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## GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL IN FIRST CLASS

Supt. Bralley Writes Highly Commendatory Letter to Supt. Edgar McLendon.

The citizens of Graham, especially those who are naturally proud of our school, will be highly pleased this week to learn of the fact that the Graham High School has been classified as a high school of the first class.

Some time ago Supt. McLendon sent a quantity of papers from the high school to Austin to be passed upon by the State Superintendent and on Monday of this week received a letter from him in which he thanks Mr. McLendon for the splendid and prompt cooperation given by him to the State Superintendent in the matter of classifying the Graham school.

Graham has long been proud of Mr. McLendon and we feel sure the praise from Mr. Bralley was justly bestowed. Mr. McLendon is continually striving to make the Graham High the best small-town school in the state, and we are confident that if a record could be kept on the schools, Graham would rank among the top-notchers.

Following is the letter from Supt. Bralley:

Supt. Edgar McLendon, Graham, Texas. Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your favor, giving definite information as to the number of units your school is accredited with in the University of Texas. All information submitted by you has had our careful consideration and I am pleased to find that the fact warrants us in classifying your school as a high school of the first class. A certificate showing this classification will be mailed you in the near future.

Permit me to thank you for your continued cooperation in the matter of classifying your school. You have been prompt in your answers and have cooperated in a way which we very much appreciate.

Again thanking you and wishing you every success, I am  
Respectfully yours,  
F. M. BRALLEY,  
State Supt.

## The Literary Club.

On last Wednesday afternoon the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle met with Mrs. A. B. Eddleman. A fair per cent of these interested ladies were present and responded to roll call with items of world-wide note from the Chautauquan Magazine. Mrs. J. W. Gallaher presided, and in an able manner directed a program from "Social Progress in Contemporary Europe," dealing with the embryonic struggles of the early England.

Little Thelma Burns entertained the company with a charming child reading, "The Dolly's Bazaar," which showed much aptness for the dramatic art. She graciously responded to an encore. A short business session was held, the questions relative to a rest room for Graham and the advisability of a "Parents-Teachers Club" engrossing the attention.

Mrs. Edgar McLendon read the paper of the afternoon, "The Growth of English Democracy," disclosing much ability and careful preparation. Mrs. Z. A. Hudson led a very entertaining Table Talk.

A. W. Kay recently bought a Studebaker touring car.

## Miss Miller's Recital.

On last Friday evening at the Opera House, Miss Lucille Miller gave another recital of her pupils in elocution, which scored another splendid success for this talented young lady who has proven her ability as a superior instructor in the art of Expression. Quite a few of her personnel of the program had never appeared before the foot-lights, until this time, and the fact that their stage presence was so easy and natural reflected great credit upon the training received as well as upon their aptitude for the dramatic art. Little Mary Louise Hallam, in her cunning baby way, gave the first number of readings—"The Loving Little Girl." The sweet voice was heard to enunciate distinctly throughout the house as she named her many "loves." Thelma Burns as the naughty little boy in "Um! Gee!" was irresistible. This number so full of action and bubbling "young America" was carried off perfectly by this diminutive maiden. Bessie Finch has won favorable comment before as a promising young reader and sustained the reputation in a well rendered "Mr. Brown has his hair cut."

Miss Fannie Stoffers was heard in "Bivouac on the Rappahannock," a descriptive number of pathos and beauty, with a musical accompaniment. This recital is full of appeal and was especially appropriate as a number of Daughters of Confederacy were present. Adele Jeffery in "Getting Letters" and Ruby Snoddy in "The Boy Kept Step" were very naive and entertaining; both numbers were given gracefully and received with manifest appreciation. Hardy Price has become a favorite as a character reader, and promises much, as a pronounced talent is evident. His interpretation of the hoosier "yap" was ever bemoaning the fact that he was "Enjyin' Pore Health" evoked a round of hearty applause. The spirit in which he enters a character piece is most commendable. Misses Willie Carmack, Beulah Allen and Buford Snoddy delightfully entertained the audience with "Bowler among the dressmakers" which is an amusing farce upon the military ability of "mere man;" "Taking an Elevator," which Miss Beulah Allen recites with much expression; and "The Rivals" a dilemma in courtship charmingly retold by Miss Buford Snoddy. Juanita Adair evinces remarkable stage presence for one so young and her impersonation of the southern negro is very taking in "The One-Legged Goose," told with all the quaint humor of F. Hopkinson Smith. Perhaps the strongest number on the program was the oration "The Lost Word" by Mr. Robert Morrison. This gem in literature from the pen of the beloved Henry Van Dyke was delivered in pure tone intonations and with abundant feeling, disclosing a reserve force and delicate sense of expression which goes into the make-up of every real orator. The voice showed splendid training and admirable control. The High School Quartette, composed of Messrs. Jeffery, Johnson, Mabry and Morrison, sang a happy melody which delighted the audience. They were vigorously recalled several times and added very much to the decided success of the Recital. Two piano numbers were rendered by Misses Nell Graham and Adele Jeffery, whose charm as pianists is well known and appreciated in music-loving Gra-

## LARGE SHIPMENTS OF NATIVE CATTLE

One Hundred and Twenty-eight Cars Leave the County this Week for Oklahoma.

It has been some time since such a great number of cattle have been shipped from Graham in so short a time as has been



the recent shipments by Messrs. Clark and Jackson. The first lot was shipped on the 8th and the last, a train of 45 cars, will be shipped tomorrow. In all there will be something over 4000 head shipped out.

These shipments were made to points in Oklahoma, where Johnny Washington, known as the Oklahoma cattle king, will take charge of the stock. They will

usually tall steer, in fact, it was said to be so tall that Mr. Clark could not see over it; but it seems that Mr. Clark was not satisfied with its height and remarked that "he wished that steer was taller." There were tall steers, low steers, long and short steers and nearly every other kind of a steer in the shipments and any cowman could pick some to suit his individual fancy.

ham. Miss Miller closed the program with a most difficult character study, "The Debating Society," in which nine different impersonations of rural characters were masterly portrayed. Much careful study and artistic temperament were evident in every phase of this heavy number, which was given in a splendidly finished manner. Graham has much to be proud of in her young people, among whom are quite a few destined for high endeavor.

Part of the proceeds of this successful evening went to the U. D. C. benefit.

## The Priscilla Club.

The club met this week with Mrs. Duncan with a larger number of members present than usual. Tongues and fingers kept time at a rapid rate. Criticisms and compliments passed freely. Criticisms especially on two pieces of crochet. We hope they will soon be finished. Mrs. Duncan proved as lovely a hostess as her pleasing personality has always promised. Having permission from the President the hostess served a most refreshing ice course with cake, assisted by Messdames Jackson, Crabb and Norman. Let's meet with the other new members soon. The next meeting is with Mrs. A. B. Eddleman. Present besides the club members were the following guests: Messdames McJimsey, Marshall, Stoffers, Rose and Price.

Mrs. M. L. Holman who has been visiting in El Paso is in Graham to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. M. W. High.

be grazed this summer, then shipped to the various markets for sale.

It has taken some time and lots of energy to collect these cattle and Messrs. Clark and Jackson will soon make claim to being the cattle kings of West Texas.

A short time ago Messrs. Clark and Jackson were in Stephens county buying cattle and in one of the herds came across an un-

usually tall steer, in fact, it was said to be so tall that Mr. Clark could not see over it; but it seems that Mr. Clark was not satisfied with its height and remarked that "he wished that steer was taller." There were tall steers, low steers, long and short steers and nearly every other kind of a steer in the shipments and any cowman could pick some to suit his individual fancy.

## "Tag Day."

Second Monday was observed in Graham by the Daughters of the Confederacy as "Tag Day" and these energetic ladies saw to it that every man who walked the streets on that day was properly decorated with one of the little tags which bore the lettering, "Tagged for the benefit of the confederate monument to be erected by the U. D. C."

There was quite a little fun and rivalry among the "taggers" as to who could sell the most tags; yet all were so successful that no one felt badly when the sales were turned in at sundown.

When the ladies had all reported it was found that their bank account had been moved up \$175 besides \$6.40 which the candy sold for. Each Daughter wishes to thank the men of our town and all who were here from the country and contributed to this worthy cause for their liberality on this occasion.

The monument will be a beautiful piece of statuary and is certainly worth the effort the chapter is making to secure it. The chapter, on the other hand, is a determined band of conscientious workers, who will leave no stone unturned to accomplish their undertaking. Will the people of the town and country rally to their aid and help to pay for the erection of this monument to our old soldiers?

AN EARNEST DAUGHTER.

The Young county singing convention meets at Orth on the 4th Sunday, April 27. All singers and lovers of singing are cordially invited to be present.

## SHAWNEE TENNIS CLUB OPENS COURTS

Mayor S. Boyd Street Dedicates New Courts in East Graham Last Friday Evening.

On last Friday evening at six o'clock Mayor S. Boyd Street formally dedicated the courts of the Shawnee Tennis Club.

The club was recently organized with a dozen members and a double court prepared in East Graham, fenced all around with poultry netting. The members have gotten the courts in fine shape and several interesting games have already been played.

Following is a list of officers and members: Horace Tidwell, president; G. Q. Street, secretary and treasurer; Mabry Short, property man; E. S. Graham, P. K. Deats, W. McClatchy, Chas. Hinson, D. D. Cusenbary, Henry Porter, Walter Douglass and Joe David Doty.

## Sewing For Buckner's Orphan Home.

The ladies of the Baptist Missionary Society of Graham met Thursday April 10th with the President, Mrs. S. R. Crawford. There were 32 ladies and children present, all busy doing something for the children in the Home. After making count of finished garment, ready-to-wear, there were 50. Four sun-bonnets, one suit and one pair pants were donated by some one. The Society wishes to express their appreciation through this paper to Street & Co. for their liberal donation of beautiful remnants to be made into garments for the children. We want to thank three gentlemen for the machines and Mr. J. W. Taliaferro for the many favors he extended to the society. We want to mention that we missed sister Taylor. She was always at her post, absent but not forgotten, and also Bro. Taylor who always came to our sewings to give us a word of encouragement. Messdames Dowdy and Rutherford and daughters of the Red Top society came to help us with several garments made for their offering. We had as visitors Messdames Wynns, Lynch, Rose, Elliott, Taliaferro, Lane, Rubenkoenig, Horton and Arnold.

