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Hickox Murder Trial Attracting Attention

WILL LIKELY GO TO JURY FRIDAY EVE

MANY WITNESSES APPEAR ON STAND TO TESTIFY ON KILLING

Case Is Hard Fought

Killing Occurred in Dance Hall At Rodeo Held in Rankin, Upton County

The trial of T. F. Hickox, charged with the killing of Lamar Schrier at Rankin, Upton county, on July 20, 1921, has held the attention of many people since Monday. Hundreds of people have filled the court room at all times, many of them coming from a great distance.

Hickox is said to have shot Schrier at a dance in a garage at a two days picnic and rodeo at Rankin while the deceased and one of the Hickox boys were engaged in a fight said to be brought up over the theft of a horse by another one of the Hickox boys.

Trial Hard Fought

The trial has been a grueling contest between the attorneys of both sides with the witnesses to prove the guilt or innocence of the accused. Most of the testimony is in tonight (Thursday), and it is expected that both State and defense will be ready for the argument by Friday afternoon.

Lawyers representing the state are Geo. M. Thurmond of Del Rio, who has been leading on that side of the case, District Attorney Jas. T. Brooks, and County Attorney R. D. Cox. The defense counsel is made up of Joe Dibrell of the firm of Snodgrass, Dibrell and Snodgrass of Coleman, and Beall, Beall and Beall of Sweetwater.

About ninety witnesses were here for the trial, many of them testifying. Most of them were from Rankin or from towns in that section and most of them were in attendance at the dance when Schrier was killed by T. F. Hickox.

Story of Killing

A two days rodeo and picnic was in progress in Rankin, Upton county, on July 19 and 20, 1921, and an unusually large crowd of people from many surrounding towns were present for the celebration. On the second night, July 20, a dance was in progress in a garage of the little western town. The garage was the scene of much merriment until shortly after eleven o'clock, when two men began to scuffle on the dance floor. A third man, about sixty years of age, rushed in, it is alleged, fired a shot into the back of one of the participants of the fight and walked out of the room. Bewildered dancers and onlookers found Lamar Schrier lying on the floor dead; the man who fired the shot, T. F. Hickox, had left the room and gone home; and his son, Tom Hickox, who was engaging in the fight with Schrier, stood empty-handed.

Trouble Was Brewing

Slightly different stories are told by witnesses as to the events leading up to the killing and to the killing itself. As the story goes, there had been some trouble between Lamar Schrier and Jim Hickox, another son of T. F. Hickox, Jim being accused and indicted for the theft of a horse belonging to the former. Witnesses stated that Schrier had threatened Jim to the effect that he would whip him every time he saw him when officers were not around. When an officer accompanied Schrier to find the horse and when Jim was found, words passed between the two and Schrier is said to have struck Jim.

At the dance on the night of July 20, further threats were said to have been made by Schrier to the effect that he would whip Jim if he found them. While Schrier was talking to some other men on the dance floor, Tom Hickox, the older of the Hickox boys, is said to have walked up to the former man and asked him why he "beat up on my little brother." Schrier said he didn't and Tom said he did. The fight followed.

Shooting Sees Occurs In the meantime Mr. and Mrs.

SENATOR FROM LUBBOCK PASSES THROUGH HERE

Senator W. H. Bledsoe of Lubbock spent Sunday night in Sweetwater on his return trip to his home town after spending a busy time with the State Legislature at Austin.

Senator Bledsoe was unanimously elected president of the State Senate at interim immediately prior to the sine die adjournment of the Legislature on March 19.

ALL STATE MONEY PAID

COUNTY RECEIVES LAST OF APPORTIONMENT ALLOWANCE FOR YEAR

All the apportionment money from the State of Texas for the rural schools of Nolan county is in, according to Will H. Scott, County Superintendent of Public Instruction. The last installment, a check for \$7,364.00, was received from the State Department Tuesday and is now available for the use of the common school districts. The apportionment money was paid in four installments.

The final installment completes the \$12.60 per capita allotted by the state. There are 1841 students enrolled in the common school districts of the county, making a total of \$23,196.60 allotted this county from the apportionment fund.

Nolan county has twenty-eight common school districts.

Operetta At Roscoe Nets School \$125

The Japanese Operetta in the Roscoe High School auditorium Tuesday night at 7:45 by the faculty and students netted that school about \$125.

Fifty characters gorgeously costumed in Japanese attire put on the best and most striking entertainments ever staged in Roscoe. The operetta was staged under the direction of Miss Clemons, 4th grade teacher, and Miss Williams, 5th grade teacher.

Something like 400 people bought tickets to the entertainment.

Hickox are said to have heard of the probable trouble and went in search of Jim, whom they thought might be at the dance. Schrier and Tom Hickox were fighting, according to the state witnesses, when Mr. T. F. Hickox rushed up to the two with a pistol in his hand and fired a shot into Lamar's back. Mr. Hickox and associates testified that Schrier struck him in the head with his two fist as he approached the two, that he staggered back in a daze, and without realizing what he was doing he pulled his gun, moved toward the couple as they scuffled, and fired when he heard his son tell Lamar not to get his gun.

A number of rebuttal witnesses were put on the stand Thursday by the State to prove that Lamar was not armed and that he had not been drinking as had been accused by the defense. The State witnesses who were in position to view the body following the killing, saw no weapon whatever taken from his body. Much confusion naturally took place in the dance hall following the killing, and the large crowds rushed for the doors in a mad scramble.

The jury as selected Monday was composed of W. T. McKee, Sweetwater, H. A. Ater, Roscoe; L. G. Kerby, Nolan; N. M. McElroy, Sweetwater; J. L. Powell, Roscoe; J. H. Hastings, Roscoe; R. H. Whorton, Roscoe; W. E. Lackey, Sweetwater; J. L. Hawkins, J. H. Montgomery, Blackwell; W. E. Woodward, Champion, and Jim Magness, Hylton. A special venire of 90 men were called for Monday morning, and a majority of this number were placed on the stand before the jury of twelve men was complete.

