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## FRY INTRODUCES IMPORTANT BILL

### WOULD HAVE EACH COUNTY PAY OWN COURT COSTS

#### District Judge and Attorney's Salaries to be Prorated in Counties Composing District.

Judge E. W. Fry, who represents the 99th District in the Legislature has introduced a bill in the House which provides that each county in the state pay its own court costs. As the law now stands, all of the criminal court costs in felony cases, including sheriff's fees, etc., is paid out of the State Treasury. This means that citizens living in Young county pay as much of the criminal costs of Dallas, Tarrant, Harris, Bexar and all other counties of that size and kind as a citizen of that county pays in proportion to their assessed valuation. This is not fair and right. Counties which incur no criminal cost and have very little court should not be made to pay the costs of counties which have a great deal of court and court costs.

It also provides that in districts composed of more than one county, that the pay of the district judge, district attorney and other officers shall be proportioned to each county in their district in proportion to the amount of court held there.

This law is fair and just and would work a hardship on no one. As it now stands, it is working a hardship on a number of counties in western Texas.

Those who favor such a bill, and we believe it to be one of the best introduced at this session, should write their representative and state senator urging its passage.

#### Masquerade Party.

The King's Daughters will give a masquerade party on Tuesday night, February 11th, in the parlors of the Graham Commercial Club.

The party is to be given for the public, and a small admission fee of ten cents will be charged. The King's Daughters is an organization of young ladies from the various churches, who are raising funds to give cheer and gladness to those whose circumstances are such that they need assistance.

Last Christmas this organization gave many useful presents to poor people, both in Graham and in the county at large, besides sending a number of remembrances to invalids and shut-ins. While the bulk of the work to be done by the Daughters is charitable in its purpose, many little kindnesses are done for those who are not needful of charity.

The work of the society will be aided in the future by three ladies from each church society in the city.

The Reporter trusts the public will take an interest in the work of this organization, as it is doing a great good and can be made much better by hearty co-operation.

#### Priscilla Club.

The Priscilla Club spent a pleasant afternoon with Mrs. J. F. H. Crabb, Tuesday afternoon, with seventeen members present. Guests were: Mesdames Eichelberger, J. M. Norman, H. E. Griffin, Lum Hinson, R. V. Tidwell and A. B. Eddleman.

The Club will meet next week with Mrs. Duncan.

## PHONE LINE ACROSS THE CONTINENT

### Inventor and Assistant Talk First, President One of the First to Be Connected.

The first telephone conversation between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts was held Jan. 25, Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, opening the new line with a talk with Thomas Watson, the assistant with whom he first talked over a telephone in 1876. Dr. Bell was in New York and Watson in San Francisco.

Immediately after that conversation was finished, Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telegraph and Telephone Company, who was at Jekyll's Island, was switched on and talked to San Francisco, a distance of 4,400 miles. The next line set up was to Washington. President Wilson expressing his congratulations first to Dr. Bell in New York, and then to Watson in San Francisco. President Wilson also talked to Vail.

Conversations between the mayor of San Francisco and Mayor Mitchel of New York and the San Francisco mayor and mayor of Boston also were held as part of the formal exercises in connection with the opening of the new line.

While the conversations were being held 1,500 men were posted along the route of line to guard against sudden storms or accident.

During the conversation between Dr. Bell and Watson the model of the first telephone used was switched onto the transcontinental line successfully. The conversation was not as clear over it as over the modern instrument, but was satisfactory.

#### Miss Reed Showered.

(Delayed Report.)

Mrs. James Carlton was hostess to a delightful little miscellaneous "shower" at her pretty home in West Graham last Tuesday afternoon, honoring one of the season's brides, Miss Florence Reed, whose marriage to Mr. William Luce of Graford is to be solemnized on the 24th.

Mrs. Carlton's Sunday school class, of which Miss Reed is a member, and a few other friends assisted in carrying out the many pretty ideas in the entertainment. The home was daintily decked in pink and white, the colors dominating the entire decorations, from the bride's chair, hand-painted score cards, throughout the refreshment course. The score cards were dainty hand-painted brides with pink roses. Upon entering, each guest was requested to write some happy wish in the bride's book—a dainty little conceit which was afterward presented to the bride-to-be; a volume of merry wishes for her wedding day. Rook furnished amusement for the guests. At the conclusion of the games, Miss Maude Bell was presented a beautiful guest towel for high score. The names of "Reed" and "Luce" were offered in a contest of wits—to form as many words as possible from the combined letters in the two names. Miss Lorena Wallace succeeded in conjuring up the greatest number of words and was presented a sheer hand-made handkerchief of crepe de chine. At the hour of meeting, the honoree was detained by the news of her grandmother's serious illness so Mrs. Carlton and the guests went to the Reed home, carrying to Miss Florence the many beautiful bridey things that made the shower such a success.

Marshmallow loaf, angel food and chocolate were served at a late hour, pink and white predominating.

## Here's the Man Who Would Make District of Columbia Dry.

The Washington (D. C.) Times of last week has this to say of Senator Sheppard:

Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, the man who has raised the furor over the question whether the District shall be wet or dry, and who is bent on making it arid, is one of the youngest members of the senate and one of its most active personages. Senator Sheppard is not yet forty, having been born in Wheatville, Morris County, Texas, on May 28, 1875. He is a believer in the doctrine of Dr. Osler that the time for a man to do things and show his mettle is while he's young.

Senator Sheppard, though a young man as senators go, is not however, new to the business of legislation. He was elected to the house as far back as 1902, when he was only twenty-seven years of age. He was chosen to fill out the unexpired term of his father, whose death removed one of the strongest men of Texas.

It was Morris Sheppard's good fortune to associate as a boy with a father who was used to the ways of legislation as well as to receive personal knowledge of the business of practical law making while he was unusually young. He served in the Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth, Sixty-first and Sixty-second congresses and was then nominated and elected to the senate to succeed Joseph Weldon Bailey.

In the house, Senator Sheppard had the reputation of being a hard worker and a keen parliamentarian. He was one of the most progressive members of the house. Thus, when it came to execute the parliamentary coup that thrust District prohibition to the front in the senate, it was not difficult for him to undertake the duty. He has long been fighting for prohibition, and in Texas has lined up on the "dry" side. Indeed, one of the reasons he was able to force the retirement of Bailey was his alignment with the anti-liquor forces of Texas.

Senator Sheppard not only is young, but he looks it. He is below medium size, and boyish in appearance. But he is all energy. Nor is he afraid of a scrap. He is one of the best educated men in congress, and a graduate of the Texas University and of Yale Law school. He is also prominent in the Woodmen of the World. He began the practice of law at Pittsburg, Texas, in 1898, and the next year removed to Texarkana.

Even before he came to congress Senator Sheppard won fame as an orator. He has woven many a spell of oratory about the house, and still has that faculty, though the senate is not much of a place for the spell-binder, and in that body he seldom attempts it.

#### LES HIBOUX

The card club met with Mrs. H. Wadsworth on last Thursday from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Four games of Auction were played, Mrs. E. S. Graham winning the high score prize, a dainty hand-made dresser scarf. Mrs. E. Stovall won the consolation, also a dresser scarf.

The hostess, assisted by Mesdames S. B. and B. Street, served delicious angels food cake and ice cream to the following: Mesdames Parrish, Gay, Norman, Stovall, Fowler, Hutchison, E. S. Graham, B. Street, H. Criswell; Misses Lillian Manning, Dorothy and Nell Graham, Eula Logan, Zella Allen and Johnson.

## Resolutions Adopted by the Young County (Texas) Farmers' Union.

We, your committee on the Good of the Order, beg to make the following report to the Young County Union, now in session at Lone Oak, this the 2nd day of January, 1915.

Whereas, The credit system that is now practiced in our cotton country is most detrimental to our prosperity, we condemn same, and recommend that it be abolished as far as is consistent.

Realizing that it will be necessary to take concerted action, we therefore recommend that there be organized local anti-credit clubs, or locals, in each community, to set forth ways and means to overcome the credit system by living more economically at home. We recommend that each farmer take up the necessities in his family, considering each item before he buys, and produce and manufacture as much of the necessities of life at home as possible.

It is further recommended that we, by more co-operative buying and selling, can save enough within the course of a short time to pay for the things we need, and thereby overcome a great many difficulties that now exist.

It is our aim and purpose to stand for more co-operation and controlled marketing.

We further recommend that a copy of these resolutions be sent to The National Field, the Fireside Bulletin and the county papers.

C. W. Junker,  
A. P. Stewart,  
Dan Orr,  
Committee.

Graham, Texas.

#### Presbyterians Meet.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society held their regular meeting Thursday afternoon in the Sunday school room of the church with the president, Mrs. R. A. Duncan, in the chair. The meeting was introduced by devotional exercises, in which passages of scripture were read from the 4th chapter of Micah and the 100th Psalm. Roll call was made interesting by live reports from the foreign field, culled from the Missionary Survey. The lesson was directed by Mrs. W. S. McJimsey, selected from the adopted study "At Our Own Door." The subject for the afternoon was a very vital one, "The Foes to Missions." The lesson disclosed the fact that the most formidable enemies to missions are higher culture in the church instead of Godliness; abundance of machinery and organizations in the church instead of religion; the encroachment of Christian Science, Mormonism, Theosophy, and other forms of worship.

Reporter.

#### King's Daughters Entertained.

Mrs. Evans Mabry entertained the King's Daughters on last Thursday afternoon. This organization was formerly known as the Christmas Cheer Club. The meeting was for the election of officers, and the following were named:

Miss Kate Cochran, president; Miss Mary McBrayer, vice president; Miss Lucille Reed, secretary; Miss Minnie Rubenkoenig, treasurer; Miss Beulah Allen, reporter.

A. W. Kay returned Monday night from Baltimore, where he had been to see his father, who was quite sick. Mr. Kay reports his father much improved and able to return to his home in South Carolina.

## Officers of the Interscholastic League Meet.

Much has been said and many steps have been taken in the last few years to make the public school system more practical and at the same time more inviting to the pupil. Nothing has accomplished more towards that end than the Interscholastic League. In brief, this is a state organization originating at the head of the Texas Public School System—The University of Texas—having as its object the fostering in the schools of Texas the study and practice of public speaking and debate as an aid in the preparation for citizenship; to assist in organizing, standardizing, and controlling athletics in the schools of the state; and, to promote county, district and state interscholastic contests in debate, declamation and athletics. The state is organized into sixteen districts each of which is composed of several counties. The county—when a member of the League—has its contests not later than April 11th, at the time and place selected by the County Executive Committee. The winners in the county then go to the district meet, which will be held at Wichita Falls in this district, not later than April 25th. Those fortunate enough to win in this meet will have the honor of trying for the State championship at Austin the first Friday in May.

Realizing the benefit to be derived from such organization, and wishing to keep abreast with the educational progress of the State, Young County has joined the League, elected the necessary officials, and everything is being done to have as many schools as possible represented. The officials, together with Superintendents Edgar McLendon and E. M. Remington, met at Newcastle, Saturday, Jan. 16 to formulate plans for the coming county contest. After due deliberation, Newcastle was thought to be the most suitable place for meeting, but upon being advised by Supt. Remington that there was not adequate auditorium space for such a crowd, both Olney and Graham were mentioned. Not being able to decide which place would be the most convenient and suitable for all that might take part, it was agreed to settle the matter by lot, with the condition that the losing contestant be given the preference next time; and other towns as may desire it, each year thereafter. Graham won. As the time of meeting was next in order, Saturday, April 3rd, was readily selected in order to give as much time as possible for preparation. It was further agreed that in the morning the preliminaries in debating and in both senior and junior declamation be held; in the afternoon the athletic contests, and at night those successful in the preliminaries will battle for honors. The closing feature will be a contest in spelling, a unique and practical part of the meet—and the awarding of medals, one of which will be given each of the winners in the evening contests.

The athletic contests of the afternoon will consist in running, jumping, throwing the weights, and pole-vaulting.

It is to be hoped that each school in the county will put forth a special effort to be represented in one or more of the many events. If it has not already done so, let each school join the League at once by sending \$1.00 to Dr. L. D. Shurter, Austin, Texas, or to the County Director-General. The necessary literature will be sent, and the school will be entitled to participate in any or all events. Books containing selected declamations either senior or junior can be obtained from Dr. Shurter, Austin, Texas, State Director-General, for 50 cents each.

For further information—address any of the county officials.

EARL L. HOWELL,  
Director-General.  
I. G. KENNON,  
Director of Debating and Declamation.  
J. E. BURK,  
Director of Athletics.

#### Pretty Home Wedding.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized last Sunday morning at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Reed, when their daughter, Miss Mary Florence was united in marriage to Mr. Horace William Luce of Graford, Texas.

The bride was dressed in a charming creation of pastel blue silk crepe, and wore white narcissus in her hair and at the belt.

The parlor was beautifully decorated in narcissus and ferns, and at the wedding hour, Rev. B. F. Stallings preceded the couple into the parlor while Mrs. Horace Tidwell played Mendelsohn's Wedding March.

Rev. Stallings used the ring ceremony and in his impressive manner joined the happy pair.

