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SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST E. W. FRY

WAS ARRESTED IN AUSTIN BY TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF.

CLAIM \$10,000 IS MISSING

Sum Alleged to Have Been Taken in Small Amounts for Several Years.

Judge E. W. Fry, representative in the State Legislature from this district and former county judge of this county, was placed under arrest at Austin Tuesday by the sheriff of Travis county, upon a warrant issued out of the Justice Court of Young County, charging misappropriation of funds. The sum named in the warrant is \$36.50, but other alleged discrepancies are said to run the amount up to about ten thousand dollars.

Judge and Mrs. Fry, accompanied by an officer of Travis county came to Fort Worth Wednesday, where they were met by Deputy Sheriff Sam Dowdle, who accompanied them to Graham.

Before the arrival of the train Judge Fry's attorney, Fred T. Arnold, had prepared bond in the sum of \$15,000.00. The bond was signed by Dr. W. M. Terrell, W. T. Finch, D. G. Vick, A. B. Eddeman, I. B. Padgett, A. D. Stewart, W. C. Bell and J. W. Carlton. Many others would have signed the bond had it been necessary.

A crowd composed of men and women numbering nearly a hundred, was gathered at the depot to await the arrival of Judge and Mrs. Fry. As the Judge stepped from the train he was immediately surrounded by a large number of people and one man was heard to remark "you are among your friends now" to which a murmur of approval was heard. There was no demonstration, but just a quiet, orderly crowd of people determined to show their friendship for one of the best liked and most likeable men in Young county.

Judge Fry did not speak to anyone. He met them with that warm handshake that has always characterized him as a man worthy to have as a friend. The tears rolled down his cheeks, and grief showed in every line of his face. To have spoken would likely meant to turn loose the flood gates of tears ready to burst out.

Judge and Mrs. Fry spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Price, who met them at the train.

At The Baptist Church Last Sunday and Next Sunday.

All the services at the Baptist church were well attended on last Sunday. There were splendid congregations at the preaching services, both morning and evening.

The Sunday school was live, enthusiastic and came near the 200 mark in attendance.

Let us all make special effort to bring the attendance to at least 200, next Sunday. Let every class in the school work for a full attendance.

The regular preaching services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. It is earnestly desired that every member make special effort to be present Sunday. We are expecting large congregations and helpful services throughout the day. Everybody cordially invited.

W. D. Boswell.

Athletic Features of the County Meet.

When the schools of the county meet here in April, they will not come for the sole purpose of pitting their powers of declaiming and debating against each other. As has been said in a previous issue, athletics will form an important part of the day's program. The grounds at the school house are in excellent shape already—due to the united efforts of the superintendent and the boys. A track has been laid off in such a way that circling it four times makes a mile. In other words, a quarter-mile track has been prepared. There will be ample space for basket ball, weight events, such as throwing the hammer, the discus, etc., and for all the shorter races. The basketball court, as now arranged, will allow playing at any time of afternoon, for it runs north and south thereby enabling both teams to see the goals without having to face the sun.

In looking over the items from the Country Correspondents, the Athletic Director noticed mention of tennis games and basketball teams. We trust that interest in them will grow. If tennis proves popular enough, a place will be given it in the county meet. To this end, it would be a great convenience to us if all those thinking of entering such a contest—should it be on that day's program—would notify the Athletic Director. Please do so as soon as possible.

Mention has been made by other officials of the League in this county of medals to be given to winners in debate, declaiming and spelling. A medal will be given to the best all-round athlete in the county who has observed the laws governing the contests of the meet. At a later date, a list of the events which will be held that day, will be published. Further statements in regard to the County Meet can be found in another place in this paper.

J. E. BURK, Director of Athletics.

Methodist Church.

All the regular services next Sunday.

I want to speak a word to two classes of non-attendants. First: The man whose wife cannot always go to church and who won't go without her.

Second: The woman whose husband won't go to church and who stays at home with him.

Now look at the devoted husband who never goes to church without his wife. He leaves her for everything else and often goes to town, or office and store on Sunday. Sister take the broom to him. Now look at the good woman whose husband won't go to church and who stays at home Sunday to feed him. Sister, perhaps your husband's trouble now is over-feeding. Starve him a few Sundays and perhaps he will begin to try to help you take the children to heaven. The meanest man imaginable is the one who will throw straws in the way of his wife's church life.

J. Hall Bowman.

Mrs. J. M. Garrett of Dakin visited her son, Tol Garrett, and family Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Guimerin of Olney spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. Jake H. Woods.

Misses Ella Smith and Georgie Woodrum of Bunger were pleasant visitors at The Reporter office Monday.

Mrs. Jeffery Entertains.

Tuesday evening the Jeffery home presented a gala scene when Mrs. Jeffery and Miss Adele Jeffery entertained a host of friends in honor of Edd Jeffery of Ingleside Ranch.

The invitations were most unique and caused much admiration among the favored recipients. The greeting was in rhyme as follows:

This is the message I indite:
Come to my party Tuesday night!
Bring a little present to my hop
This little present we will "swap"
For Edd will be in from Ingleside,
Too, Newcastle friends, if naught betide.
So get you ready for the time is near
And a merry time awaits you here.

These invitations were issued in Miss Adele's name and reproduced on chamois skin—the novel idea in imitation leather, emblematical of the ranch life. Each guest came armed with a "little present" and the "swapping" of these little presents caused no end of fun. Among the array were pipe racks, soap, handkerchiefs, manicure implements; the more inappropriate the greater mirth provoking.

The home was beautifully decked throughout for the party. Tables were arranged for buncos, rook, forty-two, etc. Music on the piano and violin gave much pleasure to the guests during the evening. At a late hour an elaborate luncheon was served to about fifty guests.

Birthday Party.

Little Thelma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tol Garrett, entertained a number of little friends Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock, in honor of her eighth anniversary. The home was resplendent with Valentine decorations; red hearts and streamers lent attractive decorations throughout the rooms. Upon assembling the youngsters were amused with outdoor games of great variety, after which a "cherry tree" contest was offered. This amusing game consisted of pinning red paper cherries to the bare limbs of the tree which afforded much merriment. The birthday cake, adorned with eight red candles, was much admired and later formed a delicious addition to the refreshments, with red gelatine and whipped cream.

Many pretty and useful girlish remembrances were left for Thelma at the close of the afternoon's pleasure. Cunning little Valentines were given each as favors. Mrs. Eichelberger and Mrs. Hallam assisted in entertaining the following group of those present: Frank and Lillian Duncan, Catherine Jackson, Frances and Louise Bell, Gaston, Mary Louise and Robert Hallam, Clifford Hall, Martha May and Catherine Morris, Glenn and Nell Martin, Howard Farmer, Mansell Birdwell, Elsie Schlittler, Evelyn Hinson, Mary Eddleman, Zell and Bess Baynes and Ledora Shannon.

An exchange is looking for a dollar made in 1850. It would be quite as easy for us to supply him with this coin as it would one of any other date.

Capt. S. R. Crawford, R. E. Lynch, and Mal Wallace went across the country to Wichita Falls Saturday.

Grade A of Miss Lucile Miller's class in expression will give an entertainment at the Opera House from 8 to 10 o'clock on Friday evening, Feb. 19th. The programme will end with a two-act comedy "The Hole in the Fence." Seats will be on sale at Vaughan's Jewelry Store on Feb. 17th, 18th and 19th. Admission 25 and 35 cents.

New Electric Theatre Sold.

Mr. J. W. Thaxton, an experienced picture show man, of Rockwall, Texas, has bought the New Electric Theatre and will give his opening performance tonight.

Mr. Thaxton just recently operated the machines for the Old Mill Theatre of Dallas, one of that city's best motion picture houses. He comes to Graham well recommended and will no doubt furnish the movie fans with pleasing programs every night.

Fire destroyed the stock of drugs in the Anderson Drug Co. store at Olney last Friday. Insurance was carried that will about cover the loss. About \$800.00 damage was done to the building. A physician and dentist who had offices in the building lost all of their office fixtures and equipment.

Baby Buried.

Last Saturday night, Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Hathaway of Henrietta, Oklahoma, arrived with the body of their six-months-old baby girl, and the remains were interred in the Finis Cemetery on Sunday afternoon following. Many friends of the family attended the funeral.

Mrs. Hathaway is a sister to Mrs. Buck Stewart of this place, and will remain here on a visit to Mrs. Stewart and other relatives for a week or ten days.

Will Keep Up With the Young County Happenings.

Bellevue, Texas
Feb. 3, 1915.

West Texas Reporter:
Graham, Texas.

Dear Sirs:
I have lived in Young county for the past eighteen years and moved away this fall, and I want to keep up with the county so enclosed you will find remittance for which please send me The Reporter.

A. C. Gray,
Route 1.

Messrs. J. M. Baxter and J. I. Jackson of Dallas have bought the Graham Steam Laundry. They took charge last Monday. These gentlemen are experienced laundry men and will give the people of Graham good service in the laundry business.

Mrs. Frank Southall is reported to be improving from a grave attack of illness recently undergone.

Mrs. J. R. Jameson will not visit friends here as expected but has returned from Wichita Falls to California.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Duncan and Mr. and Mrs. Q. Street were among the autoists over at Loving Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall preached to the people at Mount Pleasant Sunday afternoon. R. G. Hallam accompanied him.

Scarborough Mabry arrived Saturday night from Dallas, where he has been attending Metropolitan Business College.

Mrs. Southall's folks arrived Friday night to find her greatly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Underwood of Loving were among the Big Monday crowd.

Supt. and Mrs. B. W. King went over to Loving Sunday afternoon.

Sam Hallam returned from Albany Tuesday night.

Dol Bowen spent this week out at his ranch in Palo Pinto county.

Veterans Meet.

Young County Camp No. 127 U. C. V. met together at the Court House in Graham Feb. 6, 1915. Eleven of the old boys answered roll call. The meeting was called to order by Lieutenant A. O. Norris, after which prayer was offered by Comrade J. W. Steele.

The first business in regular order, was the collecting of Camp dues for the ensuing year. The following members of this Camp paid their dues for 1915: J. W. Still, M. D. Harrell, T. W. T. Woodward, G. C. Boyle, W. M. Matthews, J. M. Harris, A. O. Norris, W. D. Yarbrough, R. W. J. Parsons, J. H. Wood, J. M. Ray, W. M. Stanford, F. Herron.

Our efficient county attorney was booked to deliver an address at this time, but his official duties prevented him from being present, which was regretted by all in attendance.

No further business to be attended to, adjournment was taken until the first Saturday in March, at which time, Dr. Logan will deliver an address to members of the Camp and others who may be present.

F. Herron, Adjt.

Cemetery Working.

There will be cemetery working at Farmer Cemetery Feb. 20, 1915. Everybody who is interested in the cemetery please come and bring your dinner and spend the day. Don't forget your hoe and rake. Everyone is welcome.

Mrs. N. Gegg.

Presbyterian Ladies' Aid.

The Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church met in the Sunday school room of the church, Thursday, Feb. 4. A Bible reading, the subject of which was, "The Woman Helpers of Christ and Paul," was conducted by the president. After the regular business, the secretary read a letter written to the Society by Mrs. McCarroll. We are always so glad to hear from her and are glad to still count her a member of our band.

The lesson from the book, "At Our Own Door" was led by Mrs. Eichelberger.

The next meeting will be held Feb. 18.

Reporter pro tem.

A. S. Reed of Proffitt was a business visitor in Graham last Tuesday.

Mrs. Alice Crick of Oakland was in the city shopping Monday. She called at this office while here.

Misses Bessye Burk and Hazel Cook and Mr. Eugene Towns of Rock Creek were pleasant visitors at The Reporter office while in town Monday.

Misses Mattie and Hattie Upham were pleasant callers at The Reporter office Monday.

J. B. Wadley of Flat Rock was in the city Saturday on business. While here Mr. Wadley called on us, and showed us a big hen egg from his place. The egg measured seven inches in circumference the long way.

"Granny" Washburn has been quite ill for several days past but is improving. Her daughter, Mrs. Webb Dooley, of the Clear Fork community is visiting her now.

Mrs. B. F. Stallings and little daughters, Ethel and Hope, left Tuesday morning for their new home in Seymour.

Chas. Gay returned Tuesday night from a business trip to Ft. Worth.

Information Regarding the Interscholastic League.

