say that because we believe the reading of the right class of fiction is a good thing to practice, but it is equally as

dangerous to the mind to read the trashy kind.

Again, you can select good books of fiction, if you care to indulge considerably in that class of reading. But as with the magazines, you need to be careful in choosing those books.

Of course, there are always the standard works of literature which one should give time and thought to. The great authors of the past are just as worthy of your consideration as those of the present day. Works of Shakespeare, Tennyson, Longfellow, Chaucer, Emerson, Kipling, Shelly, Dickens, Poe, and many others of the outstanding writers of all ages of the world are too much ignored and unappreciated by the great mass of our people today. If one thinks those authors are uninteresting, he should cultivate the habit of reading their writings and learn to have a taste for them.

Another line for your consideration would be to select books or magazines on the particular things of everyday life in which you are most interested. It may be about your work. No doubt there are things you could learn about it by reading the experiences of other men who have been over the same road you are now traveling. Or, it might be some particular hobby of yours. At any rate you should make your reading hours count for improvement of your mind. English language, or on arithmetic, or in spelling. Why waste all our time in reading the loose stuff that comes our way, regardless of what it is.

Give some thought to the matter, and make your reading hours count this winter.

PLAN YOUR ORCHARD NOW

It will not be many weeks before it will be time to set out trees. If every farmer who has promised his wife that when the right time roiled around he would buy those peach, pear and plum trees, a grape vine or two and some berry plants, makes good this

winter, every nursery in the Southwest will sell out. Unfortunately, some farmers will put off until too late, and make another promise for next year.

Why do so many farmers live year after year on the same place with not a sign of a fruit tree, grape vine, blackberry or other berry in sight? When the fruit season comes they pay more for a few peaches, plums or pears than a half dozen trees would cost, and it takes but a few years for good trees to come into bearing. Therefore about the only answer as to why farmers fail to produce their own supply of fruit is found in the two words, "neglect" or "indifference."

Every farmer is not expected to become an orchardist. If every farmer was capable of producing fruit successfully for the market, there would be no sale for it, but every farmer would save money, conserve the health of his family and add to the pleasure of himself, wife and children if he would set out and care for a few trees of fruit such as the right varieties of peaches, pears, plums, and figs. Set trees for the home orchard near the house. Keep them cultivated, pruned and sprayed and in a very short period of time they will produce abundantly.

It is surprising how many opportunities to add to the income and save expense there are on every farm that are not taken advantage of. Farms bare of trees; no fruit of any kind, no garden or flowers make a dreary place to live. No wonder farm life is uninteresting to those who have to live on such farms with nothing to do but think cotton, talk corn and speculate what the boll weevil will do towards keeping the prices up.

One of the hardest things in the world to master is self control. Every man who has ever saved anything will tell you this. The hard work is the self-denial necessary to make a start. Once you have got your start the rest is easy. The first hundred dollars, the first thousand dollars, come very hard. After that it is plain sailing.

But if you fail to show your will power in your youth, if you fail now to make necessary effort to gain independence, later on you will find, when it is too late, that life is long and rather dreary when you combine old age with poverty, a tired mind with dependence and the necessity of obeying some one else's orders.

Remember that thousands of men miss their chance in life because they have nothing saved up. They are running a constant race with bills, with obligations.

They dare not stop; they are like men on a treadmill. If they were but a little ahead, they could seize the

Map Made by Columbus

A map made by Christopher Columbus and of great value owing to its possible bearing on his discovery of America, has been found in the National Library, Paris.



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chance that they see and take one of the many short cuts to fortune.

But each day's work must be done to meet that day's expense and the offered chance is not taken.

Get yourself free by making yourself independent and gaining control of your own time.

Your money is the only thing that can keep you independent. It alone can save you from the worst fever of modern life—poverty.

Deny yourself now, Make the effort of will that is necessary and save yourself suffering and humiliation in the future—Exchange.

DOESN'T IT MAKE YOU MAD?

To shave with your tooth paste or wash your teeth with your shaving paste?

To find that your hose do not match after you are already in your place of business;

To find a "opened by mistake" on the letter from your best girl?

To have your neighbors dog howl louder than your own?

To find that you do not have a clean collar ten minutes before the time for an appointment?

To have the clock strike eleven an hour before you want to go home?

To find that you have left your purse at home when the collection plate is passed?

To have some one say when you have told your favorite joke, "Oh, I heard that, only it went this way"?

HOLLYWOOD CLOSEUPS

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 13.—Even as the Greater Movie Season opened in a blaze of glory with its four mile parade, so did it close with its mammoth ball at the fashionable Ambassador Hotel. Monster searchlights played their beams from one end of the city to the other. At every entrance crowds pushed and jostled. The entire length of the auto drive was a mass sea of eager, excited, curious faces. The arms of the law were in evidence as they good-humoredly pressed the surging throngs back. A battery of cameras recorded the arrival of the notables. Once our way was successfully maneuvered to the hotel interior, we passed through a lobby of humanity composed of hotel guests, movie fans and lesser lights of filmdom.