The questioning of witnesses brought many objections from opposing attorneys, and many times the ruling of District Judge Leslie was required. At times the attorneys were called from the court room by the Judge to settle points in question.

WILL START NEW TROUPS

AT LEAST 7 NEW BOY SCOUT TROUPS TO BE ORGANIZED

At least seven and possibly more new troops of Boy Scouts will be organized this spring in the counties of Nolan, Mitchell, Scurry and Fisher composing the Buffalo Trail Council is the announcement made by W. S. Barcus, district Scout Executive. This will almost double the number of Scouts in the four counties.

Preliminary preparations have already been made for the organization of additional troops in Sweetwater and Colorado, and new troops will be organized in Westbrook, McCauley, Sylvester, and Roscoe, or a total of seven troops. There are now ten troops in the four counties composed of a total of 253 Scouts. Sweetwater has two troops containing 33 Scouts each. The Colorado troop has 33, Snyder 33, Hermleigh 21, Rotan 24, Roby 26, Camp Springs 15, Dunn 20, and Plasterco 15.

Sheriffs Coming For Convention

Invitations are being mailed out by Sheriff Jack Yarborough to practically all of the sheriffs of West Texas to attend the meeting of the West Texas Sheriffs Convention to be held in Sweetwater in an all day session on April 10.

The meeting will be a get-together meeting at which the officers will discuss the problems that they meet up with. In all probability sheriffs, constables, and other peace officers from thirty or forty counties of West Texas will be in Sweetwater on that day. At the last meeting, held at Eastland a few weeks ago, the sheriffs voted to hold the next convention here.

Lightning Sets Fire To Barn at Roscoe

A large barn, owned by Grover Hanes in the northern part of Roscoe was completely destroyed by fire last Saturday when lightning from a small rain cloud struck the structure at 11:20. A large amount of feed stored in the barn was also burned. No insurance was carried on the lost stuff.

When it was found that the hose of the Roscoe Fire Department lacked two sections being long enough to reach the fire, a call was made for the Sweetwater Department, but the local company arrived on the grounds too late to do much good.

It is said the wind happened to be blowing in a northeastern direction. Otherwise other property would have been destroyed.

Time Ripe To Begin Fair Preparations

Now is the time for the farmers, stockmen, poultrymen, and all other people of the county who expect to place fruits of their handicraft and results of their labors on exhibit at the Nolan County Fair next fall to begin making plans for their exhibits.

Now is the time for all farmers to be selecting the very best ground on their farms on which they may raise their very best products for show. The best of seed should be selected. Many prizes will be offered, and farmers should not only take pride in showing products for their own satisfaction, but they should be making preparations to exhibit products of the very best quality as an advertisement of their home county.

Many Contests Prizes will be offered on corn, milo maize, feterita, kaffir, red top, ribbon cane, oats, barley, wheat, rye, cotton watermelons, sorghum, sudan grass, all kinds of canned and fresh fruits and vegetables, and dozens of other farm and garden products.

Then there will be prizes for special individual farm exhibits, community exhibit, boys' and girls' club exhibits.

The plan of the officials is to make the live stock department this year much larger than it was last year,

INSPECTION OF GUARD MADE

HIGHEST RATING GIVEN LOCAL COMPANY BY ARMY OFFICER

"Very Satisfactory" was the rating given the local company of the National Guard by Major Miller of Oklahoma following his inspection here last week. This is the highest rating made by the Army of National Guard companies, and only a few companies in Texas stood this high last year, according to Captain Sidney C. Mason, who is largely responsible for the company's standing.

Final returns in report of the inspection will not be received here for about two months, but Major Miller insured Captain Mason that everything was in excellent condition and there would not likely be anything to lower the standing in the eyes of the Government.

The property of the company was found to be in very satisfactory condition. Uniforms showed to be well kept and clean in every instance, and the entire personnel made a very good showing.

Twenty-five members of the Guard were present at the inspection Thursday night, six of the enlisted men being unable to be there.

Three men of the company are trying out for the Texas Rifle Team, the meet to be held during the month of June. The winners in the state meet will be eligible to take part in the International Meet at Camp Perry, Ohio. The local men who are working out are Capt. Mason, Harry E. Phelps, and Melvin C. Outlaw.

New men in the ranks are being put through recruit drill. The drill program consists of preparations for pistol and rifle practice and actual range firing.

Improving Fire Damaged Building

The building on Oak Street occupied by Horace Heath and formerly by the Bon Ton Cafe is being repaired and remodeled following the fire of March 3rd, which gutted the building burning or damaging practically all of its contents.

As soon as the work on remodeling the building is completed Mr. Heath will occupy the entire space which will give him double the room he has previously had. The rear of the building will house a modern and up-to-date cleaning and pressing parlor, while the front will be filled with an extensive line of gents furnishings.

Mrs. Locke Tuttle, who has had an apartment with Mrs. H. P. Harkins has bought a home on Lamar Street from Miss Willie Elliott and is now moving into her new home.

Schools Of County Will Attend Meet

BABY BURIED AT ROSCOE CEMETERY ON TUESDAY

Little Earnest Blonden Beargard, the son of some traveling people, was buried at Roscoe last Tuesday. The parents of the child were strangers and were only passing through this country. The child was 1 year, 7 months, and 4 days old.

Elder W. D. Black, pastor of the local Church of Christ, preached the funeral service.

B. S. TRAINING NEARS CLOSE

MEN TAUGHT TO MAKE FIRE BY MEANS OF FRICTION

In spite of the rain Tuesday afternoon which kept many away from the Scout Training Course on Tuesday evening. This eighth of the ten meetings of the series was a very successful one, however, those in attendance report.

The principal activity of the evening was the making of fire by friction. Every man present succeeded in the undertaking, though a few found the task a little difficult.