Many beautiful gifts of cut glass, hand-painted china and fancy work were presented the couple. They left Monday for Graford, Texas, where Mr. Luce has extensive ranch and farming interests.

Besides the local guests the following were present from out of town: Miss Dollie Martin, Virgil and Jesse Martin of Flat Rock.

The Reporter joins the many friends of these young people in wishing them a life of joy and prosperity.

#### Miss Tankersley Honored.

(Delayed Report.)

Last Monday afternoon, Mrs. R. E. Lynch gave a little "going away" party in honor of Miss Winnie Tankersley, who left the following day to make her home in El Paso. The guests were Mrs. Lynch's Sunday school class and a few other friends of the honoree.

The party was in the nature of a complete surprise to Miss Winnie, who had been invited into the home on some slight pretext, when she found her girl friends hidden about throughout the house. A very merry party ensued. Rook was played for pastime and Miss Lucille Reed was decorated with a blue-bow at the conclusion of the games, for making high score. Miss Lillian Manning assisted Mrs. Lynch in serving a delicious salad course with hot tea. Many dainty and delightful girlish remembrances were brought for Miss Winnie and these gifts were "showered" over her head in profusion.

Mrs. Evans Mabry, President of the Good Cheer Club, was included in this farewell party to Miss Winnie Tankersley who was very popular among the younger set. The following were present: Misses Nell Graham, Lucille Reed, Willie and Kate Cochran, Mary Allen, Ruth McLaren, Winnie Kizer, Mary McBrayer, Artie Norman, Bertha Deiter, Ethel Birdwell, Beulah Allen, Alma Barnhardt, Kathleen and Leah Stewart and the honoree.

#### RECITAL

Miss Lucille Miller will give a recital of her pupils in elocution on February 20th, at the Opera House. A varied program will be given, closing with a play. The full program will be reported later.



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### Weather for January.

1st to 3rd, clear and mild; 4th to 6th, rain; 7th to 9th, showers; 10th to 13th, mild and cloudy; 14th to 16th, cold wave; 17th to 20th, pleasant; 21st to 23rd, heavy rains; 24th to 27th, cold wave with rain or snow; 27th to 31st mild and pleasant.

Move into the sunshine.

"Bear ye one another's burdens" didn't mean that you should meddle in your neighbors' affairs.

The fashions in woman's dresses have not changed in Japan in twenty-five hundred years. Pretty good run for the kimono.

Glenn Curtis, the aviator, declares the outcome of the war depends upon the use of the aeroplane. The sheep men might think it hinges on the number of wool bands worn.

People who are always meddling in others affairs generally have so much to attend to at home that they throw down their own burden to hunt a lighter one.

Perhaps the advent of the new grandson will alleviate the pangs the Chief Executive must suffer over the tirade of our impetuous little governor. He can ride a "Cock-horse to Banbury Cross" and forget Oscar Branch and his rude insinuations, doncherno.

We had a typical example of Texas weather last week. Thursday was spring-like, balmy air and lazy weather. We even wished we could go fishin'. Friday morning early the temperature began to fall and by night all we could think of was wool blankets. Sunday morning a good-sized fall of snow covered the earth, the biggest in two years, we believe. The bright sun soon dispelled the snow, however, and we have resumed the usual ordinary January weather.

Mutinuous Mexico is among the world's consumers of military supplies. Recently the Carranza government placed an order with the Davis Hat Co. of Dallas for 10,000 regulation army hats. These are not the wide sombreros you are thinking of but hats similar to those worn by American soldiers and the order aggregates into thousands of dollars.

The plea of the Belgians for aid has been heard throughout the nation and the United States has replied with great generosity, notwithstanding the financial depression due to the unsettled state of commerce. Up to Jan. 10, according to the New York Times, the cargoes

### HENRY CHAPEL

"Now for snowball" Harry yelps, "Throw it quick before it melts." But the ball so soft and round melts before it hits the ground.

Most of the farmers are thru picking cotton and are breaking oats and corn ground.

Rev. Patterson filled his appointment here Sunday. The congregation was somewhat small.

Eddie Sanson of the Connor Creek community has been real sick for the past week. There is but little hopes for his recovery.

Miss Dora Bowers stepped on a nail last Saturday, which has caused her considerable pain.

Most of the patrons met and hauled wood to the school Saturday afternoon. Quite a nice lot of wood was put on the ground.

I am somewhat surprised at Salemite taking the stand that a poor man can pay for a home as easy as he could when land was cheap. I beg leave to differ with him.

For example, a tract of land of 160 acres lying in this neighborhood sold 27 years ago for \$5 per acre. Total cost \$800.00. The man had \$1,000.00 in money, paid for the land and had \$200.00 left. He could then buy lumber at \$14.00 per thousand. The same lumber today will cost him \$30 per thousand. He could then buy a wagon for \$70.00 that today will cost \$100.00. The team that he bought for \$120.00 will now cost him \$250.00. The cow he then bought for \$15.00 will now cost him \$60.00. The harness that he paid \$20.00 for is today \$35.00. He could then buy flour for \$2.00 per hundred that today sells for \$4.00. You could then buy navy beans 25 pounds for \$1.00 that now sells 6 dozen for 50 cents. If two hats will pay for one acre of land your women must be somewhat expensive along the hat line, or else your land is about worn out.

The man who owns this tract of land has refused \$20.00 per acre several times in the last ten years. Now, then, Salemite, let's take the same man today with \$1,000.00. He buys the same place at a total cost of \$3,200.00, pays \$800.00 down and gives his notes for \$2,400.00 bearing 10 per cent interest. \$240.00 interest the first year and you might as well add \$60.00 for taxes which will make \$300.00. With every article of living higher than when land was cheap, perhaps you will say his stock and farm products will bring him a much better price now than it did years ago. You must remember one must be owner of these things before he can offer them for sale, and it takes a poor man some time to get in possession of all this high priced property. By the time you get all the necessary things on your farm and get shaped up to make a little money, your interest taxes, living expenses, with a few bad crop years mixed in, will find you with a hard row to weed. Don't understand me to say it impossible for a poor man to buy and pay for a home today. There are a few who will succeed. Probably one out of ten. But I do say that conditions are much more unfavorable for the poor man to own a home today than they were thirty years ago.

I consider Salemite the wisest and best writer of the entire bunch. Most anyone will get their wires crossed occasionally. Mrs. Carter of the Connor Creek neighborhood has been very sick for several days. There is considerable sickness reported just now. Many thanks to you, Candy Kid, for the bouquet sent me week before last. You may feel assured that such is stored away among memories gem collections and will be highly treasured as the days come and go.

No, Candy Kid, you should not feel a little bit discouraged, for B. W. has become interested in The Reporter \$1.00 worth of the Chapel news. Quite a number of the Salem people attended church here Sunday. Your are more than

welcome, come back again.

Johnnie Dolittle, I "kotch" on why you moved your school house. Please don't get out of patience with me because I am a bit hard of hearing.

Our school is doing fine. Both teacher and scholars seem deeply interested.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Young have been at Eliasville for more than a week visiting their son, Emmet, and family. Dago.

### FLAT ROCK

How did you Correspondents enjoy the snow that fell Sunday morning? The only thing that I disliked was it did not last long enough and there was not quite enough of it.

We are glad to report Grandma Martin much improved since our last letter went to press.

Mrs. G. O. Hazelton is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Iva Fain spent Thursday with Mrs. Corley.

Our crowd at Sunday school was small on account of so much sickness in the community.

The subject for debate Friday night was, "Resolved that the Southern States were justifiable in secession." Messrs. C. J. Cook and Willie Riggs on the affirmative and Rube Loftin and Joe Wootton on the negative side. The affirmative side won the debate.

Mesdames True and Corley visited Mrs. Vena Cook Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Massie of Ft. Worth, and Mr. Lonnie Martin of Collin county have been with their mother here the past week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harve Morris, Sunday morning, a boy. Mr. and Mrs. Brit Alford and Jim Corley visited at Mr. Saddyberry's at Salem one day last week.

Willie Riggs of Graham was Miss Maggie Taylor's guest last Sunday.

Fred Ragland and Misses Kate Fields and Fannie Ragland attended the debate Friday night.

Jesse Martin and sister, Dolie, attended the wedding of their cousin, Miss Florence Reed, of Graham Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Keen are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Martin.

Miss Lona Corley and little sister called at Mr. Hodge's Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Martin are the happy parents of a baby girl who came last Tuesday.

Bob Corley spent Saturday night with home folks.

Kid-o, I have decided you are a pretty good natured fellow and I'll admit I did look at Jack o' Diamonds and Bashful Ben a great portion of the time at the reunion, for they are very pleasant to look upon. But you musn't let Jolly Girl know I said it, for I'm afraid I would not be able to look at them any more.

Misses Georgia Burton and Lona Corley and Messrs. Bill Martin and Tipton Smith called at Mr. Taylor's Sunday afternoon.

Everyone present enjoyed the singing Sunday night.

Mrs. Bird and children spent Sunday night and Monday with her daughter, Mrs. Iva Fain.

Mr. Bird is moving his family to Mrs. Smith's place.

George Birdwell spent Saturday night with E. H. Corley and family.

Mrs. Smith of Graham visited Mrs. Martin Wednesday of last week.

Miss Maggie Taylor and Mrs. Beuna Fields visited Mrs. Hazelton last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Vena Cook is improved. Jolly Girl, I saw you pass a few days ago, but didn't know you.

Rev. Roark went to Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Prof. Oliver Hazelton of Komo spent Saturday night with home folks. Candy Kid.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hallam are moving this week into the McComas home in east Graham, recently vacated by Dr. Petty and daughter, Mrs. Hattie Miller.

### DEVIL BEND

Misses Ella and Stella Smith spent the evening with Misses Lena and Ida Owen Saturday.

Miss Fay Lisle spent from Friday eve till Sunday eve with Mrs. Bill Bunger.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Kate Beach is on the sick list this week.

Well, Gander, not disputing your word, but you were mistaken about seeing me Saturday eve. I heard you thought you did but you missed me a great deal.

The debate was fine Friday night and Jim McClannahan and Estes Wadley were there from Tonk Valley. We appreciate you boys being there and you must come again Friday night, Feb. 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stringer and family visited Will Pickard at Ming Bend Saturday.

Buren Lisle and Tom Pinkston are picking cotton for Mr. Sparks this week.

Mrs. Gertie Sharp spent the day with Mrs. Bud Owen Sunday.

Mrs. Nora Owen spent the evening with Mrs. Dolph Owen Monday.

We are sorry to report Vela Jones, while playing at school Friday morning, fell down and dislocated his arm.

Well, Salemite, I expect you are right about the party business. I expect we had better put in all of our time on our books instead of some of it in parties, but of course, lots of we kids don't think so.

Come on Beauty, your letter was fine. Kid's letter was also good. I sure do enjoy reading your letters. Buster Blue.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Young County—

Greeting: You are Hereby Committed to Summon Frank Holloway by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 30th Judicial District but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to the said 30th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Young County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Graham, on the first Monday in

March, A. D. 1915 the same being the first day of March, A. D. 1915, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 30th day of July, A. D. 1914, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1709, wherein Claudia Holloway is Plaintiff, and Frank Holloway is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and that she has resided in said Young County, Texas six months next preceding the filing of this suit. That on or about the 7th day of February, A. D. 1913, she was legally married to defendant and that she continued to live with him as his wife until on or about the 25th day of July, A. D. 1913. That during all the time she lived with him as his wife she conducted herself with propriety, and at all times treated her said husband with kindness and forbearance.

That defendant was extremely harsh and cruel and jealous toward plaintiff and in open disregard for his marriage vow and obligation to treat plaintiff with kindness and attention, he often cursed and abused her and falsely accused her of being guilty of illicit intimacy and intercourse with another man.

That on the evening before plaintiff left him, defendant in an angry and threatening manner grabbed hold of plaintiff and jerked and slung her around in a violent manner, severely bruising and injuring her wrist and arm. That he would threaten to take his own life and did, in fact, on or about July 24th, 1913, and upon another occasion attempt to do so.

That by reason of such acts and threats of violence plaintiff was kept in constant dread that he would kill himself and some or all the members of the family.

That on or about the 25th day of July, A. D. 1913, the defendant without cause or provocation falsely accused plaintiff of having sexual intercourse with another man, whereupon she then and there informed him that she would not live with him any longer, since which time she has never lived with him.

That said marriage relations between plaintiff and defendant still exist; that defendant's actions and conduct toward her generally are of such nature as to render their living together as husband and wife insupportable; and in consequence of the wrongs and cruelty of defendant plaintiff was obliged to leave him, and she did leave him on or about the 25th day of July, A. D. 1913, since which time they have not lived together. Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving the marriage relations now existing between plaintiff and defendant, and that she be divorced from him; and that she be restored to her the name of Claudia Honeycutt, the name she bore during the lifetime of her former husband, Ira Honeycutt; and for cost of suit, and for general relief.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Willie Riggs, Clerk of the District Court of Young County

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Graham, this, the 25th day of January, A. D. 1915.

WILLIE RIGGS  
Clerk, District Court,  
Young County.

