

Santa Anna News

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Plain Facts About the Public School Situation

Supreme Council, 33 Degree, 1717 1/2th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

It is the plain fact that forces generated by the present financial condition of the country and other forces opposed to the American principle of free education have operated in some areas to bring about a complete collapse of public education.

ALABAMA: The annual educational budget cut from \$17,000,000 to \$10,000,000; 145 schools closed completely; 90 percent of all schools enrolling 600,000 children maintaining terms less than half the normal length; 80 per cent of the teachers paid salaries below the minimum of the NRA code for unskilled labor.

ARKANSAS: School funds reduced from \$16,000,000 to \$9,500,000; 470 schools, enrolling 30,000 children, closed entirely; 85 percent of teachers receiving salaries below the minimum of the NRA code.

KANSAS: 770 schools, enrolling 35,000 children, closed completely.

MICHIGAN: School expenditures cut from \$109,000,000 to a prospective budget of 45,000,000 for this school year; 275 schools, enrolling 10,259 children, closed; 80 percent of the children in schools with sharply shortened terms.

OKLAHOMA: Fifty per cent of the schools either closed or with a greatly reduced term; 80 percent of teachers receiving wages below the minimum of the recovery code.

WEST VIRGINIA: 3,250 schools, enrolling 162,500 pupils, operating on less than a six months' term; some schools entirely closed; 6,095 teachers receiving less than the NRA minimum.

The situation is rapidly becoming worse. In November, 1932, only 40 schools in the whole nation were actually closed. By April 1, 1933, just after the bank moratorium, 5,825 schools had been closed. It is now estimated on the basis of figures just received from county school superintendents in all parts of the nation, that by April 1, 1934, there will be 20,330 schools closed, enrolling 1,025,000 children.

During the current school year 209,570 teachers, that is one teacher in every four, will receive a salary lower than would be legal in an establishment exhibiting the Blue Eagle.

An alarming number of school systems have slipped back into the nineteenth century so far as their scope and procedure are concerned. In certain areas, which have never yet succeeded in lifting their schools out of the nineteenth century, the situation is much worse.

Some of these schools are back to eighteenth century standards. It is not a question of maintaining essentials or of eliminating "fads and frills." They never had any "fads and frills" to eliminate. The problem in these areas is one of trying to keep a miserably-equipped school open for a portion of the year. The program these schools offer is so meager that no intelligent parent would wish to enroll his children in them. In short, they approximate the eighteenth century pauper schools in many respects.

There is a real emergency in education, an emergency which is already denying educational opportunity to hundreds of thousands of children; which, if permitted to develop further, will soon be denying millions of children of their educational birthrights; which threatens to deny educational opportunity to a substantial portion of a whole generation of American children.

What should be done? We should meet emergency conditions with emergency action. There is just one agency that is capable of preventing a complete collapse of education in many areas. That agency is the same one which stepped in to save our banking system from collapse last March, which acted to prevent the bankruptcy of our railroads, which is now saving thousands of mortgages from foreclosure, and which is valiantly striving to increase employment and to lift purchasing power. That agency is the Federal Government.

For three years local and state boards of education have striven to maintain their schools. They are fighting a losing battle in a growing number of communities. Education is as helpless as banking, as industry, and as agriculture proved to be in the face of the financial chaos generated by the economic status. It is time for the Federal Government to come to the rescue of education, as it has already had to come to the rescue of these other great enterprises.

At the next session of Congress, legislation should be promptly passed which will open closed schools, and which will prevent other schools from closing.

A century ago, James Madison said: "A popular government without information or the means of acquiring it is but a prologue to a farce or a tragedy, or, perhaps, both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance; and a people who mean to be their own governors must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."

This statement of Madison's was true a century ago. It is even more true today in the complex and interdependent civilization in which we are living. We must take stock of the situation before it is too late. Education is the one instrument known to man capable of creating general intelligence appropriate to the problems of our day. It is our patriotic duty to support the emergency measures which are necessary to keep our schools and colleges open.

1934 Calendar Carries Many Special Dates

The year 1934 has lots of red letter days on the calendar for the politically minded, and candidates for public office and their supporters must find their way clearly through a maze of days made important by the rules that govern the primary election system in this State.

For the last fourteen years, it has been the custom of Congressman Wright Patton, of Texarkana to compile a list of these important political dates and publish them, along with other pertinent political facts, in a pamphlet. This he distributes among the numerous candidates and interested voters.