The usual routine of games and contests was gone through with on the program. An outing for the men was spoken of and the matter will be taken up at the meeting next Tuesday night.

The Roscoe delegation was not present on account of here being a musical program in the form of a Japanese Operetta taking place in that city on Tuesday night.

Colorado men had an outing at Seven Wells at their last meeting at which 19 were present. 19 attended the first meeting at McCaskey last Thursday night, and Mr. Barcus reports that prospects for a good class at that place are very bright. Snyder men are planning an outing for Friday week at Grape Creek Canyon, 30 miles northwest of Snyder.

Church of Christ Meeting Scheduled To Start Sunday

The Church of Christ, corner 4th and Elm will begin a series of meetings April 5th to continue all next week, closing Sunday night, April 12, with two services each day at 10:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. We have secured the services of Evangelist C. McClung of Weatherford, Texas to assist us in this meeting. He is an Evangelist of several years experience in the work and is a gifted speaker. He will tell us the old, old story of the Cross in a way that will not only be pleasing but uplifting and beneficial. He does not deal in personalities or abuse, but preaches the Gospel in a plain simple way.

Our purpose in this meeting is the Glory of God and the Salvation of Souls. We desire to benefit Sweetwater and Sweetwater people. Our desire is to save souls that are lost. We respectfully invite you to attend these services and believe you will be glad you came.

W. D. BLACK, Minister.

Farmers Jubilant Over Showers

Farmers, merchants, and in fact, everybody in the lucky spots are rejoicing over the rain that fell Tuesday afternoon. Sweetwater received one half inch from the little downpour, however, the shower only extended for a short distance west of town. A fairly good rain is reported to have fallen to the east and to the north as far as Sylvester.

Showers have been reported to have fallen on the Plains and in various other portions of the state.

At least, the rain lightened the spirits of thousands of people in this section who were beginning to fear a dry spring.

Mrs. W. S. Barcus left Tuesday of this week for Corsicana to be at the bedside of her brother, who was to be operated on for appendicitis this week.

CONTESTS TO START FRIDAY AFTERNOON

HUNDREDS OF SCHOOL STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN CONTESTS

Big Contests Saturday

Many Events To Arouse Interest Of School People Scheduled For Meet

Everything is in readiness for the County Interscholastic Meet to be held Friday afternoon and Saturday, Director General B. H. McLain announces. Two judges each from Simmons and Abilene Christian Colleges will be here for the meet.

The Meet will open at 3:00 o'clock Friday afternoon when the Essay, Spelling and Arithmetic contests will be held. Finals in Junior Declamation will also be held at this time.

Both boys' and girls' tennis tournaments will take place during the afternoon. Friday night finals in boys' and girls' debate will be held in the high school auditorium. All contestants have been asked to report at the high school early Friday afternoon.

At the baseball park on Saturday morning the Junior Boys' Track and Girls' Track and field events will take place. Girls' basketball contests will be held at the high school building during the morning.

Senior boys' Class A and Class B, the feature events of the meet, will take place during the afternoon, beginning shortly after noon. Much close competition is expected in all these track and field contests. At night the finals in boys' and girls' debate will take place in the high school auditorium.

"The response of the Sweetwater merchants in respect to offering of prizes to the winners of contests has been poor," states Supt. McLain, "and they seem to take little interest in the school contests. Roscoe has offered prizes in the past and is willing to support the meet by the offering of prizes. If that is the case, then Roscoe is the logical place for the meet." If proper support is offered in that city it will likely get the County Meet in the future, from all reports.

The ladies of the Christian church have made arrangements to serve sandwiches to the attendants at the meet Saturday at noon.

Season tickets for the meet will be sold at 25c each or tickets to individual contests at 15c. The purpose of the admission fee is only to pay the expenses of the meet.

Asks Vote For Chief of Police

L. G. (Gordon) Headrick asks us to remind the voters through the columns of The News that he is a candidate for the office of Chief of Police of this city. The careful consideration of every voter is asked by the candidate.

Mr. Headrick has been in Sweetwater a long time, and he states that this is the first time he has ever asked for a public office. He feels that he is well qualified to fill the office he seeks without favor or prejudice, and that he knows the requirements of the office thoroughly well enough to attend to its duties. He states that if elected he will go into the office without any fear whatever for making the law violators pay the penalty they deserve or for doing exactly what he thinks is right at any and all times.

The candidate says: "I am sorry that I have not been able to get around to see all of you voters, the women included, and although I have not seen some of you, you are assured that I will do my best to serve you in a capable manner."

BOY SCOUTS, NOTICE!

Dr. P. T. Quast asks us to announce that the hike planned by Troup No. 3 and scheduled for Friday night has been postponed on account of the school play which was already scheduled for that night.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

THE STAFF

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 Society Ruth Davis
 Jokes Lavona Cline

"An honest man is the noblest work of God." Pope said, everyone would profit by believing and trying to uphold this theory. An honest man is needed at all times in every walk of life.

The school is the best place to teach honesty, and the best method is the honor system. In this system each student is placed on his honor to do the right thing at the right time without being told to do so. If he does not act as he should he is at the mercy of his classmates. The student will generally behave because nothing is harder to stand than a lecture from his classmates. It will have double the effect that the same lecture from a teacher would have, because the student usually thinks that the teacher was paid to scold him and his friends were not.

The senior class was recently placed under this system. The teacher was dismissed from the room, and a member of the class keeps the records. The seniors are proud of this honor. It shows how much the teachers trust them. They are going to work harder than ever to observe this trust. Every member of the class is eager to "show his stuff" when it comes to honesty and fair dealing.

This is the first year that this system has been tried in the Sweetwater High School. Everyone is going to do his very best to make it a success. Next year it will probably be extended to include both the senior and junior class. And some day in the near future we hope to see it extend throughout the whole school.

THE HONOR ROLL

The following students made A's in all their subjects last month and were placed on the Honor Roll:
 Seniors—Gregory Morony, Fannie Levy, Lorraine Klein, Vera Elliott, La Vona Cline.