After being so busily engaged at sewing our beloved president served delicious chicken sandwiches, waldorf salad, olives, pickles, cheese, cake, tea and coffee-au-lait. Everyone had an enjoyable afternoon and felt that quite a good deal had been accomplished. One of our members, Mrs. S. R. Jeffery, wasn't able to attend but the orphans were not forgotten by her as she sent a bolt of domestic to the society to be made up for them. To remember the words of Lord Jesus, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

We would have had a larger attendance but on account of so much sickness in different homes, (We missed you.) Our next meeting will be at the residence of Mrs. Jason Mayes on the 4th Thursday in April. Subject Italy. Every member come.  
Mrs. M. W. HIGH.

Glen, age six years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Wallace, has been confined to his bed for the past two weeks with pneumonia, and for some time his life was despaired of, but on yesterday he was reported some better and it is hoped now that he will recover rapidly.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 18 CLEAN-UP DAY

Public Schools Will Have Half-Holiday to Assist in Work of Cleaning Premises.

Tomorrow, Friday, April 18, has been set aside by the Governor as "Clean-up Day" all over the State, and the Mayor and Councilmen of Graham have issued their edict in line with the Governor and the citizens of Graham are expected to do their part toward making Texas a clean State on this day.

The school will be dismissed in the afternoon to allow the pupils to assist in the work of cleaning up the premises of their parents and it is expected that by five o'clock every piece of property in the city will be as clean as when it was part of the rolling prairie.

Mayor S. Boyd Street informs us that he will have plenty of wagons to haul off the surplus garbage that can not be burned, and requests the people to put same in boxes or barrels and place in the alley on their premises. Unless this is done, the parties hauling will be unable to collect it.

Graham ought to be the cleanest town in this section of the State. It has many magnificent homes, and the citizens generally take pride in the cleanliness of their property, but we hope that a special effort will be made to make the whole town as clean as the cleanest yard.

The business district should not be neglected and all the old goods boxes and trash should be taken off the sidewalks and the litter swept off the square.

Let's make it a real clean-up day.

## Bridges-Petty.

At the home of your humble servant, in the presence of a dozen witnesses on last Sunday evening at 4:30 o'clock, I enjoyed the honor of pronouncing the solemn ceremony that united Mr. J. C. Bridges and Miss Rose Petty in the holy bonds of matrimony.

The bridegroom is an intelligent, sober, energetic young man. He is of one of the best families of Red Top community.

The bride is a charming and accomplished young lady; she is also of one of Red Top's best families.

This young couple has a host of friends in Red Top and its adjoining communities. They will make their home in the Red Top community. We pray that the richest blessing of Heaven may come to them, to continue their lives useful and make them happier as the years go into eternity.

REV. R. E. BOVLE.

## Christian Ladies' Aid.

The Ladies Aid of the First Church of Christ met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Frank Herron with 11 members and 3 visitors present. The meeting was opened with song and prayer, after which the reports of the different committees were given and other business matters of the society were discussed. Our lesson study on the life and character of David was then taken up. Mrs. Joe Birdwell, leader, had a well prepared lesson in which all took part; these lessons were very interesting as well as instructive. We meet next Monday with Mrs. J. L. Graves, with Mrs. McGowan, leader. Lesson study "Solomon" last King of Israel. Key word "endure."



**JUST THE WAY OF A BOY**

Most Mothers Have Had Some Such Experience as Is Portrayed Here by "Bob" Burdette.

You send your boy on an errand. There are three women in the parlor. You have waited as long as you can, in all courtesy, for them to go. They have developed alarming symptoms of staying to tea. And you know there aren't half enough strawberries to go round. It is only a three minutes' walk to the grocery, however, and Tom sets off like a rocket, and you are so pleased with his celerity and ready good nature that you want to run after him and kiss him. He is a long time, however. Ten minutes become fifteen, fifteen grow into twenty, the twenty swell into half an hour, and your guests exchange very significant glances as the half becomes three-quarters. Your boy returns at last. Apprehension in his downcast eyes, humility in his laggard step, penitence in the appealing slouch of his battered hat, and a pound and a half of shingle nails in his hands.

"Mother," he says, "what was it you told me to get besides the nails?" And while you are counting your scanty store of berries to make them go round without a fraction, you hear Tom out in the back yard, whistling and hammering away, building a dog house with the nails you never told him to get. From Robert J. Burdette's "Rise and Fall of the Mustache."

**QUITE PROBABLY HE WOULD**

Little One's Answer to Teacher's Question Really Not Such a Great Deal-Out-of-the-Way.

During a moment of relaxation Senator Warren of Wyoming told of the attempt of a school teacher to explain the functions of an American consulate.

For several minutes the teacher worked untriflingly, the senator said, but the youngsters were slow in grasping the subject. Finally she tried a new tack.

"Suppose," she remarked, "that somebody took a man up in an aeroplane and after a wild, exciting flight of several days, dropped him thousands of miles from home in a foreign country, what place would he seek first of all?"

"I know, Miss Mary! I know now!" cried one of the small pupils, violently wriggling his upraised hand.

"Well, Harry," encouragingly said the teacher, "what place would he seek?"

"The hospital, Miss Mary," was the prompt reply of the happy little Harry.

**CHINESE REPUBLICANISM.**

Although the practice of making plaintiff and defendant kneel down before the judge in the course of a lawsuit and the application of corporal punishment to extract confessions from the suspected offender have been prohibited by law, still in some rural districts and cities the authorities of the court have not yet completely abandoned these practices. President Yuan, wishing the authorities to respect the rights of the people and thereby to show them the real significance of a republican form of government, has telegraphed instructions to the Tatuhs to investigate the practice of the local courts. —Peking Daily News.

**CHINESE PAPER MONEY.**

Paper money is said to have had its origin in China in the year 806, when the government issued it to relieve a financial stringency, receiving coin in return, which enabled it to pay off outstanding obligations. In the museum of St. John's college in Shanghai is a paper ball worth 1,000 cash, the equivalent of 50 cents, American money, which was issued by the first Ming emperor (Hung-wo, A. D. 1368-1399). It is nearly two feet long and one foot wide, printed on mulberry bark paper, and is a dark slate color. —Argonaut.

**THE REASON.**

Mother (reprovingly)—When I was young girls never thought of doing the things they do today.

Daughter—Well, that's why they didn't do them.—Pittsburgh Post.

**LOGICAL RESULT.**

"Binks, who failed at ballooning, was very caustic about Jinks' aviation trial."

"Naturally; it was a soar sight to him."

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT To the State Constitution Providing all State, District, County and Precinct Officers Within this State Shall be Compensated by the Payment of a Fixed Salary.**

(S. J. R. No. 4.) A JOINT RESOLUTION Of the Legislature of the State of Texas, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State by adding to Article 16 thereof a new section to be known as Section 58, providing for the tenure and compensation of public officials.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That there be added to Article 16 of the constitution of the

State of Texas a new section to be known as Section 58, which shall read as follows: "Section 58. All State, district, county and precinct officers within the State of Texas shall hereinafter be compensated by the payment of a salary to be fixed or provided for by the Legislature."

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State will, as directed by the Constitution, make publication of this proposed amendment in the manner and for the time as required by the Constitution, the amendment to be voted upon by the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of this State at the general election to be held for State officers on July 19, 1913, the returns of which shall, as provided for in the

Constitution, be made to the Secretary of State, the result ascertained and proclamation made as provided for in Section 1, Article 17, of the Constitution. There shall be written or printed on the ballots to be used at such election "for the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the Constitution, providing for a salary compensation for certain officers and fixing their term of office at four years;" and also "against the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the Constitution for certain officers and fixing their term of office at four years;" and those favoring the adoption of said amendment shall erase the language "Against the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the constitution, providing a

salary compensation for certain officers and fixing their term of office at four years," by running a pencil or pen through the same; and those opposing the adoption of said amendment shall erase the language "for the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the constitution, providing a salary compensation for certain officers and fixing their term of office at four years," by running a pencil or pen through the same.

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

JOHN L. WORTHAM

(A true copy) Secretary of State.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT To the Constitution of this State, Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds for Improvement Districts, and Also for the Operation of Public Warehouses for Storing, Handling, Classing, Measuring, Weighing, Elevating and Loading Agricultural Products.**

(S. J. R. No. 4.) JOINT RESOLUTION.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 52, of Article 3, of the Constitution of this State:

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 52. The Legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, city, town or other political corporation or subdivision of the State, to lend its credit or to grant public money or thing of value in aid of, or to any individual, association or corporation whatsoever, or to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company, provided, however, that under legislative provision any county, any political subdivision of a county, any number of adjoining counties, or any political subdivision of the State, or any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, and which may or may not include towns, villages, or municipal corporations, upon a vote of a majority of the resident taxpayers voting thereon, who are qualified electors of such district or territory to be affected thereby, in addition to all other debts, may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, except that the total bonded indebtedness of any city or town shall never exceed the limits imposed by other provisions of this Constitution, and levy and collect taxes to pay the interest thereon, and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, as the Legislature may authorize, and in such manner as it may authorize the same, for the following purposes, to-wit:

(a) The improvement of rivers, creeks and streams to prevent overflows, and to permit of navigation thereof, or irrigation thereof, or in aid of such purposes.

(b) The construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, dams, canals, and waterways for the purposes of irrigation or in aid thereof.

(c) The construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graded or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof.

(d) The construction, maintenance and operation of public warehouses for storing, handling, classing, measuring, weighing, elevating and loading agricultural products. Provided the Legislature may establish such means and agencies as may be necessary for accomplishing the purpose of this amendment and if a State warehouse commission be provided for, their term of office shall be fixed by the Legislature.

SEC. 2. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the Constitution to the qualified electors of the State of Texas on the third Saturday in July, same being the 19th day of said month, and the amendments proposed to Section 52 of Article 3, as above indicated, shall be voted upon separately.

Those favoring the amendment to authorize road or other public improvements by a majority vote, shall have written or printed on their ballot: "For amendment to authorize road and other public improvements by a vote of a majority, and those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot: "Against amendment to authorize road and other public improvements by a vote of a majority."