## Flint's Stable

We are now located in our new quarters at the old Young County Lumber Company yard. When in need of service furnished by a first-class livery stable call us.

## FLINT'S STABLE

## EAT WITH ME

I have leased the Henderson Restaurant and would be glad to serve all of my old friends as well as new ones.

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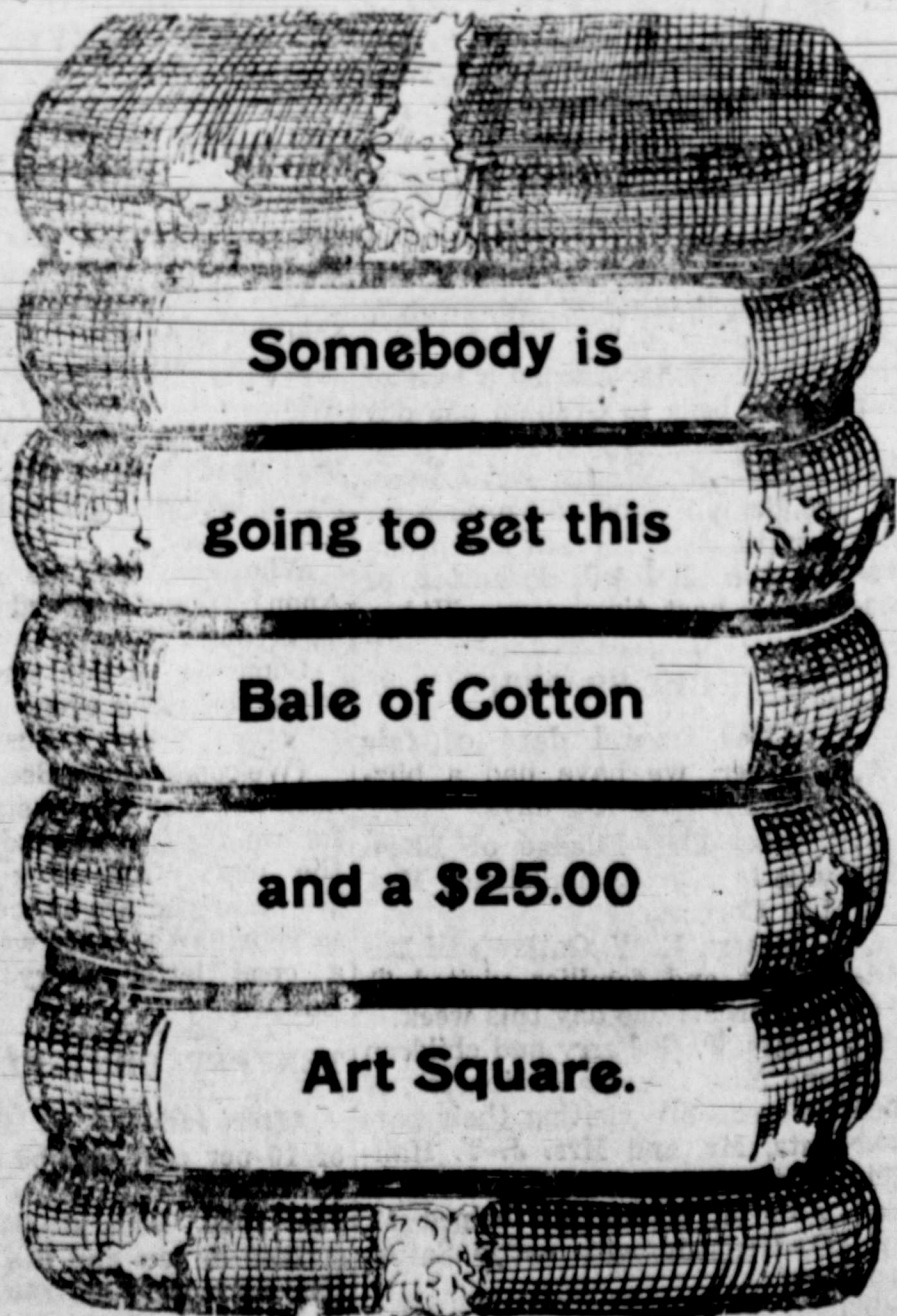
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# D. G. VICK



# Live News from our Correspondents

## SOUTH BEND

V. M. Hale and family took Sunday dinner with S. W. Goode and family.

Rev. Marcus M. Chunn filled his regular appointment here Sunday at 11 o'clock.

The young folks enjoyed a singing at the home of M. D. Harrell Sunday afternoon.

Misses Mary McBrayer and Sadie Scott, who are attending school at Graham, visited home folks from Friday night till Sunday.

O. A. McBrayer spent two days of last week in Ft. Worth on business.

Mrs. M. D. Harrell was on the sick list last Sunday. She was missed at Sunday school.

M. M. Kraft and children of Duff Prairie attended church here last Sunday.

Little Miss Velma Lee Hale entertained a number of her little friends in honor of her ninth birthday on last Saturday, Jan. 23. They began to arrive at 1:30 o'clock and by 2 o'clock there were twenty-two of them there, with bright eyes and smiling faces. They were there expecting a fine time, regardless of the cold, disagreeable weather. The hostess received a number of nice presents in token of their friendship. They indulged in several games, with a song or two. At 3:30 o'clock the hostess' mother, Mrs. V. M. Hale, assisted by Misses Annie Holcomb, Sadie Scott, Susie Ford and Mrs. J. W. Burgess, served cake, hot chocolate with whipped cream, pop corn and fudge to the following little folks: Bethel and Opal Rogers, Fred, Ira and Mary Lou Burgess, Nora Belle Thornton, Eunice and Earl Holcomb, Walter, Edgar and Etna Ford, Clifton, Robt. and Jennie Goode, Leona, Robt. Opal, Annie Jewell and Lorenza McCluskey, Mary Emma McDavid and Jewell and Zelma Martin. At 4:30 o'clock they left for their homes, after spending one of the most enjoyable times of their lives, and wishing for their hostess many more bright and happy birthdays.

## MURRAY

Well, I'm back again after a week's absence.

J. E. Moreland is right sick at this writing. Hope to report him better next week.

Mrs. J. H. Megginson has been quite sick but glad to report her better now.

Miss Edith Walsh visited Misses Hattie and Faye Martin of Myers Branch Saturday night.

Mrs. W. E. Braddock spent Friday with Mrs. J. W. Holloway.

Mrs. Wallace Simpson of Newcastle is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Megginson.

Charlie Mayes and family of Megargel have moved in our community again. These good people formerly lived here and we are glad to have them with us again.

Some of the young people enjoyed a party at Mrs. Cloud's Friday night.

The gin was run here again Saturday but not much cotton ginned. We understand they will not gin any more this season.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lawson came in from Hebron last week and will spend several days with her mother, Mrs. Tom Allen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Groene of Duff Prairie visited W. E. Braddock and family Saturday and Sunday.

## FARMER

Thanks for our pencil, Daisy Flat.

We are having some more winter weather, and how it does pinch after those pretty days of last week.

I see so many people with a gloomy and sad countenance I want to look at the bright side and keep the sunshine of

a loving faith in my heart. I do not want the shadow of discouragement and despondency to fall on my faith. I know that times are hard, but it will not make them any easier to wear a gloomy and sad countenance. Cheerfulness, how sweet in infancy, how lovely in youth and how saintly in age. There are a few noble natures whose very presence carries sunshine with them wherever they go. A sunshine which means pity for the poor, sympathy for the suffering and help for the unfortunate.

Mrs. Lizzie and Laura Wall spent the day with Mrs. S. O. Wall Monday.

Mr. Thompson and family of Wheeler county will live on Jim Davis' place this year.

S. O. Wall called on J. W. Wall Sunday.

Mrs. Brazelton was on the sick list last week.

Grandpa Casey and wife have returned home from Ft. Worth and report Mrs. West much improved.

Mrs. Young spent the day Monday with Mrs. S. O. Wall.

Pilot.

## LOWER TONK

As it is time I will scribble a few lines to give the items of the valley.

The Reporter was sure fine last week.

Mrs. Fannie Jones called at Mrs. G. W. Gowens Monday.

Mrs. Fannie Jones visited at W. E. Moore's Wednesday.

Floyd and Ruby Jones spent Wednesday night at Lee Jones'.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce George visited at his mother's, Grandma George's, last Thursday.

Many thanks to you Buster Blue for your pencil. I think you will have to sharpen it before you use it again.

Mrs. G. W. Gowens visited at Mrs. Sam Jones' Wednesday.

Vernon George and Miss Anna Belle Wadley visited the school at Upper Tonk Friday afternoon and returned home with Miss Zula George.

Mrs. A. A. Timmons and Miss Sallie Timmons were in Graham Thursday.

Miss Sallie Timmons spent Thursday night with Miss Rudelle Seddon.

Sam Jones, Sylvester Gowens, Vernon and Mack George and Jim Buntin were in Graham last Thursday.

Lee Jones and Joe Youngblood went to the gin Friday.

Oh, my! what a cold spell we have had, with some snow. We had enough snow to make everything good and white. It was a dry snow and I don't think it put much moisture in the ground.

Word Vaughan was at Joe Youngblood's Saturday.

Tom Beach of Gooseneck visited Grandpa Youngblood Saturday.

James Gowens spent Saturday night with Word Vaughan.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McClannahan spent Saturday night and Sunday at J. T. Rogers'.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones took dinner with A. H. Jones Sunday.

Jim and Roy Jones spent Sunday evening with their brother, Lee Jones.

Miss Eppie Moore and Miss Nora Moore and brother, Lee, spent Sunday at Mr. Barnett's.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gowens and family spent Sunday evening at W. E. Moore's.

Miss Zula George started to school at Lower Tonk Monday.

Many thanks Candy Kid, for your pencil.

I will skiddoo for this time. Best wishes to all. X. Y. Z.

## BUNGER

Today was a big gin day here. We ginned eight bales of cotton and made seven beds.

Mrs. Mullenax and Mrs. Virgie McLaren visited Mrs. Lou Driver this (Thursday) afternoon in Bunger.

H. M. Johnson helped Mr. Rhodes fix his windmill part of two days this week.

Bill Bunger and Jake Jones finished gathering their 1914 crop today. (Thursday).

Little Charlie Parsons is a good hand at the mill I guess. He works all day and part of the night.

John Clark walked to Graham Saturday after quilt cotton I think.

Floyd Smith walked home with a young lady a while back and his horse wouldn't lead so he left him tied to Andrew Smith's rack. Floyd walked four miles by the time he got to his horse.

Bob Berry had quite a close call a few days ago. His mules got scared and jumped and Bob fell flat of his back in the wagon and called whoa! whoa! thar mules! They ran about a mile before he could get them stopped.

G. G. Smith and son, Floyd, were in Bunger Thursday with two loads of feed enroute to their new home on Duff Prairie.

I will try to answer the question asked through The Reporter last week in regard to the directions which could be traveled from the north pole. I would think you could go only one direction and that would be south.

The Goose was on her box on the river Sunday afternoon taking items and discovered a party out kodaking. One man had his field glasses with him sight seeing. I don't think they could see the Goose as she was across the river from them.

Rainy Day was milking Sunday evening when I passed by her place.

Odel Johnson and John James went to Chick Bend Saturday to get a job of work.

O. M. James has rented his farm to Mr. Marshall and family and moved to Seymour last winter, but is coming back. He must have gotten a drink out of the river close to the slant rock.

I understand that Mr. S. H. James, Walter and John are going to start to Post City the middle or last of the week.

Goose.

## JEAN

Just for the benefit of some of our good people who argue that prohibition don't prohibit I clip a short article from another paper and ask our kind editor to please publish it in The Reporter. "Here are some figures as reported by the attorney-general: Five hundred and sixteen children in the public schools of Kansas never saw an open saloon in the state. More than one-half the county jails are empty. Sixty-five of the one hundred and five counties of the state have no inmates of the state penal institutions. Many counties have not had a jury to try a case in ten years. Eighty-seven counties have no insane. Fifty-six counties have no inebriates. Ninety-nine counties have not a single inmate of their poor farms. Kansas is the richest state in the union. Its average wealth per capita is \$1,700. Less than ten of 876 newspapers in the state accept liquor advertisements." Is it any wonder then that Kansas being the driest dry state, that prohibition is stronger than at any time in her history?

If you noticed the above was facts given by the attorney-general of the state of Kansas and not by some rabid pro speaker. And one of the main reasons our pro laws do not prohibit in the dry part of our state is people standing around arguing that prohibition won't prohibit. You may let everybody go to talking hard times and the first thing we know everyone is getting scared and quits doing any trading and holds tight and fast to every dollar they have, and the result is business gets on a drag and we sure enough do have hard times.

I see no real reason for all this depression we have been having the past few months. Of course, the European war has been some excuse for these close times. If everyone on this

side of the pond had just gone on with business in the usual way we would have hardly noticed the difference in condition of things. But it seems like the men with money got scared and afraid to turn this money loose, so everything was forced to go on the drag for want of money to keep business active.

Prof. Kilpatrick and Cling Sims made a business trip to Graham Saturday.