Juniors—Earl Webb, Vivian Boyd, Anna Wilcox.
 Sophomores—Alta Mae Anderson, Mildred Bardwell, Margaret Morrow, Ray Farris, Howard Duff, Alva Barrett, Eugene Hardin, Chas. Stamps, Jack Sublett.

Freshman—Hazel Greer, Nina Mae Jones, Adala Lassiter, Mildred McKenzie, Josie Moody, Dan Shipley, Waretta Watson, Hubbard Whitaker, Naomi Watson, Nettie Sawyer, James McAdams, Fairy Harris, Rush Dudgeon, Bernice Cundiff, Virginia Bowyer, Giles Bradford, Mable Anderson.

Seventh Grade—Irma Dee Anderson, Dorothy Davis, Maurine Bennett, Mary Clovis Cox, Jewell J. Jones, Josephine Coleman, Mary Crutcher, Louise Coleford.

HALL OF FAME

Another Senior who rightfully belongs in our Hall of Fame is Ruth Davis. She is one of the best students of the school. She is our leading girl debater.

Ruth is president of the Dramatic Club and played the leading part in "Barbara Makes a Splash."

She is president of one of the Literary Societies, secretary-treasurer of the senior class, and a member of the C. O. D. Club. She is also Society Editor of the Hi Schol News.

Ruth is a jolly good sport and is hard to beat in any way. Last month she made two A's and two B's on her subjects, which is very good considering the out side work that she does.

Another great senior is Bernice Ragland. She was one of the yell leaders this year. You just have to hand it to Bernice when it comes to yelling.

She is vice-president of the Tennis Club and is now playing in the Tennis Tournaments.

She is president of one of the Literary Societies, secretary of the C. O. D. Club, and a reliable member of the Glee Club.

Bernice is an all-round good sport. We need more like her.

NOTICE! A FIGHT

We are very sorry to say that Ruben and Rachel have had a fight. We hope it was just a lover's quarrel and that they will "make up" before next Friday. We have not heard the straight of the affair yet, but it seems that Rachel was too busy to answer Ruben's letters. The editors are doing their best to punish Rachel and bring the two to an understanding. We hope by next Friday to be able to say that they have "kissed and made up."

PERSONAL

Eunice Green has been confined to her home for the past few days on account of a bad cut on her wrist, received when a glass out of a door fell on her arm. The cut is not very serious, and she expects to return to her studies in a few days.

Vera Elliott has the "flu." Hurry back, we miss you.
 We wonder who the young lady is that calls Mr. McLain "Old Good Looking," and Willard, "My Old Sweetheart." Some one must want good grades and a date.

Ruth Davis and Gregory Morony were seen out riding all by themselves after eleven o'clock! What is this world coming to? Is Gregory really a Shiek? We just can't believe it. Or maybe it was all Ruth's fault. It must have been at least, that is more easily believed.

Virginia Bowyer, a Freshman, has not missed school for four years. She certainly is a "shark for punishment."

Mr. Ward said the cat had come back. He was referring to Holley Toler. Kitty! Kitty! Kitty!

Fannie and Hattie Levy spent last Friday and Saturday in Brady.
 Venita flatly denied the charge made by Reuben last week. Guilty Dog always barks, Venita.

At the ball game last Friday Ralph was fussed because Mr. Freeman wanted all his money—Bruce's too—to get in. Helen was selling tickets on credit and said, "Why I'll sell you a ticket, Ralph, and I don't want a thing but your name."

TENNIS

Those who wish to enter the track meet have been trying out for tennis for the past week. The finals will leave us the best representatives of the school. They will be expected to carry off the honors of the county meet to be held next Saturday.

HARD LUCK FRIDAY

Our boys played ball last Friday. It happened to be one of their "off" days, so Rotan won—14 to 1. Bill Schuhmann made our one lone little score.

We'll just forget this game but we can say one thing. "Our boys certainly are temperamental."

The game was attended by a large crowd. Jimmie Radd was present.

CLASSES BUSY

The Domestic Science Classes have recently varnished their tables and cabinets. They have also completed arrangements for a mock dining room. This work has improved the looks of the department very much.

GET PINS

The "Merry-Makers" have just received their club pins. They are silver with a purple enamel inlay. The pins are three squares, each one a little below and to the right of the other with the inscription "M-25 M."

BASE-BALL CHATTER

Did everyone see that game last Wednesday? It was a knockout. We never knew before that Earl Webb was vicious. Is he? I'll tell the world. Once he even threw his bat at the pitcher. He didn't seem to be the least bit mad. All we ask of him is to improve his aim and use a little more force next time.

Robert Fitzgerald is vicious, too, it seems, or, at least he can stand up for his rights. Some of the rooters were commenting on his ability to hit a ball, and he proceeded to knock the next ball back of him almost into the grandstand, causing the critics to keep quiet concerning his knowledge and ability.

It was worth all of twenty-five cents to see Bill Sheridan jump and yell when Sylvester made an out. Believe me, if noise and action count, Bill certainly had a grand and glorious time. And you should have seen him wiggle through a hole about six inches square after a ball. He is some little wiggler. He ought to make a pretty good Hawaiian.

Sylvester must have thought we had a bunch of grey-headed, peg-legged grandpas playing for us, from the way they let our boys walk. Or maybe they thought it would be easier to walk them than to chase balls over the fence. We made some good hits, though. Burton Herring made the prettiest home run you ever saw.

Maybe you think Sylvester didn't have some graceful players. They were wonderful—especially the pitcher when he was taking his daily dozen. He was about as graceful as a—about as graceful as a young giraffe. They thought our boys were graceful too, from the way they made them dance while they were up to bat. One even tried to make Bill Schuhmann do the flea-hop by throwing a bat at his feet.