The list he has compiled for 1934 follows:

- Jan. 31.—Last day to pay poll tax.
Feb. 12.—Election judges appointed by Commissioners' Court.
April 1.—On or before this date, Tax Collectors furnish county election boards with list of poll tax payers and exemptions.
June 4.—On or before this date, candidates for party nominations for State and district offices shall file applications for place on primary ballot.
June 16.—On or before this date, candidates for party nominations for offices to be filled by voters of a single county or a portion thereof and candidates for County Chairmen shall file legal applications with the County Chairmen for places on ballot.

Name on Ballots

June 18.—County Executive Committees meet at county seat to determine by lot the order of names on primary ballots, estimate the cost of printing the official ballots and other expenses incident to the holding of the election, and apportion the cost among the various candidates, except candidates for State office, name a sub-committee of five members to make up the ballot; decide whether the nomination of county officers shall be by majority or plurality votes. If the committee fails to decide, then the nomination shall be by a plurality of the votes cast. (Run-off for State or district offices is mandatory if no candidate receives a majority in the first primary.) (Arts. 3108 and 3117 R. S.)

June 25.—On or before this date, candidates must pay ballot fees.

June 28.—First day to file first statement of campaign expenses.

July 3.—Last day to file first statement of campaign expenses.

July 8.—First day for qualified voters, who are away from county of their residence, to make application for absentee ballot.

July 9.—Subcommittee appointed June 18 shall meet and make up official ballot for primary.

July 14.—First day to file second statement of campaign expenses.

July 18.—Last day for qualified voters, who are away from county residence, to make request for official ballot to vote absentee ballot.

July 18.—First day any qualified voter within county expected to be absent election day may appear before County Clerk and vote an absentee ballot.

July 20.—Last day to file second statement of campaign expenses.

July 23.—On or before this date, Tax Collectors shall deliver to the chairmen of the County Executive Committee's list of qualified voters in each precinct in the county arranged alphabetically and by precincts.

July 24.—Last day for one within county expecting to be absent election day to vote absentee ballot.

July 28.—Primary election day, also precinct convention day. (Election open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m. except in counties over 150,000; it is open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.)

July 28.—Third and final statement of campaign expenses in first primary may be filed. Last day allowed Aug. 7.

Aug. 1.—Presiding judges of election, which make returns first primary on or before this date to county chairmen.

Aug. 1.—Not more than thirty days nor less than twenty-five days before second primary, first statement of campaign expenses must be filed. This is the last day for that statement.

Aug. 5.—Qualified voters outside the county their residence expecting to be absent on election day shall arrange to vote absentee ballot in the same manner as required in first primary under date of July 8.

Aug. 7.—Final statement of campaign expenses in the first primary election must be filed on or before this date.

Aug. 15.—First day for absentee balloting by those within county of residence, but expect to be away on day of election.

Aug. 15.—Last day for those outside the county of residence to make request for absentee ballot.

Aug. 21.—Last day to vote absentee ballot by those within county of residence, but expecting to be absent election day.

Aug. 25.—Second primary election day (run-off), also district convention day.

Aug. 29.—On or before this date presiding judges shall make returns to county chairmen.

Sept. 1.—County Executive Committees meet and canvass returns of second primary election.

Sept. 4.—On or before this date, final report of campaign expenses must be filed. State convention day to announce platforms of principles and nominations. (The Dallas Morning News.)

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Leedy News

Mrs. Howard Kingsbery entertained her Sunday School Class with a party Saturday night.

Q. D. and Clayton Stephens and Cecil Cannon have returned here after an extended stay at New Home, Texas.

The young people of the community went serenading Monday night.

Guests in the S. L. Cannon home Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cannon and little daughter Peggy June and Mrs. J. D. Henderson and daughter Jimmie Sue of Santa Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Kinesbery and children have returned from a short visit with relatives in New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Switzer and family have returned from a visit with relatives at Lampasas.

Mr. and Mrs. Rouse and family are visiting in Callahan County.

Mrs. Jodie E. Baker and children and Beatrice Stephens were in Coleman Friday afternoon.

Bobbie Joe Cheaney of Santa Anna spent Monday night with his aunt, Mrs. J. E. Baker.