Last Saturday was quite a busy day in Justice Taylor's court at Jean. We had a couple of attorneys from Graham with us, also a lawyer from Abilene by the name of Mahaffey, who spent Saturday in our town waiting for his train.

Died—At his home last Wednesday, the 19th, Mr. W. M. Huff, after a lingering illness. He was a good citizen and a man who was highly respected by all who knew him. Deceased leaves three small children and other relatives to mourn their loss. The remains were laid to rest by the side of his wife who preceded him to the grave but a few months.

The social party given at the home of Mr. Kilpatrick Friday night was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Melton gave a party Saturday night. All report a nice time.

Miss Maud Thompson visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton, Miss Claire Medlin visited at Mr. Kilpatrick's home Sunday.

Miss Annie Price and Miss Maud Thompson spent the night with Miss Claire Medlin Saturday night.

There were not very many people who attended church or Sunday school Sunday. The weather was too bad I suppose. It sure would be hard on some Christians to have to die in the winter.

There will be literary society at Jean Saturday night.

Buster.

## INDIAN MOUND

R. B. Hightower of White Rose was here last Tuesday. He was riding a pacing mule, or at least, he said it was pacing. If any of you readers want to know what to do when a mule lies down with you while you are riding just ask R. B.

John McComas carried a cow and calf to Newcastle Tuesday for his brother-in-law, Rhea Cox.

We used to think that some time in the future we might get to help our old friend, Henry Frie, eat his wedding turkey and cake, but we have now lost all hopes, because last Tuesday he sold Bob Taylor his buggy and harness. We believe now that everything is off for a while.

John McComas carried his uncle, Henry Frie, over to Monument, where he was going to do some carpenter work for Mr. Cochran, who lives near that place.

S. D. Cowan called last Tuesday at G. W. McComas' after seed oats.

W. W. Hoggard had John McComas helping him repair some fences last week.

R. G. Taylor went after wood last Friday morning.

Our Sunday school was rather small Sunday on account of the bad weather and some people having such bad colds they were unable to attend.

Mrs. W. R. Dollins is reported as having the grippe.

Aunt Mollie Dollins, J. W. Douglass and wife, N. M. Newman and wife, R. G. Taylor, wife and two babies, G. W. McComas and wife visited at W. R. Dollins' Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Austin Bird and two little children visited relatives at Ingleside from Thursday till Sunday. Word reached here that a runaway team turned her buggy over and dumped her and the children out of their buggy near Orth Thursday morning, but no one was hurt.

Mrs. H. H. Stephens and little Misses Donnie and Dorsey Williamson have been on the sick list the past week.

Misses Gertrude, Irene and

Lena Taylor visited Miss Mary Beard Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Huckaby and daughter and son, Ira, and wife from Cedar Springs, Comanche County came in last Tuesday after Ira's household goods he left here last summer when he went to Comanche county on a visit. After they got there they decided to stay till after cotton picking was over. They came after their household goods with the intention of moving out there but since coming back have decided to make Young county their home this year.

Mrs. John Newman from Stephens county visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dollins, here from Tuesday till Saturday.

The play party at J. Grubbs' Friday night was well attended owing to the bad cold night.

Last Friday night about 11:40 o'clock this kid was awakened by a hello at the gate and on answering the call found a man afoot inquiring the way to Olney. After being told it was about fifteen miles he then asked about staying all night, then wanted a job pulling cotton bolls. After being told we had none to pull he kindly informed us that it was a bad night and went on his way rejoicing.

Mrs. W. W. Williamson visited Mrs. E. G. Williamson last Sunday afternoon.

Dee James and family visited their brother-in-law, W. W. Hoggard, and wife Saturday night and Sunday.

John McComas went to Graham Sunday afternoon.

R. G. Taylor called at F. E. Borchardt's Monday after seed corn. We guess he intends to raise some shucks instead of all four and six cent cotton.

The singing at the church Sunday afternoon was reported small in attendance.

F. E. Borchardt had the misfortune of being kicked by a horse Sunday. While the kick was painful it is nothing serious.

We learn that John E. Morrison & Co. and J. W. Douglass of this place have traded farms and Mr. Douglass will remain here this year.

Harvey Colvin of near Jean carried cotton to Newcastle last Monday.

Mrs. R. G. Taylor is on the sick list with something like la grippe.

Salemite, the old lady who has taken this poor little orphan kid to finish raising, requested me to say amen to your party proposition during the school months. But as we little kids love parties the same as larger boys and girls we will not say too much about them this week.

Donnie Prescott, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Fisher for several weeks, left last week for Ft. Worth.

Misses Zella Owen and Lovetta Grubbs and Minnie Fisher took dinner with Misses Ivy and Jean Bryan Sunday.

Misses Fay and Inez Fisher took dinner with Miss Virgie Borchardt Sunday.

W. P. Fisher visited at his brother-in-law's, B. W. Drum's, Friday.

J. S. Fisher carried a load of cotton bolls to Graham one day last week.

Well, Mr. Editor and Correspondents, if you will excuse me for this time I'll quit and promise you all I will do better, or worse, next time. Kid.

## BEE BRANCH

After several days of fair weather, we have had a blizzard the past few days.

Miss Effie Elledge of Eliasville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lee Corbett.

Messrs. E. W. Outlaw and Lee Corbett and families visited T. M. Corbett one day this week.

Mrs. T. C. Perry and children and Miss Georgie Haliburton of Swenson are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Haliburton.

Bryan Haliburton helped M. O. Kennedy with cattle Saturday.

T. M. Corbett made a business trip to Graham Thursday.

Miss Cecil Haliburton is visiting home folks today.

Silver Bell, come on with your interesting letters.

If Mr. Editor will pardon me for being absent so long I will try to be present, with a letter, each week.

Dago, I enjoy reading your letters very much, as I know most of the people in your vicinity. I enjoy reading your letters too, Candy Kid.

Well, as news is scarce I will bid you adieu. Schoolgirl.

## FOX HOLLOW

Since Silver Bell moved away we have had no one to represent our "territory" in the good old Reporter, but if the editor and Correspondents will let me have a little space in the paper I will try to be a Correspondent.

Miss Maggie Reed and brothers of Gooseneck have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Heron Newby.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Owen of Ming Bend spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ribble.

Everett Newby of Ming Bend attended the singing at Mr. Atkinson's Sunday afternoon. We thought Everett had left the country but guess he got homesick (?) and had to come back. What about it Everett?

We are sorry to say that little Monroe Caudill is still quite sick, but hope to report him better soon.

Miss Mary Caudill made a flying trip to the city of Pickwick today.

Will Caudill is attending court at Palo Pinto this week. Thought he quit "courting" several years ago.

Hugh Ribble spent Sunday night with Aaron Nicklas.

P. D. Nicklas went to Palo Pinto Sunday returning Monday.

Mrs. Nicklas is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Will Reeves, of Lucille.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fawks spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Dendy.

Little Willa Huston and Blanche Reeves have been visiting their cousins, Bessie and John Nicklas and Cleveland and Lit Caudill.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Newby spent Monday night and Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ribble.

Messrs. Alex Stringer, J. Y. Dendy, John Farrar and Bob Fawks enjoyed a forty-two game Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Nicklas and children and Mrs. Ona Caudill and children spent Monday night and Tuesday with the families of J. C. and W. H. Reeves in Lucille.

C. T. Nicklas and sons are picking cotton for E. Bowen.

Messrs. Jewel and Aaron Nicklas are picking cotton for Frank Stringer.

Messrs. Will Harris, Bill Barron and Josh Burgess went to town Tuesday on business.

Dick Barron of Sorghum Flat was riding in our community Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Agee is visiting her nephew, Bill Barron, and family.

Mrs. Ellie Barron and daughter, and Mrs. Mary Agee spent Monday with Mrs. Josh Burgess.

Guess I had better not write too much this time, for the waste basket might get my letter.

What has become of More Anon? Come forward and give an account of yourself.

Come on all you scribes and bring the news every week.

Busy Bee.

(Welcome, Busy Bee and you need not fear the waste basket, for we are indeed glad to have the news from Fox Hollow. We know you are as industrious as your name, hence we look for a good letter every week.—Editor.)

TEN PER CENT PENALTY.

After January 30 a penalty of 10 per cent will be added to all unpaid city taxes for the year 1914. This penalty is prescribed by law and the collector has no option in the matter. Pay before January 30 and avoid paying this penalty.

T. E. WALLACE,  
City Tax Collector.

Hell ponder another give n Unc very s but w some l I w made It sho ton-re ing hi ther." Mrs. Sunday Mrs. I Mr. Sunday ver Be Mr. ited at Edd Clara until home Miss and M Saturd ter. Mrs. man is ter, Mi Hom iness t W. l to Gra Wilb is worl W. T. Lee Chapel ter's pl Calvi for Ber Mrs. childre visited Lone O H. Robe the gue C. Mill and Su Bro. preache at 11 a sermon especia terest Mrs. guest o last Th Mr. visited last we Elzie the gue family day. Rev. Sunday Mr. SU nity. Prof. Graham Elzie Outman Miss spent S grandm Masti guest at man TI A. E visit S dinner family. Mrs. from hc Jim C with C Sunday. Little been su his head Little having s home th new ha Messr F. Har were bi week. Sever to Grah There here Sa is still I at this v Some stalks. cut this ton was There at Sund eral visi Mrs. J of her b Stratlin, Robert



RED TOP

Hello there all you Correspondents! We are here for another meeting, and please, give me a chair by the stove.

Uncle Dock Slater has been very sick for the past few days but we are glad to report him some better.

I want to correct a mistake made in my last week's news. It should have read "Mr. Bunton received the message telling him of the death of his father," instead of Mr. Burton.

Mrs. Bertha Workman spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. Erwin McGee of Loving.

Mr. and Mrs. Littlejohn spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Grover Beavers.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong visited at Wilbert McBee's Sunday. Edd Slater's family and Miss Clara Slater spent from Friday until Sunday afternoon with home folks.

Misses Dora McBee, Eureka and Mary Etta Slater spent Saturday with Uncle Dock Slater.

Mrs. A. J. Graves of Sherman is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. K. McBee.

Homer Brigham made a business trip to Olney Sunday. W. K. McBee carried cotton to Graham Monday.

Wilbert McBee of Lone Oak is working for his grandfather, W. T. McBee.

Lee Thigpen of Hawkins Chapel has moved on Will Slater's place.

Calvin Gardner is working for Ben Slater at present.

Mrs. Bertha Workman and children and Miss Dora McBee visited at Albert McBee's of Lone Oak Wednesday night.

Augusta.

HAWKINS CHAPEL

Robert Miller and wife were the guests of his sister, Mrs. J. C. Miller, of Westfork Saturday and Sunday.

Bro. Lee Strickling of Loving preached at the Baptist church at 11 a. m. He preached a good sermon and addressed the lost especially. There was good interest manifested.

Mrs. C. S. Newman was the guest of Mrs. Mayes of Loving last Thursday.

Mr. Valentine and his sister visited relatives at Megargel last week.

Elzie Tedrow and wife were the guests of Jesse Oatman and family last Monday and Tuesday.

Rev. Strickling of Loving took Sunday dinner with his brother, Mr. Strickling, of this community.

Prof. Simpson visited below Graham Saturday and Sunday.

Elzie Tedrow worked for Jim Oatman at Loving last Tuesday.

Miss Eula Carmon Harmon spent Saturday night with her grandmother, Mrs. Lindsey.

last Thursday morning. There is some preparations going on to plant gardens.

Saturday afternoon Elzie Tedrow had the misfortune of having his horses refuse to go after he had his barrel filled with water. He hauls water from the well at the Baptist church.

Master C. F. Harmon was indisposed one day last week. Everyone is busy doing all kinds of work on the farm now.

Violet.

MIDWAY

Rev. E. A. Cox filled his regular appointment at Midway Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. He preached from the 6th chapter of Revelations. The service was good and enjoyed by all.

Mr. Woodrome and family are going to move to Bunker. We regret very much to give Mr. Woodrome and family up but hope they will like their new home.

Lee Drum, wife and little son, Ross, Miss Hettie Drum and Mr. Glaneus Cox all took dinner with Mrs. Woodrome Sunday.

The young folks enjoyed a singing at Emmet Cox's Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Loftin spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Garrett.

Miss Hettie Drum and Mrs. Plynons called on Miss Nannie Adams Friday afternoon.

Apple Blossom.

KEYSER

Hello Mr. Editor and Correspondents! As this is my first time to write I hope this will escape the waste basket.

As Red Wing has resigned and asked me to take her place I will try to do so.

Misses Rhodes entertained a few of their friends Sunday, those being present: Misses Lerah Sampley, Doshie Sampley, Ethel Ballow, Clara Ballow, Opal Robinson, Messrs. George Martin, Sam Kinder and Arthur Thompson.

S. J. N. Martin and family have moved to Graham.

Sam Kinder says he sure likes to hear the bluebird sing. F. N. Ballow gave a singing Sunday night.

Trixie, I think I know you and Pansy.

George Martin has ordered him a suit of clothes. I wonder why.

Miss Minnie Rhodes looked sad Sunday. Wonder why?