We made a great discovery Wednesday. We had found a new way to send a message to Mars. It is very simple. Just place the message in a base-ball and toss the ball to one of our batters. We guarantee your message to reach its destination. Why in that game some of our boys knocked the balls so high—they knocked them so high that at nine o'clock that night some of them were just returning to earth. I know because I passed by the park and heard them hit. It was bound to have been base balls, because it couldn't have been anything else but ghosts, and I don't believe them. Oh, yes, we have some dandy batters.

All you folks better come to that next game or you certainly will miss a treat.

APRIL FOOL PARTY

On Friday evening, March 27th, a group of Juniors were seen sitting on the east steps of the court house. The occasion was the April Fool Party given by the Merry-makers, a Junior Girls Club.

When all the crowd had gathered some games were played. The most interesting of these was "Follow the Leader," which ended at the home of Eunice Green on E. N. Second St. There, the happy group found the rooms prettily decorated in the club colors, purple and lavender.

Soon every one caught the April

Fool spirit and joined in the many games with much enthusiasm.

Marvin (Red) Alston won a Mah-Jongg set for the best stunt in playing "Crazology."

In the "Nut Hunt" which followed Horace Heath was awarded "A bright cup," (tin) for being a "bright child." Marshall Willis the famed mile man, has other accomplishments besides running, as he displayed in eating a bag of peanuts before the others got their sacks open. This prize was an onion carefully wrapped and tied.

"The Magic Wand," in which Lena Shaffer delighted, "France readings," "Cackle," and "Thunder," were among the other games played.

Victrola music several piano numbers by Thelma Lee Carter and radio programs added variety to the gay affair. Several guests even demonstrated the intricacies of the "square dance."

Dainty April figures graced the refreshment plates of delicious sandwiches, olives, fruit punch, and Al Fresco wafers, served at a late hour. All expressed the view that "The Merry Makers," Eunice especially, were ideal hostesses.

The following were at the cleverly planned foolish affair: Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Neinaast, Misses Daniels, Ethel Hope, Nina Mae-Majors, Lena Pearl Harris, Lena Shaffer, Betty Cutbirth, Ione Boyd, Lois McKee, Thelma Lee Carter, Ruth Rutledge, Ella and Vera Taylor, Louise Morton, Ruth Lohman DeEtts Spillers, Margaret Fultz, Ora Lee Bardwell, Doris Homer, Anna Wilcox, Venita Sneed and Messrs. Berry Duff, Merlin Toler, William Boyles, Marvin Alston, Bruce Gibson, John Bledsoe, Bill Sheridan, Alvin Kendrick, Russell Henry, C. W. Watson, Willard Schuhmann, Horace Heath, E. P. Reese, and Ralph Wright.

A NEW CLUB

Nominations are now in order for a president for the new girls club. The purpose of this club is to care for the poor neglected baseball boys. Their first duty will be to darn the boys red Sox.

Nominations are now in order. Who is first?

THE DECLAMATION CONTEST

The Declamation Contest was held last Thursday. The judges were: Mrs. Bondies, Rev. Hestir and Mr. Hunter. The winners will meet other contestants of the county next Friday.

The decisions were:

Junior Girls:
 First—Josephine Coleman.
 Second—Zelma Farris.
 Third—Dorothy Davis.
 Junior Boys:
 First—Jewel Jones (only entry).
 Senior Girls:
 First—Helen Davis.
 Second—Thelma Gordon.
 Third—Cleo Davis.
 Senior Boys:
 First—Lewis Jobe.
 Second—Sie Edwards.
 Third—Howard Hollowell.

SCHOOL HUMOR

Seniorism
 Dear Seniors:
 I had a funny dream the other night, I dreamed of a Senior life that was bright
 I dreamed that we had no monthly test,
 And that we lived only to loaf and rest,
 That we had no notebooks, goodness

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no!
 And then I found that the dream wasn't so.
 So I woke up in a mood that was mean
 To be your disgusted, but affectionate—Jean.

Mr. Ward—"What does HNO mean?"
 Merlin—"Oh, I have it on the end of my tongue."
 Mr. Ward—"Spit it out, spit it out! It's nitric acid."

Speaker at high school trying to make a hit—"I am so happy to address these shining faces."
 (Sudden application of about ninety powder puffs.)

Evelyn—"Isn't it strange that a man's aim is equal to the circumference of a girl's waist?"
 Jack—"Let's get a string and see."

Life is real, life is earnest,
 We must strive to do our best;
 And, departing leave behind us,
 Note books that will help the rest.
 We editors dig and toil
 'till our fingers ends are sore;
 But some smart guy is sure to say,
 "I've heard that old joke before."

Mildred—"In California the lilac grows fifty feet high.
 Eula Mae—"I wish I could lilac that."

Miss Daniels—"What is pasteurized milk?"
 Ray Boothe—"Milk that comes from a cow in the pastures."

Mrs. McLain—"Is this story true to life?"
 Howard—"Yes'm, but the one you read yesterday wasn't."
 Mrs. McLain—"Why not?"
 Howard—"Because he kissed her before her father and mother."

Mr. Ward—"Nina Mae what on earth are you looking for?"
 Nina Mae—"Well, Mr. Ward, I can't find the bottle with the carbon dioxide in it."



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WESLEY BIBLE CLASS MET WEDNESDAY.

The Wesley Bible Class met at the home of Mrs. L. M. Watson Wednesday afternoon in their regular meeting. Mrs. F. J. Neal led the devotional and read from the first chapter of John. Mrs. S. N. Davis led the opening prayer.

Mrs. I. S. Focht read an interesting letter from Virginia Giswold, the worker the Wesley Class is supporting in China. Instead of sending a Missionary to China, this native worker is being given the training of the Bible in China, and the Wesley Bible Class is the supporter.

A social hour was enjoyed, and Little Miss Johny Watson read "At Dinner."

The hostess served ice cream and cake, followed by mints in tiny baskets to the guests.

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB MEETS.

The Wednesday Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. Ed Patterson. Four tables were placed and Mesdames Hickman, Roy Thompson and Dulaney played substitute hands.