In a recent issue of this paper appeared a short explanation of the Interscholastic League and the organization in this county. This having produced some results, as several schools, not already members, have expressed themselves as willing and anxious to take part, a few words of encouragement and explanation, it is hoped, will not only encourage those already enlisted to greater activity but will cause other schools to send in their membership at once.

It is thought that many are reluctant to enter from lack of definite information and for the fact they fear they will be unable to compete with the larger schools and those already at work. Such reasons are unsound, if the proper effort is put forth by those desirous of having their schools represented in a move to give the boy and the girl of today better advantages than those of yesterday. Information can be had by consulting the bulletins sent each teacher in the county, and by writing any of the county officials. Furthermore, a late entrance will not assure a failure, provided the one hesitating and contemplating gets busy at once—and stays busy. Most, and it might be said all taking part, have just begun their debates, declamations, and athletics. The larger schools have not, as some think, been practicing all the year; neither is the best material always, and it might be said often, found in such schools. It is a significant fact that intercollegiate debates and declamations are generally won by smaller schools. Statistics also show that athletes are usually from the rural districts. It is not quantity but quality that counts.

Every school should make an effort to enter at least two or three events if it is not convenient to enter all. Some may not have students of the proper age to enter senior debating and declamation—but provision has been made for a separate contest in declamation and athletics for students fourteen years of age and under. Surely a boy and a girl could be found in each school to represent their district in the junior declamation contests, and several could and should enter the junior athletic events. As has been stated before, the spelling contest will be a unique feature; and, as two representatives from each school is allowed, many if not all enlisted will enter. Medals have already been provided for each of the debaters, the senior declaimers—both boy and girl, the junior declaimers—both boy and girl, the best athlete, and the best speller. Competent and impartial judges will be secured from different parts of the county before the meet to decide who shall receive them.

Again let it be understood that every school is invited and urged to take part. By sending \$1.00 to Dr. E. D. Shurter, Austin, Texas, State Director General, or to the County Director General, helpful literature and membership can be secured. Other notices will appear from time to time, but any information will be gladly given by any of the officials.

EARL L. HOWELL,

Director General.

Priscilla Club.

The Priscilla Club met with Mrs. John Gay on Tuesday afternoon with a large number of members present, and Miss Lorenza Deats and Mrs. Eichelberger as visitors.

Next week the Club meets with Mrs. R. F. Fowler.

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Weather for February.

1st to 4th, rain or snow; 5th to 9th, warmer, rain; 10th to 14th, cold, rain or snow; 15th to 20th, pleasant, cloudy; 21st to 24th, cold and squally; 25th to 28th, clear and pleasant. Average temperature and precipitation above normal.

Billy Sunday says that if you kiss the average society woman you'd die of painter's colic in twenty-four hours.

Tree planting time is here. Why not beautify your home with a shade tree? Nothing adds more to the home.

The automobile is revolutionizing war across the sea and they are called "armored motors." This same car is revolutionizing street car trade in Texas and it is called a "jitney."

The coast to coast telephone service will be open for the public about the first of March. It will cost \$20.70 for a person in New York to talk for three minutes with San Francisco and \$6.75 for each additional minute.

We would like to know what country to move to if we wanted to find better people than Archer County people.—Archer Dispatch.

It might be possible, barely possible, that Heavenly Houston, Fastidious Ft. Worth and Devilish Dallas would bear investigation.

The automobile people to the contrary notwithstanding, the best sparking device continues to be the sofa, with the lights turned low.—Judge.

A man thinks he needs a new suit when his old one is almost worn out. A woman knows that she needs a new dress when one of the neighbors buys one.—Claude Callan in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Trades Day.

The second Monday of each month brings everyone to town and this week was no exception to the rule. Long before the noon hour the streets were crowded with jolly throngs, trading, shopping, talking, greeting friends, and we saw several groups out around the wagons and teams thoroughly enjoying the holiday.

The weather was ideal all day long and the people throughout the country took advantage of the spring-like day to come to town and do the spring shopping, trade horses or other commodities, and meet old friends.

The merchants were busy as could be and from outward appearances one would never think there was such a grouch as "Hard Times." If you were not in the throng, come out next Trades Day and help to make Big Monday bigger.

A husband begins by getting hen-pecked, then he becomes cowed, pretty soon bull-dozed which sometimes brings on night-mares. All this tends to get a fellow's angora.

West Texas Reporter
Mr. Editor:

It seems as though our paper will have to change its name to "The East Jefferson Reporter." Anyway our Jan. 29 copy had something worth while on the first page to read.

Some of the correspondents would be missed greatly should they fail to appear. The discussions under way are all right too. Anything that promotes a thought for the betterment of the human race. In fact, more people, men and women should read and think for themselves. In this we see the need of an education. In discussing "The Burmeister Literary Bill" Mr. Nabors thought the bill would disfranchise 40,000 good white citizens in middle and north Texas, owing to their inability to read and write.

Then our thoughts wander on. How do they cast an intelligent vote? Then, if the women were admitted to the polls, how many, or what per cent of them would know what to vote for? The illiterate would cry "liberty!" Education would say, "let me there, I know how." There are good men that can read and write, but don't take much interest in politics. There are also women who have the time and talent, could make their time worth something to the state, that wheedle it away playing rook, or meeting with some club. To the over busy woman it seems like time killed or lost. This brings to our mind town and country co-operation. What is co-operation? Does it mean for the city man to go out over the country in the interest of his business? The country people meet these same men and the clerks in the store and on the sidewalks, and the acquaintance ends there. Why this? It is style and formality. Of course a farmer who has taken all kinds of weather wouldn't grace a city parlor, but the wheat, hogs, poultry etc., graces the city table, that he hauled to town and sold. He can't go dressed up either at such work. Yes, and his wife might have on most too wide a skirt to be in the latest style, but you know her activity on the farm and getting from the carriage to the sidewalk demands wider skirts.

Well, we started in to ask for a list of our senators, representatives, etc., to be printed in our home paper. We are often asked to write them if interested in a bill, but some might get mixed up on the names. We think it would be enlightening and appreciated by quite a few.

We favor the Payne bill to prohibit inaugural balls or dance functions from the point of expense as well as from the demoralizing influences.

The Lewelling bill, prohibiting electioneering on election day might save quite a lot of bought votes. We are against capital punishment as Senator Wiley sees it. That it doesn't serve the purpose intended. Also, the Fry bill seems an unjust one.

M. A. L.

To Our Host of Readers.

We want to thank each and every one for your prompt renewal to The Reporter and assure you that the many personal expressions of loyalty to our great, little paper from all are highly appreciated.

West Texas Reporter.

Should a Man Be Paid to Protect His Own Farm.

A petition was circulated in Graham on Big Monday for the purpose of having the commissioners court to levy a tax to pay a bounty on jack rabbit scalps. The amount to be fixed by said court. It's true jack rabbits have become a pest in some places and are very destructive to crops, and I for one, signed the petition. But after reflecting upon what I had done I decided we are already burdened with taxes, and it seems rather funny to me that a set of farmers would ask the county to hire them to exterminate the jack rabbits on their own farms. Again would the farmers have any more time to devote to killing rabbits should a bounty be paid for scalps than they would have without being paid by the county? What do you say, Jolly Girl and Silver Bell? It doesn't seem to me they would. And I withdraw my name from the petition and will never stick it to another one to hire a man to kill jack rabbits on his farm. Because I'm opposed to all special tax except it is to build school houses or something in that line, not including roads. We have a fair sample of road building from Dry Creek to the forks of the road running east. The county spent hundreds of dollars grading about two miles of road and it has been three times worse than it was before it was graded. It is still rough and bad and will continue rough for the summer I reckon.

I am listening every day for an election to vote bonds to gravel roads and I will say a farmer who will vote for such bonds is crippled under the hat as Silver Bell says.

While Silver Bell and I differ widely in politics on some things, not on prohibition though, for I'm for prohibition first, last and all the time, but let's not have a few men from each town nominate a man for office and say who we shall and shall not vote for, as was the case in the last election. I would not vote for Ball under the colors he was shown up under and I could not consistently vote for Ferguson, and I just threw my vote away on Morris, and I knew it when I voted. I did not mean to get on politics, but I just got to thinking how foolish it was for the county to hire a man to kill jack rabbits on his own farm. I own a good gun and can poke around and kill more than enough rabbits to pay my share of the rabbit tax, but what about the fellow that doesn't own land to make him hire another to kill rabbits on his own land. I say again my name is off the petition.

Here's hoping that anthrax will not hit us this year and everybody will make good crops.
Old Pa.

INDIAN MOUND

Well, every time I read a Reporter I learn something new, or in other words, something I never knew before.

Gray-eyed Girl, I answered you last week but as it failed to show up I will try my hand again, in short order, and maybe our editor will let it pass this time. You asked me to remember the subject, Sunday school. You have given me one, yes only one, verse of scripture that forbids teaching the Bible.

Please read these references and be your own judge about what they mean. Acts 5, 25-42; Acts 13, 1-18; 7-12; 28-31; I Cor. 4, 17; 12, 28-31; Eph. 4-11; Colo. 1-28; I Tim. 4-11; 6:2-3 II Tim. 1:11; 2:24; Heb. 5:12. If these references don't over-balance the one verse you gave me from Heb. 8:12, I am bound to confess I am more than ignorant on understanding. I am not going to weary you or the editor or the readers either with a further argument on this Sunday school business unless you can furnish me with more than one verse of scripture or come across with some good reason why Sunday schools are no good. You can go any where you please and you will find that the Sunday school people

are generally the happiest people you meet, whether they be old or young. Please don't understand me to say that no one is happy who doesn't attend Sunday school. Our argument on Sunday schools has benefited one married man, because he told me he never knew that "hard-shells" did not believe in Sunday school till this argument came up.

Jolly Girl, tea is not too plentiful up here. Silver Bell, your letter was fine and especially Bono's part of it. Just keep those good letters coming.

Kid-o, you won't be in a class by yourself up here. You will have a fine lady teacher and she already has about ten to fifteen girls and boys each Sunday.

Mesdames W. W. and E. G. Williamson and her children visited at Mrs. Lizzie Bryan's Saturday.

Misses Lovella Grubbs, Ivy and Jean Bryan took Sunday dinner with Miss Minnie Fisher. Mrs. F. E. Borchardt visited at Mrs. Lizzie Bryan's Sunday. G. W. McComas and wife visited the home of Gus Rutherford and wife at Red Top Sunday evening; they also made a short call at A. Bird's.

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

Mrs. H. H. Stephens visited her mother at Hawkins Chapel two days last week.

Coy and Roy Frazier visited Andrew Douglass Sunday. Andrew went home with them Sunday night.

Sunday school was pretty well attended Sunday.

The singing Sunday evening at J. S. Fisher's was small in attendance but we had singing just the same.

Mrs. D. W. Beard and children visited at Mr. Thomas' Sunday evening.

Henry Ledbetter from beyond Newcastle spent Sunday night with E. G. Williamson and family.

Quite a number from here went to Graham Monday, and Kid was among the number.

I saw Dago, Salemite, Bluebird, Goose and I heard Buster and Gander were on hand but I failed to see them. I also met Mountain Boomer too. I don't think she looks much like a boomer to me.

Yes, I saw Uno, too. He was buying socks at public auction. I couldn't tell just what color they were, but as best I could see they were like the socks that old Aunt Lucindy Rainwater knit for the governor. They were of many colors.

Candy Kid, it's hard to tell just what Plow Boy was trying to do.

Mrs. Beard and children visited at the home of R. G. Taylor Saturday eve.

I think all the sick folks are better.

B. W. Drum and wife visited at the home of Austin Bird Sunday afternoon.

Jim Smith and family visited at the home of W. W. Hoggard Sunday. Kid.

MIDWAY

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Drum took dinner with Mrs. H. W. Drum Sunday.

Several from this community went to Big Monday.

The singing at Emmet Cox's Sunday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Mrs. Dannie Loftin called on Mrs. H. W. Drum Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Brazelton spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Drum last Thursday.

Several of the Midway folks attended church at the Chapel Sunday.

Mrs. Bagley spent the day with Mrs. Bavousette one day last week.

Miss Alexander of Olney and a friend are visiting Miss Nannie Adams.

Earl Hassard is working for H. W. Drum.

Apple Blossom.

Library Paste.

We sell a large bottle of Library Paste, with brush for 5 cents. Graham Printing Co.