Well, I will let Trixie have my pencil and ring off.

Papa Sock.

(Welcome, Papa Sock, to our band of Correspondents. We trust that you will send us the news from Keyser every week and that you will soon come to know all the other Correspondents.—Editor.)

Editor.)

SPRING CREEK

Northered two or three days ago then turned warmer last night and snowed a big snow. But, still I saw a few people going visiting.

Prof. Wood, mother and sisters, Misses Maude and Madie, have moved in Mr. Wilborn's house.

Miss Lillian McNutt visited the school last Wednesday.

John Bavousette and family have moved. Haven't learned where they moved to, yet.

Lee Creek of Megargel was in our community last week.

Alonzo Roberts called at W. T. Vines' one day last week.

Mr. Editor and Correspondents, how would you all like for me to bring my kodak up and all of us get together and have our pictures taken?

Bill Whittaker called at Mr. Wilborn's Thursday afternoon.

Arthur Roberts visited his father-in-law Friday.

after visiting his sister, Mrs. Elsie Whittaker. Come back again, Bud.

Neal Vines called at Arthur Roberts' Sunday.

I was certainly sorry to hear of so many deaths and to hear of Mrs. Dan Weaver being dead. She used to be an old friend of mine. But, she has gone to a far better land, where we all will meet some day in the sweet bye and bye.

To read June Roses' letters certainly cheers us in the midst of this cold, bad weather, does it not Rocky?

Messrs. Jess Duncan and Paul Roberts called at W. T. Vines' one day last week.

Clyde Holmes returned home some few weeks ago to visit home folks. Clyde, we are glad to have you with us.

Silver Bell, you certainly wrote a good letter last week. I enjoy reading all the letters.

I will lend my pencil to Bluebird, as she wasn't present last week.

Hollyhock.

MOUNTAIN HOME

Haven't we had some cold weather? How many of you Correspondents was surprised to see the snow Sunday morning?

I, for one, was, as I looked so much for snow that I had about decided it had quit snowing in Texas.

Bill Bunker hauled seed from Bunker last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kutch of Ming Bend spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Jake Jones.

Buster Blue, do you wish it would snow again so you could eat snow cream? I am sure you do.

Well, as I noticed most all of the Correspondents were ladies I will tell you my week's work from Tuesday. I made two kettles of soap, tacked three comforts, hemmed one, pieced two quilts, put one more in the frames, set three hens and did the milking and my housework and attended to my two children and Thursday I prepared dinner for four cotton pickers.

Wednesday was my birthday so I spent the day with Mrs. Alice Lisle and I am sure all of you would have enjoyed eating dinner with us. Mrs. Lisle gave me a big sack of mustard greens that day and my husband bought me a nice Bible.

So you see I can read and eat the rest of the week.

Tom and Bill Bunker went to Graham Wednesday. Mr. Carter, on his way to Strawn, came home with them and stayed until Thursday morning and spoke of going as far as Dreamy Eyes' for dinner so I guess she can tell the rest.

Little Frank Bunker was made happy Sunday afternoon when he received the little Colie puppy Mr. Robert McLendon brought him from Mr. Kutch's.

Trixie, your letter was missed all right. That was what I always thought, but after our good editor said he missed our letters I just thought I would not let him be disappointed any more on my account. I really thought last week's paper was the best paper we have gotten this year, but I couldn't understand our editor's article, but I hope that he won't be bothered any more.

Veler Jones got his left arm dislocated Friday while playing at school and he is carrying it in a sling.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones went to Graham today (Monday) but don't know whether Veler went to the doctor or not.

Miss Fay Lisle spent from Friday until Sunday afternoon with her uncles, Bill and Tom Bunker, and families.

There was a good crowd at the spelling and debate Friday night. There will be spelling and debate two weeks from Friday night. All are invited to come and be with us.

Will Pickard of Ming Bend and Chock Pickard of Graham spent Friday night with Bill Bunker and wife.

Beauty, I think all your letters are good and I never fail to read them. I never read but one sorry letter and that was Homeite's last week.

Tom and Bill Bunker are hauling corn from the Herron

farm in Ming Bend.

Elzie Cretsingler of Veal Creek helped Chock Pickard with a bunch of calves to the Bunker pen.

As news is scarce I will lend my pencil to Salemite.

Homeite.

LUCILLE

Hello one and all! Come over and we will have a big snowball game. You know we would have a jolly time.

Silver Bell was sure with us last week, an da good letter. Why can't all write like that? But you know it takes all kinds to make the paper good.

Jewel Nicklas of Fox Hollow spent Saturday night at A. Storm's.

Misses Bessie and Bonnie Storm spent Sunday with Miss Mandy Layton.

Mrs. Bob Chick visited her daughter, Mrs. Hugh Bailey, Saturday.

Beauty, that was no trouble at all. If you had been here I could have shown you better than I could tell you.

Miss Lizzie Edbin is visiting Miss Flow near Palo Pinto this week. She also attended the dance at the Gann place Wednesday night.

Mrs. Mark Dalton spent last Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Jackson.

Mark Dalton went to Oran on business Thursday.

Sorry to say Bob Chick still has to use his crutches. He hasn't walked since he got hurt.

Will Jenkins took a load of cotton to Graford Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Teague went to Graford trading Thursday.

Fellie Spurlock took two bales of cotton to Graford Thursday. Jewel Nicklas called on Miss Rena Camrick Sunday.

Lula and Vassie Bridges visited with their sister, Mrs. Velma Spurlock, Monday night.

Mrs. W. D. Nicklas has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Will Reeves. She returned home today (Sunday.)

Al Storm took a load of bolls to Graford Friday.

Bessie Storm called on Janie Chick Saturday eve.

There is a young lady who has come to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Will Reeves.

Tom Clay has moved to the old Hitt place. We welcome them to our midst.

Miss Rena Camrick spent the past week with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, at the Dalton Ranch.

Nick Sikes of Graford was in our midst Monday trying to buy cattle, but think he failed to find any at his price.

Silver Bell, Salemite, Dreamy Eyes and Trixie, please let me compliment your letters, for they sure were fine last week so accept these roses.

PICKWICK

Cold, did some one say? Yes I think it is cold.

Tom Clay and family have moved into the house vacated by Sam Newberry and wife.

The R. A. E. Club met with Mrs. W. S. Wester Wednesday evening.

Miss Stella Lyster spent last Wednesday night with Mrs. W. L. Costello.

Joe Bearden left Wednesday morning for his home in Oklahoma. He has been spending several weeks with his sister, Mrs. Walter Layton.

W. L. Costello made a business trip to Graham last week.

Mrs. Fannie Meadows has returned to her home in Mineral Wells.

Costello Bros. have put several head of cattle in their fields on this side of the river.

Miss Connie Costello spent Friday night with Miss Stella Lyster.

Don't know how the spelling was last night as it was so cold I didn't go.

Dreamy Eyes, I think you must have things mixed up a little bit, for I was talking to Silver Bell herself instead of you.

That is all right Johnnie Dollittle, if you say you don't know where that mountain is, for I know that you know what it is or at least I think you should, for you have lived right by it all your life.

All right, if you don't want me to speak to you I won't.

Where were you Plow Boy, you didn't write last week? I sure missed your letter.

Salemite, allow me to compliment your letter, for it was fine.

Mr. Editor that song of the "Goover Peas" was fine.

Mighty glad you mentioned Maggie Johnson, Bashful Ben, for I had lost trace of her. I didn't know where she was.

Yes, Silver Bell, I know you had a good time if you visited your uncle and aunt, or at least I would think you should. You sure had a good letter last week.

I think from all accounts Rev. Mayes will have to preach longer and harder next summer than he did last, if he gets his work to last from one summer till the next, for I think that some of our good men around near here will have to put new floors in their houses, as I think they have danced the old ones out.

Jim Denton visited the school Friday morning and Ben, Dock and Kale Weldon visited it Friday afternoon.

My! at the mistakes I do make. I think there were about a dozen "B's" last week where there should have been "G's". But I don't guess mistakes will kill will they Silver Bell?

Glad to report Uncle Dave Nicklas better at this writing, also Mr. Agee's little baby.

J. C. Whatley and Chester Weldon spent Sunday with Dock Weldon.

Kale and Lovettie Weldon visited at T. F. Weldon's home Sunday.

J. C., T. J. and G. R. Weldon went fishing and caught something like 25 pounds of fish. Believe me, they sure were fine. Wish you all had been with me to help eat them.

Messrs. Alton, J. C. Whatley and Jack McMillan were at Sunday school this (Sunday) afternoon. Come again.

J. C. and Alton Whatley, Mack and Jack McMillan and Kale Weldon called at E. P. Costello's Sunday night.

Beauty.

CRAIG POINT

Hello all you Correspondents! As I am through with the cotton patch for this winter I will try to pick the settlement news for The Reporter.

Mrs. Bill Babb spent a few days last week with her parents here.

Mrs. Martha Green visited her daughter, Mrs. Martin Jones, from Saturday till Monday.

Mesdames Bill Babb, Baugh and son, Hall, and Miss Viva Baugh visited at F. R. Cornelius' last Tuesday.

Mrs. Nona Cornelius visited at Mr. Baugh's last Tuesday night.

Misses Minnie and Nona Cornelius, Mrs. Bill Babb and Mrs. Denver Killion visited Mrs. Horace Busch Thursday.

Mrs. Walter Green is entertaining company this week.

Mrs. Walter Green visited Mrs. U. G. West last week.

Mrs. Henry Stephens ate dinner at the Cornelius home last Wednesday.

Little Ula Fay Mayes is spending this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Baugh.

How do you all like the picture of "Prosperity" that Buster gave us last week. I think it is just simply awful, and it forces the truth of Gov. Colquitt's statement, "That in the midst of plenty people were starving to death."

Miss Zula Jones spent Monday night with Miss Lois Ware in town.

Bluebird.

OAKLAND

Hello Mr. Editor and all you Correspondents! I have been absent for a couple of weeks and while I was away grandma picked her geeze, as I found the ground covered with snow when I got my eyes opened Sunday morning.

Most of the men are tilling the soil and sowing oats.

Health is very good in this community.

Mr. Moore has moved back to the Rocky Mound community after living a week or so on the H. K. Ragland place.

Graham Logan and three sisters have moved out on the H. L. Ranch and Graham is going to farm this year. We are glad to have them in our community.



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## MILLER BEND

In assuming the duties of Correspondent from Miller Bend I do not do so as a stranger in a strange land, for indeed, I spent one year among these good people. Though I can't help looking around at times for Little Boy and Happy Ben, my predecessors, yes and Little Girl.

The Miller Bend school district is in magnitude and importance, like unto our great Lone Star State. The biggest and the best, some eight or ten miles of her shore is washed by the waters of the mighty Brazos River on the north, east and south, while her western boundary line extends well back into the "big woods." Suffice it to say she has ample funds to maintain a good school.

Well comrades, I say aren't those Kids, I mean Mr. Kid and Miss Candy Kid, getting familiar sitting out there on that box at the road while they gather news? No lop-sidedness about that, but I sure do pity that box and the passers by, especially the poor, little babies. I know they all cry, unless their mothers blindfold them.

Owing to my getting some of my punctuation wrong in my write-up of the reunion, I seemed to get a little too familiar with Bashful Ben on so short acquaintance. At least, it appears that he thought so. Now I regret this mishap very much, for the truth is, Bashful Ben, I do not think anymore of you than I do of the other Correspondents and I assure you that most of the spell which seemingly was meant for you was in reality meant for my old friend, Jack o' Diamonds.

I sure did enjoy Mr. J. E. Parsons' good letter. Thank you Mr. Parsons for your testimony in behalf of union Sunday schools.

Yes, Homeite, I usually write long letters, but I sometimes fear that they amount to about the same as this long cotton crop, "overproduction" and of low value. But, I certainly appreciate your kind words and I return the compliment.

I try to persuade myself that my sympathies are with the allies at war, but to save my life I can't help feeling glad when the Germans get the best of the Russians.

Say, Gringo, I like compliments "rare" and "juicy" but not "over-done" like your last one. But, say, I can't help being smarter than some of you fellows but don't think you should brag on me so profusely. Aren't you afraid you will turn my head? And say, I believe I feel more "nachel" pulling the bell-cord over old Nigg than I would feel trying to point sinners to the narrow way. Guess I would just about make it so hot for them they would leave me talking to empty seats.

Gringo, if you don't object, I would like to say your speech on over-production is unanswerable, "case dat am de truf boss."

Say now, Kid-o, what are you bothering those Kids out there on that box for? Don't you know you are too old to be "fool-in' wid kids?" No, sir-ree! you are not in it a little bit with that pair. Kid-o, you will just have to hunt up Kid-ee.

Dreamy Eyes, you are wrong when you think I don't like Baptist people just simply because they are Baptists. My precious

mother was raised a Baptist and her people are mostly Baptists. Baptists can be good just like other folks when they will. Consider our friend, J. E. Parsons, if I mistake not, he is a Baptist and I think Mr. Parsons is a fine man. He believes in union Sunday schools, too.