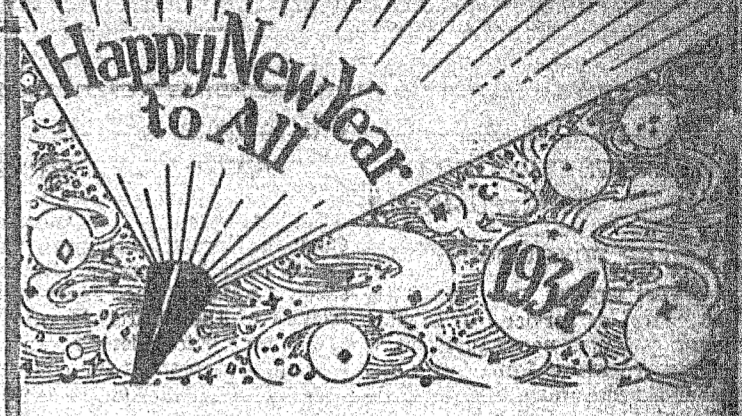
W. T. and Sealy Ferguson spent Monday in the Virgil Newman home.

Mrs. Nannie Smith is visiting her children in Brownwood this week.

A necklace of small flowered china cups, worn by an American, created much interest at the resort at Le Touquet, England, recently.

Reports show that in one section of Borneo a man doesn't get out a hollywood dresser and call it "Who's Who?"

ter he married her for a year. (Florida) Times-Union. Now that more people are getting divorces, we suggest that some enterprising person should get out a hollywood dresser and call it "Who's Who?"



Burton-Lingo Co.

Best wishes for a Happy New Year 1934

Phillips Drug Co.

Happy New Year

NINETEEN HUNDRED and THIRTY FOUR Leeper-Curd Lumber Co. "THE PIONEERS"

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GIVE HIM HIS CHANCE to be a CHAMPION! Mothers, you owe your children this chance to a strong vigorous, healthy body... Puretest Norwegian COD LIVER OIL 89c

Easy to Relieve HEADACHE! Happy New Year! We wish for each of you that the New Year may bring you all those things which mean greatest happiness to you and yours.

Don't forget to see Rex Wrangle—the Rexall Pony THE REXALL DRUG STORE

Best Wishes for a Happy New Year Combs Variety Store

Happy New Year Turner's Drug Store

WISHING YOU 1934 SUCCESS Emmett Day Jeweler

Happy New Year

Wishing You a Bigger & Better 1934

Santa Anna Furniture and Undertaking Company

Charlie Evans Garage

Forty-eight Years Of Service

This week closes forty-eight years of service in Santa Anna for the Santa Anna News. Our next number will be Volume 48.

We hope to make the Santa Anna News the most worthwhile and deserving local newspaper next year that it has ever been, and will strive to that end. Give us the best support you can, and in return, we will do our utmost to furnish the town with a paper it will appreciate.

Carelessness, Property and Life

They say it happened. Two boys walking down the road by a vacant lot. The lot had a full growth of grass on it, the grass was dry and susceptible to the smallest spark or flame. One of the boys negligently tossed his half-smoked cigarette away—it happened that he tossed it into this dry grass. Both boys continued on their journey. A minute later they were several hundred feet away from the scene where the cigarette had been tossed and about the same time this dry grass began to burn. It was a dreadful fire for a short time. Houses in the neighborhood—dwellings and outhouses—were in danger. The town was brought into play, the fire department responded. It cost several dollars to do this, but it had to be done to save our town from a conflagration which might have cost our citizens many thousands of dollars. Is it right to carelessly fling a burning cigarette onto a person's property? How would you like to be treated in that manner? This could happen at night near some home or other place where old people and little children are sleeping. How would you feel if you were the cause of the destruction not only of valuable property, or bring death to some little child or other helpless person? Think it over. —Bellville Times.

There was a young lady named Banker, Who slept while the ship lay at anchor. She woke with dismay When she heard the mate say Hoist up the top sheet and spanker.

Boss: "You ask high wages for a man with no experience." Edward D: "But it is so much harder work when you don't know anything about it."

Notice of Stockholders Meeting Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Shareholders of The First National Bank of Santa Anna, Santa Anna, Texas, will be held in the office of the State National Bank Building in Santa Anna, Texas at 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday, January 9, 1934 for the purpose of placing said bank in voluntary liquidation and for transacting any other business that might come before it. O. L. CHEANEY, Cashier.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Shareholders of The Santa Anna National Bank, of Santa Anna, Texas, will be held in the office of Santa Anna National Bank, in Santa Anna, Texas, at 2:00 p. m. on Tuesday, January 9th, 1934, for the purpose of electing officers to serve through the year, and the transaction of other such business as may come before said meeting. M. A. EDWARDS, Cashier.

No. 13854 Treasury Department Office of Comptroller of the Currency Washington, D. C., DECEMBER 1, 1933 Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that

"THE SANTA ANNA NATIONAL BANK" in the CITY of SANTA ANNA in the County of COLEMAN and State of TEXAS has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association will be authorized to commence the business of Banking; Now therefore I, J. F. T. O'CONNOR, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that

"THE SANTA ANNA NATIONAL BANK" in the CITY of SANTA ANNA in the County of COLEMAN and State of TEXAS is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section Fifty one hundred and sixty nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and Seal of office this FIRST day of DECEMBER, 1933.