Those favoring the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses shall have written or printed on their ballot: "For the amendment authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses for agricultural products. Those voting against said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot: "Against the amendment authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses for agricultural products."

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication, proclamation and election.

JOHN L. WORTHAM

(A true copy) Secretary of State.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT To the State Constitution Prescribing Qualifications for District Judges of this State and Prescribing Their Tenure of Office.**

(S. J. R. No. 11.) A JOINT RESOLUTION

Amending Section 7, Article 5, of the constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the creation and formation of judicial districts, the terms of compensation and qualifications of the judges of the districts courts, and the times of holding court.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SEC. 1. That Section 7, Article 5, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 7. The State shall be divided into as many judicial districts as may now or hereafter be provided by law, which may be increased or diminished by law. For each district there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof, at a general election, one or more judges, each of whom shall be a citizen of the United States and of this State, who shall have been a practicing lawyer of this state, or a judge of a court in this State for six years next preceding his election; who shall have resided in the district in which he was elected for two years next preceding his election; who shall

reside in his district during his term of office; who shall hold his office for a period of four years, and shall receive for his services an annual salary of three thousand dollars, until otherwise changed by law. Court shall be held by a district judge at the county seat in each of the several counties at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by law. The Legislature shall provide for the holding of the district court when the judge thereof is absent, disabled or disqualified from acting. The district judges who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or

appointment.

SEC. 2. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at an election to be held on the 19th day of July, 1913, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment of Section 7, Article 5, of the constitution of the State of Texas, relating to district judges and district courts," and all voters opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment of Section 7, Article 5, of

**WHO WILL BE "THE LUCKY ONE"**

On Monday, July 14th, 1913, at 3:30 sharp, in front of my Store, somebody is going to get this

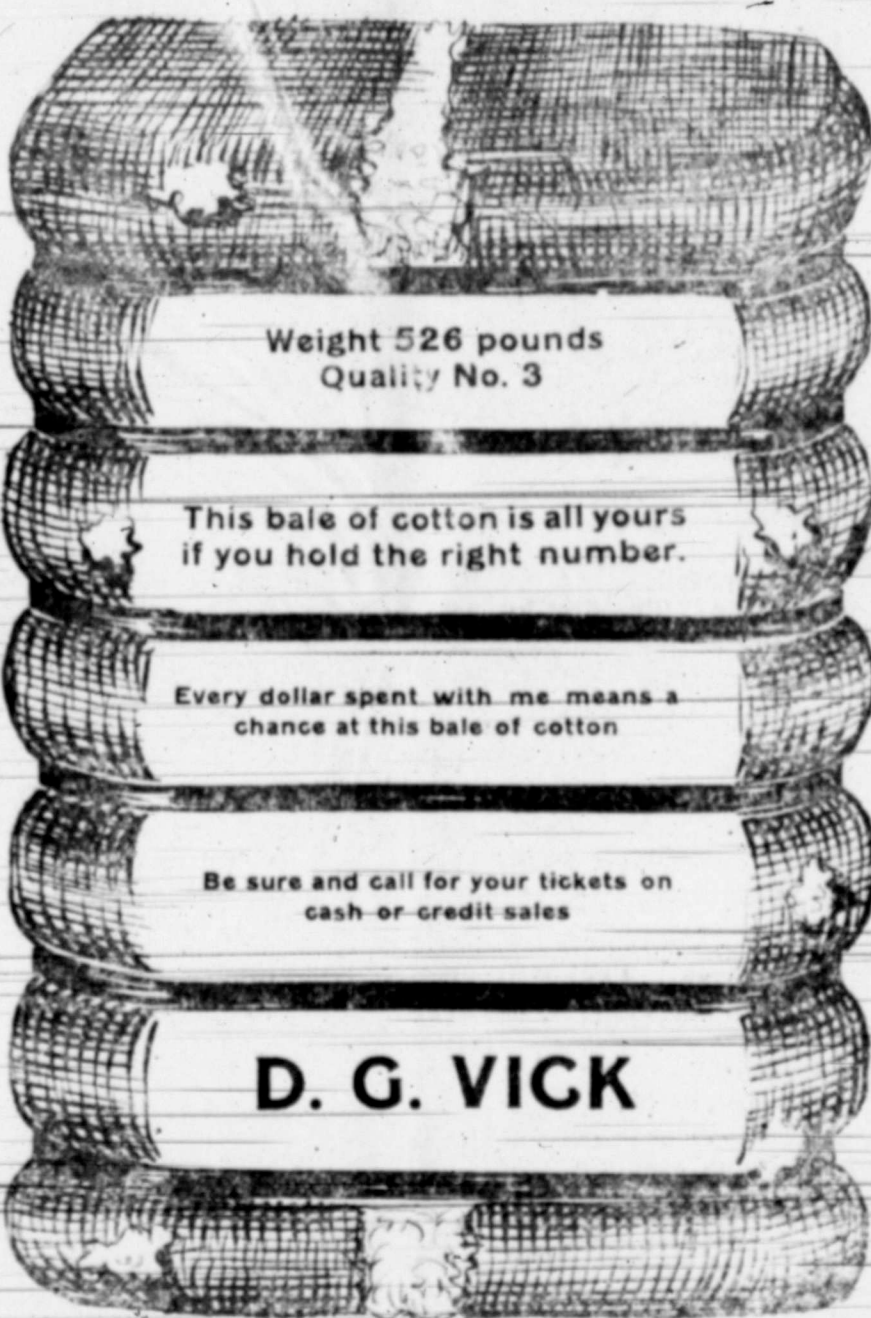
**BALE OF COTTON ABSOLUTELY FREE**

It might be YOU. If you are the lucky one you will have a premium worth from \$55.00 to \$65.00. This bale of cotton weighs 526 pounds and of good quality. With every dollar's worth of goods you buy from me, beginning April 11th, at 8 o'clock, until 1 o'clock July 14th, you will get a coupon entitling you to a chance at this bale of cotton.

A duplicate of each ticket given out will be deposited in a sealed metal box in my Store. On July 14th at 3:30 o'clock, this box will be opened. The tickets will be well mixed and one drawn out by someone that will be blindfolded—the number will be called and put on a blackboard where every one can see. If you have the corresponding number and present it in 5 minutes of the time the number has been placed on the board you get the bale of cotton.

If you fail to present your ticket in the given 5 minutes you lose your chance and the second ticket will be drawn and likewise continued until someone gets the bale of cotton.

This bale of cotton would pay your Grocery or Feed bill 60 or 90 days; it would dress your whole family from head to foot with the best Clothing, a Panama hat and a pair of Friedman-Shelby shoes; it would fit up your parlor with nice nobby Furniture, Rug or Matting; yes, it will make a big payment on a Deering Binder, Mower and Rake.



No one, or their family, who are connected or working in the Store will be allowed to participate in this drawing.

Now, this means a nice little purse for you. You are going to buy merchandise somewhere. Why not buy where you have a chance to get something back? I will give tickets on cash or credit sales, also on all cash payments made on accounts or notes.

This bale of cotton would pay for two Case 6-plow Cultivators, or a Cultivator and Planter. It would make a big payment on one of my celebrated Velie Buggies and Hacks. It would nearly pay for a Peter Schuttler Wagon, or it would pay for a Range Stove or one of those Herrick Refrigerators.

**THINK OF IT!** Somebody is going to get this bale of cotton. It's no skin game, but a fair, square proposition. I will further say that every piece of goods sold to you will be good, clean merchandise at as close prices as you can buy anywhere in Young County.

I WILL ISSUE COUPONS ON EVERYTHING I SELL—NOTHING RESERVED

Don't let this opportunity pass, but get in the game

**D. G. VICK**

Somebody will be made happy on the 14th day of July.

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**W. C. T. U.**

Items for this column are furnished by local Union.

The Good Literature baskets of the W. C. T. U. were established last Saturday by a committee of ladies at the following places: Chism's Studio; Leader office; Rubenkoenig & Bower's Barber Shop and Beckham National Bank. Mr. E. S. Graham kindly lending his auto and chauffeur to assist in this good work. This means good temperance literature in the hands of our voters, which in turn means the casting of the right kind of votes.

The following letter from our State president should be carefully read by all members of the local W. C. T. U.

Waco, Texas, April 5, 1913.  
Mrs. J. W. Akin,  
Graham, Texas.

Dear Comrade:

The convention which meets in San Antonio 6th to 9th of May means much to our cause in this State. Will you not make a special effort to be represented there? Send one delegate at least, and more if you can. Hold some kind of meeting or entertainment to raise money to pay your delegate's expenses. Plans for our work will need every opinion in the State, and we must press forward now, if "Texas Dry," our motto, means anything.

At the convention we will have a banquet at fifty cents a plate, and if we can have 200 present at that banquet, we shall have speeches, and plans launched for the year's work. Send one, or ten if you can, but at your earliest convenience drop a card to Mrs. H. T. Cunningham, 312 W. Laurel St., San Antonio, telling her how many will go from your Union.

Have you paid your State pledges and State Dues? I'm sure you want to come up with a clear record, so if you have delayed, don't put it off any longer. Send your report to your State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. D. Mihills, 2818 Austin Ave., Houston. Look through the list of Superintendents of departments (you will find this in your Year Book, or in White Ribbon) and report to them just what you have done in their departments this year. If you have not received blanks send in your report anyhow.

My health is improving each day now, and I pray that disappointment may not come this time to break down all that I have fought so hard for, these last months.

Get your comfort bags ready for the soldiers and sailors, as per the plan given in last White Ribbon, and send them to the address given by Mrs. Dilgarde, Mrs. W. D. Gray, 1501 N. Pine Street, San Antonio. If you do not get them ready in time before the convention, send them to the convention. Let every Union make as many as possible, as we shall need many hundreds of these little comforts. They are

to be presented to each sailor on the Battleship Texas, and to as many soldiers as we can reach.

Yours for a white map,  
Mrs. Nannie W. Curtis,  
Pres. Texas W.C.T.U.

A meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Akin to sew comfort bags for sailors and soldiers, Friday afternoon, April 18. The directions will be found below. Come all members with your sewing materials and let us enjoy this meeting.

The comfort bags are made as follows: Two pieces of denim, 10 inches wide, 14 inches long. One end should be finished with flap as an envelope; make five pockets, arrange two above center and three below. Place in these a small new Testament, needles, thread, buttons, small scissors and thimble, also pledge a card and a personal letter to some mother's boy.

**VARIETY OF WEDDING CUSTOM**

Bridal Costume of White Is One of the Oldest, Though Other Colors Have Been Worn.

The many countries of the world all have different wedding customs. The custom of brides wearing white is an old one. White has always been the symbol of purity; and this is the main reason why it has been used in all ages and in all civilized countries as the color of the bridal gown. In old days the Hebrew and Roman brides often wore pale yellow veils, and among the so-called "barbarian" nations—such as the early Saxons, Goths and Norsemen—the bride allowed her hair to hang loose as a symbol of her freedom, until entering her husband's house, when it was bound up upon her head as a sign of her future submission.

This idea was held by the Anglo-Saxons until a recent date. A great many flowers were always used at the early weddings and each kind of flower had some special meaning.

Among the Greeks and Italians the myrtle and olive were intertwined with white and purple flowers, the white standing for the bride's purity and the purple for Christ's blood. Roses, myrtle and rosemary were worn among the English. Pansies were also often used. The rose meant love and secrecy. One old marriage custom consisted in each guest dipping his spray of rosemary into his cup of wine before he drank the health and happiness of the bridal couple.

**HIS PA'S IN CONGRESS**



"That is an odd name your brother has."  
"Yes; pa calls him 'Appropriation Bill' because he's stealin' pie and preserves all the time."

**ANIMALS USED TO TEST DRUGS**

Use is made by chemical manufacturers of various animals, such as chickens, dogs, cats and frogs, to test the efficacy of drugs. Ergotone, for instance, is tested on chickens in an extremely simple way. Should it fail to turn a chicken's comb black it is at once known by the experimenter that the drug is worthless. Dogs are employed to test hashish. This is manufactured from female buds of hemp, the male buds having no particular medicinal value. Hashish administered to dogs induces a peculiar pathological condition, and, if the drug is correctly prepared, which is seen in no other animal save man himself. Digitalis, the heart stimulant, is best tested on frogs. Injecting a drop of the drug into the stomach of the frog, the chemist, by means of the kymograph, or heart recording machine, studies the changes of the frog's heart action, thus obtaining accurate knowledge as to the effect of that particular kind of digitalis.

**UNCOVERED BURIED CITY.**

Prof. Hiram Bingham, head of the Yale Peruvian expedition, has returned to this country, having conducted extensive exploration work chiefly at Manchu Picchu, the Inca city discovered on a previous exploration journey. The jungle was cleared away and more than one hundred caves were discovered. Ruins of baths, houses and palaces were also laid bare, and practically the entire city uncovered. Owing to opposition on the part of President Billinghurst and his congress, Professor Bingham declares he does not intend to return to Peru in the near future.

**WANT MORE TO BREAK.**

Church—What are those English suffragettes after, anyway?  
Gotham—Oh, they want to help make the laws.  
"Why, they break the laws we have now!"  
"I know it; but there are not enough laws to break. They want to make some more."



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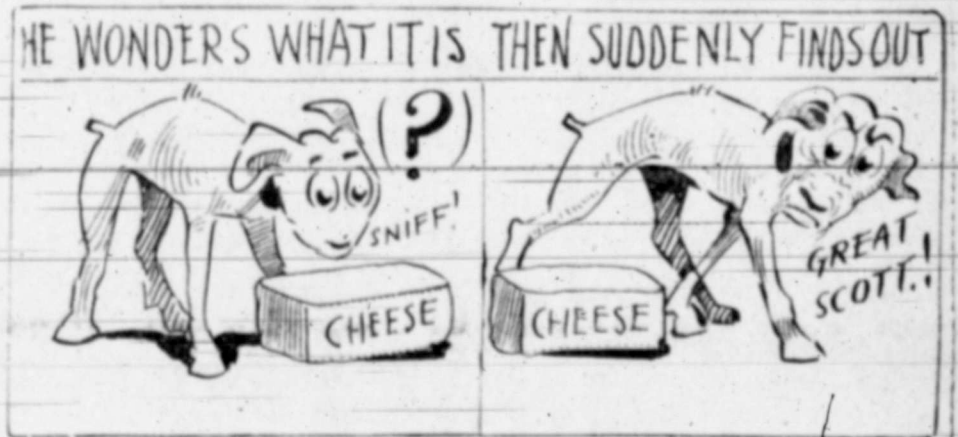
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# The News from our County Correspondents

## Mount Pleasant.

Say, all ye correspondents, I guess you noticed how cold-blooded our editor is? Yes-sir-ree-bob, I believe ice would feel warm to him. Liquid air would not run his temperature any lower. A breeze from off the north pole would not even tinge his editorial cheeks with blood. Think of our most honored young ladies, Mr. Charlie Bridges and Miss Rose Petty were married Sunday afternoon. Rev. Richard Boyle officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Petty and is one of our most loved young ladies. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bridges and is one of our most honored young men. The community extends congratulations, wishing them a long and happy life. Misses Isla Rutherford, Etta Barrett, Irene Rutherford, Vera Dowdy, Alvie Reid, Demalon Waters; Messrs. Dee Osborn, Jack Petty, Harper Dowdy, Chas. Osborn and Claud Rutherford were present at the wedding.

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Ernest Blakney was a visitor in Graham Saturday.

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Miss Emmie Wilbert, Verona, Charlie McBee and Ada Workman spent Saturday night with Miss Dora McBee.

Miss Brown, the school teacher at Bumble Bee, has been visiting Mr. Petty's family.

Quite a number of the Loving people were in our community Saturday night. Come again, we are always glad to have you with us. Some of the Lone Oak people were here also.

With best wishes to The Reporter and its many readers and writers.

SPINSTER MAID.

## Red Top.

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## Cedar Creek.

I wonder how many of you good correspondents will move up a little closer in the great, big Reporter circle and make room for old Silver Bell this morning. Of course I know that all will object to the jingle of an old bell while reciting but I'll "promise" to be real quiet and my promise is well, just like pie crust. Now hands up, all who will take the honest word of this old bell. Too bad, got one hand raised. I'll just show you all that I can be quiet. Seemingly believing.

Farm work is progressing very nicely in this part of the world. The ladies plant garden and Mr. Rabbit devours it as fast as the wee little plants peep out of the ground. The ladies scold and fret and say there's no use in trying to make a garden, but still they continue to plant more and all the while Mr. Rabbit looks on with a silly grin.

Melvin Gann and John Steele have a contract to grub a plot of ground for D. A. Upham. They have been buying all the fish hooks they could get. Suppose the boys are going to fish those old clms-up by the roots. We imagine that would be a sight worth seeing.

Lila Ritchey spent a pleasant evening at the charming home of J. R. Creigh and wife Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Gann were visiting their sister, Mrs. T. B. Wyatt Sunday.

We wonder why Emily looked so pleased Friday night? Tell us girls, please, and don't keep us guessing.

Lit Perry and John Gann of Pickwick attended the dance at Henry Nickles' Friday night.

Messrs. Gann, Wyatt and Cretsingler made two trips to Graham this week after lumber for J. R. Creigh who is having an addition built to his residence.

Friday as W. J. Cretsingler was returning from Graham with a load of lumber his wagon broke down.

D. A. Upham is visiting relatives at Strawn and White Flat this week.

Bro. Burson of Iona preached at this place Sunday.

Attention girls, Wilburn has a new rolled gold finger ring and says the "right-girl" can own it. Now if any of you who read this happen to be the right girl come forward and take your property. SILVER BELL.

## Bunger

Freeland Wylie made a trip to Dallas last week.

G. W. Wylie's brother-in-law, Mr. Morrison, of Throckmorton, came down Sunday.

Mr. Mullenox's baby is improving nicely, with Mrs. Newby as nurse.

Ming Bend local union met at 2 o'clock Saturday with a good attendance.

The Gander says it has been so long since he carried in stove wood he has forgotten how; he hauls it in on a rocking chair.

Joe Upham went fishing Friday. What luck, Joe? Fisherman's, I guess.

Come to the spelling match at Mountain Home every Friday night.

The singing at Miller's Sunday night was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Ming Bend and Duff Prairie played ball Saturday, the score being 10 to 9 in favor of the Bend.

The Gooseneck school team and the Bunger White Sox will cross bats Friday at the close of the school. R. L. McLaren was in Bunger today and tells me that if you Bunger boys will catch and dress those rabbits and send them and a bit of chile peppe to him, he will do the rest.

The farmers are well pleased over the little damage the frost did to corn and gardens around Bunger.

The Woodmen meet every first and third Tuesday night in the hall at Bunger. GOOSE.

## Rocky Mound.

Corn is very sorry, that is, no one has a stand; but oats are looking well.

The singing at Rocky Mound Sunday was well attended and all seemed to enjoy it. I do not believe there is anything nicer than good singing. We are not perfect by any means, but if we would practice and try we could have some good singing.

Mr. and Mrs. Padgett and little granddaughter spent Sunday eve at Mr. Mowery's and attended the singing.

Bill Babb and Retta Ragland attended the singing Sunday.

We are certainly proud of our new graded road.

W. C. Smith spent Sunday with Mr. Mowery.

Ira Giant and Miss Alice Goldston attended the singing.

T. H. Brown seems to crave suckers; he went fishing a week or so ago and caught nothing but suckers.

Shorty Phillips returned home Thursday night from a two weeks' visit with his brother near Ft. Worth. RED WING.

## Loving.

Wheat and oats look fine, but the corn and other stuff looks rather sick after so much, hard, cold wind.

Claude Oliver came home on a visit to his parents last week and will return to Dallas Monday.

Rev. Goode of Cundiff came up Saturday eve to visit his son Charley and family.

The Methodists held quarterly conference at the tabernacle Saturday. Presiding Elder Campbell not being present, Rev. Bowman of Graham presided. Bro. Nobles preached Sunday at 11.