Yes, Dreamy Eyes, I sure think you snubbed me, but I never would have known it had you not told it yourself. I would not have knowingly passed you without at least saying "howdy-do" and as to my picture, I believe it is bothering you worse than any one else, as I hadn't thought about the matter any more. The main reason I wanted those pictures made was, I thought Dreamy Eyes was somewhere in the group and—well wife wants to make garden this year and the "varmint" have gotten used to my shadow. And then, she wants to raise some poultry too, and I think that picture would keep the hawks off. But maybe Dreamy Eyes wanted the picture to keep the snakes away from old "Biddy" next summer. If so, our interests are mutual.

Really, Uncle Zeke, I didn't think you were serious about that question. If you persist in an answer I will let my little boy answer it. But, by all means, Uncle Zeke, point out my bad breaks.

Last week Johnny Dolittle requested me to give the Miller Bend news every week, and Homeite expressed confidence that I would write each week, when right then I was failing to write. Am sorry but just couldn't help it. But as this is the first time I have missed in over a year, and as I have sent in two at once a time or two during that time I think I should be excused for this time.

And, here are some more reasons why my sympathies are getting mixed on the European war. In "The Western Watchman" Father Phelan's paper, and which, by the way, is printed in "The Temple Building" on the corner of Broadway and Walnut Streets, St. Louis, Mo., and in which building was recently replevined a bale of old envelopes that formerly contained letters to the "Menace," an anti-Roman-Catholic paper published, as a million and a half subscribers know, at Aurora, Mo. This bale or bundle, as recovered by the Menace contained some fifteen or twenty thousand old empty envelopes. The Menace has brought suit against these Roman Catholic sneaks. But back to the point. In Father Phelan's paper, "The Western Watchman" of Jan. 7, 1915, appeared the following:

"The German Empire is doomed and all the powers of darkness will not save it. It will go down into a barathrum as the visible, tangible and veritable embodiment of protestantism and the world will soon be rid of both. But the Catholics of Germany will resurrect another and greater Empire, disillusioned and chastened. They will some day be the vanguard of the church's civilization in northern Europe." How is that? Do you reckon Father Phelan knows? Sure he does.

Furthermore, in its issue of Nov. 25 last, the St. Louis-Globe Democrat printed the following dispatch: "Rome, Nov. 24—The appointment of Sir Henry Howard as envoy from England to the Holy See was announced here today. Great pleasure over this appointment was expressed at the vatican, where it was said that it always had regretted that Great Britain and the United States were not represented among the diplomats accredited to the pope."

Now, does that mean anything, dear reader? That King George should thus recognize this self-styled man—God? England jumped into the fight under the pretense of protecting Belgium but she didn't do it, did she?

Another thing that looks bad for England is, at the close of the Russo-Japanese war England loaned Russia money, when Russia couldn't get it anywhere else, and with Russia lost to the Germans England might lose the balance of power.

Plow Boy.

## GOOSENECK

Good morning! How do you all like this sunshine and cold wind? I, for one, am glad to see the sunshine.

A. L. Conder and sons went to Salem this morning after two wild mules to work.

Misses Edna and Cora Wiley visited Mrs. Kelley Monday afternoon.

Miss Cora Rose spent Monday night with the Wiley girls. Herman Johnson went to Graham Monday.

Mrs. Rhodes spent Monday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Grantham.

Mrs. Emma Dalrymple is reported sick.

Misses Hattie and Mattie Upham were taking orders Tuesday.

Mrs. Jim Reed and son took cotton to Graham Tuesday.

Mrs. A. L. Conder and children spent the day with Mrs. G. W. Rose Wednesday.

Miss Maggie Reed and brothers are picking cotton for Oscar James.

Several attended the party at Mr. Jones'. A good time was reported.

Dr. Griffin was called to see Jim Reed Thursday night.

G. W. Wiley lost two hundred and fifty bales of hay in the fire at Newcastle.

Lée McLaren and Walter James went to Ming Bend Saturday.

It is reported that Oscar James and family will move to Mrs. Caudill's and that Walter Marshall will come to Oscar's place. We regret very much to lose Mr. and Mrs. James.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry spent Sunday afternoon with G. W. Wiley and family.

Frelon Wiley and wife are visiting their parents today.

John Clark and family went to Tonk Valley to visit his mother.

Rainy Day, we were sure glad to see a letter from you again. You were quite welcome to my pencil.

I notice that some of the Correspondents are quite anxious about Uno. He has either gone to Dallas or fishing.

Floyd Smith of Mountain Home called at the Parsons' home Sunday afternoon.

Bill Bunger was buying all the yearlings he could find last Thursday. Gander.

## MYERS BRANCH

Salemite, I have too much respect for your ability to take care of yourself to get into an argument with you so I'll just give my opinion on the problem.

I am willing to concede that there could be a surplus of fruits and vegetables. Why couldn't we buy an amount equal to a normal crop—or more if it took it to supply the demand—at normal crop prices? Why cut the price down on the entire crop? That looks to me like a fine imposed on the producer for being industrious. Suppose there are three million bales of cotton above a normal crop. The spinner says he can only use an amount equal to a normal crop at normal prices. Then, let the State or bonded companies erect fire-proof warehouses in which to store the surplus three million bales, let the government loan money on the warehouse receipts to a certain value and at the rate of interest usually charged banks. This would give the producer a chance to pay his debts and would stimulate trade to such an extent that the surplus would be consumed before the middle of the year. As it is, the producer can not pay his debts. This in turn makes it hard on the dealer. Not having much cash we buy as little as possible and employ no outside help and the result, trade dull, work slack and the surplus is carried over to help swell the next year's crop.

On the one item of cotton grading alone the farmer loses several million dollars annually, whether through ignorance or design, we are not prepared to say. There is over one hundred types of cotton and the grades are fixed by law. Why shouldn't the government sup-

ply us an expert grader. Granted that it does cost \$35.00 to transport one bale of middling cotton to Germany, middling cotton now brings something like 7 cents per pound here and 19 cents in Germany which gives a net profit of 5 cents per pound or \$25.00 per bale of 500 pounds. Somebody is getting a profit out of cotton besides the producer. If he does not deserve it who does?

Your query as to why the ranks of the homeless are being recruited each year is answered in Judge J. B. Park's letter to the Constitution as reproduced in The Reporter of Jan. 8. Mr. Russell gives us the cause in these words: "the rate of 8 per cent is too high to allow any reasonable chance of success for legitimate, ordinary, conservative enterprise" and then right away Judge Park gives us the following solution: "The way to remedy an evil and bring about reforms successfully is not to attack individuals so much but the proper thing to do is to attack and destroy the system under which the evils exist." Sounds like socialist dope doesn't it? I do not believe that the interest and credit systems are the only causes but one of the main causes of our poverty.

Now, please understand that my opinions are not those of an expert by any means and that I can be convinced as soon as I see that a theory is practicable.

There is some sickness in our district now but is mostly among the small folks. It is a sore throat and resembles diphtheria in many respects.

Come again Uncle Zeke, do not be backward. Plow Boy is "grandmaster" of scribdom and was merely initiating you into our circle. He is now ready to give you the glad hand and perfectly willing to show you the way to heaven via the union Sunday school route.

C. C. Skaggs is on the sick list this week. Gringo.

## TRY

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## MONUMENT

Well, Kid, move over and let me sit on your box with you a while, for I am an old maid and all kids like to talk to old maids.

Most all of this week has been pretty but the people are not through picking cotton yet. W. T. Long has gone to farming in the good old-fashioned way. He cut cotton stalks one day last week, got tired and went to town next day and hasn't even been to the field since.

Buster, you write as if you are a socialist. You say the only remedy you see for the renter is to pass laws limiting the land holders. Now, Buster, I know very little about the laws of the United States, but I do know one thing, that is, if the land was equally divided among the people it wouldn't be very many years until a majority of the people would be back in the same condition. If they could not get rid of it in one way they would another. Let me tell you something Buster, pride is ruining this world. There are too many intelligent people and these people are living beyond their ability. You can take the renting class of people, a majority of whom live better and dress better than the land-holders and when there is an election to vote tax, such as school tax and road tax, the renter will vote the tax every time and I say let the renter help pay for what he votes. About the man and his family you spoke of; it is true that it was a sad scene and my heart reaches out in sympathy for them. Wish I lived close so I could help them, but before the ending of another year there will be beggars of all kinds. You may think we are having hard times in Young county, but it is nothing to compare with what the people are having just about one hundred miles east of us. They are facing starvation, and no work or prospects for another year. All I can say is, if the land holders and wealthy people were to help everybody it would not be long until everybody would be beggars. I am a true believer in my Heavenly Father and I believe God will help those who help themselves.

Our literary was given last

Friday night with only a small attendance on account of it being so cold. They had a very short but interesting program. Several of the Flint Creek people were there.

Sunday school was well attended Sunday.

We reorganized our singing class Sunday with the following officers: Mr. Harlan Reeves, president; Mr. Malcom Cox, vice president; Miss Nettie Reeves, secretary; Mr. Roy Burdick, leader; and Miss Una Reeves, organist. Our class is to meet the second and fourth Sunday evenings in each month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harrison are visiting Mr. Harrison's parents in McLennan county this week for the benefit of Mrs. Harrison's health.

Dr. N. B. Blevins spent most of the day Friday at W. T. Long's. He also did some veterinary work while there.

W. B. King, the county superintendent, visited our school last week. He said our school was the second best in the county. Wasn't that encouraging? He told some interesting stories while there.

Master Foy Schlittler spent the day Sunday with Lawrence Alberts.

Misses Eula B. and Branyss Harrison and Estelle Umberson were in the Loving community Sunday evening.

Miss Susie Guinn and brother, Clyde, who have been spending a day or so with their parents, returned to Graham Sunday evening where they are going to school.

Reece Harlan said as he was coming to Sunday school Sunday he happened to the sad accident of stumping his toe. He fell down and came near breaking his neck. This is his report; don't know how true it is but he told me to be sure and send it to The Reporter.

Jack o' Diamonds, why didn't you come to the literary? It was too cold I guess.

Tempest and Sunshine.

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### MOUNT PLEASANT

Well, as Plow Boy has moved away, I will write to let the Correspondents know that Mount Pleasant is still on the map.

We had some snow Sunday morning but by evening it had disappeared.

Health in this community is good as far as I know.

Rev. Roark preached an interesting sermon at the school house last Sunday, using the 14th verse of the 3rd chapter of St. John for his text. After preaching was over the church met in conference and selected Rev. Roark as their pastor.

I failed to see Plow Boy's letter in The Reporter last week. I hope he hasn't quit as he writes such good letters.

I am anxious to hear some one answer the Kid in regard to the different prices in flour, sold at town and peddled in the country.

If Salemite convinces Plow Boy that land can be paid for as easily now as it was thirty years ago, then I will buy land.

With a few days fair weather cotton picking will be over so the farmers can prepare to plant more cotton.

As news is scarce I will quit.

Ignorant-Voter.

(Welcome, Ignorant Voter. But somehow we don't fancy that name, and we believe that if you watch the Correspondents' pages for a few more months you'll change it to "Intelligent Voter."—Editor.)

### MOUNTAIN HOME

Oh, Gee! how did you all like the snow? I thought it was fine. I did not snowball with anybody but believe me I ate my share of it. I never asked anyone if they wanted to snowball.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Massengale spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Matlock.

Singing at Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barker's was enjoyed by all.

Mr. Allen of Graham was down in this part of the country selling pianos and sold one to John Matlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Plaster spent Sunday with his father, Henry Plaster.

Kid, did you know you could lead a blind man up to a stump and he could feel it but he couldn't see it. I think that is the way with you.

There is no secret about dancing. The Bible says there is a time to dance. Dancing is a worldly pastime. Of course there can be made harm out of anything—but dancing won't bother anyone if they will leave it off.

I read this in The Dallas News: "There is many a preacher who would like to shake his foot if it was not for the almighty dollar."

Kid, remember our subject "Sunday School".

A. Gregory of Oklahoma is visiting John Matlock.

Gray-eyed Girl.

### LONE OAK

A nice snow fell here Saturday night. Everything looked like winter sure enough Sunday morning. As I looked at the beautiful snow-covered hills and valleys I thought Oh! that I were a poet and could produce such a wonderful poem as Whitaker's "Snow-Bound."

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Cantwell died Sunday at 3 a. m. from only a few hours' illness. Interment was held in the Markley Cemetery Monday afternoon. The family has our deepest sympathy in their dark hour of sadness.

Mrs. Fannie Davis was on the sick list a few days last week.

Mrs. C. C. McBride has been suffering from rheumatism for the past two weeks.

Miss Eva Hamm was the guest of Misses Hawkins Saturday night and Sunday.

The Harris family was out driving Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Fannie Rutherford and son, Ross, and Mrs. Irene Rutherford spent Sunday with C. C. McBride and family.

Homer Armstrong and family

are moving to the Dickson place east of Loving.

Henry Thomas and family are moving to the Jim Davis place in the northwest part of this community.

Rev. R. E. Boyle dined at C. C. McBride's Saturday.

Susie Ramsey is still improving at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pratt and Frank Lee called at C. W. Poole's one evening last week.