J. F. T. O'CONNOR, Comptroller of the Currency

COLLEGE STUDENTS HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Many of the College Students from Santa Anna are home for the holidays. Those from Howard Payne in Brownwood are Jesse Lee Sparkman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Sparkman, and Mrs. G. A. Morgan.

Students from Simmons University, Abilene include Miss Irene McCreary, daughter of Mrs. Reba McCreary. Irene is a Junior, and was recently selected Junior Beauty of the University. William Earl Ragsdale, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ragsdale, is also doing Junior work at the University. Clifford Wheeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wheeler, and Audas Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Smith are also here.

Miss Kathryn Rose Pinney, daughter of Mrs. Minnie B. Pinney, came last week from Fort Worth, where she is a Sophomore in Texas Woman's College, to spend the holidays with home folks.

A. G. Weaver, a Junior in Baylor University, Waco, is visiting with his mother, Mrs. Burgess Weaver.

Students from Texas Tech at Lubbock are Eugene Watkins, a senior son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Watkins; Seth Ford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ford and Dennis Dempsey.

Wilburn DuBois, Jr. is here from Texas A. & M. at College Station. He is a Junior.

Miss Velma Oder of Randolph College, Cisco, is spending the

holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Oder.

Myrton L. McDonald of McMurtry College, Abilene, is visiting his mother, Mrs. C. P. Petty. Ernest Lee Woniack, son of Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Woniack, of Trinity University, Waxahatchie, came last week for a holiday visit with his parents.

Sportsman: (having emptied both barrels at a rabbit) There, David, I'm sure I hit that one." David: "Well, 'e certainly did seem to go faster after you shot at him, zur!"

George McGonagill: "Just to think, I promised my father I would never be a football star." Coach Blinon: "Well, you've kept your promise."

Cody Watkins: "Did you say that you were a track man?" M. T. Traylor: "Am I? Why I've got bruises all over my chest for breaking tapes."

NOTICE I have arranged with A. R. Brown to collect for and deliver automobile license plates in Santa Anna, beginning January 1st. All automobiles and trucks must carry the 1934 license plate by February 1st. Bring your 1933 receipts to Mr. Brown at the City Hall in Santa Anna during the month of January, and procure the new plates.

FRANK LEWIS, Tax Collector, Coleman County.

ABILENE MORNING NEWS AND EVENING REPORTER Both Morning and Evening, including Sunday morning edition for \$9.75 per month, delivered to your home in town. \$0.40 per month for either edition. Sunday morning and comic section for ONLY 5c. All papers on sale at Santa Anna News office.

BURTON GREGG, Agent.

New Year FOOD 1934 SPECIALS

Table listing various food items and prices: Fresh Fruits & Vegetables (Apples, Lettuce, Bananas, Lemons, Spuds, Peaches, Milk, Coffee, Cocoa, Flour, Pinto Beans, Figs, Postum Cereal, Rice); Specials for Friday-Saturday, Dec. 29-30 (Pineapple, Cherries, Blackberries, Tomatoes, Spinach, Corn, Tomato Juice, Peas, Potted Meat, Tamales, Mackerel); Market Specials (Bacon, Cheese, Steak, Roast).

THE RED & WHITE STORES



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Santa Anna Telephone Company

Efficient, skilled, prompt, or like make your service priceless.

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NOTICE For the convenience of my customers I will park my Watkins car across the street north from the depot on Saturday mornings during December. W. A. WATKINS, Watkins Dealer.

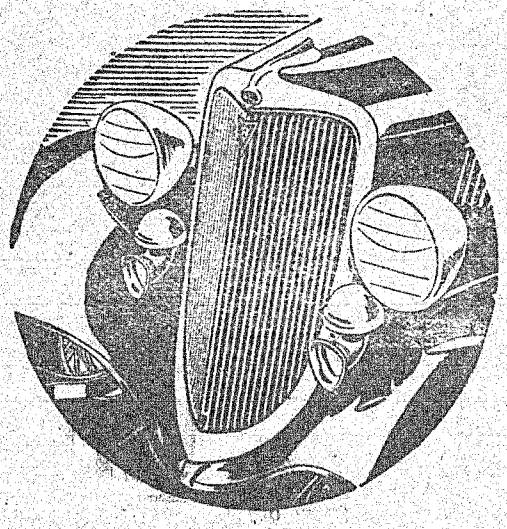
FOR SALE: White Leghorn chickens at my farm. G. O. 455c