Mr. Apling, who has served the G. T. & W. as agent here for several months, has been transferred to Perin, a station between Jacksboro and Salesville, and B. J. Lamar of Jean has taken his place.

C. J. Harlan has been very sick for several days.

S. M. Thompson has added a plow sharpener to his shop and says it is doing good work.

The Loving coal mines are being equipped with machinery and will be worked by experienced miners from Bridgeport. The coal is said to be very good.

Mr. Killingsworth has opened a cold drink stand and restaurant in A. J. Beard's store and is doing a good business.

The Baptist Missionary Society met at the church Saturday eve, twelve members present. An interesting program was given and a neat sum taken up for missions.

The passenger has changed schedule again, arriving from the east at 9:18 a. m. from the west at 5:10 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Reeves are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl born Sunday night.

A number of Loving people enjoy Sunday evenings by joy riding over the good road south of town.

The literary Friday night was an entertaining affair and a good crowd was out.

Earl Wheat and Miss Drue Dickerson were married last Sunday by Rev. Roach of Olney at 2 o'clock. The ceremony was performed just east of the Young and Jack county line near the Loving ranch. They left Monday for Alford to visit relatives, returning Friday eve.

A phone message was received Monday at 11 o'clock by Claude Reeves from R. L. Reeves stating that his son Harlan was improving fast and that he would be home the last of the week. Harlan was moved to the Baptist Sanitarium and is well cared for, and hopes are entertained for his speedy recovery. COR.

## Flat Rock.

Mrs. Corley is some better.

Bro. Brewton preached Saturday night, Sunday morning and night.

Jim Corley returned to Dallas Monday after a visit with home-folks.

A few of the Rockers took in Second Monday.

Lona Corley visited at Joe Martin's Sunday.

Carrol Robbins visited Albert Corley Sunday.

C. J. Cook and family visited his parents Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Corley and daughters visited in Graham Monday.

Mr. Graves, who recently came to this community, has moved his family back to Graham.

Gardens are looking fine.

Bob Corley has purchased a new buggy.

We wonder what has become of Buster? He surely hasn't quit us because Graham kept the county seat. CANDY KID.

## Wagons

If you want a wagon buy a Schuttler from "Vick," he will give you a chance to get that bale of cotton that he has in his show window.

## Hawkins Chapel.

Mrs. Logan of Jacksboro has been visiting relatives and friends the last few days.

The literary was good Friday night. Farmer, Markley and West Fork were represented.

Mrs. Harman of Wise county is visiting her sister, Mrs. Cassie Lindsey.

Mrs. Loftin entertained the young people Sunday.

Jim Oatman and family took dinner with Robert Miller Sunday.

Miss Della Logan of Jacksboro was the guest of Mrs. Emma Barrett Sunday.

J. C. Miller and family of West Fork visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Baker was the guest of Mrs. Ward Sunday.

Bro. Dixon and family of Loving dined with Will Lowrence Sunday.

The Misses Baker were guests of Miss Ollie Herring Sunday.

Mrs. Mandville visited in our community from Friday to Monday.

Grandpa and Grandma Drum visited Mr. Ward and family Sunday.

Luther Drum treated a crowd of young people to an auto ride Sunday.

Walker Baker and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Loftin, at West Fork.

Miss Florence Carmack spent Saturday and Sunday with home-folks in Graham.

Otis Stratten and family visited in this community Sunday.

My, such a big dinner as there was at J. C. Cross' Sunday, in honor of Mrs. Cross' fiftieth anniversary. The dinner was so elaborate that the preacher was hardly able to preach that night.

Preaching at the Baptist church Saturday at 11 by Bro. Dixon, at night by Bro. Grange, Sunday at 11 by Bro. Perry Harmerson. After preaching T. F. Harman was ordained a deacon. Preaching at night by Bro. Grange. Attendance was large at all services and interest was good.

Some of the boys attended the recital at Loving Friday night and report a fine time.

Miss Ruth Dixon of Loving was the guest of Miss Ruby Newman Saturday night.

Crops are looking fine. VIOLET.

## Flint Creek.

As I have not seen any news from this part of the county will try and write a few lines.

Some of the farmers are planting corn while others have a stand already. Wheat and oats are looking nice.

The trustee election was held at the school house Saturday, April 5th, but the crowd was a good deal lighter than the county seat election.

Miss Winnie Smith and John Taylor were seen driving Sunday evening.

Miss Easter Smith has returned after spending a few days at Lone Oak. She reported a nice time while there.

The Dakin sisters must be experts to ride like the wind. From the way it has been blowing the last few days they would have to go pretty fast to keep up with it.

What is the matter with Beautiful Doll? She must have the measles and mumps as she was absent last week; and also Buster as he was absent too.

The party at George Norred's was a success. A large crowd was present and all seemed to have a nice time.

Tom Mayo of Gooseneck was visiting in our community Saturday night and Sunday.

Several of the boys of our community attended singing at Rocky Mound Sunday evening.

As news is scarce will close, wishing The Reporter and its many readers much success. BACHELOR GIRL.

## Proffitt

Well, Mr. Editor, as Snowflake was absent last week will come again and bring a few items.

A good rain fell here Monday night which was appreciated by every one.

Miss Maggie Weatherbee visited Miss Jennie Dooley Monday.

Grandma Wells is on the sick list and also little Walter Wells.

Mrs. Dot Gibbs is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Moore, at Frederick, Okla.

C. L. Griffin went to Newcastle Friday.

Walter Dent went to Graham Thursday.

Miss Bettie Gibbs visited her sister, Mrs. Wilhoit Wednesday.

Bob Wells went to Newcastle Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Golden spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilhoit.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Weatherbee Sunday.

Willie Wilhoit has purchased a new bike says he is tired of walking.

Mrs. Pannell made a flying trip to Newcastle Thursday.

Mrs. Griffin and little daughter, Thelma, have been sick for the past week but are some better at this writing.

Mrs. Mattie Gibbs spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Pannell.

We learn that Mr. Dooley's folks have measles.

Miller and Will Gibbs have quit farming and gone to fishing. Say they can make more by fishing than by farming, especially when the wind is in the north.

Mr. and Mrs. Strather and daughter, Miss Ola, went to Newcastle Monday.

Will ring off wishing the editor success. SNOWFLAKE.

## Gooseneck.

Mack Rose and sister Cora attended the spelling match Friday night at Mountain Home.

Grandma Mahaney spent Friday night with Mrs. Suttle.

The Goose and family are visiting in Ming Bend.

Jim Price has been sick this week. Mrs. Price says Jim has her look him over for measles every few minutes.

Herman Johnson attended the box supper at Ming Bend Saturday night.

Jim Ferguson and family visited Bob McLaren Sunday.

Nonna Rose has been very sick this week, but is rapidly improving.

Mrs. John Clark visited here Sunday.

Andrew Smith went to town to meet his mother Saturday.

John Clark and Odell Johnson visited Mr. McLaren Sunday.

Charlie Holt has been planting cotton this week.

Mr. Berry says he is satisfied the Goose is off setting, as the last time he was with her she was blowing some.

Our school will be out this week, but there is some talk of continuing it another month.

Alfred Parsons was able to attend Sunday school.

The singing at Mr. Wiley's was well attended and enjoyed by all. GANDER.

## Velie Buggies and Hacks

"Vick" sells the Velie Buggies and Hacks; they are by far the best buggy for this country; they are wrought iron and hickory buggies. "Vick" has a big stock of these buggies on hand. Be sure to look at these hacks and buggies before you buy. Every dollar spent for Velie buggies and hacks gives you just that many chances at "Vick's" bale of cotton.



### Connor Creek.

On Monday evening, April 7, our community was saddened by the death of Wm. Wright. He had been sick a long time with stomach trouble. Funeral services were held at the home, conducted by Rev. Cook. Friends and neighbors extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

I am glad to say that all those who were sick last week are feeling much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Atwood spent Saturday night and Sunday with relatives in Graham.

We forgot to mention last week that in the school election J. T. Shahan and Kirby Chandler were elected trustees.

Mr. and Mrs. Posie Bowers attended Sunday school at Henry Chapel Sunday.

Several from here went to Graham to take in Big Monday and trade horses.

Misses Lillie and Ruth Gilmore visited their grandmother, Mrs. Wright, Sunday.

The Dagö sure made a hit in describing the ladies' hats.

John Grimes is working for Arthur Posern.

Miss Ida Watson closed her school Friday and returned to her home near Newcastle, and some in the neighborhood are now in mourning.

Mrs. Kirby Chandler and children visited Mrs. Gholson and daughter Saturday.

Dick Choate and Lucien Smith are digging a tank for O. D. Gholson. CASEY JONES.

### Lone Oak

Another good rain fell Monday night, which was greatly appreciated by all.

School is still progressing nicely. We have only one month more of school.

D. B. Woodward made a trip to Graham Friday.

Miss Emma Walker spent Sunday with friends at Red Top.

A couple from Red Top was in our community Sunday in search of a minister. We didn't know their business until they found Bro. Noble of Loving. Good luck to you, Rose.

Mrs. C. C. McBride is still improving.

Bee Martin and Miss Ethel Stewart went to Graham Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson were in Loving Saturday.

Wilbert and Emily McBee visited relatives in Red Top Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Pratt spent Saturday with Mrs. McBride.

Several Lone Oak people attended the recital at Loving Friday night.

R. E. Boyle spent a portion of last week prospecting in the west.

A number of our people went to Graham Monday.

I wonder where the other correspondents were last week that several were absent? We miss Buster's letters so much. BRUNETTE.

### Dakin.

Thomas Reed is improving fast after having the mumps.

L. J. Bryan has been real sick the past week, but is improving.

Earl Clark and Curtice Findley attended the singing at Rocky Mound Sunday evening.

Mrs. T. D. Findley is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Chambers, in Bryan this week.

Mrs. Fisher of Indian Mound is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bryan.

J. H. Reed and Miss Bryan were at singing Sunday evening.

T. D. Findley and daughters visited W. C. Reed and family Sunday.

Willie Keplinger was at Rocky Mound Sunday. BLONDIE.