HAWKINS CHAPEL

Rev. Bell of Loving filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday at 11 a. m. He preached an interesting sermon and emphasized the importance of the use of our talents and being faithful in the "small" duties of this life; and how God can use the small things to accomplish His purpose. There was a large crowd present, the service splendid and enjoyable too.

Mrs. Lloyd Hawkins returned Monday from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cross of Megargel.

Mr. T. F. Harman and family took Sunday dinner with Mr. Jesse Oatman and family.

Wright Holt and family have moved into the W. M. Lawrence house. We welcome them into the community.

Elzie Tedrow and wife visited his parents at Megargel Saturday and Sunday.

The young people enjoyed an entertainment at Mr. Garrett's Saturday night. Some of the Markley people were present.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Summers were both ill the past week.

Mr. Fields was around assessing taxes last week. He was the guest of C. S. Newman Tuesday night.

Lloyd Hawkins and wife were enjoying company Sunday.

The Misses Starnes and Cox of Markley attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Part of Mr. Valentine's people came down last week. They were delayed about moving on account of sickness.

J. C. Cross and Mr. Parsons of Megargel were down on business Tuesday. They were the guests of Lloyd Hawkins and wife Tuesday night.

Jesse Oatman was called to Megargel on business Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. H. H. Stephens and Mildred came over from Indian Mound Tuesday on a visit to relatives here. They returned home Friday morning.

Robert Miller finished his cotton picking Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Tedrow were the guests of Jesse Oatman and family Sunday night.

Mr. Ward and wife, with their daughters are away on

business at Bowie at this writing.

There was a singing Sunday night at Lloyd Hawkins' which was just splendid, and all enjoyed themselves.

Mr. Bavousette went to Loving one day last week.

Mrs. Robert Miller, accompanied Miss Vernon Miller home to West Fork Thursday. Miss Vernon was called home on account of her brother being sick. Miss Vernon was attending school here. We are sorry she was called home and trust she will soon return to school.

There was a full attendance at Sunday school Sunday there being forty present.

C. F. Newman had an old friend to spend last Tuesday night with him, a Mr. Baker. He had been to Eastland county and was on his way home to Texarkana.

Lonnie Ward has been working for Robert Miller the past month.

There will be several go to second Monday from here.

Jim Oatman and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller Sunday.

Rev. G. W. Black of Graham and W. P. Harmonson of West Fork will be present next Saturday and Sunday at the Baptist church. We are expecting a good meeting. All are invited to come.

Carl Newman and wife were enjoying company Sunday.

There will be quarterly meeting held with the Methodist church here the first Sunday in March.

There is quite a number in the community breaking land and cutting stalks.

There has been some bad colds among the people here the past week.

Rev. P. S. Wilson and family are expected in soon from east Texas. He has transferred to the Southwest Texas Conference on account of his wife's health.

The Ward boys are baching while Mr. and Mrs. Ward are at Bowie.

Jim Oatman went to Graham today (Monday) on business.

Violet

Graham Public School tablets, 10c. For sale only by The Graham Printing Co.

Look Here Boys!

I have just received a lot of new samples from several of the largest tailoring establishments in the United States. The prices are reasonable, workmanship cannot be beat. Give us a trial.

Graham Tailor Shop

FRED STEWART, Proprietor.

R. C. GOODE, Tailor

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.

COME TO SEE ME.

J. M. HARRIS

Three Doors West of the Graham National Bank.

St. Louis Restaurant

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

Fresh Fish and Oysters. Spring Chicken a Specialty. Short orders promptly filled.

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BABB & BABB, Proprietors.

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\$25.00 RUG
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QUITTING THE DRY GOODS BUSINESS

I have a big, nice, clean stock of Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats and Clothing that I am going to close out, regardless of cost.

These goods are going at great sacrificing prices. I am quitting the Dry Goods business and these goods must go.

No Goods Returned or Exchanged

This is a spot cash proposition. No SPECIAL SALE, but a Quit-Business proposition on Dry Goods, commencing January 19 and continuing until all Dry Goods are sold.



Ask VICK about the Bale of Cotton and the \$25.00 Rug. Somebody is going to get them.

SPECIAL BARGAINS

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| 40 Rock Island 14-inch Sulky Plows, close-out price | \$27.50 |
| 15 Rock Island 6-plow Cultivators, close-out price | 27.50 |
| 7 Seven-blade Stalk Cutters, close-out price | 25.00 |
| 8 Double-Row Planters, "Case," close-out price | 32.50 |
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Don't overlook these Implements. I am also making close prices on Groceries, Hardware and Furniture.

D. G. VICK

Live News from our Correspondents

MILLER BEND

We have been so busy since "moving time" that we couldn't gather any news, so will just continue the land discussion.

Salemite either overlooked, purposely ignored or shunned one of my questions, i. e. "Does your good farm produce any more or better crops than it did thirty years ago?" Of course it does not, and yet it has risen in price (not in value) from about one dollar per acre to say thirty dollars per acre. Now will any rational man contend that Salemite or any other one man has added twenty-nine dollars on the acre in price, even to this land? Certainly not. We all know that had Salemite come to this country alone, even fifty years ago, and settled on his good farm, erected a mansion, installed therein the most modern system of waterworks, lighted it with electricity, and adorned it with cement walks, grassy lawns, guarded it with gates of pearl, and though he had builded mills with which to grind his grain and a gin of the most modern type to gin his cotton, so long as his nearest neighbor had remained even as far away as Weatherford, to this day, his good land would not bring one-sixth of thirty dollars per acre. To whom or what then, are we indebted (?) for this twenty-nine-dollars-of-fictitious value? Is it what we call civilization, development or the settling up of the country with people of brain and brawn? Certainly it is. Well, then, this so-called wealth belongs to the community of people—is therefore collective and not individual. If then, this unearned increment was brought about by the people collectively, why collective ownership cannot be very far wrong, can it? Yes, I know it is socialistic, but anything is preferable to the present system of speculation in land values. However, I think the better plan would be to limit the ownership to what each family actually needs and compel them to live on it. This would cut out land speculation. Hence absentee landlordism, both of which are wrong.

Land being the source of all wealth it is wrong to speculate in the price of its surface. And when the Lord God drove Adam from the Garden of Eden he told him "in the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." Not for a few years, till he could buy an extra piece of land and put the other fellow to work for him but He said, "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread till thou return unto the ground" and "therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the Garden of Eden to till the soil." And I say the system which allows them to buy up the land and live in town and elsewhere and levy tribute upon the man who tills the soil is wrong.

They are in the Garden of Eden eating the forbidden fruit and it is time to expell them and send them forth to till the soil and eat bread in the sweat of their own face a while.

Yes, they are eating the forbidden fruit. I mean the land speculators, and it is about time the trumpet of the jubilee was sounding. (See the 25th chapter of Leviticus, and read it all) and we were being returned to our possessions.

God told Moses "The land shall not be sold forever; for the land is mine; for ye are strangers and sojourn with me." And that sounds like socialist dope too, doesn't it? Well I can't help it. Of course, I think it would be the better plan of all plans, because it is the Bible way, and I am not responsible for it. It was God's own plan and He was telling Moses about it. But it seems to me that such a plan is impractical in this day and time, yet we know it is not impossible. Because the good Lord does not require an impossibility of the children of men.

We are accustomed to blame

the "system", and not the individual for the inequalities in the land holdings in this country and true, the system must be changed if the evils arising from large holding of land are ever corrected. But, in reality, are we not all separately and individually responsible for the "system"? Isn't it a fact that almost invariably those who possess large holdings do uphold and seek to justify the system? Most assuredly they do. It is human nature, though a poor grade. And to this class God was undoubtedly speaking thru Isaiah when He said: "Woe unto them that join house to house; that lay field to field." And to guard against this land grabbing and at the same time to protect the weaker ones of His creatures He had incorporated into the old Jewish laws the year of "jubilee." Every seven years there was a re-alignment of the land; and every fifty years a complete re-distribution. If that law has ever been repealed I would like to know when and where.

But I have digressed a little. Salemite says, "By investing in a small proposition first and then improve and make it better from the first day you settle on it and from the proceeds of products grown on the little farm pay it out." Then in the next breath he says, "Bono used his three per cent statement in showing that farming can not be made successful without live stock on the farm and he is eminently right about that."

Now I can't harmonize those two statements, for if I should buy and pay for a little farm from the proceeds of products grown on the little farm I would think I had made a howling success. But the funniest part of it is his second statement referring the first one. There is considerable difference in a little farm and a stock farm or a cow ranch anyway.

Again friend Salemite says, "The good Lord has decreed that man shall be the architect of his own fortune and if he hasn't the sense and self-will and grit to build it you might put thousands of dollars behind him and it wouldn't keep him from falling." Now as the good Lord has decreed that man must be the architect of his own fortune is it not just as reasonable that he also decrees that some shall and some shall not have this "sense, self-will and grit?" And wouldn't that be just a wee bit lop-sided?

The truth is, God doesn't measure things by dollars and cents or farms and ranches, but by justice and equity and this is perhaps why He doesn't want the land sold no more forever.

"At what price, in your opinion, will land sell for here by the next thirty years?" In my opinion it will sell for a much lower price than it is selling now, for I hear the trumpet of the jubilee sounding; and I feel hopeful that the land is going to be restored.

There is going to be an amendment offered in the Legislature right away to allow the taxing of pasture land at the same rate as the farm land, and that sounds good to me. If it succeeds in passing that body and Governor Ferguson affixes thereto his signature then I am going to throw this old hat away up in the air and yell "Hurrah for Ferguson!" For surely the year of jubilee is drawing on apace.

Two years ago E. O. Meitzen carried a voluminous petition from the people of Texas praying for practically the same amendment as is now proposed, to Austin and presented it to Gov. Colquitt. But "Little Oscar", treated the old man and his petition with contempt. Two years ago, or during the Colity but will cause other schools scribe submitted an article bearing on the landlord-tenant question to Home and State for publication. It was promptly returned with the comment, "A very good article on the subject

but we do not think it proper to print such matter at this time." Within two short years after this Home and State was beating the brush in defense of Col. Ball for governor, who in his opening speech said: "I will see that the tenant owns the land he cultivates." And so we are progressing, I think, toward the jubilee year.

Plow Boy.

DEVIL BEND

My! this is an awful pretty day (Sunday.)

I have just finished reading The Reporter and I think it was the best one I have seen in a long time.

Come on Arkansas Traveler. Your letter was fine. I sure love to hear the news from Dallas. I have a friend who lives down there.

The debate was fine Friday night, at least I think it was. I can only speak for myself.

Misses Alma George and Anna Belle Wadley, Messrs. Vernon George and Jim McClannahan of Tonk Valley attended the debate Friday night. We appreciated their attendance and invite them back Friday night, the 19th.

Mr. Pursley filled his appointment at Mt. Home Sunday and dinner on the ground. You know I enjoyed myself. Mr. Editor I wish you could have been there. Several from Ming Bend and Goose-neck attended.

Miss Valerie Bunger is going to spend the week with Mrs. Alice Lisle.

Eve McLendon spent Saturday night with T. L. Lisle.

Will Pickard spent Sunday with Frank Stringer.

Mr. and Mrs. Birl Stringer spent the night with Sid Copeland Saturday night.

Sid Copeland spent Sunday night with Frank Stringer.

Buren Lisle and Tom Pinkston are going to Padgett this week.

The singing at Mountain Home Sunday was enjoyed by all. Buster Blue.

FARMER

We are having some fine weather now.

Some people are sowing oats. Mrs. Fannie Davis is still on the sick list.

Gray-eyed Girl, I will tell you what I think of the war and sending all our bread-stuff to foreign countries. Charity ought to begin at home. It is a shocking shame that war is possible today, in the height of this age and civilization. No nation can claim the right to go to war when so doing imposes burdens of suffering untold upon countries non-combatants and innocent people. I append a paragraph from the pen of Frederick Lynch, from the Christian Work which expresses my own opinion perfectly on this point.

"Any nation which today, with the present oneness of the world, declares war against another country thereby declares war against every other country, and the time has come to recognize this fact. No nation can go to war today without going to war against all humanity, as well say to individuals. If through seeming justice the obtaining of your rights the upholding of honor, promises in any way to disturb the peace of the rest of the world and make all innocent nations suffer, you must refrain from individual action and do as individuals do; try your case before some competent judicial body by orderly process of law."