FOR SALE: Good work mules. W. I. Bosch at Santa Anna. W. I. Bosch & Sons, Phone Co. 160

PLUMBING REPAIR WORK or call C. D. WATKINS Phone 170

ALL EVIDENCE IS HEREBY RETURNED TO THE PROPRIETOR OF THE HOTEL IN SANTA ANNA TEXAS. J. F. T. O'CONNOR, Comptroller of the Currency

Let the car speak for itself



HUNDREDS of thousands of people now own and drive Ford V-8 cars. Some neighbor or friend of yours has one. If we told you what we think of the car, you might say we are prejudiced, so we let the car and its owner tell you.

Economy of operation is one of the first points they will emphasize—the owner will boast of it and the car will prove it.

The 1934 car is even better than the 1933—and that was our best car up to its time. The new car is more beautiful—faster—more powerful—gives more miles to the gallon—better oil economy—is easier riding—cheaper to own and operate than any car we ever built.

You owe it to yourself and your pocketbook to ask our Ford Dealer to let you see this car, and let you drive it for yourself. At the wheel of the car you will be sure to reach a right decision. The Ford V-8 will tell you its own story.

NEW FORD V-8 for 1934

Season's Greetings

At this time, when all the world relaxes from the excitement and tension of everyday business life... when on every hand one sees practical demonstrations of the true Christmas Spirit of "Good Will Toward Men"... it is fitting that this Company should bring to its many friends and customers the sincere Christmas Greeting of hundreds of loyal employees.

Throughout the year, 161 progressive cities, towns and communities in this "Land of Opportunity" have received dependable and inexpensive electric service from the three major generating stations of the West Texas Utilities Company.

Hundreds of farmers, ranchers and smaller communities have been served over the same high tension transmission lines, which, 2,500 miles in length, interlace this great West Texas Empire.

To this progressive citizenry... by whom and for whom the growth of West Texas and the West Texas Utilities Company has taken place... this Company extends cordial Season's Greetings and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a sur-primings low rate schedule... and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

West Texas Utilities Company

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Laws of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Janus DeWitt and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Moore of Comanche spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robin and son Tom.

School faculty, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Adams. Mrs. Paul Williams of Dallas visited in the home of her brother, Grady Adams, Tuesday.

P. E. Snook and family of Longview are visiting relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Chambers, Sr. of Harlingen and Miss Ida Mae Souther of Hollywood, California were guests last week in the Mrs. M. E. Chambers home.

San Antonio grandchildren spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Newman. Joe Garrett visited homefolks in Wimsboro Christmas.

Miss Ethel Shields of New Mexico is visiting her mother, Mrs. Charles Shields in Trickham.

Parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Keel, Hur at Bangs. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Boardman of Lamesa visited relatives here this week.

Miss Gladys Reed of Dallas spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Keel. Miss Loreta Smith of the Lora School Faculty is spending her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Keel.

Majestic Radios. JUST RECEIVED! Now you can look ahead and see the new styles in small, super-refined radio sets for 1934.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Byrne are visiting in Dobbin this week. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lock and children, Beth and Joyce are spending the holidays with relatives in East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lackey had as their guests during the holidays their daughters, Mrs. Robert Ashley and little daughter, of Houston, Mrs. C. R. Woodward and children of Lamesa, and Mrs. John Newman and children of Talpa.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gardner of Winters and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gardner of Hubbard visited in the W. H. Gardner home Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones and children of Dallas spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mrs. J. S. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Niell. They carried the children to Carlsbad, where they will receive care in the Sanatorium for the next few months, and returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Collier and son Howard, Jr. of Pecos are visiting in the F. C. Woodward home this week.

Business Training Pays! It PAYS to keep on with schooling after High School days are over. And it PAYS to train for a business position without loss of time! Our graduates are preferred by hundreds of leading business firms who know that "Tyler trained means well-trained."

Starting Monday, January 1st, 1934 IN COLEMAN, TEXAS FOR ONE BIG WEEK FR'D G. BRUNK'S COMEDIANS THE BIG NO. 1 SHOW IN THEIR BIG WATERPROOF, ZERO WEATHER PROOF TENT THEATER

PIGGLY WIGGLY LARD 8-pound Carton . 51c 8-pound Pail . 61c Mrs. Tucker's or Swift's Jewel LOOK Red Pepper Black Pepper 1-2 LB . 14 Saltpepe Sage Piggly Wiggly is headquarters for Bulk Spices