**Peter Schuttler Wagon**  
Car Peter Schuttler wagons, both oak and bois d'arc rims, just unloaded by "VICK."

### Indian Mound.

Mrs. J. S. Fisher is spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Bryan, at Dakin.

Zearl, the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Williamson, has been quite sick for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Bird visited relatives at Ingleside Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Smith returned to Oklahoma last week after visiting her parents, J. A. Frazier and wife, several weeks.

Riley Dollins, boss of the road hands, visited his mother Saturday and Sunday.

S. D. Cowan visited W. E. Grubb Sunday.

Roy and Coy Frazier, Hillard Easterling, Wesley and Hillard Taylor spent Sunday afternoon with Charlie James.

Jesse Newman attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Miss Jimmie Bird visited Miss Mamie Keefe at White Rose Sunday.

Mesdames Fannie Bottoms and Lottie Davis of Gotebo, Okla., came in Sunday to visit their uncle, W. R. Dollins.

W. R. Dollins has been sick for several days and is still quite sick.

Mrs. W. W. Williamson is also sick this week.

E. W. Beard and family visited Ernest Price in Graham Monday.

Next Saturday and Sunday is Rev. Wilson's regular appointment and everybody come. Don't forget Sunday school at 10.

Have you all noticed that Buster hasn't written since the election? I hope nothing serious happened to him during that trying time. I believe the editor had better appoint a committee to see about Buster. WESTERN GIRL.

### Briar Branch.

Most everybody and their dogs went to the city to take in Big Monday, among whom were S. F. Gallaher and family, H. H. Stevens, R. W. Gatewood and several others.

Everybody come out and help with the Sunday school, it has been reorganized. H. H. Stevens is Superintendent and Miss Minnie Cornelius Secretary.

With the help of the people we will have as good Sunday school as will be found anywhere.

Rev. W. D. Boswell, the new Baptist preacher at Graham, preached an interesting sermon Sunday evening.

Singing was well attended and enjoyed by all at F. R. Cornelius' Sunday night.

Little Malcom Watley is quite sick but improving today.

A number of young folks enjoyed a forty-two party at W. W. Crawford's Saturday night.

Pro, Con and Buel Singleton of Orth spent Saturday night with E. H. Rowe and family, returning to Newcastle Sunday morning.

Wade Orrell, one of Graham's best carpenters, is building a new house for the Crawford's which will greatly improve their farm.

Edd Rowe has taken the job of hauling for Hadden and Wignall at the Burch mines.

Several from this place attended the picture show at Graham Saturday night.

Farmers are very busy since the rain. Unless there is another freeze we think there will be a very good fruit crop.

These cold nights and cold winds have most convinced us that winter has come to stay all summer with us. BEAUTIFUL DOLL.

### Cultivators

Buy one of those improved 6-plow Case Cultivators from "Vick" and call for your tickets on the bale of cotton.

### Oakland.

Mrs. Lester and daughter were in town Saturday.

J. D. Beatty was in town last Thursday.

Bud Goldston went to Farmer with a herd of cattle and was accompanied by several others.

J. M. and Jeff Whitfield were in town Saturday.

Willie Porter has been quite sick with measles, but is better.

Mrs. O. M. Blount visited Mrs. Lester Monday.

Miss Dora Robertson spent the day with Miss Ethel Beatty one day last week.

As H. L. Groner and Newt Garner were returning from Jacksboro recently they discussed the subject of high diving and both decided they would enjoy the profession. So when nearing Loving and as the train was going about sixty miles an hour, they decided to give their first performance. Hover nerved up, grabbed his hat in his hand and made the leap, yelling, "Come on, Newt, but oh, don't fall on me!" Boys, it wasn't the leap that hurt you, it was the sudden stop.

We were glad to have Mr. Garner visit our school and community. A FRIEND.

### Hunt.

Those on the sick list this week are Katie McCraghren, Grandma Cole and Mr. Matthews' little boy, who is better this week.

Grandma Clayton spent the day Sunday with her grandson, W. E. Reeves.

Mrs. Reeves spent the afternoon with Mrs. Cole Tuesday.

G. R. Smith and family spent Wednesday with B. T. Burton and family at Orth.

A number of young people attended the singing convention at Cottonwood Sunday.

We had the biggest rain last Monday night we have had this year. The wind did some damage, scattering haystacks and wrecking buggies. Homer Howard's buggy was torn almost to pieces and Chess Howard's buggy lost a shaft.

Mr. Butler and son and Mr. McCraghren attended the Woodmen lodge at Orth Wednesday night.

Misses Nucie and Edna Rodgers spent the evening with Mrs. Rayburn.

Mr. Butler left Thursday for Dallas to purchase a new car.

Mr. and Mrs. John Custes entertained a number of young folks Friday night. ROSEBUD.

### Tonk Valley.

There were church services at the school house Sunday evening. Rev. James B. Hall preached to a large crowd.

Miss Katie Higdon spent a few days last week with Mrs. J. M. Hand of Graham.

Horace Burch and wife and little son, Woodrow Wilson, spent Sunday with Jno. Knight and family.

Ada Gossett and niece, Miss Mattie Gann, visited Miss Elsie SADBERRY Saturday.

L. L. Higdon and daughter visited Mrs. Ida Cherryhomes Monday evening.

Miss Mattie Gann left Sunday morning for her home near Grand Prairie, after a month's visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gossett. Her uncle, Arthur Gossett, accompanied her.

Mrs. Knight was shopping in Graham Saturday.

Floyd Gossett spent Saturday night with Albert Mas-y.

Carl Knight was out riding a bronc Sunday. Willie Gossett was helping him. I think they would like to ride broncs if they could go out south of Graham every time.

T. G. Cherryhomes and W. D. Gossett went to Big Monday as usual. SUNSHINE.

"Vick's" bale of cotton is worth \$63.15; get a chance.

### Salem.

The late rain caused a four-foot rise in the river here—proof for the third time that the folks up the river are getting more rain than we are. However, we had a good slow rain and it all soaked into the ground, but made no stock water.

We have a fine stand of everything planted up to date, but the weather has been too cool for a rapid growth.

Pears and plums are all killed and peaches are so few they will need no thinning.

When death claimed our neighbor and friend, Wm. Wright, we lost a good and honored citizen and his aged wife and children have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their great loss.

D. G. Hinson and wife were visitors in Connor Bend Sunday.

Levi Gordon visited relatives in Erath county last week.

S. W. Ratcliff and family were visitors in Anadarko Bend Sunday.

T. K. Criswell has returned from Grafton, where he had gone to visit his mother.

Bro. Cook filled his appointment here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. B. W. King and Bryan Hall of Graham visited our school Friday and were accompanied home by Miss Lillian Hall.

J. W. Cole and family visited Mrs. Maggie Gilmore Saturday and Sunday.

W. H. Henderson and family called on E. B. Gilmore on day last week. SABINETTE.

**FOLLOW PHOTOGRAPHER'S ADVICE.**

If we look at humanity from a certain point of view everybody is exasperating, irritating and annoying, for each individual has some mannerism or fad to which another individual might object.

How often we rail against people whose faults are identical with our own!

We are all just a little selfish. We are all fond of our own comfort to a certain degree.

If we were not this way earth would be paradise, with no rent days on the calendar and never a hint of trouble with the coal man and the cook.

Keep sweet, keep cheery, keep brave.

Follow the advice of the photographer who always insists upon his victims looking pleasant, no matter how they feel. It is the only way to conquer the worst forms of love madness. And one couldn't do more than that if they were to live a million years.

### WORSE.

"Very well, if you are not going to marry me tell me the name of the man you are going to marry."

"You wish to be revenged upon him?"

"Yes."

"Are you going to kill him?"

"Nope, I'm going to let him live and marry you."

### MAY HAVE BEEN.

"Mrs. Plimpstead Beavers-Bonner says she was introduced to a Russian grand duke while abroad."

"I wonder how that happened?"

"I can't imagine, unless the grand duke was very careless."

### JUSTIFIABLE CONCLUSION.

"What a liar that man is."

"Why do you say that?"

"I gave him praise a moment ago for the good work he has been doing, and he said he was afraid he didn't deserve it."

### NASTY ONE.

Mrs. Gnagg—"I'll say this for my husband; he does not care for other women."

Miss Caustic—"Indeed! No doubt he imagines that all women are alike."

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The editor is taken to task this week by "Plow Boy" who writes from Mr. Pleasant, because we "blue penciled" his spring-time song last week. Now everyone knows that when we try to rush the season we are confronted with the reverse in the weather, and this has proven to be so in this instance. Last week we received twenty-two letters from our correspondents, and a goodly majority of them were headed with a dream of Spring, and at the time we received the letters it was so cold we had to wear our ten-year-old overcoat to protect ourselves from the bleak winds of winter, and then he has the nerve to tell us that ice would seem warm to us. We wouldn't be surprised if he commenced writing about Christmas in the middle of the summer. If the truth were known we expect "Plow Boy" was sitting up close to a warm fire, dreaming, and his wife brought in a little wild pansy and a newly-hatched chick that began to chirp, and "Plow Boy" awoke suddenly and seeing the pansy and hearing the chirp of the chicken, thought spring time had come, so he forthwith wrote us his peroration on the subject. Now the editor strenuously objects to saying it is spring when it is still winter, and just naturally could not stand for a spring song when the north wind was playing "On Greenland's Icy Mountains" on the tail of that aforesaid ten-year-old overcoat.

### Where Does the Money Go?

Recently I read in one of our county papers (not The Reporter) the following paragraph:

"For a farmer to be self-sustaining he must produce about twice as much as he consumes, and to be a good farmer he must produce three times as much as he consumes."

The writer of the above paragraph must have been dreaming. It is estimated that one bale of cotton made into sewing thread would bring \$500; made up into overalls it will bring \$450; \$950 of real wealth represented in two bales of cotton, which sum a little more than covers my running expenses for the past year.

I produced twenty bales of cotton last year, which averaged \$60 per bale, even \$1,200 for the twenty bales. Made into overalls it would have brought \$9,000. Who got the \$7,800? Thus we see I got a little better than one-ninth of what I produced.

Will any sane person contend that it cost \$8,800 to manufacture and distribute the finished product of twenty bales of cotton? There is a tremendous waste somewhere between the producer and the consumer. A blind man can see this; if he is a farmer he can feel it.