As a matter of fact this is the sweet way to get justice in the end. For instance, what is Austria getting now? What might she not have gotten if she had taken her dispute with Serbia to The Hague, as Serbia was willing herself to do?

As Pilot was sick last week he did not get to send in the happenings around Farmer.

The wedding bells were ringing here a week ago Sunday. One of our charming young ladies, Miss Minnie Potter and Mr. Wright were united in marriage. We wish them a long and happy life.

Miss Alvesa Baker of Archer

county spent Sunday night with relatives here.

Mrs. Langston and daughters, Misses Hallie, Jessie and Ressie, spent the day Wednesday with Mrs. and Miss Wall.

Guess Baker of Henrietta spent Sunday night with J. W. Wall.

Mrs. A. C. Casey entertained the young people Sunday night with a singing, and all report a nice time.

B. Garrett, wife and little daughter, Ruth, spent several days last week with relatives here.

Our Sunday school is progressing nicely. Pilot.

ROCK CREEK

Well, well, what a beautiful Sabbath day we have had. I think this was the most beautiful Sabbath we have had in 1915.

Salemite, in regard to your answer, why can you not go east and west from the north pole?

Health in the community is very good at present.

Some of the Rock Creekers attended the dance at Lewis Riddle's at Bryson. They said there was plenty of dancing.

E. H. Burk visited Mr. Simpson of Union Ridge Sunday.

Harvie King called at J. H. Bennett's Sunday eve.

Frank Corley of Flat Rock visited at D. W. Burk's the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orton Bennett and Miss Dora Harper visited at Mr. and Mrs. John Martin's last Sunday.

There was a man drove up to my house this morning and enquired the way to Mr. Fields'. After telling us this was a very rough country he went on his way rejoicing. I did not learn his name.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Burk and little son visited at J. H. Robbins' of Tonk Valley Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Fannie Stoffers visited home folks in Graham Saturday and Sunday.

G. M. Foster called at J. J. Foster's Sunday.

Messrs. Miltia Harmon and J. J. Foster called at J. D. Burk's Sunday eve.

Jesse Foster went up about Bryson Monday to gather a bale of bolls for William Bottoms.

As I'm thinking of going to Big Monday will say adieu. Daisy Flat.

MOUNT PLEASANT

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Moore, who had its hands burned last week, is doing as well as could be expected.

Grandma Ely died Friday evening and the remains were laid to rest in the Medlan Chapel Cemetery Sunday morning.

Mrs. J. E. Martin has been sick but is better at present.

Finis Burnett was dragging the road last week.

Several farmers are sowing oats, while some are waiting until winter is over.

J. O. Wilson was working on a tank for Mr. Burch last week.

William Pardue and family spent Sunday with Grandpa and Grandma Nichols.

Mrs. J. W. Nesbit and children and Miss Bertie Wilson took Sunday dinner with D. A. Hughes and family.

We are having some pretty weather. I hope Prof. Ground Hog has made a mistake this time, as these clothes won't last six weeks longer.

Some people say that the socialists want all property divided. Hope they will divide the wheat before Europe gets it all.

James Anderson is visiting his brother, R. U. Anderson.

Rev. Hall filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Mr. King, our county superintendent visited our school last week.

There were lots of good letters in The Reporter last week.

There seems to be different opinions in regard to the direction that can be traveled from the north pole, and as I am as near the pole as I want to be in winter I will not try to answer the question.

Ignorant Voter.

MING BEND

As my letter didn't get there in time to print last week will try again.

The doctor was called to S. L. Ribble's Sunday, also to Joe Marshall's.

Everybody is busy farming. Mrs. Mattie Gibbs spent Friday with her father, W. L. Newby.

W. R. Gibbs and Everett Newby were over in Palo Pinto Friday on business. Everett says he likes to go over about Fox Hollow fine.

Joe Smith, Earl Pickard, Everett Newby and Hugh Ribble attended the party at Bob Fawks' last Monday night.

We have organized a literary at Ming Bend and would be glad for all who will to come and help us.

I wonder how many are going to Big Monday today.

Little Ethelyn Ribble is very sick at this writing. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Ella Askew visited relatives in this community the past week.

Mrs. Mollie Williams and sister, Ella, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Lottie Askew.

Several from here went to Mountain Home Sunday.

Mrs. Eula Sims visited at the Ribble home Sunday.

W. L. Newby and children and Joe Smith took Sunday dinner with W. R. Gibbs.

Mrs. Newby was called to Graham Tuesday to nurse Mrs. Southall.

Well I will ring off. Rainy Day.

RED TOP

We are glad to report Uncle Dock Slater and Uncle Taylor McBee improving at this writing.

Edd Slater's family and Miss Clara Slater spent Friday and until Sunday afternoon with home folks.

W. K. McBee and family visited Sunday with his father, Uncle Taylor McBee.

The singing at Mr. Littlejohn's Sunday afternoon was well attended and all present report a splendid time.

Erwin McGee and family of Loving visited at W. C. McGee's Sunday.

C. C. Williamson of Weatherford visited his aunt, Mrs. Addie Slater, Sunday.

J. J. Dowdy of Whitt was a visitor in this community a few days last week.

Roy Rutherford and wife visited his brother, Tom Rutherford, and family of White Rose Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Mayfield of Olney is visiting her brother, Vernon Parker, at present.

A number from this community attended Trades Day in the city.

Miss Bessie Petty visited Miss Ada Workman Sunday.

Lee Thigpen and family visited at Uncle Taylor McBee's Saturday night and Sunday.

Wilbert and Dora McBee visited at Uncle Dock Slater's a while Saturday night.

Mr. Allen and family of Jean attended the singing at Mr. Littlejohn's Sunday afternoon.

Rev. J. Hall Bowman and wife of Graham visited Uncle Dock Slater last Tuesday.

W. A. McBee and family of Lone Oak visited his father, Uncle Taylor McBee, Wednesday.

Tom Butler attended church at Graham Sunday morning but returned in time to attend the singing. Augusta.

PICKWICK

Kale Weldon spent Saturday night with his cousin, Ben.

Miss Maggie Costello spent Sunday night with her uncle, Will Costello.

Miss Eula Kate Norton spent from Friday until Sunday with Miss Pearl Costello.

Mrs. Jennie Weldon visited Mrs. John Whatley Sunday.

Messrs. J. C. and Alton Whatley spent Saturday night with the McMillan boys.

Miss Carrie Weldon visited at the Whatley home Wednesday night. J. C. and Alton Whatley, J.

Etta and Carrie Weldon all attended church at Lucille Sunday night.

Miss Lue Etta Weldon spent Sunday night with her cousin, Carrie.

Lee Adkerson and Oneal Dendy were seen in our community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Porter will leave this week and make their home in Mineral Wells. We hate to see them leave us.

Tom Weldon visited Dock Weldon Sunday.

J. C. and Chester Weldon went to Graham today (Monday).

Mrs. Ollie Costello is spending a few days this week with her brother, Pont Perry.

Charlie McMillan has gone to their farm at Henry Chapel to work this week.

Matt McMillan visited at the Higgins' home Sunday.

Miss Grace Wester attended church at Lucille Sunday.

Glad to report Mrs. Hart Wester well again.

Edgar Perry and family have moved into the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry. Beauty.

BRYSON

Well I wrote last week, but as Uno said he guessed that Billy, the goat, had got his letter I guess Billy, the goat, got my letter too.

Bill Davis of Megargel, Texas, a section foreman was run over and killed by a motor car Saturday morning and the body was brought here for burial.

He was laid to rest in the Cottonwood Cemetery Sunday afternoon, Rev. Thomas conducting the services. Mr. Davis used to live here and was section foreman on the Rock Island. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn his death. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved.

There is not much land being broken on account of people being so late getting their cotton out.

Misses Roxie and Dora Martin of Graham visited relatives and friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Bessie Hester went to Fort Worth Saturday to have her eyes treated. We hope her eyes will soon be well so she can come back to school.

Rev. Thomas preached at the Methodist church Sunday at 11 o'clock and the presiding elder, Rev. Riddles, of Graham preached Sunday night.

Rev. Thornton of Thorp Springs preached at the Christian church Sunday at 11 and at night.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Patterson are the proud parents of a fine boy, born Monday, Feb. 8th.

The literary Friday night was just splendid. In the debating the question discussed was compulsory education law. Coffee and Virgil Ross, affirmative; Arnie Raley and Luther Hester, negative. We didn't have any judges to say who won. People from several different communities came. We welcome them back to our next literary which will be two weeks from last Friday night. Trixie.

KEYSER

Misses Opal Robinson and Sampley spent Friday and Saturday nights in Bryson.

Miss Ethel Ballow got her finger broke with a new ring. Look on her left hand. I wonder where she got it.

Messrs. George and Nelson Martin have returned to Graham. We are sorry they have left us.

Jim Smith spent Sunday with F. N. Ballow.

Miss Minnie Rhodes was all smiles Sunday night as she got a ride with Roy Gilmore from singing and the rest had to walk.

Several of the Keyser people attended literary and picture show at Bryson Friday and Saturday nights.

Misses Rhodes visited Miss Ruby Gilmore Sunday.

F. N. Ballow and family attended the funeral of Mr. Bill Davis Sunday afternoon.

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LOVING

We are now having fine weather and field work is being pushed very rapidly. Oats are being sown, cotton finished, and all kinds of farm work going on.

The Sunday school was very well attended this morning and Bro. Evans made a very nice talk on the subject of "Christ as a Teacher."

Marion Taylor, who has been sick for several days, is better and able to be about again.

Reece Harlan had a large force of boys and girls finishing up his cotton Saturday. They gathered about twenty-five hundred pounds that day.

Plow Boy, your letter was read with interest, and that part that spoke of the farmers attendance at precinct conventions was all true.

The precinct convention is the very place we should take the most interest in. It is the very place where we put on foot such resolutions as we want carried out at the county convention, and there, at the county convention, we adopt such measures as we want enacted into laws.

Then, why not all men farmers, and all classes attend the precinct or home convention? We meet there where we know each other and can send our best men to the county convention, and there, they can send a good man to the state convention, and by that method of doing business we can carry into the state convention our wants and have them finally made into laws as we first dictated in the home convention.

But we find not over ten per cent of the voting population in attendance at the conventions, the balance staying at home, preferring to stay and grip the plow handles, rather than take any part in the convention. And this stay at home class are generally the ones who do the kicking, the ones who do things are the ones that gets the kicks. You can't get a socialist in a convention, not on your life. He wouldn't have anything to kick at if he took part in it.

Yes, Brunette we noticed where Senator Johnson made the mistake of his life. Dropped his wax, as the old saying goes. But we need not get alarmed, for there is but very little danger of this big state of ours being divided for a spell yet.

Well, well, Kid-o, I am surprised at you, to differ with Salemite on such a simple question as was asked. Be sure now Kid-o and give us your version of the matter next week, and let's see what it looks like. Listen, take an apple, stick a pin in it at the stem and one at the blossom end, then place another pin anywhere you can, exactly in line with those other pins. Can you do it? Try it once and then you will agree that any object, no matter where it is, will be in line with the south and north poles, especially on a perfect globe.

Gray-eyed Girl, I think you take too much of a pessimistic view of this shipping to foreign country business. In the first place, it is perfectly right for the man of this country to offer on the market anything, horses, mules, wheat, oats or anything else he may have to sell, and we would be in a pickle sure enough if we could not find a buyer for our products. To be sure, there will be plenty left for home use, and some to spare. Let the farmers raise just such stuff as there is a demand for, and be ready with the product when the buyer comes around, let them be foreigners or anybody else; our farm is our stock in trade and let us sell to whom may offer to buy.

Well, Mr. Editor, I have filled my letter full of stuff and but very little news in it, but I have been away back in the field where no news can be learned, and we have not been off the farm in a week so please excuse us this time. Correspondent.

We have a large bottle of Library Paste, with brush for 5 cents. Graham Printing Co.

MURRAY

Owing to pretty weather the church services were well attended Sunday. Bro. Newsome filled his regular appointment. He was accompanied by his little boy.

J. D. Bowling who has been right sick is better. Mrs. Bowling is very sick at this writing with pneumonia. We hope she will soon be better.

Miss Kate Carnicheal dined with Miss Geneva Mayes Sunday.

Doke Thornton of Goree is visiting his grandfather, J. L. Wootton and family.