Frank has been suffering with a very sore ear for several days. Don't know what is the matter but he says it got frost bitten while he was out driving in the Jean community.

Dave Watson, Joe and John Dossett called at C. C. McBride's Sunday afternoon.

Dr. R. A. Petty spent part of last week at the Stone ranch.

Some of the Graham men were in our community bird hunting Thursday.

Misses Smith and Kisinger were out walking Sunday afternoon.

A. P. Stewart has rented the Vaughan place for this year.

W. P. Reynolds, a real estate man of Olney, was in this vicinity last Thursday.

J. W. Pratt and Frank Lee dined at the McBride home last Sunday.

Edd Wilborn and family are picking cotton for J. V. Hamm.

Claude Rutherford called at A. J. Lowe's last Wednesday morning.

Lum McBride made a trip to Olney Monday.

Yes, Silver Bell, I suppose we'll move west this fall. You know we sold our place here and purchased 640 acres in the west.

Quite a number of the Lone Oakers were business visitors to Jean Saturday.

The forty-two club met with Miss Lillie Poole last Thursday evening.

John Davis called at J. W. Pratt's Saturday afternoon.

Brunette.

### CEDAR CREEK

Hello Correspondents! How are you all this cold morning?

It is sure cold down here.

Looks as if it was going to snow. I wish it would.

Jack o' Diamonds, you should have been at the literary. We had a fine time. We will have another one the 20th of Feb.

Hope all of you scribes will come.

There is going to be a box supper at Cedar Creek school house Jan. 30th. Everybody is invited to come and bring a box or a pocket full of money.

Mr. Editor you have not told us how you enjoyed that turkey. You had us tell how we enjoyed the turkey, now you "fess" up.

Sorry you are leaving, Plow Boy, but come on with your letters.

Miss Pearl Frazier visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Creigh last Monday night.

Bill McBrayer was in this vicinity one day last week buying calves.

Mrs. Bill Barron and her mother, Mrs. R. L. Upham, visited Mrs. I. W. Steele last Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe West and mother, Mrs. Rickles, visited Mrs. J. H. Wesley Monday.

Mrs. Lula Steele visited her mother, Mrs. J. H. Wesley, last Monday.

The singing at Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steele's was well attended and enjoyed by all.

The road boss called the hands together last Monday and worked on the road four days. It ought to be in pretty good traveling condition.

J. H. Wesley finished picking cotton yesterday. He has seven bales in the shed and says he is going to hold it a while for a better price. I am afraid he won't get it soon.

Johnnie Dolittle, why didn't you come to the Christmas tree? We looked for you.

B. P. Gann finished picking cotton last Friday. Guess he was glad.

Well, I guess I had better close and write more next time, as I have a very sore throat and can hardly talk. Will hand my pen to Jolly Girl and go to

work. Come on Jolly Girl with all the news. June Roses.

(June Roses, we thought we had expressed our appreciation of the turkey long ago and we still believe we have, but anyway, it is all gone and we assure you we enjoyed it very much.

—Editor.)

### YANCEYVILLE

As I have Beauty's pencil will try to dot down a few lines for The Reporter.

E. L. Cretsinger has had the road hands at work on the public road this week, and they have done some splendid work, too.

Yes, Homeite, I guess you saw me all right that day, for I passed by your house on my way to Gooseneck.

Mrs. Nora Hodge and little Rosa May visited Miss Lila Ritchey Monday.

Singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steele Sunday was enjoyed by all present.

D. A. Upham made a business trip to Breckenridge Monday.

Mrs. A. Rickles and daughter, Mrs. Eugene West, visited Mrs. John Wesley Monday.

Welcome Arkansas Traveler, and here is a bouquet for you. We will try not to hand you any brickbats this time; come again.

John Steele has our thanks for bringing the mail out from Ivan Tuesday.

Aunt Hannah Creagh visited Mrs. M. C. Barron and daughter Monday.

Mrs. E. L. Cretsinger and babies spent Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. B. P. Gann.

This scribe had the pleasure of looking at that "oil tank" owned by Uncle Jimmie Creagh.

Uncle Jimmie has done some fine work on the tank since I last saw it, but instead of it being filled with crude oil it is full of good soft water and as clear as crystal.

Uncle Jimmie says all can build silos who want to but he prefers a fish pond.

Compliments to both Jack o' Diamonds and Candy Kid. Both letters were fine.

B. P. Gann and son, Ernest, went to South Bend Thursday with cotton.

Henry Nicklas and family of Pickwick visited home folks at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Tulip, I have been so busy since I moved I haven't hardly had time to know whether I like my new home or not. Silver Bell has decided that one place is just about as good as another to live.

Bono, as you failed to enclose all your letter I do not know just what you were going to tell me from the history of the Spanish-American war. I have read the history, however, you can send your letter in for the benefit of those who have not read it, and in justice to Admiral Dewey, too.

Mr. Griffith, a spectacle peddler, was in this vicinity this week. We think he struck a very poor place to sell glasses.

It seems most of the people can see rather well without glasses.

Gann Bros. and Dick Barron went to Graham Friday returning Saturday.

Miss Lila Ritchey spent last Thursday with Mrs. Creagh.

B. P. Gann has sold his chickens and some of his household goods and is preparing to move to Arkansas. His fever is getting higher and higher each day.

D. A. Upham has bought up a load of chickens and will take them to Thurber to market next week.

Mrs. Rob Upham, Misses Tempie and Ora, and Jesse and Melvin Gann were pleasant visitors at the Ritchey home Sunday.

We are sorry to report E. L. Cretsinger on the sick list but hope for him a speedy recovery.

Nathan Reed of Gooseneck attended the candy breaking at the Wesley home Saturday night and spent the rest of the night with Dewey Ritchey.

We want to compliment Jesse and Melvin on washing dishes. We do not know whether the boys make a practice of wash-

ing dishes regular or not, but we do know that they can't be "bested" washing dishes by any one. Now boys, isn't this praise enough for one time?

B. P. Gann and wife visited at the home of their daughter, Mrs. E. L. Cretsinger.

Well, Beauty, I have not used quite all of your pencil so guess I had better hand it to you right now, and thank you very much.

Mr. Editor, inclosed in my letter you will find one dollar for which please send The Reporter to Mrs. J. R. Creagh, Ivan, Texas, for one year.

And, Mrs. Creagh has the thanks of Silver Bell for the subscription. Thank you very much Aunt Hannah.

Here, Beauty, take your pencil quick, before I think of something else to write. But, listen, when you want some one to use your pencil just hand it to,

Silver Bell.

### ROCK CREEK

Hello Mr. Editor and Correspondents! How are you all this cold, frosty morning?

Health in this community is very good at present with the exception of bad colds.

Messrs. Horace Fain and Tug Burk and Miss Bessye Burk pulled bolls for Fred Fields part of last week.

Mrs. Annie Johnson and Richard Pogue moved to Grafrod Friday where they will keep house for their father, who is working in the blacksmith shop. They will be greatly missed

but we hope they will like their new home.

The singing at Mr. Bennett's Saturday night was just fine. All report a good time.

Horace Fain left Friday for his home. I think probably he was going somewhere else.

Oh, yes! Candy Kid, I found out, but what I want to know is where you heard so much. I wish you were here, I think you could help me a while.

Jake Robbins, wife and children and sister spent Thursday and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Burk.

G. M. Foster has been moving on his farm near Mr. Henderson's for some time.

Mrs. G. M. Foster spent Monday with Mrs. Harmon.

J. J. Foster called at Mr. Burk's Sunday.

E. H. Burk spent Saturday night with D. W. Burk.

Neily Olree called at Mr. Burk's Sunday morning.

Orton Bennett began breaking land Wednesday.

Most every one has their cotton out now and are ready to go right on with their farming.

As no one has called me up and given me the news I will quit for this time. Daisy Flat.

### ROCKY MOUND

My! aren't we having some winter weather again? It looks as though it might snow.

Health is very good in the community at this writing.

Guy Norred and Melous Brewton visited the Phillips boys Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Mayes from Oklahoma are visiting at her father's W. G. Gohlson's, this week.

Mrs. E. Mowery visited her mother, Mrs. H. Hunter, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Addye Eaton and Miss Hattie Conder spent an enjoyable evening at A. Kesseler's the 22nd.

Ruby Robertson visited his sister, Mrs. June Brashears, north of Graham Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Mowery visited Sunday with C. W. Smith and family.

Hollyhock, I don't remember reading Arkansas Traveler's letter but I bet it was all right. I always try to read all the letters but sometimes I skip one or two.

Mrs. Ed Sluter visited her sister, Mrs. A. A. Moore, a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Farmer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Garrett visited at I. N. Farmer's Sunday.

Mrs. Addye Eaton visited Mrs. P. L. Lawrence Sunday.

Mrs. Bud Gohlson and Horace visited Mrs. Virgil Willis Sunday.

I guess the reason Plow Boy was absent last week was because he was moving. But, hurry up Plow Boy, for we certainly do miss your letters.

Mrs. V. M. Burkett and children visited at W. C. Smith's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Schanall and son from north of Graham visited at Jim Taylor's Sunday and Sunday night.

Rocky.

## New Spring Goods

We are showing a large and complete stock of New White Goods for Spring and Summer Waists, Dresses and Underwear, also a big and attractive assortment of

New Spring Gingham  
Staple Cotton Goods  
Boys' Shoes  
Queen Quality Pumps

Light and Dark Percales  
Men's Shoes  
Girls' Shoes and Pumps  
Boston Favorite Pumps  
and Oxfords

All these new goods are marked at the lowest possible prices, and we cordially invite you to call and see them and to make your selections while stocks are complete.

## Laces and Embroideries

at Less than Wholesale Prices

We have put out on our Bargain Counters all our laces and embroideries, many of which are marked below wholesale cost. Now is a good time to purchase these goods, so call and see the big bargains we offer.

## Ladies', Misses', and Children's Coats

AT HALF PRICE

To close out the balance of these garments we offer you your choice at just one-half of the regular prices.

All Dress Skirts at greatly reduced prices

We have the largest stock of new, desirable goods in-Graham, and invite you to call whenever you want anything in the dry goods line.

## S. B. Street & Company



## Local and Personal Mention

John Casey of Farmer spent Tuesday in the city on business.

Lee Anderson of Ft. Worth was here on business Saturday.

Joe Johnson of Jean was a visitor in town Saturday.

Attorney Counts of Olney attended to business here Friday.

Mrs. Will Norman is visiting Mrs. Will Loving at Jermyn.

J. M. Taylor of Jean was a Reporter visitor while in the city on business Monday.

Uncle Pink Brooks of the Mt. Pleasant community was here on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Ira T. Gilmer is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Daws and sons, Dervin and Jim Bob, of Proffitt, were in the city Saturday.

Lacy Mayes, a substantial farmer of the Murray country, was transacting business in the city Monday.

Mrs. L. F. Gallaher of Briar Branch was shopping in Graham Monday.

Walter Voyles of Markley was here on business Thursday. He made The Reporter a pleasant visit.

Tom Wadley of Tonk Valley was trading in Graham Tuesday.

G. W. Mahaney of Bunker was a Graham visitor Wednesday.

C. C. McBride of Lone Oak was here on business Tuesday.

Dillard Hinson spent Wednesday at Newcastle on business.

W. D. Weems and daughters, Misses Pearl and Nannie, of Lone Oak were trading in Graham Tuesday. While here they visited The Reporter.

Messrs. S. Boyd Street and Harry Wadsworth, who have been in West Texas for the past two weeks, returned home Tuesday night.

Mrs. A. V. Oliphant of Bunker paid The Reporter a pleasant visit while in the city Monday.

W. A. Daily, one of Loving's good farmers, transacted business in the city Wednesday. He called on The Reporter while in the city.

John A. Brown of Miller Bend was in Graham on business last Monday.

Mrs. Chas. Downs left this week for Chickasha, Okla., to visit relatives.

A. B. Casburn returned Sunday from a business trip to Olney.

J. E. Askew of Ming Bend paid The Reporter a pleasant call while in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Groene of Duff Prairie were shopping in the city Monday.

Cards have been received by Graham friends of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Nowlin of Houston, announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Pauline, to Mr. Bert Anderson, on Thursday, January 21st. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will reside in New Orleans after February 1st.

Misses Roxie and Dora Martin of the Dakin community were pleasant callers at The Reporter office while in the city Friday.

Tolbert Hall of Bunker was in Graham on business Monday. While here he paid us a pleasant visit.

Walter E. Baker of Loving was here on business Monday. He visited The Reporter while here.

W. S. Perselly of Loving paid us a call Monday.

J. L. Cox of Loving was in the city Monday. He made The Reporter a visit while here.

A. J. Wheat of Loving was in Graham Monday. He paid us a call while here.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall preached over at Eliasville Sunday afternoon. Rev. Hall will preach one Sunday out of each month at Eliasville hereafter, both morning and evening, thus taking one-fourth of his time. He will fill the pulpit there on the fourth Sunday of the month.

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The Reporter enjoyed a visit Monday from Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Parsons of Gooseneck, who were trading in the city.

### First Episode

#### TREY O' HEARTS

Friday Night, January 29.