B. F. Yoakum, chairman of the great Frisco system, it is said, has made a study for years of the

low prices farmers receive for their products, while the consumers pay very high prices. Mr. Yoakum says: "It cost last year (in the United States) \$7,000,000,000 to distribute \$6,000,000,000 worth of products from the farm to the consumer." He further says: "My own figures on transportation cost show that the railroad freight earnings of the whole country on agricultural products are less than 4% of the total paid by the consumer, or approximately \$495,000,000 on last year's production."

Now, suppose we double the production this year and pay \$14,000,000,000 or more to have it distributed. Can you not begin to see why, farmers, that certain interests want the production doubled? They would get a rake-off of \$13,110,000,000 instead of \$6,505,000,000, to say nothing of what the railroads would get for hauling it, and the farmers would realize no more, if as much, except extra work, as he did on the smaller crop, neither would the increased yield benefit the consumer.

According to statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor, as reported in newspaper dispatches, the price of everything the con-

sumer buys that is produced on the farm is continually on the increase, while, according to the report of the Secretary of Agriculture, almost everything except cotton declined in price last year, that is, it brought the farmers less money.

Think, farmers, think! Use a little common sense.

A FARMER.

### Social at M. E. Church.

Following is the program of the social to be given at the M. E. Church Friday night.

Clarinet Solo—Marion Burkett.

Piano Solo—Lois Loving.

Piano Solo—Katherine Craig.

Reading—Miss Minnie Cook.

Piano Solo—Nell Graham.

Violin Solo—Mr. Crabb.

Reading—Miss Miller.

Piano Solo—Mary Ellen Burkett.

Piano Solo—Lovella Eddleman.

Piano Solo—Mrs. Crabb.

Piano Solo—Mrs. Will Norman.

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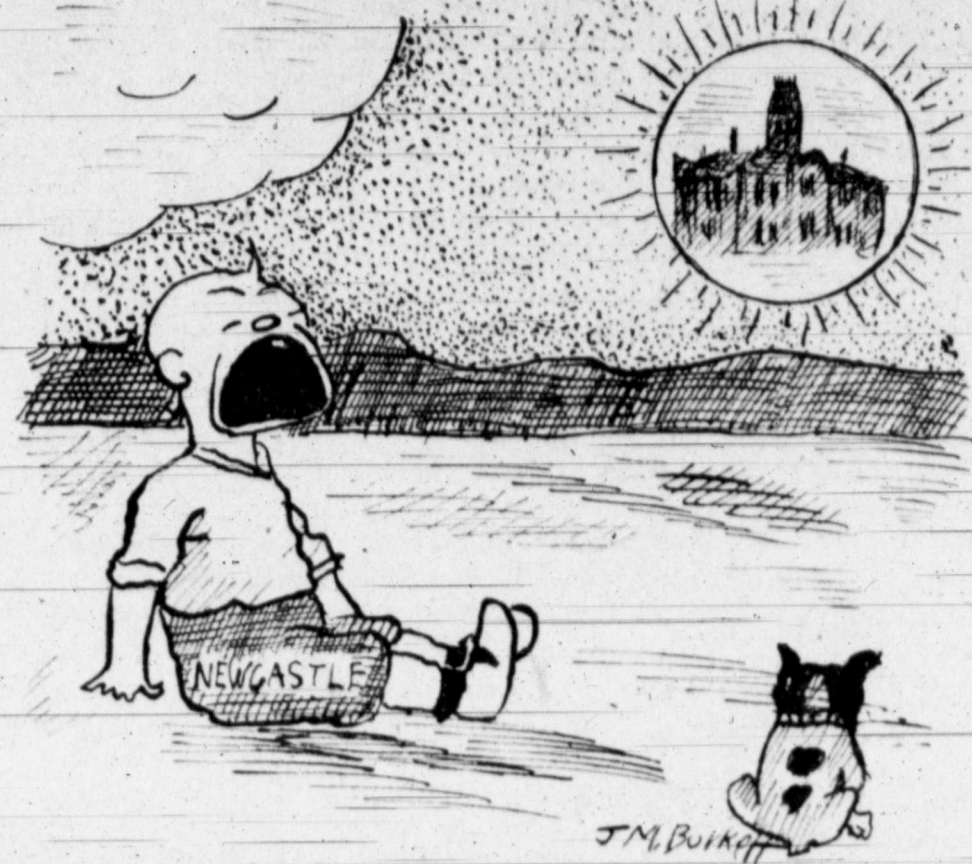
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## Standing of Contestants

Miss Stella McBride, Lone Oak	103,000
Mrs. H. W. McGowan, Graham	98,500
Miss Bessie Hinson, Salem	24,000
Mrs. Ella Carter, Graham	23,500
Miss Ramelle Cooper, Graham	10,000
Miss Lila Ritchey, Cedar Creek	10,000
Miss Myrtle Sensibaugh, Spring Creek	8,000
Miss Clara Rowe, Briar Branch	7,000
Mrs. Brit Alford, Flat Rock	7,000
Mrs. Lillie May Gregg, Markley	5,000
Miss Stella Stephenson, Bryson	5,000

The Contest will close on May 12 (Big Monday). Get your friends to help you secure subscriptions as rapidly as possible. Some one is going to win that fine piano and some one else the buggy—Who?

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT To** the State Constitution Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of the Construction of the Necessary Buildings for the University of Texas and also for Buildings of Various Institutions, and Authorizing Improvement Bonds for the Purpose of Navigation, Irrigation, Construction of Bridges and the Maintenance and Operation of Public Warehouses.

(S. J. R. No. 18.)

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.**

To be entitled A Joint Resolution proposing and submitting to a vote of the people of Texas an amendment to Sections 49 and 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds and the levying of a tax to pay the interest and sinking fund on same for public improvements.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

**SECTION 1.** That Sections 49 and 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows, to-wit:

**Section 49.** No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State except to supply the casual deficiencies of revenue, repel invasion, suppress insurrection and defend the State in war or pay existing debts, and no debt created to supply deficiencies in current revenues shall ever exceed in the aggregate at any one time five hundred thousand dollars. The Legislature, however, shall have power to authorize the issuance of bonds to be approved by the Governor for the purpose of purchasing additional ground and erect necessary buildings for the University of Texas, a medical department, an Agricultural and Mechanical College and all departments and activities of a complete university of the first class. The revenue received from the permanent University fund shall be available for the payment of interest on these bonds and for the creation of a sinking fund for their redemption at maturity and the Legislature shall also have power to issue bonds for the construction of necessary buildings for State institutions. The Legislature shall also have the power to authorize the issuance of bonds secured by lien on the real property of the penitentiary system to be approved by the Governor for the purpose of constructing buildings and making permanent improvements.

**Section 52.** The Legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, town or other political corporation or subdivision of the State to lend its credit or to grant public money or thing of value in aid of or to any individual association or corporation whatsoever or to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company; provided, however, that under Legislature provisions any county, any political subdivision of a county, any number of adjoining counties or any political subdivision of the State or any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas and which may or may not include towns, villages or municipal corporations upon a vote of a majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors of such district or territory to be affected thereby, in addition to all other debts may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, except in case of improvement of rivers, creeks, and streams, in building of levees to prevent overflows, in which case the bonded indebtedness may be for an amount not to exceed one-half of the assessed valuation of the lands of the district to be reclaimed; and, except, further, that the total bonded indebtedness of any city or town shall never exceed the limits imposed by other provisions of this Constitution, and levy and collect such taxes to pay the interest thereon and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof as the legislature may authorize and in such manner as it may authorize the same for the following purposes, to-wit:

(a) The improvement of rivers, creeks and streams to prevent overflows, and to permit of navigation thereof or irrigation therefrom or in aid of such purposes.

(b) The construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, dams, canals and water-ways for the purposes of irrigation, drainage or navigation or in aid thereof.

(c) The construction, maintenance and operation of bridges and macadamized, graveled sandy clay, or clayed sand or paved roads and turpikes or in aid thereof.

(d) The construction, maintenance and operation of public warehouses or in aid thereof.

**SEC. 2.** The foregoing amendment to Sections 49 and 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Texas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this state for adoption or rejection at a special election hereby ordered for the third Saturday in July, 1913, the same being the nineteenth day of said month. All voters on the proposed

amendment at said election who favor its adoption shall have printed or written on their ballots the following: For amendment to Sections 49 and 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds for the University of Texas, Agricultural and Mechanical college, State Penitentiary System, and other public improvements and building of warehouses for agricultural products. Those voting against its adoption shall have written or printed on their ballots the following: Against amendment to Sections 49 and 52, of Article 3, of the constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds for the University of Texas, Agricultural and Mechanical college, State Penitentiary System, and other public improvements and building of warehouses.

Previous to the election the Secretary of State shall cause to be printed and forwarded to the County Judge of each county, for use in said election, a sufficient number of ballots for the use of voters in each county on which he shall have printed the form of the ballot herein prescribed; for the convenient use of the voters.

**SEC. 3.** The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue his necessary proclamation ordering this election, and have same published as required by the constitution and laws of the State. The sum of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any fund in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of publishing said proclamation and printing of tickets and necessary blanks to use in said election.

**JOHN L. WORTHAM,**  
Secretary of State.

**LIKED SEVERAL CHAPS**



"Don't you think life is more interesting than fiction?"

"Hardly. You have to begin your romance with chapter 1."

**NEW SHARK.**

A variety of fish new to science was captured by the Australian fisheries investigation vessel Endeavor during a recent cruise. This novelty in sea-dwellers apparently belongs to the shark family, and is eighteen inches long. H. V. Dannevig, the fisheries director, describes it as the most curious fish he has seen.

Instead of scales the skin of the fish is covered with small plates presenting the appearance of a coarse rasp. Its body is triangle shaped, the flat under part being so formed as to enable the fish to rest on the soft mud. It has serrated teeth and very tiny eyes, in contrast with other fish found at considerable depths, which usually have very large optics.

**SHORT ON COAL.**

John Guffigan, a Muncie policeman, was on his way home a few nights ago, and took a short cut through the Lake-Erie and Western railroad yards. He saw a negro, with a wheelbarrow and a shovel, preparing to take coal from a car, but none had been placed in the wheelbarrow.