Mrs. J. S. Walsh and baby are on the sick list.

W. W. Fawks and mother dined at the Robinson home last Sunday.

We are glad to report Mr. Jerry Moreland as improving.

Mrs. Rigby has been suffering with a bone felon on her finger.

Mr. Ed McCharen of Eliasville was in our neighborhood last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tyra went to Graham Saturday.

Mrs. J. J. Wootton spent Monday with Mrs. J. S. Walsh.

Mrs. J. H. Megginson took Sunday dinner with Mrs. M. K. Donnell.

Some of the young folks enjoyed a singing at Mrs. Cloud's Sunday afternoon.

The young people's meeting was well attended Sunday evening. New officers were elected.

Miss Fannie Moreland spent Sunday night with Miss Mary Kramer. Bluebell.

LONE OAK

and other varieties of food that plant their gardens, and I am sure we farmers would be better off in the outcome if we would all raise our vegetables and other varieties of food that are produced on the farm. I hope there will not be a hard freeze this spring. If not we will have plenty of fruit this year.

There is still some cotton in the fields, most all the people have quit picking and are gathering their cotton.

A. J. Lowe had the misfortune of losing a fine Duroc Jersey hog one day last week.

Misses Nettie Cox and Orphia Starnes of Markley were the guests of Mrs. Gertrude Cantwell last week.

G. Q. Street of Graham was in our community Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Bell and daughter, Miss Teddy, of Loving called at G. E. Boyle's Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lowe made a flying trip to Olney one day last week.

Roy McBride and wife visited the latter's parents at Jean last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller gave the young people a dance last Saturday night. Those present report quite a nice time.

Miss Teddie Bell of Loving was the guest of Miss Norma Hamm Sunday.

G. E. Boyle and family visited R. E. Boyle and family last Sunday.

W. C. Harris and son made a trip to Loving Saturday.

C. C. McBride and W. C. Harris were business visitors to Graham Monday. Brunette.

HENRY CHAPEL

Bad colds and chicken pox is quite common here now. On account of unfavorable weather and so much sickness only forty-two present at the Sunday school but we can boast of having a splendid superintendent, and one who seldom fails to be present and always on time, and we consider these points very essential to a good Sunday school and a good Sunday school is very essential in making a good community, and a good community is very helpful in training the young as well as the old in the ways of righteousness.

J. T. Shahan has been right sick for the past few days. The doctor was called to see Carson Ribble Monday. It is thought the trouble is appendicitis.

At the home of S.W. Ratcliff, on Monday, February 1, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Millard Hinson a girl. All doing fine.

Miss Ruth McLaren of Graham visited home folks from Friday till Sunday.

Kid if I mistake not you never received any reply to your inquiry about the flour. I don't know anything about it, only would like for the \$3.00 peddler to come down our way. I suppose the wheat down this way has taken a downward growth, likely it will head out over in Europe next spring as they all seem to need it, and thus save transportation expenses. At any rate what has been sown has not shown up on this side yet.

Mrs. H. L. Ribble has been sick the past week.

William and Maurice Jarnagin of Graham are spending a while with their grandmother, Mrs. M. R. Jarnagin.

Dot Crow left last week for West Texas where he expects to work this year.

Dick Creager left Monday for Scurry county where he has secured work on a ranch.

Louis Anderson and family and Miss Letha Vick of Finis attended Sunday school here Sunday.

The above was written last week.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dolphus Hathaway died at their home at Henryetta, Okla., Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, and the remains were shipped here and laid to rest in the Finis cemetery Sunday at 3 p. m. The day being bright and pleasant a large crowd attended the funeral. We join their many friends in extending sympathy.

Carson Ribble is much improved and able to be at school again.

The Chapel had a good attendance at Big Monday. Saw several of the men Correspondents, but none of the ladies. Suppose they stayed at home to make garden.

Anyone wishing a tried remedy for a balky horse would do well to see Lawrence McLaren.

Next Saturday afternoon is the time set to clean off the Finis cemetery. All who are interested please come and help as there is much work to be done.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Perry, last Wednesday, a girl. Miss Edna Jarnagin went to Graham one day last week and came back the owner of a new buggy. Three cheers for the women who outclass the men on financiering.

Quite a number of the young folks enjoyed a dance at Mr. Yates' last Friday night.

Best wishes to all. Dago.

TONK VALLEY

Most of us good Tonk Valley people spent a part of Sunday afternoon at Sunday school and preaching, 84 being present. A fine sermon was delivered by Rev. Bowman. Rev. Patterson was to have preached but was called to Finis to conduct a funeral. Glad to welcome so many visitors. Hope they will come and take part with us.

Mrs. Virgil Tidwell of Graham visited our Sunday school Sunday.

Carl Knight and Mr. J.O. Burnett spent Sunday afternoon out walking. Next time walk down to our Sunday school.

Grandma Kilhion and Mrs. D. G. Killion, Carl Birdwell, Carl Knight and Herschel Akers all called at Mr. Robbins' Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Burk and Mrs. S. E. Pritchard called at Mr. Robbins' Saturday night.

Candy Kid, I have the advantage of you I'm where I can peep out the door and see Mr. Bashful Ben pass going to town lots of times. That beats all you can say I think. Yes, and I saw X. Y. Z. Sunday. Now what do you think Candy Kid?

By the way, I'm going to get me a little box, and sit out near the road. Maybe that is a good way to collect news; anyway I think it would beat ringing your phone down and then not learn anything maybe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Robbins have returned to his father's after spending two weeks with

relatives near Breckenridge. Mr. and Mrs. Floy Atkins and sister accompanied them, and spent the night at Mr. J. H. Robbins'.

Mrs. T. J. Wixom was a visitor in the city Saturday afternoon.

Unum Wixom visited the Knight boys Sunday.

Mr. Harry Hand, who has been attending college in Ft. Worth is expected home tonight as he has been sick the last few weeks, and will have to give up his studies a while.

Mrs. Bruce George called to see Mrs. Wixom Friday.

The Jolly girl and—anyway I was at the show Saturday night. Candy Kid—why wasn't you there?

Miss Rudelle Seddon called to see Miss Sallie Timmons Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Omer Beckham of Graham visited at Mr. Will Seddon's Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bray took supper at Mr. Robbins' Monday night.

Best wishes to all, including the editor. Jolly Girl.

WHITE ROSE

Mr. Editor, as I never see anything from this part of the woods I will try to write a few items.

A few farmers are still picking cotton, but oat sowing is the leading occupation of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McCombs were shopping in Graham Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Hightower were shopping in Newcastle Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Myers of Newcastle spent Saturday night and Sunday with W. C. McCombs.

Mrs. W. C. McCombs and Mrs. P. C. Walker spent Friday afternoon at Mrs. Wood's.

Miss Nellie Hightower visited in White Rose Saturday.

Our Sunday school is progressing nicely with W. C. McCombs as superintendent. We use both Baptist and Methodist literature, three months of one then three months of the other.

Plow Boy, from your article last week it seems to me you don't quite understand socialism. In the summer of 1912 a mass meeting was held at Newcastle. Several men for each office were proposed and put on the ticket. A referendum vote of the socialists of the county was taken on them. I happened to be one of that dozen at the court house that day and our only mission was applying to that part of the Terrell Election Law which requires all political parties to meet on that day and canvass the votes and place the successful candidates on the ticket for the general election. So, Plow Boy, if we want government by injunction, vote the republican ticket. If we want government of, by and for the people vote the democratic ticket, and if we want no government at all vote the socialist ticket. I say the republican and democratic parties are so much alike that a working man can call them twins without exaggerating. What did they do in Milwaukee? What do they do in all places when the socialists get stronger than either of them? They say come brother, let's unite and run a fusion candidate.

If the democratic party is of, by and for the people, how many platforms have you ever voted on Plow Boy? How many laws that are passed at Austin are sent out for you farmers to vote upon? But you still say the democratic party is of, for and by the people. As to the socialist party being a pure democracy, every clause in the constitution of the socialist party has been voted upon by the rank and file of socialists. Every plank in our platforms are sent to and voted upon by the red card members. If we had socialism, every law put out at Austin would be voted upon by the citizens that have to obey them. Is this democracy? Explain, Plow Boy, how socialism would mean no government at all. Roseite.

Miss Leota Hodges, Newby Corley and Romie Martin called

Roseite to our band of Correspondents. Here's hoping that you will be regular with the news from White Rose every week.—Editor.)

UNION

Master Eugene Cantwell and W. D. Weems are on the sick list.

Mrs. Fred Moreland is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Weems and family visited W. D. Weems and family Sunday.

Ross Payton visited Newton Weems Sunday.

Miss Nettie Cox of Markley visited her sister, Mrs. N. E. Cantwell, Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Miller visited W. D. Weems and daughter, Nannie, Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. H. K. Weems of Jean visited W. D. Weems and daughter Saturday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Saturday night, the 9th, a fine boy.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Moreland spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Miller Sunday.

Mrs. Moreland and Mrs. Miller visited Mrs. Watson Sunday.

C. H. Weems, wife and little daughter, Ruby, spent Thursday night with W. D. Weems.

N. E. Cantwell and Carl Morgan called on W. D. Weems Friday.

Miss Norma Hamm was absent from school a few days last week on account of an abscess on her tooth, but glad to report her able to attend school again.

Miss Edna Sensibaugh is visiting in the Jean community this week.

The musicale at C. H. Miller's Saturday night was well attended and all present report a nice time.

Henry Thomas and family attended church at Farmer Sunday.

The party at R. T. Carter's was well attended and all report a nice time.

Those who attended the state meeting of the Farmers' Union at Fort Worth were Messrs. A. P. Stewart, Dan Orr, Edwards, R. T. Carter and S. T. Moreland. While there Mr. Moreland spent a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Belle Allcorn. Oleta.

FLAT ROCK

The little son of Rev. and Mrs. Roark is sick with erysipelas; we hope for him an early recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fain were made happy last Thursday over the arrival of a ten pound boy.

Mr. Garrett and family of Center Ridge community spent Sunday with Mr. Porter and family here.

Mrs. Roark and children spent Thursday at Mr. Corley's.

Mrs. R. W. J. Parsons visited her son Charlie, who is sick at his home in Graham, last week.

Miss Maggie Corley of Graham came out last Saturday to spend a few days with her brother, Oscar Fain and family.

Rev. Patterson and family of Graham called to see Mrs. Vena Cook Monday afternoon.

Quite a few of the Rockers went to town Monday.

Bob Corley of Tonk Valley visited from Saturday till Monday with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fields attended our Sunday school and singing. They took supper at Mr. Taylor's.

Misses Georgia Burton and Maggie Corley, Messrs. Jesse and Bill Martin and Tipton Smith were callers at Mr. Corley's Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ina Creager of Graham visited from Saturday till Monday with Mr and Mrs Brit Alford.

Mrs. J. H. Alford and Mrs. Corley and daughters visited at Mrs. Porter's Monday morning and at Mr. W. A. Cook's in the afternoon.

Daisy Flat I didn't quite understand what you meant by me being careful. But listen, you had better be careful yourself when you pass my house like you did Monday afternoon, don't cherknow.

Miss Leota Hodges, Newby Corley and Romie Martin called

at Mr. Taylor's Sunday afternoon.

The singing on Sunday night was well attended.

Mr. Prideaux came down from Loving Friday. Mrs. Prideaux went home with him and stayed until Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Hazleton visited Mrs. Vena Cook Sunday.

Little Miss Anna Mays spent Saturday night and Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Parsons.

Mrs. True visited Mrs. Cook Monday.

Miss Maggie Taylor spent Sunday night at H. C. Fields'.

Mr. and Mrs. Lud Martin and little daughter, Wilda May, visited Mrs. Martin's parents Saturday night and Sunday.

Misses Maggie and Lona Corley visited at John Martin's last Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Bird is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Iva Fain.

Mrs. Lonnie Martin has joined her husband, who is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Martin.

Mrs. Vena Cook seems to be improving.

Clarence Corley spent Tuesday night with Boyd Hazelton.

Mrs. Horace Ribble, Misses Zora Wade and Edna Jarnagin of Henry Chapel visited Mrs. Gene Martin Tuesday.

Mesdames True and Trafton of Graham were visitors at Sunday school Sunday.

Horace Fain picked cotton for C. J. Cook last week.

We think most everybody has finished their last crop of cotton picking.