The hostess served a two course luncheon.

S. S. ATTENDANCE INCREASE CONTINUES.

Attendance at seven of the Sunday Schools of the city continues to increase. Last Sunday a total of 1,120 people were in attendance, while Sunday before last 1,007 attended. A total of \$158.58 was contributed to the respective schools.

The report for Sunday is as follows:

Methodist, 318 present, \$54.87 collection, Church and Sunday School; First Baptist, 291 present, \$17.40 collection; First Christian, 216 present, \$14.28 collection; Presbyterian, 136 present, \$14.00 collection; Church of Christ, 94 present, \$57.06 collection, Church and Sunday School; Lamar Street Baptist, 40 present, \$0.97 collection; Episcopal, 25 present, collection not reported.

CHURCH FEDERATION MET MONDAY.

The City Federation of the Women's church organizations of the city, met at the First Baptist church, Monday afternoon. The president, Mrs. N. L. Hall, and the secretary, Mrs. Jim Trammell, took their places. The subject of the program was "Missions" and Dr. B. B. Hestir, pastor of the Presbyterian church, made an interesting and forcible talk on the topic.

Mrs. R. C. Ledford led the opening prayer and Mrs. N. L. Hall led the closing prayer.

A duet by Mrs. O. E. Collins and Mrs. J. S. Schooler was very much appreciated. During the business hour of the meeting Mrs. William Wight, was elected permanent secretary to take the place of Mrs. Ledford, resigned.

The new Federation officers held their first office Monday since elected in the annual election. The Federation only meets on the fifth Monday during the year and average about four times a year. The next meeting will be held at the Presbyterian church, June 29th.

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MANY ACTIVITIES AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Members of the Presbyterian church are engaging in many activities at that church this week.

Special choir practice was held Tuesday evening, following which refreshments were served to all those present. The meeting was held for the special purpose of working on a special Easter program for Sunday week.

Tonight (Thursday) the Sunday School Workers Conference met in their regular monthly meeting. Plans for the betterment of the Sunday School were studied and discussed.

A Pre-communion service was held Wednesday night in preparation for the communion service to take place Sunday morning at the church. Another such preparatory service is scheduled to take place Friday night.

SELF CULTURE CLUB WILL MEET APRIL 10TH.

Mrs. Jim Butler will be hostess, Friday, April 10th of the Self Culture Club. The subject, "The Causes of War" will be led by Mrs. N. L. Hall. The following is the program of the meeting:

"Why War," (Home F. C.)—Mrs. A. W. Canfil.

American Association of International Conciliation (407 W. 117th Street, New York City)—Mrs. Willard Gibson.

World Peace Foundation—Mrs. M. A. Belcher.

An interesting program was studied by the Club last week on, "The Race Problem in the United States."

GOLD'S ENTERTAIN THE WHITES.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church divided their organization into two divisions, the gold and white, and a three months attendance contest was held. The Golds were defeated.

As a result Wednesday evening the Golds entertained the Whites.

Mrs. J. R. Cox, director of the League was on the winning side, so she was very much entertained too.

Seventy five leaguers drove down the streets of Sweetwater in cars about seven o'clock Wednesday evening and out to the damp grounds. The guests could not imagine why the entertainer's would pick such a place for scenery. The entire crowd got out of the cars, and "April Fool" was shouted by the Golds.

Then the guests were taken to the City Lake and lunch was spread. Various games were played.

The invited guests were: Mrs. J. D. Dulaney and Mrs. B. W. McKee.

GOLDEN RULE CIRCLE ENTERTAINS.

The Golden Rule Circle of the First Christian church entertained the Aid Society in the parlors of the church Tuesday afternoon.

There were about forty-five ladies present, who enjoyed a wonderful talk on "Missionary Work" given by Dr. C. T. Pickett of the Philippine Islands. Dr. Pickett has spent something like twenty years in the Islands as a Medical Missionary and is now enjoying a year back in homeland.

A social hour was held during which a number of games and contests were enjoyed. The hostesses served brick ice cream and angel food cake in pink and white.

CHRISTIAN AID SOCIETY MEET.

The Aid Society of First Christian church met Monday afternoon at the church, and studied a Bible lesson. Dr. McKissick led the study.

Mrs. W. G. Davis, presided during the business meeting and the ladies accepted an invitation from the Golden Rule Circle for an entertainment.

Serving lunches at the track meet, Friday and Saturday on the high school grounds was decided by the society.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS WILL ENJOY PICNIC.

Mrs. J. R. Cox's Sunday School Class of the Methodist church will enjoy a party tonight at Nine Mile Mountain. This class boasts to be the best class in the Methodist church, fifty members on roll.

Many Residences Being Built Here

MARY MARTHA CLASS MET WEDNESDAY.

Mesdames B. L. Clayton, L. Roben, and Otto Carter were hostesses Wednesday afternoon in the latter's home to the Mary Martha Class of the Methodist church.

The president, Mrs. Jackson, presided during the business hour. The opening song was, "Work for the Night is Coming" and this was followed by a prayer led by Mrs. Etta Pratt. Mrs. Joe Boothe read from the 15th chapter of Matthew.

The beautiful wardrobe, prepared by the ladies, for Maud Murray, the little orphan of the Waco Methodist Orphan's home was passed for the members to see, and the committee was appointed to send the chest to the orphan.

An enjoyable social hour was held following the business session. Music was furnished by Miss Irene Harris, violin; Miss Thornhill, Mandolin; and Miss Thelma Carter, piano.

Many interesting contests were played, one especially caused much excitement. A question was given each person and when answered the lady could pass to the dining room.

The dining table was centered with a beautiful big white cake decorated with rabbits, chickens and grass. The ladies fished for the chickens and rabbits and Mrs. M. E. Kyle drew the lucky rabbit. She was presented a knife to cut the cake, the first slice to be given the teacher of the class, Mrs. N. L. Hall. Mrs. Hall was waiting anxiously for the slice of the beautiful cake, but Mrs. Kyle failed to cut it, and the cake proved only to be a April Fool Cake. Easter eggs were hid for the children and the little tots enjoyed the hunt.