"Come along, now, and don't make any trouble," said the policeman. "I've got the evidence on you, this time."

"Yassah, yassah, Mistah Guffigan," said the negro. "You got de evidence, but I ain't got de coal."—Indianapolis News.

**NO DIPLOMAT.**

The Spinster—Your face is so familiar to me, professor. I'm sure we've met before.

Distinguished Professor—Very likely. I vos in dis country ven I vos a young chap!—London Opinion.

**LENGTH OF CHINESE WALL.**

Dr. W. E. Geil, who in 1903 journeyed from end to end of the Chinese wall, says that with its extension its total length is really 2,550 miles, and that originally forty thousand stone towers guarded it.

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## Local and Personal Mention

See me before selling your chickens, turkeys, butter, eggs, hides and furs. D. J. Brandon, Graham, Texas.

Luther Clark spent several days in Ft. Worth this week.

Carroll's Studio, over post-office. Photos, post cards, kodak work.

Miss Camille Gallaher is expected home the last of the week.

Let John Bower sell you a Buick automobile. They stand the test.

Bob Bryant was in Ft. Worth on business the past week.

Bring me your produce. I am located in the Finch building. D. J. Brandon

Mr. and Mrs. Will Norman returned Saturday from Dallas, where they had gone to purchase a Studebaker roadster. They made the return trip in the car.

**Hughes & Kizer have the very best Anti-Rust Sanitary Closet Buckets.**

H. W. Faulkner of Chicago spent several days in the city the past week visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Graham entertained with a dinner on Friday evening in Mr. Faulkner's honor.

### Notice!

**"Vick" will sell you anything you want, will trade for good young mules and horses, jersey cows or stock cattle. See him if you want to make any kind of a trade.**

Mr. Chas. Gamble of Italy, Texas, was in the city last Monday, guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hallam.

**See Hughes & Kizer before buying Windmills and Supplies.**

John J. Taylor is authority for the statement that Rollic Voules, carrier on routes one and two, is in the habit of killing ground squirrels and quail with a stick. Rollic must be an Al marksman.

There is no pleasure like riding in a Buick. See John Bower for particulars about one.

The Woodman Circle county convention convenes at Graham on Saturday, May 3. The program for the occasion will appear in next week's paper.

Leave your orders for tuning of pianos and organs at Carroll's Studio.

Miss Dorothy Graham returned Tuesday from Weatherford where she had been visiting friends.

For cheap money on land apply to Arnold & Arnold

Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Fall returned Friday from a visit to relatives in Cleburne and Corsicana.

My car is still in service and I will appreciate all calls. Special attention given to doctors' calls, day or night. Chas. Osborn.

Lanham Ballard, who is working on the Anderson ranch in Archer county, was in Graham yesterday to visit his mother, Mrs. Anna Ballard.

For cheap money on land with or without partial payments, apply to C. W. Hinson, Graham, Texas.

Chas. Widmayer went to Dallas this week to get another of those good Ford cars. Mr. Widmayer recently ordered two cars of these cars, roadsters and touring. The shipment is expected to arrive some time next week.

**Please Return Borrowed Hose.**

The person or persons who borrowed about 200 feet of hose belonging to the county court house will please return same promptly. E. W. Fry, County Judge.

Elder D. J. E. Clark of Red Top was in the city Saturday.

### Prince.

A Percheron Cleveland bay stallion, 16 hands high, weight 1500 pounds, will stand at my farm two miles north of Graham. Season to insure, \$10. Will pasture mares. H. H. STEPHENS.

Rev. R. E. Boyle of the Lone Oak community was in the city Monday and called on the Reporter.

## Dry Goods and Notions.

**I have just unpacked a large stock of spring and summer goods, lace trimmings of all kinds, everything nice, nobby and up-to-date. I would appreciate your looking at my new goods.**

**D. G. Vick.**

E. M. Braddock of South Bend was in the city on business yesterday.

### Mules or Mares Wanted.

I have a party who wants six mules or mares from 4 to 7 years old. If they are worth the money see me at once. E. C. Stovall.

Mesdames J. H. Wesley and Jim Reed of Ivan were in Graham yesterday.

### Jess Crockett

I will have Jess Crockett at the Carlton Livery barn on April 21 and 22. J. J. Dowdy.

Ed Stiffler of Markley was in the city Monday and paid The Reporter a pleasant visit.

### Card of Thanks.

We desire to extend our thanks to the neighbors and friends who were so kind to us during the recent illness in our family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thomas, Brock Walker and family of Breckenridge were visiting in the city Monday.

**"Vick" will trade groceries, dry goods, buggies, wagons, furniture, or cultivators, or money, for any good, young, smooth horses, mares, mules.**

Messrs. Gilbert and Woods of Woodson were in the city Monday.

### Men's Spring Suits

Hats, shirts, hosiery, underwear, shoes and neckwear—the best stock in Graham, at money-saving prices. Call and see them. S. B. Street & Co.

Hon. L. C. Counts of Olney spent Saturday in the city.

### New Dress Goods.

The newest silks, woollens, ratines, voiles, linens and fancy cotton dress goods are being shown at this store. S. B. Street & Co.

John A. Brown of the Mt. Pleasant community favored this office with a call last Monday.

### The Best Style Hats

For ladies and misses are shown at our store. It will pay you to buy your new hats here. S. B. Street & Co.

A. J. Cantwell of Jean was among the Big Monday visitors in Graham.

Parties having stray cattle in their pastures branded thus C high up on left shoulder or thus, J on left thigh, please phone or write me and I will send and get them. S. R. Jeffery.

A. C. Anderson of Henry Chapel was in the city Monday.

Bring us all your chickens, we pay highest market price. Owen Bros.

Dr. S. G. Norris of Markley was in the city Big Monday. Dr. Norris purchased the Lynch car that was sold at auction.

### Use McCall's Patterns.

Because they are the best. We keep in stock all sizes of all patterns made. S. B. Street & Co.

### New Millinery.

We have just received a big shipment of new hats for ladies, misses and children. They are the very latest styles and have been marked at low prices. S. B. Street & Co.

Mrs. J. D. Wells and son Herman of Jacksboro were in the city Sunday, guests of her daughter, Mrs. John Graves.

We want to buy all your fresh eggs. Will pay market price for them. Owen Bros.

A. L. Hoffman of Olney was in the city on business Tuesday and was a pleasant caller at this office.

We pay cash or trade you groceries for your chickens and eggs. See us. Owen Bros.

The Interse Club will meet with Mrs. Walter Douglass, Friday afternoon at 3:30 in social session.

**"Vick" will trade any old way. Go see him.**

John Bower left Tuesday for Dallas to get another of those Buick cars. R. E. Lynch, cashier of the Beckham National Bank and one of Graham's greatest auto enthusiasts, is the purchaser.

Use McCall's patterns.

Miss Ellen Black is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Bryan, in Spring Creek.

McCall's patterns are the best.

### New Dresses

For women, misses and children just received. Special values. S. B. Street & Co.

McCall's patterns insure you a perfect fitting dress, waist or skirt.

Dr. R. A. Duncan returned last Wednesday night from Mineral Wells, where he attended the Northwest Texas Medical Association. Dr. Duncan was the only Graham physician present and through his influence the next meeting of the Association was secured for Graham, and will meet in this city the second Tuesday in October. At that time Dr. Frank Boyd of Ft. Worth will deliver a free lecture to the people of the city.

### McCall's Patterns.

All sizes of all patterns carried in stock. S. B. Street & Co.

### B. Y. P. U. Program.

Subject, Saul, Leader, Miss Edna Long. Selection of Saul as King—Miss Alta Parsons. Saul's early years as King—Mrs. J. T. Rickman. Song. Saul's later career as King—Miss May Hunter.

**Case Cultivators, Schuttler Wagons, Velie Buggies, at "Vick's."**

The next regular meeting of the U. D. C. will be held tonight with Mrs. T. J. Price, at which time arrangements will be made for holding a public afternoon tea at the home of Mrs. Chas. Widmayer on next Monday, San Jacinto Day. The public is cordially invited to attend this tea, beginning at 4 p. m. Delicious hot chocolate and cake will be served and the funds raised will go into the monument fund now being collected by the Daughters.

**Don't forget that "Vick" is going to give some one a big bale of cotton. Spend your money with him and get a chance at this bale of cotton.**

**Don't fail to see "Vick" if you want a Cultivator or Double Row Planter.**

The Ft. Worth Presbytery met with the Eliasville church yesterday, with Rev. Gaines B. Hall, pastor of the Graham church, as Moderator. A number of the ministers arrived Tuesday night, among whom were Revs. Wm. Caldwell, Jno. E. McLain, M. C. Taylor, E. H. Lyle, Jones, E. J. Durham, C. M. Hutton, C. L. Altfather, Winter, Thompson, McFarlan and Holt. Rev. T. S. Knox of Abilene will occupy the pulpit in the Graham church on Friday night. There will be services in this church also Saturday night and Sunday by some visiting minister.

**"Vick's" bale of cotton will make somebody happy July 14, 1913; don't fail to get a chance.**

### Athletic Club Organized.

An Athletic Club, with something over one hundred members, was organized Tuesday night in the lower story of the W. O. W. building, and active work has already begun. J. W. Taliaferro was elected president, Geo. Black, vice-president, J. Martin Burkett, secretary and property man and Chas. Hutchison, treasurer.

Some of the equipment for the club has been installed and as fast as it arrives will be put in place. Mr. Taliaferro is in active charge of the work and everyone who applies for membership in the club will be assured of something interesting as soon as the whole equipment has arrived. A shower bath has been installed for the use of the members and an effort is now being made to secure a library.

Any persons having a surplus of books that will be suitable for the club library will please notify Mr. Taliaferro and he will take pleasure in sending for them.

Graham has long needed just such a club and now that Mr. Taliaferro has succeeded in organizing it, it is to be hoped that it will receive the support and encouragement of the whole citizenship.

**Read "Vick's" ad in this issue. Some one is going to get that bale of cotton.**

### Tops! Tops! Tops!!!

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