Mesdames R. L. and Raymond Reed of Graham spent from Monday until Tuesday at Mr. Martin's.

Here is my pencil Jolly Girl, now don't let that Prof. over there make you forget to write this week, for I sure miss your letters. Candy Kid.

DUFF PRAIRIE

Well, hasn't this been a beautiful Sunday? This kind of weather ought to make us feel fine.

Mrs. Lucian Adams, Mrs. Mark Crabtree and Miss Lillian Kraft visited Mrs. John Groene Saturday afternoon.

M. M. Kraft and children attended church at South Bend then came back and ate dinner with Henry Rogers and family.

Think all the sick folks are about well again.

Fon Taylor and Barney Crabtree attended a dance at Cross Barron's Friday night.

Guess there is lots more news to write but I failed to get much this week.

Mrs. Omer Beckham is visiting her sister, Mrs. Floyd Burgess.

Mr. J. M. Ingram is suffering with a sore hand. Hope it won't give him much trouble.

W. P. Martin and family attended church at South Bend today.

As this is about all the news I know will let some better writer have my place. Sorrel Top.

PROFFITT

John Redwine made a flying trip to Newcastle Friday.

Mr. Lang Griffin was riding around in his new Ford Wednesday.

Mr. Lewis went to Newcastle Thursday.

Miss Carrie Lisle, who has been helping her brother, Elzie, pick cotton, returned home Friday.

Elzie Lisle and wife and sister, Miss Carrie, and W. M. Gibbs and Miss Bettie, and Joe, Mr. Lewis and Hugh Sheridan called on Mr. and Mrs. John Webb Thursday night, and Jim Webb and Hugh Sheridan furnished some good music on the violin and guitar.

Yes, Kid, I moved but it was only about three miles.

Miss Dennie Maples spent Wednesday afternoon with Miss Willie Hudson.

Willie Willhoit spent Sunday and Sunday night with his grandpa and family.

Charley Johnson says he is going to Haskell county pretty soon.

Will hand my pencil to Kid and go. Snowflake.

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KOMO

Trixie, your letter was greatly missed last week by me. Also Papa Sock was absent. Yes, I think I met you, Papa Sock and Trixie, too, last easter, did I not?

Several of the farmers have been very busy breaking their land since the pretty weather began.

The dance at Albert Martin's Tuesday night was well attended and every one seemed to have a most enjoyable time. I for one sure did.

Mrs. Minnie Akers spent the day Friday with Mrs. Emma Burnett.

Roy Pardue and family visited John Guess and family Friday.

Austin White and Willie Lynch made a business trip to Newcastle Wednesday.

Tom Fletcher and Jim Martin, each had a sick horse Friday.

Miss Mary McAlister has been staying with her sister, Mrs. Susie Burnett, and family for several weeks.

Mrs. Lucinda Odom is on the piny list this week.

Miss Mollie Elkins went to Eliasville Friday and had some work done on her teeth.

Many thanks for your pencil, Jack o' Diamonds. I will try to return it in good shape.

Mrs. Gertrude Rogers and Lula Evans went to Eliasville Saturday to have some dental work done.

Tom Fletcher went to Eliasville Saturday.

Mr. Cunningham, the Watkins' man, was in this community Thursday.

Silver Bell, I agree with you on what you said about the "big hearted Americans". You expressed my thoughts exactly.

Gray-eyed girl I know you saw a jolly time at the dance. Wish I could have been there but it is so far I can't get down in that part of the country very often. You should have been with me at the dance Tuesday night.

Here, Silver Moon, take my pencil and write a long letter. Pansy.

SALEM

Oat sowing is about finished here and the acreage is larger than usual, and from reports the acreage planted in corn will be much larger than last year. There are calls from farmers here for corn at eighty cents per bushel.

Cattle are in good condition and plenty of feed in the way of forage on hand.

There is quite a demand for hogs here. All hands appear to be stocking up with a few pigs at least.

Mrs. M. R. Jarnagin and her daughter, Miss Edna, of Henry Chapel called on Mrs. Pearl Kisinger last Friday evening.

J. A. McLaren and L. McJilton passed through here Sunday evening on their way home from Henry Chapel.

A dealer in pianos and organs entertained the young folks with good music at the homes of J. H. Carter and Hugie Henderson Friday and Saturday evenings.

Floyd Smith of Mountain Home spent Saturday night and Sunday with old friends here.

Geo. Gilmore and family visited relatives here Sunday.

Because Jerome Wade wants to hear from all the folks in the county he is now a reader of The Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Tipton of Henry Chapel visited at the home of John Kisinger last Sunday.

G. W. Hinson and family called on Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter Sunday evening.

We note that not a single loan was made by the Texas Committee out of the \$135,000,000 cotton pool and the time is now past when loans can be made out of that fund. Is it possible the cotton raisers didn't want to borrow money as bad as they thought they did?

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Criswell visited their parents here Saturday night and Sunday.

Gringo, if we invest in land or in good young live stock on time we can afford to pay a fair rate of interest on the investment. But if we invest in groceries, feed for stock, and dry goods on time at interest, and also, at a high price we "are lost the captain shouted as he staggered down the stairs," for to meet such a debt-like paying for a dead horse. When we reduce the demand for money on time, we reduce the interest rate, and as long as we buy all our supplies on time there will be no reduction.

Now, about a war horse and loans on cotton. If we, the people, for we are the government, should treat cotton as you propose then we would have to treat corn, wheat, and all other products of the farm likewise or there would be a big row in the family. Then if we should go on and grant the demands of some socialists I have read after, we would have to manufacture all this raw material we have cribbed up. All this could be done only at a vast expense and we would have to elect and appoint an army of officers to attend to it all, and it would open the door for graft, and put into the hands of the party then in power a patronage so large that they could stay there until Gabriel toots his horn.

We have a high tax and many officers to support as it is, but for all that, I am in favor of one more officer, who would be known as "the official head-tapper" and whose duty it would be to call around every few days and tap a lot of our citizens on the head just to wake them up to the many good opportunities that are around them.

It would appear to me that the ranks of the socialists are filled with other workers than farmers and that the wants of each are at opposites, and we have noticed several instances where the socialists have sent some of their good speakers to farmers' meetings with an offer to affiliate with them and they were turned down every time.

We claim that there are only a few industries that the people can manage as a government, at less cost to themselves than they can manage as individuals.

And Kid-o, makes it appear that we have flattened the globe out as flat as a pancake and says, "My geography tells me the world is round and the only thing due south of the north pole is the south pole." We would like to see that geography. Please come again and tell us more about it, and locate a city or anything else on the globe that is not due south of the north pole, and besides, let us hear your answer to the question.

Bono, for all any one may know, Buster had his X-ray machine along with him and took an inventory of all the vital organs of that poor son of toil. We feel confident that Buster read all the traits of his character true to the letter.

Salemite.

GOOSENECK

J. E. Parsons spent Monday night with R. L. McLaren and family.

G. W. Rose, Oscar James and J. G. Parsons killed hogs Monday.

Oscar James and family went to Mrs. Caudill's Monday afternoon.

Mr. Rhodes was sick Tuesday. R. L. McLaren took a load of cottonseed to town for H. A. Driver Monday.

Mr. James and son spent last Tuesday night with Oscar James.

Herman Johnson made a trip to Bunker Tuesday.

We are sorry to say that Mrs. Emma Dalrymple is still sick.

Mesdames Conder and Rose spent a pleasant afternoon with Mrs. Dalrymple and mother.

Nora and Cora Rose went to Bunker Wednesday.

B. W. King came to visit our school Tuesday afternoon, and while there he told the children some interesting little stories, and also expressed himself as well pleased with the school.

Miss Maggie Reed and brothers are picking cotton for Mr. Watson.

Bill Bunker was swapping yarns with J. E. Parsons Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Jasper Rhodes visited her daughter, Mrs. Charlie Grantham, Thursday afternoon.

G. W. Rose and wife made a trip to Graham Friday.

Little J. W. Conder is sick with a sore throat.

Walter Youngblood was taken sick Tuesday with the gripe.

S. J. Kelley has his phone in again.

The Parsons boys and Murray Conder attended the debate at Mountain Home Friday night.

G. W. Rose and S. J. Kelley sat up with Mr. Youngblood Saturday night.

Mrs. Virgie McLaren was confined to her bed Friday.

Misses Cora and Cordie Rose went to Bunker Sunday.

Roy Parsons says it is better late than never, so he will start to school in the morning.

Rass Shoemate of Bunker took Sunday dinner with Alfred Parsons.

Odel Johnson and family visited R. L. McLaren Sunday.

Mr. Woodrome of Bunker visited with J. G. Parsons Sunday afternoon.

News is very scarce as every one is busy, some still gathering cotton while some are breaking land.

Gander.

JEAN

I notice Bono says he is sixty-seven years old, and by the way he drew on his imagination in replying to my letter, one would think he was one hundred years old, and then some. I never even hinted that it was in the least degrading to grub or do any other honorable work. I do say that grubbing is hard work (I can speak as one who has had experience) and a man that will do as hard work as grubbing is entitled to the necessities of life. What do you think about it, Bono? And as to me saying this man, under consideration, having an honest face, I have nothing to take back. And if Bono is not able to distinguish an honest face when he sees it I am not to blame. Then a man, after having lived sixty-seven years and doubts Christ's ability to know the hearts of men—My! my! Bono, you don't mean to say you doubt Christ's wisdom, do you? It is all right for you to doubt my ability to know an honest man when I see him. I am not going to take affirmative side of this question. And as to your friend Pickens wife selling produce enough to supply the table, I guess that is a fact, for when a woman marries a man and has to support him she needs to be a hustler. And it looks very much to me that Salemite got his wires crossed a little again in reference to a renter raising horses, cattle and hogs to pay his bills.

Now Salemite, as a rule when a man rents a farm in Texas, he is not allowed more than team enough to work the land and a cow to give milk for the table. So pray tell us, Salemite, where are all the big cattle and fine horses coming from to pay his bills, I never knew but one man that would fit in for Salemite's renter. He was an Englishman and lived in the Indian Territory before it came into statehood. This Englishman owned one yoke of oxen and he would

mark and brand from twelve to sixteen head of yearlings each spring off the range. Now if the Texas renters owned a team of oxen like this Englishman, he could pay his bills by selling stock. And as to raising hogs, we all know that heretofore when a man rented land he was bound by contract to plant most all the land to cotton, and by time he raised cotton and bought the feed for the hogs his meat would cost him 25 cents per pound. These are facts we all know. Salemite, your argument may look good on paper, but it won't stand the test.

I see a lot of the rich guys are running around over the country telling people how to feed themselves, and most of these men are wholesale grocery people, and what's troubling these fellows most is, the retail merchants awe them so much they are getting scared and are trying to cut out so much credit in order to save their own blamed hide instead of looking so much after the farmers' interest.

I see some of the Correspondents are inclined to romp on me about my land limitation views. I mean real farming land, not hills and hollows.

Miss Edna Sensibaugh from Spring Creek, while on her way to Antelope to visit relatives, spent a few days visiting friends at Jean.

Mrs. J. F. Kilpatrick has been sick for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Weems made a flying trip out to Shearer Sunday evening.

W. F. Thompson gave a singing Sunday night.

Mrs. W. H. Cantwell has been sick for several days but is some better at this writing.

Edgar Cantwell and family of Parker county have moved into our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McBride visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cantwell Sunday. Buster.

BUNGER

Say, Plow Boy, you had better go slow on socialism. I heard a man say he would like to meet you or any one else on that subject for about two days, with dinner on the ground. That would suit me too, for I have stomach trouble pretty bad.

I learned at Graham yesterday that A. H. Jones had contracted with a mill man in Arkansas to ship him seed for \$35 per ton.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar James of Gooseneck visited Mr. and Mrs. Richardson of Salem Sunday afternoon.

Salemite, those old bachelors are waiting with the most dignified smiles for you to come after them to take them down there and marry them off.

Will Reeves of near Pickwick has a sick baby at this writing.

Excuse me Johnnie Dolittle, for breaking in on your territory.

We sure have a good road from Bunker to Graham. There has been quite a lot of work done on it lately, and some one has put the drag over a part of it which helps it greatly.

Mrs. Hamilton passed through here Saturday afternoon from their ranch south of here en route to Graham.

Our gin run Saturday all day. Rufe Mullenax caught a big fox Friday night and the rest of the gin hands had to wait on him till he skinned the fox before they could start the gin.