The guests were: Mrs. Lisman, of Tyler, Mrs. Brooks of Big Springs, and Mrs. M. E. Kyle.

The hostess served sherbet and cake. The tiny rabbits and chickens drawn by the ladies were the favors.

WOODMEN CIRCLE GOES TO SNYDER.

The Sweetwater Woodmen Circle went to Snyder Tuesday evening to meet with the Snyder, Fluvanna and Ira teams to initiate candidates. There were eight candidates initiated, four from Snyder and four from Sweetwater. The four Sweetwater candidates were: Miss Margaret Fultz, Mrs. Maud Weatherby, and Misses Lorene and Annie Wilcox.

Mrs. Tressie Goldsticker of Stamford the district deputy, was with the circles.

The Snyder Circle entertained the three visiting teams with a very interesting program of readings, vocal solos, and music numbers.

The Snyderites served at a late hour sandwiches, salad, pickles, potato chips, coffee and cake to the visiting guests.

The members of the Circle going from Sweetwater were: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sims, and son, Alton, Mrs. Alice George, Mrs. Brady, Mrs. Ben Stamps, Mrs. O. C. Cooper, Mrs. N. P. Tuttle, Mrs. J. C. Smith, Mrs. N. Cauthen, Mrs. Lois Hampton, Miss Ruth Tuttle, Mrs. Allredge, Mrs. Linnie Tuttle, Mrs. Will Martin, Miss Annie Wilcox, Miss Geraldine Whitefield, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Witherbee, Miss Lorene Wilcox, Mrs. M. Outlaw, Mrs. Bradshaw, Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hubbard, Mrs. Henry Davis, Mrs. T. H. Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fultz, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. D. Spiller, and Miss Margaret Fultz.

BROWNLEE NEWS

The box supper was a great success. One hundred and five dollars being the amount collected which goes to the improvement of our drinking system.

The wind mill is already on the ground and will be put up in a few days.

Mrs. John Allgood received word Friday that her mother who lives at Eastland was very low. She left at once to be at her bedside.

A. L. Butler and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with his father Rev. G. W. Butler of Roscoe.

W. W. Witherspoon and family of Roscoe and Earl Duvall and family of Goode spent Sunday in the W. L. Witherspoon home.

A. L. Miller was in Sweetwater Saturday on business.

Sunday School was well attended Sunday.

The song books for the singing class have arrived. We sing every first Sunday. Everyone come and help us.

Miss Cleo Spradlings spent Sunday with Miss Willie Brazill. Mr. J. F. Powell is in Sweetwater this week attending court.

Building activities in the city of Sweetwater have continued throughout the past three months at a steady rate, however, no big projects have been begun with the exception of the \$25,000 home for Dabney Motor Co. on N. W. 3rd Street. In spite of the fact that the City Secretary's books reveal but few large contracts during the first quarter of 1925, a total of 50 contracts have been issued during the time for a total of \$145,455.00.

Practically all of these building contracts are either for dwellings or improvement on property. Thirty-eight of these permits were for residences, the largest of these contracts being \$12,500 for the A. W. Goble residence and \$9,000 for the Mose Newman residence. A number of other contracts, some large and some small, are scheduled to be made in the near future.

The following are the fifty permits for buildings in the city of Sweetwater issued from the office of City Secretary, Bartlett, during the first three months of this year:

January 3rd—G. M. Sublett, garage, Elm Street, \$300.
January 3rd—H. A. Ater, Filling Station, 2nd Street, \$800.
January 6th—Herman Safford, frame dwelling, Lamar Street, \$1000.
January 8th—John Floyd, frame dwelling, F. W. Hgts, \$225.
January 8th—August Dressler, a dwelling, N. W. 4th Street, \$4,000.
January 8th—Sam H. Roberts, a dwelling, corner Arkansas and Texas Streets, \$3000.
January 12th—Costephens Hdw. Co., hardwood floor in store building, Oak Street, \$500.
January 11th—Ira Owens, frame dwelling, Patterson Street, \$600.
January 12th—M. L. Moody, frame dwelling, Elm Street, \$2,400.
January 13th—Texas Company, a steel oil station, on T. & P. tracks west of Galveston Street, \$500.
January 13th—Jno. Meyers, tile and brick shop building, W. N. 1st Street, \$1,500.
Jan. 20th—D. L. Lindsey, farm dwelling, Bowie Street, \$2,450.
January 20th—M. M. Allredge, frame dwelling, Pine Street, \$2,800.
January 20th—U. H. Allen, frame dwelling, E. N. 2nd Street, \$1,500.
January 26th—R. W. Boyd, stucco dwelling, 12th and Elm, \$1,650.
January 27th—W. M. Bray, frame dwelling, \$600.
January 28th—Edwards & Wright improvements on brick store buildings, Oak Street, \$2,600.
January 28th—Geo. Willis, brick and concrete garage building W. N. 3rd Street, \$25,000.
January 28th—L. J. White, frame dwelling, Bradford addition, \$600.
January 31st—Jas H. Beall, stucco dwelling, \$5,510.
February 2nd—Chas. Day, frame dwelling, \$1,000.
February 3rd—W. L. Homer, frame stucco dwelling, Cedar Street, \$3,250.
February 5th—D. H. Ripley, frame dwelling, Crane Street, \$1,650.
February 11th—G. T. Muller, stucco dwelling, Orient Addition, \$3,500.
February 13th—J. H. Westbrook, Jr., \$2,000.
February 16th—Magnolia Petroleum Co., brick Filling Station, N. 2nd Street, \$2,500.
February 17th—G. O. May, frame and stucco dwelling, Walnut Street, \$5,500.
February 17th—E. A. Kline, frame dwelling, \$1,800.
February 19th—C. E. Simmons, brick addition to laundry building, \$1,500.
February 21st—T. J. Godfrey, frame garage, Crane Street, \$300.
February 21st—Miss Minnie Fowler, frame dwelling, Elm Street, \$3,000.
February 24th—L. Dunlop, frame dwelling, CPK, \$875.
February 24th—A. W. Goble, stucco residence, \$12,500.
February 25th—Alvin Gray, tile garage, \$800.