G. W. McComas of Indian Mound was a visitor in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Henderson and Miss Nelson of Salem made the Reporter a pleasant call while in the city yesterday.

Jewel Nicklas of Pickwick was in the city Wednesday on business.

R. L. Fawks of Pickwick was a business visitor in Graham Wednesday.

W. J. Watson and Chas. Ferguson of Markley were in the city on business Tuesday.

T. E. Ribble of Finis was in Graham on business Monday.

D. A. Hughes of Mt. Pleasant made the Reporter a pleasant call Saturday.

R. M. Sims of Loving was in to see the Reporter force last Saturday.

### Cook Books on Sale.

The Presbyterian Ladies' cook books, "How We Cook in Graham," are now on sale at S. B. Street & Co., John E. Morrison & Co., and W. S. McJimsey's, where they may be bought for fifteen cents, a reduction of ten cents from the former price. These books are compiled by the best cooks in Graham of every church and are an invaluable aid to every kitchen. The few errors in them have been corrected. Buy one for yourself and one for your friend.

### Methodist Church.

I am going to preach from the text "I am the Door" next Sunday morning.

Won't you be one that will be present? Our attendance, the bad weather considered, has been better recently. But, we are still after the "irregulars," and "no go at all's." Come on and join with us next Sunday. J. Hall Bowman.

### FOR SALE

I have some nice year old Durham male calves for sale. This is good stuff. 14-18. W. B. Hinson.

### SALEM

All are well with the exception of bad colds.

We hauled a load of wheat to town last Saturday and had to walk most of the way to keep from freezing, then next morning there was a light snow on the ground but it all disappeared before noon.

Well, the letters were fine last week, but among a few others, Plow Boy's chair was vacant and his voice was still, but we know that as soon as he gets the center of gravity that he told us about moved from Mt. Pleasant to Miller Bend he will be with us again.

We will answer J. H. Fisher's question, "In how many and what directions could one travel if at the north pole?" Answer: Due south only, that is if no kind of an air craft is to be used, for every river, lake, sea, mountain and city on the globe are due south of the north pole, and all the meridians of longitude meet at the north pole. The question and answer department in any newspaper is always interesting, and your questions Mr. Fisher, are both interesting and instructive, and we ask you to favor us with more of them.

Claude Cochran of Graham helped John Kisinger to build a government warehouse last week.

J. A. Askew and family attended church at Ming Bend last Sunday.

The baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter swallowed a small locket one day last week. Two doctors were called in, but

no evil results followed the mishap and we are glad to say the baby is well now.

Rev. Patterson filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and then preached at Henry Chapel in the evening.

Kid, you report much cotton in Graham territory being hauled to Newcastle. Well, we can go you one better, for we hear that some of the farmers of Henry Chapel are hauling their wheat to Mineral Wells on account of the better deal they get there.

Quite a number from here attended church at Henry Chapel Sunday evening.

Riley Sims just across the river from here in Ming Bend has lost, in the last twenty-four hours, five head of hogs from some unknown disease.

Miss Anna Bullard spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Sarah Hatfield.

Mrs. Sue Anderson and Mrs. Sallie Criswell spent Saturday with their father, L. McJilton, at the home of J. A. McLaren.

G. D. Hinson of Graham visited his parents here Sunday evening.

We had the pleasure of meeting Gander Saturday, and he had all his feathers on and sure needed them, cold as it was that day.

I hereby request all of my friends and all my foes on the cotton question to read the notice given where Miss Emma Stokes of Rusk county raised \$99.39 worth of peanuts on one acre of ground. Peanuts are a never-failing crop here and grow just as well as in eastern Texas. We have no market for them here now, but we can, by planting a few acres each year, in a short time establish a market and in the meantime feed them to stock at a profit.

Many thanks, Silver Bell, for your compliments, and assure you your letter of last week was fine. And, why you say you can't argue a question is a mystery to me, for if you haven't a good use of words and not afraid to use them please tell me who has. But if I had time this week I would try to answer you on the low price of horses you mention, for they are selling here at a high price. Why, when land sold here at \$3.00 per acre good saddle horses sold at \$30.00 each.

We don't believe that Buster's law limiting the number of acres a man could own would work to good advantage any more than we believe a law limiting the number of dollars a man could honestly acquire would work. For when you put such a check rein on a man it kills all the get up and go there is in him. But we do believe that a law taxing large bodies of land held for speculation, just as high as well improved land adjoining it, should be passed.

John Kisinger hauled a load of hogs to town Tuesday.

Mrs. H. L. Ribble and Miss Edna Jarnagin spent Monday with Mrs. T. K. Criswell.

And, where has Gringo gone? And echo answers where? Well, if it wasn't so cold I would shake hands with all you scribbles before I go. Salemite.

### First Episode

#### TREY O' HEARTS

Friday Night, January 29.

That about the 12th day of June, 1912, he got a butcher knife and drew it on the plaintiff, in a threatening manner and cursed and abused her and said, "By God I'll kill you;" that on the evening or night before she left him, he cursed and abused her and struck her over the head, and said he would kill her yet.

That when they were in Louisiana the defendant boasted that he had her away from any of her people and where she could never get back home, and that he didn't intend to let her get away; that he intercepted all the letters written to her by her people and prevented her from sending letters to them, so that she was unable to communicate her distress to any of her father's family; that during the last few months that she was with him, he often lay awake at nights and smoked cigars and cigarettes while in bed and would continuously curse and abuse plaintiff and would frequently strike her with his hand or kick her with his foot, and would and did often burn her with a cigar or cigarette.

That there was born of said marriage one child, a boy now about the age of nine years; that she, together with her child, on or about the 14th day of June, 1912, left defendant, since which time she has never returned to him.

That the marriage relations between plaintiff and defendant still exist, although she and defendant have not lived together as husband and wife for more than two years, and she alleges that she cannot live with defendant.

That defendant, by reason of his cruel disposition and his low, obscene and vulgar habits, is not a capable or proper person to have the care, custody or education of a minor child; that plaintiff is capable and is a proper person to have the care, custody and education of said minor child, and she has a home with her parents, who are also able and willing to provide for said child, while it remains in their home with its mother.

Plaintiff prays the court for judgment dissolving the marriage relation now existing between plaintiff and defendant; that plaintiff have the care, custody and education of said child of said marriage; and for costs of suit, and for general relief.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Willie Riggs, Clerk of the District Court of Young County. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Graham, this, the 27th day of January, A. D. 1915.

WILLIE RIGGS, Clerk, District Court, Young County.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Young County,—Greeting.

You are hereby Committed to Summon R. J. Rayburn by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 30th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 30th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Young County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Graham, on the first Monday in March, A. D. 1915, the same being the first day of March, A. D. 1915, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 3rd day of September, A. D. 1914, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1719, wherein Sallie Rayburn is plaintiff and R. J. Rayburn is defendant, and said petition alleging: That plaintiff is a bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in the County of Young, State of Texas, for six months next preceding the filing of this suit.

That on or about the 26th day of June, 1903, plaintiff was legally married to defendant in Tarrant County, Texas; that they lived together as husband and wife in Johnson County, Texas, for about six years, and then removed to Alvarado, Texas; that about the 1st day of March, 1912, they moved to Baton Rouge, Louisiana; where they lived together about three months, and from there they moved back to Simonton, Texas, that she left him on or about the 14th day of June, 1912.

That during the time that she lived with him as his wife, she conducted herself with prudence and economy, and at all times treated her said husband with kindness.

That defendant, unmindful of the solemnity of his marriage vow, and his obligation to treat plaintiff with kindness and attention, soon after their marriage began a course of unkind, harsh and cruel conduct toward plaintiff; that he often cursed and abused plaintiff and called her ugly, vile names too vulgar and obscene to be written or spoken, and he would strike and kick plaintiff in a most vicious, violent and angry manner; that he drank intoxicating liquor frequently, and would sometimes drink as much as a quart in one day; that he persisted in a studied course of cruel conduct and treatment toward plaintiff in such manner that his actions and conduct toward her generally became of such nature as to render their living together as husband and wife insupportable. That he also gambled.

That about the 12th day of June, 1912, he got a butcher knife and drew it on the plaintiff, in a threatening manner and cursed and abused her and said, "By God I'll kill you;" that on the evening or night before she left him, he cursed and abused her and struck her over the head, and said he would kill her yet.

That when they were in Louisiana the defendant boasted that he had her away from any of her people and where she could never get back home, and that he didn't intend to let her get away; that he intercepted all the letters written to her by her people and prevented her from sending letters to them, so that she was unable to communicate her distress to any of her father's family; that during the last few months that she was with him, he often lay awake at nights and smoked cigars and cigarettes while in bed and would continuously curse and abuse plaintiff and would frequently strike her with his hand or kick her with his foot, and would and did often burn her with a cigar or cigarette.

That there was born of said marriage one child, a boy now about the age of nine years; that she, together with her child, on or about the 14th day of June, 1912, left defendant, since which time she has never returned to him.

That the marriage relations between plaintiff and defendant still exist, although she and defendant have not lived together as husband and wife for more than two years, and she alleges that she cannot live with defendant.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Young County,—Greeting.

You are hereby Committed to Summon David L. Ritchie by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 30th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District

to said 30th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Young County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Graham, on the first Monday in March, A. D. 1915, the same being the first day of March, A. D. 1915, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 4th day of August, A. D. 1913, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1661, wherein Della Ritchie is plaintiff and David L. Ritchie is defendant, and said petition alleging: That she is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in the said County of Young for six months next preceding the filing of this suit.

That on or about the 9th day of December, A. D. 1893, plaintiff was legally married to defendant in Brazoria County, Texas, and continued to live with him as his wife until on or about the 1st day of September, A. D. 1907; that on or about said day of September, A. D. 1907 the defendant without any cause known to plaintiff, left the plaintiff in Fort Worth, Texas, with the intention of permanently abandoning her, and he has permanently abandoned her and her children and has remained away for five years, and has not during said time returned to her, nor offered to return to her, and he has not contributed anything towards her support and maintenance during said period of five years of abandonment, and plaintiff has not heard anything from him during the last five years.

That during the time plaintiff lived with and cohabited with defendant as aforesaid, she had the following named children, that are yet living, by him, to-wit: Earl Miller Ritchie, a boy about 17 years of age, Earnest Lloyd Ritchie, a boy about 15 years of age, Reece Maurice Ritchie, a boy about 13 years of age, Stella May Ritchie, a girl about 11 years of age, Joseph Wilson Ritchie, a boy about 6 years of age.

That during all the time she lived and cohabited with defendant, as aforesaid, she conducted herself with propriety, and managed the household affairs of her husband with prudence and economy, and at all times treated her said husband with kindness and attention, and gave him no occasion to be dissatisfied with her, or reason for leaving her; that he left of his own accord and without cause or provocation, and he has failed to return to her or provide anything for her support for the last five years.

That the marriage contract between plaintiff and defendant still exists, and plaintiff is desirous of having the marriage between herself and defendant dissolved and of being divorced from him.

Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving the marriage contract between plaintiff and defendant; that the plaintiff have the care, custody and education of all the children of said marriage; and for all costs of suit, and such other and further relief special and general, in law and equity, that she may be justly entitled to, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

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Witness, Willie Riggs, Clerk of the District Court of Young County. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Graham, this, the 25th day of January, A. D. 1915.

WILLIE RIGGS, Clerk, District Court, Young County.

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Barred Rock Cockerels for sale. Z. A. Hood Cocker.

For Sale or Rent—Good residence for sale on terms like rent, or to rent cheap. Business house on square to rent, cheap. Apply to 17-18 H. L. Morrison.

For Sale—Four room house, hall and bath room. A block from school, well, cistern and cellar, two lots. P. O. Box 237.

To Trade—A good surrey and harness for good milch cow. Mrs. Emma West, South Bend, Texas.

For Sale—One span of three year old and two spans two year old mules, all black, for cash or secured note. 16 S. P. Taylor.

Jersey Cows Wanted. Young Jersey cows with calves wanted. Want good milkers only. S. J. N. Martin. 16-18 Ind. Phone, Route 1.

Belmont Hotel

H. M. JONES Prop. Meals 25c Beds 25c Having lived in this country for 37 years I am well acquainted with the people here and know how to give them what they want.

Come and see me at the Belmont. H. M. JONES

**VICK'S**  
Big Stock of Dry Goods is going to be closed out at what they will bring. Get busy "now."

A. A. Morrison and J. P. McKinley were business visitors over at Newcastle Thursday.

W. J. A. Cooper and Chas. Baker went to Woodson Wednesday on business.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rehders, on Thursday, Jan. 21, an 8-pound boy.

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Selling the Dry Goods by the wagon load. Don't miss this CLOSING OUT SALE if you want goods at your own price The Bale of Cotton and \$25.00 Rug goes in this Sale.

Let Us Work For You--

I wish to announce the purchase of the Graham Tailor Shop, and to solicit your patronage upon the basis of

All Work Guaranteed

I have employed Mr. R. C. Goode as tailor, who will gladly serve you.

Graham Tailor Shop  
FRED STEWART, Prop.