A. J. Driver has been complaining with la gripe and asthma, but is up at this time.

J. E. Parsons left Monday morning for Ft. Worth and other points. The boys seem to think that some of them had better meet him at the depot on his return for he might have a heavy "la-gripe."

H. A. Driver and father, Joe Upham, Frank Sharp and several others went to Graham Big Monday.

Herman Johnson loaded cotton here today (Monday) for Graham.

Deacon Brown is cementing a cistern for Jeff Grantham south of Bunker and ran out of material and had to go to Graham Big Monday. Goose.

COUNTY LINE

Hello to you all! How are you this pretty day?

Well, February has come at last and ground hog day. How many of you got to see the old pig?

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

Browner Caudill's little boy, who had erysipelas on his arm, is some better.

If there is anything in reports we will just about lose some of our old maids in this community, as we hear they have Mexico fever very bad. We would hate to lose them but hope our loss will be their great gain.

Misses Ella and Vina Hughes, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene West, attended the box supper at Sorghum Flat Saturday night. The box supper was given to raise money to get a chart and some maps for the school.

There was a dance at Mrs. Barron's Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene West and Mrs. Rickles visited with Mr. and Mrs. Silas Copeland Sunday.

Church at Fox Hollow and dinner came out all right Sunday in spite of the bad weather.

We are still able to report weddings in this part of the country in spite of war times.

Mr. Jewel Nicklas and Miss Rena Camrick were married Sunday. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to the happy couple.

Misses Virgie Atkinson and Lura Dendy, both of Fox Hollow, attended the box supper Saturday night and spent the night with Mrs. Breckie Couger.

There was a party at Bob Fawks' Monday night, given in honor of the new bride and groom.

Browner Caudill, J. K. P. Hughes and wife were callers at the Couger home Tuesday evening.

John Couger, who has been visiting his father, who has been sick, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Barron and daughters and some of the boys from this community attended the dance at Set Ranch Tuesday night.

Judging from the time of day they passed through here, they had a mighty late breakfast.

Well, Homeite, I guess you have quit looking for me.

Many thanks, Salemite, for your and the Kid's compliments. I always find more pleasure in making others happy than in anything else. Salemite, I guess you will be glad when garden goodies come in.

Plow Boy was not with us last week. Poor Plow Boy, I guess he is getting hungry too.

Plow Boy, did you see that article in the "Southland Farmer?" The article was headed, "Down to Bedrock."

I notice we had an Arkansas writer with us. We are always glad to hear from them all.

Tulip, you were absent so long we had fully decided we would never hear from you any more. Thought perhaps you had gone and changed your name like some of the rest have been doing.

The next time set for working the cemetery will be Feb. 20th. There will also be an entertainment at the school house the same night. All who can, be sure and come.

Mrs. Creigh has been bothered with a very bad cough the past week, but is getting some better.

Henry Nicklas and wife moved to Mrs. Barron's until they can get possession on Mr. Gann's place which they have rented.

Some of the women in this vicinity have already planted their cabbage seed and sorting out their garden seed waiting for St. Valentine day so they can plant.

Mrs. Creigh and Miss Vina Hughes went to see Mrs. Joe West on business Wednesday afternoon.

I will quit for this time and hand my pencil to Bashful Ben. Dreamy Eyes.

Reporter is only \$1.00 a year.

WYNN HILL

Here I come with the news from this part of the country, after an absence of two weeks.

We have been having some pretty good weather for the past four or five days. We had a small rain Saturday night which was not needed by the farmers as the ground was just getting in good condition to plow.

Most all the farmers are plowing and some few are sowing oats.

C. P. Cook's little boy, who has been sick with pneumonia, is improving some.

Jesse Carpenter of North Creek was in this community today (Tuesday) buying cattle and hogs.

Frank Hutto of Fort Worth is visiting his sister, Mrs. Hiram Crum.

John Singleton of Loving is visiting his sister, Mrs. Effie Cook.

Hiram Crum attended first Monday at Jacksboro and reported a large crowd there considering the bad weather.

Jeff Collier of Salt Creek is moving to Jermyn.

Miss Ruth Rhodes of Pleasant Hill is visiting her sister, Mrs. Elmer Wilton.

Miss Mary Wilton is picking cotton for Mrs. Henry Wilton.

Messrs. Will Easter and Shelby Nimo called on John Williams Sunday.

Jim Hannah of Berwick is moving to Pete Hilton's place in this community.

Walter Ince of Sealy, Texas is working for H. A. Crum.

Well, as I haven't had time to sit on the box and gather news this week I will have to ring off.

Broncho Bob.

OAKLAND

We are having beautiful weather again and everyone is busy farming.

Health in this community is very good.

The young folks enjoyed a musicale at Mr. Watson's Saturday night.

Clarence Blount was in Graham Wednesday on business.

Graham Logan and sisters visited home folks Thursday and Friday.

Misses Whitfield were at Jermyn Wednesday.

J. D. Baty was in Graham Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Lester was in town Monday.

Leonard Chambers was in Graham on business Monday.

Jeff Whitfield, mother and sisters attended the literary at Bryson Friday night.

Candy Kid, I am sorry that you have so much sickness in your community, and trust the sick will all soon be enjoying good health again.

Trixie, how are you about compulsory education? I saw your brother at the literary. Where were you?

I enjoyed the debate, but I don't believe in compulsory education, for the taxes are now so high that we can hardly live and pay them. And, you never see or very seldom see a landowner crying for higher taxes. It is those who have nothing to pay taxes on who want compulsory education. I believe in everybody educating their own children and not let the people who have nothing sit around, take it easy and vote more taxes on the land owner, who are working from daylight till after dark. Let those who have nothing get to work and educate their own children and not want we hard working people to educate them. I believe in everybody living by the sweat of their brow, and one of your debaters is laboring under a mistake, for there is no school house at Dakin. It is only a wide place on the railroad track for I have passed by there a few times several months since, when they were rebuilding the track that was washed away caused by the awful rains we had last year and I heard some one say that was Dakin.

Well, as I see everyone has gone to second Monday it is near show time so I will ring off and go, as I don't want to miss all the fun.

Carrie Nation.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

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

You are Herby Comanded 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 holden 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 plaintiff's rights and obligations treated 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 have 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, this, the 25th 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 Herby Comanded to summon 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 the said 30th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Young County, to be holden 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 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 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, they 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 times 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 better 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.

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.

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, this, the 25th day of January, A. D. 1915.

WILLIE RIGGS, Clerk, District Court, Young County.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Young. By virtue of an Execution issued out of the Honorable District Court of Young County on the 25th day of January, 1915, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of John W. Groves and F. S. Groves vs. A. E. Little and Loula May Little, No. 1716, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in March, A. D. 1915, it being the second day of said month, before the Court House door of said Young County, in the City of Graham, the following described property, to-wit:

A certain parcel of land situated in Young County, Texas, being out of the T. E. & L. Co., survey No. 156 and being all of lots Nos. three and four (3 and 4) in block No. four (4) of the John W. Groves second addition to the town of Olney, Texas, as shown upon the map or plat of said town, now of record in the Clerk's office of Young County, Texas.

Little and Loula May Little to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$307.60 in favor of John W. Groves and F. S. Groves and costs of suit. Given under my hand, this 28th day of January, 1915.

M. M. WALLACE, Sheriff. By Sam Dowdle, Deputy.

HUNT

Mrs. Matthews and children spent the day Sunday with Mrs. Rayburn and children. The Orth basket ball team came over Saturday afternoon and played the Hunt team. The score was six to sixteen in favor of the Hunt team.

Miss Mary Ella Patrick spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Claire Davis.

Mrs. Prangle was a caller at Mrs. Patrick's Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rushan spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Howard Sunday.

Mrs. Howard and daughter spent the afternoon with Mrs. Black and daughter.

W. E. Reeves is on the pony list this week.

Estel Butler made a flying trip to Olney Thursday afternoon. Horned Frog.

ORTH

Good morning Mr. Editor and all you Correspondents! Health in this community is good. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers, on the 6th, a boy. Mother and babe doing well. Kid-o, I am worth two or three men that have been swallowed by a whale, that is lately.

W. S. Hustage, M. E. Clark and Herschel Jones went to Newcastle Friday.

Geo. E. Leberman and G. M. Jones went to Olney Friday. We had a debate at Orth Friday on the question, "Resolved, That a Country Boy was More Ignorant than a Town Boy." The town boy got beat. They had a spelling match Friday night between Orth and Ingleside, Ingleside won.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs spent two or three days at Newcastle with their daughter, Mrs. Burse.

The writer has moved again, making twice for 1915. I don't intend to raise any of that four cent cotton. I will work for wages this year.

Well, Kid, I would like to get acquainted with that Miss Uno you have been speaking of.

Uno.

LUCILLE

Bro. Williams filled his appointment. He preached to a large crowd Saturday night.

Mrs. George Weldon visited Mrs. Whatley Sunday. Willie Jenkins and wife, Sam Newberry and wife went to Mineral Wells with cotton today (Sunday).

Mrs. Bessie Spurlock called on Mrs. Cooper Wednesday. Carrie Weldon and brothers of Pickwick attended church Saturday night at Lucille.

Grandpa Bronson has just returned from a trip to Garden. Mrs. Layton finished picking cotton Saturday.

Josie Spurlock visited her mother, Mrs. Donnell, Wednesday eve.

The road hands put in three days the past week working the road.

Prof. Williams and wife spent Sunday at Dave Tigues's.

Mr. Jones, our county superintendent, visited our school Thursday and made us a good talk. We are always glad to have him with us as he always speaks so encouraging to us. Grant Weldon went to Mr. Porter's at Graford to a dance Thursday night.

Mrs. Chick spent Thursday morning with Mrs. Storm.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Chick went to Graford Tuesday.

Well, I did not get my Reporter and I can't say whether it was good or not, but know it was for it always is. Guess I will get it Monday.

Hugh Bailey finished pulling bolls Friday. A few more pretty days and they will all get through.

Fellie Spurlock has sold out and is going to move down close to Mineral Wells.

Bro. Williams spent Saturday night at Mr. Coffman's.

Oran Bridges took Sunday dinner with Charley Chick.

Misses Mandy and Grace Layton, Missie and Jennie Boyce took Sunday dinner with Miss Lula Bridges.

Miss Ethel McPherson spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Bert McPherson.

Prof. Williams and wife took dinner Sunday with Bob Chick. Miss Grace Wester and Mrs. Spartman Wester were in attendance at church here Sunday.

Mrs. Spartman Wester took dinner Sunday at her uncle's, John Reeves.

Leroy Storm visited Jimmie McAvoy Sunday.

Dee McPherson has gone to Mineral Wells with cotton. Sorry to report George Spurlock sick at this writing.

There was a large attendance at church today (Sunday) the subject of the sermon was "Our New Relationship to Christ."

Alton and J. C. Whatley and John Gann attended church here Sunday night.

A few of the young people went kodaking Sunday afternoon.

Grandma Bronson is visiting at Aleda for a few weeks. Elmer McPherson visited the home folks Sunday.

A. L. Agee received a phone message Saturday for him to come to Stephens county after his mother. Don't know whether he went or not.

Mr. Fawks of Graford has just finished a smoke-house for John Doan.

Busy Bee, you must come every week with the Fox Hollow news. I enjoy reading your letters.

Sorry to say Fred McAvoy has a sprained ankle. He only has one foot and fell off a mule and hurt that one. Fred says he thinks it will soon get all right.

Bert McPherson called on A. Storm this morning (Monday) and bought some hogs. Mr. Storm says there is more money in hogs than there is in cotton.

Johnnie Dolittle.

MONUMENT

After a week's absence will try and send the Monument news again. I'll take a seat over by Carrie Nation. Thanks Carrie Nation for the compliment you passed on my last letter and

permit me to compliment your letter. You sure was right when you said quarters make dollars. If everyone could see that way I am sure there would not be so many beggars today.

Most of the young men of today will make stout old men for they don't do enough work to hurt them. I suppose you have heard it said that each generation gets weaker and wiser. That is what the Bible says and I know it is true, for the people of today can't stand anything. It is either too cold or too hot to work, or something is always the matter.