How fleeting is this thing we call fame. Accompanying the writer was a once famous comedian, whose antics caused many a laugh in the days when several of our stars were still comedy bathing girls. This comedian, who is returning to the screen as a character heavy, passed quite unrecognized on his way to the ballroom, while as usual many of the lesser lights were pointed out to the unknowing as famous stars.

Outside the ballroom, another great gathering of fans. Comes Constance Talmadge and Sam Goldwyn. We miss her faithful Buster Collier, who is away on location. Buster Keaton and his wife, Natalie Talmadge. A real treat is a smile from the gloomy Buster. The gallant Antonio Moreno and his wife, Tom Ince, looking as young and debonair as the newest screen idol. Norma Talmadge. Jack Muhlall. Edmund Lowe and Lilyan Tashman.

The ballroom lavishly decorated. Countless balloons overhead. Boxes beginning to fill with society and movie favorites. Usherettes from the different theatres at every aisle and box. Sea Hawk girls in their quaint pirate costumes. Grauman seat-finders in their duck pataloons, black smocks and tam o'shanter. Two orchestras. Charles Ray in a box. Earl Williams. Colleen Moore. Wilfred Lucas and a very charming young lady. John Bowers and Marguerite De La Motte. Sidney Chaplin.

The curtains of the stage are parted and the peer of all master of ceremonies, Charlie Murray, introduces Milton Sills. Sills talks of the ideals of the industry. The women are surprised, "why he looks exactly like his pictures". We dance. Then Harry Carroll of vaudeville fame, sings. Again Murray admonishes us to shake a wicked foot. The crowd is becoming thicker, one has but to stand still and he will be pushed about the floor. The spotlight plays around the boxes and catches Pola Negri, who has come in for a few moments and is quickly surrounded by admirers. Bert Lytell proudly escorts his fiancée, Claire Windsor. Betty Blythe. Clara Bow. Phyllis Haver and Marie Prevost. Wonder if they will ever do bathing comedies again.

William Beaudine directs a scene on the stage with Matt Moore, Dorothy Devore and David Butler. A humorous slant on production problems. On with the dance—if you can. Now comes the fashion show, done in the best De Mille style. Julia Faye is gorgeous. Vera Reynolds shows versatility in her garb as a working girl and later as one of fashion's leaders. Anna May Wong amazes with her delicate Chinese beauty. The models are eye-filling. One is so nervous that she gives an unexpected and

LOTS OF LOTS

I Own several business lots, that I am offering at bargain prices for a few days, will sell on monthly installments if desired. These lots were bought in groups of lots at prices to where I can offer them at BARGAIN PRICES.

IF INTERESTED IN BUYING A HOME, SEE ME, AS I HAVE SOME REAL SPECIAL VALUES TO OFFER

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Farmers Exchange

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somewhat vivid impression of the almost obsolete shimmy. And we flit—or trip across the floor again.

The event of the evening. Murray proudly introduces little Betty Bronson. Unheard of yesterday, her name blazoned around the world to-day, as Barrie's own choice for the immortal Peter Pan. She appears in the costume of the elfin Peter and is greeted with cumulous applause. Another dance or two—then more slices of

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PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

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What a woman pays for her career. How she paid with her son. How she paid with her daughter

FRIDAY

Jack Hoxie in

"THE DESERT RIDER"

Jack Hoxie tells of a sap-headed young minister who came to his country in the West in the old days to regenerate the inhabitants, and found himself before long rewarded for his trouble by being ridden out of town on a rail.

This is one of Hoxie's big Westerners

SATURDAY

Buck Jones in

"AGAINST ALL ODDS"

This is a William Fox Special. Another Big Westerner

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Palm Sunday

The real reason for planting yew trees in churchyards is indicated in an excerpt from Liber Festivals, printed by Caxton in 1483, which reads as follows: "But for reason that we have no olive that bears green leaf, we take yew instead of palm and olive and carry it in procession; and so is this day called Palm Sunday."

Injuries To Lumberman Prove Fatal

LUBBOCK, Sept. 15.—J. M. Wells, lumberman of Brownfield died at a local sanitarium Saturday night as the result of injuries received in an accident that occurred Thursday afternoon at his lumber yard at Brownfield.

A stack of posts which he was loading became unbalanced and in the scuffle that followed Wells was knocked down, his skull was crushed and other serious bodily injuries inflicted. He was rushed to a local sanitarium where an examination revealed that his case was hopeless.

His wife, who had gone to near Waco on a visit could not be located for several hours after the accident occurred, and her husband was dead when information finally reached her at Temple this morning, and she is now enroute to Lubbock.