I want to ask all you Correspondents what you think of boys smoking cigarettes? While I was at Sunday school this afternoon I saw some very small boys, about twelve or thirteen years of age, sitting reared back with a cigarette stuck back in their mouth. They were worth a million dollars in their mind, but they do not realize the harm in smoking. If they did I'm sure they would never smoke again. Parents, why do you allow your boys to smoke?

Bono, your letter was simply fine last week. I am sure you have forgotten more about hard times than Buster ever knew, unless Buster is eighty or ninety years old, and I don't think he is that old.

Many thanks, Jack o' Diamonds, for your invitation to your literary. I'm coming if I can.

Yes, Jack o' Diamonds, I think Tom Butler is interested in good schools or the teacher one, but I think it is the teacher. Some one told me he lost an orange one time when he was down here and came back to hunt it. I guess he found it, as it has been a good while since he last came.

They are talking of having the next literary Feb. 19th. All are invited to come. There has been quite a lot of sickness in the community of late, but all are able to be up at this writing.

Roy Burdick happened to the accident of getting his leg nearly cut off one night last week when his horse ran into a wire fence.

Willie Harris of Olney is now staying with his uncle, W. T. Long, going to school. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Alberts spent Sunday afternoon with Jack Sanders and family.

Jack Weems of Loving called on W. H. Long Saturday evening.

Miss Della Smith spent Friday night and Saturday with home folks near Bryson. Miss Alice Gibson spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Rush Bills.

Misses Una and Mable Reeves called on Miss Della Smith Sunday evening.

Several of our young folks called on Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cochran Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Cochran spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harrison were at Mr. H. H. Smith's Sunday.

Cecil Cochran happened to the accident of getting a piece of steel in his eye and had to go to Graham to have it removed.

How many of you Correspondents are going to Big Monday tomorrow? Don't guess I'll go.

Tempest and Sunshine.

FOX HOLLOW

I got so busy last week trying to get the news that I forgot to send my letter off.

Health in our community is better at this writing.

Misses Virgie Atkinson and Lura Dendy spent last Saturday night with Mrs. John Couger and attended the box supper at Sorghum Flat.

Bird Stringer and wife spent several days last week with C. T. Nicklas and family.

Preaching was well attended Sunday. Some of the Mountain Homers and Ming Benders were at church. Come again all of you.

P. D. Nicklas went to Graham Saturday. Miss Emily Harris is spending

ing a few days with her sister Mrs. Sim Burgess of Duff Prairie.

Quite a number of our people attended the dance at the Set Ranch Tuesday night. All report a nice time.

Mr. Jewel Nicklas and wife spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Mrs. Lou Barron and children of Sorghum Flat.

Mr. J. Y. Dendy has been balancing hay for P. D. Nicklas. Porter Nicklas spent Saturday night with Aaron Nicklas.

Mr. Browner Caudill and family are visiting Mrs. Caudill's sister, Mrs. Isadore Wester of Pickwick.

Mrs. Ona Caudill spent last Thursday and Friday with Mrs. Winnie Nicklas.

Mr. Mat McMillan and Miss Mary Caudill are visiting at Brad, guests of Miss Gladys Keegans.

Messrs. Alex Stringer, Robert Fawks and Aaron Nicklas went to Pickwick Saturday.

Mr. C. T. Nicklas went to Brad Thursday.

The Messrs. Atkinson, Farrar, Dendy and Newby have been hauling hay for Perry Nicklas and Willie Caudill.

The party at Robert Fawks' Monday night was well attended.

Elmer Smith is helping Henry Whitten break land this week.

Mrs. Winnie Fawks visited her sister, Mrs. Wester, at Pickwick Saturday.

Mr. Jack McMillan was seen Friday on his way to the dance at Cross Barron's.

Mr. Jewel Nicklas and wife spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Nicklas' brother, Jack Camrick, and family of Lucille.

Say, Homeite, you sure can work. I would like to get you to work for me a while. If you have an idle day just come down and I sure will let you help me.

Hello Beauty, have you received any more letters lately? If so please keep them for me as I don't get any.

Mr. Dick Barron was in our community Friday.

Lee Atkinson and Oneal Dendy spent Sunday with Billie Clay of Lucille, or was it the girls they visited?

Mr. C. T. Nicklas and family Mr. John Farrar and family, and Mr. Alex Stringer took Sunday dinner with J. Y. Dendy and family.

John Atkinson and family took Sunday dinner with J. Y. Dendy and family.

Mr. Browner Caudill and family and Buck Thedford spent Sunday evening with Robert L. Fawks and family.

I will hand my pencil to Sal emite and skiddoo. Busy Bee.

FLINT CREEK

Hello! How are you all this pretty weather? The people get busy up here when such weather as this comes around.

Preaching was good and very well attended both Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday morning, but no conversions. Think there will be next time though.

Mr. Brashears and wife of Rocky Mound attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. J. Y. Doolen spent from Friday night until Sunday afternoon in the Rocky Mound community.

R. J. Robertson, daughter and little boys attended preaching at Flint Creek Sunday and took dinner with D. W. Doolen.

Singing at the school house was better Sunday afternoon than has been for several Sundays.

The dance at Ben Norred's Saturday night was fine. It was given in honor of Cle Herndon, who left Sunday afternoon.

The literary will be Friday night. Everybody invited.

Some are telling where they came from and how long they have been living where they are. I have been living here eight years and I came from Foard county.

As news is scarce will close.

Jack o' Diamonds.

WANT ADS

ONE CENT A WORD

New Electric Theatre Opens To-night

I have bought the New Electric Theatre and will open tonight with three reels of the best pictures sent out by the Mutual Film Corporation. I have had several years' experience operating for the larger picture shows of the state and guarantee you will see first-class pictures, shown just as they ought to be. No flickering, jumping and unnecessary stops—just a good picture for each reel.

WE WANT YOU TO BE PRESENT TO-NIGHT.

THE ADMISSION IS ONLY TEN CENTS.

Watch this paper for advance programs. You will note quality pictures only.

J. W. THAXTON, Proprietor

Local and Personal Mention

Dr. H. K. Weems of Jean was on the streets here Trades Day.

A. J. Cantwell of Jean was here Monday.

John Lewis of Proffitt was a Trades Day visitor.

We pay highest cash prices for eggs. Mabry & Son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Flint Sunday, Feb. 7, a fine boy.

I. S. Lacy of Eliasville was a Graham visitor Monday.

Will Benson of Olney was in Graham Wednesday.

Mrs. L. A. Ringgenberg spent a day in Ft. Worth last week.

Celery, lettuce, turnips, radishes, onions, greens and beets fresh at our store. Mabry & Son.

Mark Young of Spring Creek was among our citizens here Monday.

L. P. Mores of Henry Chapel was transacting business here Monday.

Jim Davis of Jean was among the big crowd that makes Big Monday.

R. L. Reeves of Loving was a pleasant visitor at this office Monday.

A new shipment of Heinz dill pickles at our store. Mabry & Son.

Just received 100 bushels of those famous Tennessee Triumph Seed Potatoes

Better get them before they are all gone. Mabry & Son

Louis Rubenkoenig is quite sick this week at the home of his parents here.

Judge R. F. Arnold came in from Henrietta Wednesday evening on a business mission here.

Judge and Mrs. E. W. Fry returned from Austin Wednesday night.

J. M. Wallace, the popular merchant of Markley, was in the city on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Copeland of South Bend were pleasant visitors at The Reporter office Monday.

W. T. Long of Monument paid us a visit while in the city Monday.

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

Mrs. B. F. Self left Monday morning for Ft. Worth to be with her father, W. C. Bell, who is very ill.

A. E. Jameson of Ponder arrived last week to be with his daughter, Mrs. Southall, who is still very sick.

J. C. Balkman, cashier of the First National Bank and Roy Edsall of Throckmorton were in the city Friday.

Merchant Jno. Casey of Farmer was a visitor in the city Monday.

Genuine Tennessee Triumph seed potatoes at our store. Mabry & Son.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rogers of South Bend were in the city Monday. While here they paid The Reporter a pleasant visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Nicklas of Pickwick were visitors in the city Monday. They paid us a call while here.

A. C. White, accompanied by his granddaughters, Mrs. A. P. Martin and Mrs. Della Lynch, of Komo made The Reporter a call Monday.

One of our farmer friends of the Proffitt country, Mr. Gadberry, has left at this office a quantity of the famous Summerour Half and Half cotton seed. He wants \$1.50 per bushel for the seed, and guarantees them to be pure and clean. Mr. Gadberry states that this cotton made last year more than a bale to the acre, and the yield of lint was from 43 to 48 per cent.

Mrs. A. B. Casburn and little daughter, Josephine, returned home Tuesday, after several days' visit in Newcastle.

S. W. Ragland and family of Electra, Texas are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Ragland.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stringer of Bunker visited this office while in the city Monday.

Miss Lottie White of Komo paid us a call while in town Monday.

H. H. Stephens of Indian Mound paid us a visit while in the city Saturday.

Misses Ella Pickard and Etie Barnes of Ming Bend were visitors at this office Monday.

R. A. Kutch of Ming Bend paid The Reporter a call while in the city Monday.

"VICK" 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.

While You are About it Get The Best.

IF YOU WANT A NEWS-PAPER THAT GIVES THE NEWS, especially the news from TEXAS and the GREAT SOUTHWEST, as well as from all over the WORLD, one that gives the most of it and in the best possible way, you can get it by subscribing for the SEMI-WEEKLY FARM NEWS along with The WEST TEXAS REPORTER.

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Send in your order now and take advantage of the next few weeks posting yourself on matters of deep concern the coming year.

WEST TEXAS REPORTER

Overdrafts Will Not be Allowed.

January 28, 1915.

To the Board of Directors of the Beckham National Bank: Gentlemen:

The granting by some banks of accommodations in the form of overdrafts is objectionable and can not be countenanced by this office.

This practice should cease entirely. To facilitate the accomplishment of this result, the subject has been taken up by this office with the banking departments of various States, and these authorities have generally agreed to take the necessary action to secure the effective co-operation of State banks in attaining the end desired.

You are requested to adopt a resolution directing that no officer or employee of your bank shall pay or charge to the account of any depositor any check of such depositor when there are not sufficient funds on deposit to the credit of the drawer of the check to meet the same.

Please forward a certified copy of the resolution to this office as soon as it has been adopted. Let the resolution show the names of the directors present at the meeting.

Please acknowledge receipt without delay.

Respectfully,

John Skelton Williams, Comptroller.

A copy of the above letter has been sent to every National Bank in the United States, and the State Bank Commissioner is giving the State Banks the same instructions. Our customers will please take notice, and not issue checks on us unless you are sure you have sufficient funds on deposit to meet them. WE CANNOT ALLOW OVERDRAFTS.

S. R. Crawford, Pres. R. E. Lynch, Cashier.

Misses Stella Smith and Ida Owens of Bunker called at The Reporter office while in the city Monday.

General Phil Sheridan was at one time asked at what little incident he had laughed the most.

"Well," he said, "I do not know; but I always laugh when I think of the Irishman and the army mule. I was riding down the line one day, when I saw an Irishman mounted on a mule, which was kicking its legs rather freely. The mule finally got its hoof caught in the stirrup, when, in the excitement, the Irishman remarked: 'Well, begorra, if you're goin' to git on, I'll git off.'"

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.

TRY REPORTER WANT ADS

ONE CENT A WORD

BRINGS QUICK RESULTS

Want Ads

Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for sale. \$1.00 per setting. Z. A. Hudson.

Hay For Sale. Johnson grass hay for sale, 15 cents per bale. Fred Rubenkoenig.

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

For Sale—Thoroughbred Poland China shoats in fine condition. See Tom Pickard at Graham. J. D. Ferguson.

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

Seed Sweet Potatoes. Two best varieties. See J. W. Padgett at J. B. Norris'. 23

For Sale—Span of fine young mules, gentle, broke, 4 and 5 years old. If you want something good come and see them. R. E. Mabry.

For Sale—Johnson grass hay, 30c per bale. S. J. N. Martin. Route No. 1.

For Rent—60 to 70 acres good land to sow in oats. Call soon. R. E. Mabry.

TRY REPORTER WANT ADS

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

DR. ROY W. RUTHERFORD Graduate of Kansas City Veterinary College Ind. Phone. Graham.

DR. W. A. MORRIS Dentist Office over Graham Nat'l. Bank Graham, Texas

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JOHNSON & BRANTLEY Attorneys at Law Office West Side Square Graham, Texas

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