The remains are being held by Rix Undertaking Company and funeral arrangements will be announced upon the arrival of Mrs. Wells.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

The Presbyterian Auxiliary met for the first time in the church on Monday afternoon, September 15th. The lesson led by Mrs. Simmons was on our Missionaries, both home and foreign. The first part of our meeting was given to attending to some business affairs resulting in decision of our Christmas Bazaar to be held at same time as we selected last year that of Thanksgiving week. We wish to thank those who have helped us to make our semi-monthly food sales a success. We will continue these sales thru the winter months. The next regular sale should be Sept. 27 but owing to the fact that all church ladies will be busy in church booth at our Fair to be held on that date we will not be able to hold that one sale. The next meeting on Sept. 22 will be held at the church.

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It is simple. It will cost 5 cents. Likewise you can conceal the garbage of your next-door neighbor if he has neglected architectural beauty. You can screen a neighboring chicken coop or an ugly back fence with one luxuriant kind of plant, the castor bean.

For 5 cents a packet of seeds containing around ten beans can be purchased. These plants should not be placed closer together than 5 feet. They grow from 6 to 10 feet tall under good cultivation and soil conditions, make leaves from 2 to 4 feet in diameter and produce ornamental fruit, all in the course of a single season. They are annual plants, grow easily from seed and can be transplanted without trouble.

The best variety for quick effect is the Zanzibar castor bean. It is catalogued usually under its botanical name, Ricinus Zanzabariensis.

In a Berwyn back yard last year two of these plants were planted to conceal a chicken house. The seeds were planted the last of April. Two plants were set out 5 feet apart. By July they had reached a height of 5 feet and a spread of 12, the huge leaves touching and overlapping. By midsummer the chicken house was hid from view in the rear of the yard. It will speedily conceal it. Other unsightly objects are quickly hidden.

The castor bean is the largest annual plant we have in the flower garden. It is always handsome and clean in foliage. Its seeds are rich soil and a liberal supply of water which is always available in any city garden. These plants are ideal specimens to fill a corner, one plant being sufficient for a striking display.

The castor bean blossom spike is inconspicuous, but the big seed pods are ornamental. To offset the lack of flowers and to enhance the beauty of its huge tropical leaves which come in various shades from light green to bronzy red, tall flowering annuals may be associated with it with good effect.

Two are unusually effective, the flowering tobacco and the spider plant. The spider plant should be planted at sufficient distance from the castor bean so that it won't be shaded and smothered by the big leaves. Four feet would be about right. The spider plant is found as Cleome Fungens in seed lists.

The flowering tobacco, Nicotiana glauca, are sweet scented, open their handsome flowers about four in the afternoon and close during the hot part of the day. They should be planted 18 inches apart. The seed is very fine, but germinates quickly and grows rapidly.

Move for Civic Tidiness

Carelessness in the matter of community tidiness seems to be increasing generally. England, always noted in the past for its neat and well-kept countryside, now complains that newspapers, lunchboxes and tin cans are thrown all over the landscape in barbarous desecration. Everybody in this country has either seen for himself or read about the unsightly state of our own main thoroughfares, our city streets and public works.

The national chamber of commerce is now pushing a movement in the United States, the purpose of which is to promote civic tidiness. It urges three methods of effecting this—education, the adequate provision of receptacles for waste and rubbish and the enforcement of the ordinances concerning cleanliness that already exist in many cities and towns.

Here is a reform that couldn't possibly have menacing accompaniments and in which everybody, young or old big or little, may participate. By starting at one's own doorstep and watching one's self throughout the day a lot of carelessness can be stopped. Any one who wishes can refrain from throwing paper or other litter around where it can become a public nuisance.

PRIVATE KINDERGARTEN

A Kindergarten will be opened at the class room on the Baptist church lawn Monday, Sept. 22. If interested call Mrs. Alice Eddins, Phone 268J



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FARMERS MET MONDAY TO DISCUSS COTTON PICKING SITUATION

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number of cotton pickers that you want so that when pickers began to arrive Mr. Ross can place them without delay. After the meeting Monday 40 farmers registered for pickers.

It is the desire of Mr. Ross to be of service to the farmers in securing pickers for them and you should cooperate with him very closely in this matter.

Any families in Slaton that want to pick cotton, should get in touch with Mr. Ross, as he has several farmers listed that have houses for pickers to live in and they want families to live in them and pick cotton. There is no excuse for anyone to be out of employment in our city when there is cotton to be picked. Mr. Ross's office is at the City Hall.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Methodist Missionary Society met at the church on Monday with twenty five present.

Mrs. Olive's program on "Darkest Africa" was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Adams read the 13 chapter of Corinthians for the devotional. Mesdames Leftwich and Waggoner gave a charming duet at a short business. Dec. 5th and 6th was the date set for our Christmas Bazaar. Every member and friend is urged to be present for our Bible study on Monday, the 22, the 28th chapter of Acts, with Mrs. Ragdale as leader. The ladies of the Missionary Society are invited to make handkerchiefs at Mrs. Whitney's home on Friday afternoon, Sept. 19th.

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