REMOVAL NOTICE

We have moved our market from first street to the building first door north of Dressler's Bakery on Oak Street.

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February 27th—J. T. Wade, frame dwelling E. N. 3rd Street, \$300.
March 4th—J. A. Fulghum, stucco dwelling, Pine Street, \$3,000.
March 4th—Frank Elliott, stucco dwelling Pine Street, \$5,500.
March 5th—C. A. Jones, frame residence, Cedar Street, \$2,250.
March 6th—W. H. Scott, frame dwelling Elm Street, \$2,600.
March 9th—J. M. Gebso, stucco dwelling, \$4,400.
March 11th—Watson, frame dwelling, Mulberry Street, \$2,400.
March 11th—W. P. Freeman, stucco residence, Cedar Street, \$2,000.
March 11th—Mrs. W. J. Adams, residence, Elm Street, \$4,000.
March 14th—J. H. Snell, Sheetrock wall and glass front on building, Locust Street, \$400.
March 12th—J. L. Litchfield, Jr., frame residence, Highland Addition, \$2,750.
March 12th—Earl C. Green, frame dwelling, E. S. 4th Street, \$1,400.
March 14th—Ed F. Patterson, frame dwelling, Locust Street, \$1,400.
Mar. 23rd—Hudson Taylor, frame dwelling, Bradford addition, \$1,100.
March 23rd—Mose Newman, brick an d tile residence, Ragland Street, \$9,000.
March 23rd—Leroy Johnson, stucco dwelling, Locust Street, \$2,500.
March 23rd—R. M. Dunlop, residence, Highland Addition, \$270.

Highwayman Gets \$4,500 In Jewelry

Jewelry amounting to more than \$4,500 and about \$115 in money were taken from Paul P. Fontaine, of Fort Worth, Wednesday night as he was enroute from Sweetwater to Abilene. According to Mr. Fontaine's story he and a young lady who works for him, ate supper in Sweetwater, stopped at the filling station and got gasoline and oil and started toward Abilene.

Between Sweetwater and Merkel a high powered car overtook Mr. Fontaine and passed him, going at about 45 miles an hour. Mr. Fontaine states that he never thought any more about the matter until he was halted between Merkel and Abilene. The hi-jacker waved a flashlight in the middle of the road for him to stop, stated Mr. Fontaine, and then the hi-jacker shot a pistol into the air. At this moment Mr. Fontaine stopped his car. He says that he had been robbed twice before and didn't want to take any chances with being shot, as once before his car was badly damaged when a robber fired into it.

Mr. Fontaine and the young lady were told to get out of the car and place their valuables on the ground. "To robber told me to work fast, being to do it quick," stated Mr. Fontaine. "Merkel Mail.

A CARD OF THANKS

NOLAN, March 29th.—To our friends and neighbors of the Nolan and Dora communities:

We want to thank you one and all for your kindness and liberal donation during the recent misfortune which overtook us yesterday when we lost our house and all of its contents by fire. We will ever be ready at any and all times to render any kind service that may be in our power to do. May God's richest blessings be with each and every one that contributed to us in anyway, and may we all live near each other in the future, and try to live and lead a life in the future that when we are called on by our Maker to leave this world, when the bright morning of eternity breaks open the gates of death and turns the black night of disappointment into our everlasting day of pleasure, that we may be prepared to meet our Lord and our loved ones yonder in that better, brighter world where there will be no good-byes and sad parting will never come.

May God bless you all:
J. P. Brown and family
W. H. Buchanan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Costephens returned from Fort Worth. Mr. Costephens has been attending the Shriners Convention.

BOY IS ACCIDENTLY SHOT AT HAMLIN

Sunday afternoon while a number of boys were out west of town on a hunting lark, a target in the hands of little Oscar Owen was accidentally discharged and the bullet entered one of the feet of John D. Harrison, age 13, a step son of J. B. Rhodes. The little fellow was rushed to town and given medical attention and it was found that the wound was not serious.—Hamlin Herald.

VISITS BROTHER

B. C. McLain of Hubbard visited his brother, Superintendent B. H. McLain, last week end and the first of this week, leaving Tuesday. The McLain's paid the News office a very pleasant hours' visit Saturday afternoon.

MOVES OFFICES

Manroe and Morris have moved their offices from North West Third Street to their new location on Elm Street next door to the Pior Tire Service. These men are local agents for the Texas Company and for radios and supplies.

J. E. Clayton of Roscoe, who was attending court Monday, paid The News office a social visit while in town. Mr. Clayton operates a dray business at the neighboring city.

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We shall constantly strive to make The News a better paper. Through your suggestions and criticisms, we may improve our paper at an even more rapid rate.

They Say--

Says the dasher to the cream, "Don't you get creamy or I'll churn you."

J. P. Raliff: "I like The Nolan County News very much. Everybody ought to take their county paper."

Roy Clayton, Roscoe High School student: "Roscoe has a good track team, and we are coming to Sweetwater Friday and Saturday to win the meet. Our team will be hard to beat."

Superintendent B. H. McLain: "Sweetwater business men are not taking the interest they should in the County Interscholastic League Meet to be held here Friday and Saturday."

Captain Sidney C. Mason, of the local company of the National Guard: "We are trying to make our Company one that Sweetwater will not be ashamed of, and I think we have succeeded so far."

W. S. Barcus: "The Scout Training Courses being held in the four counties are developing much interest in Boy Scout work in this section. The number of Boy Scouts in the district will likely be doubled before long."

Mr. Millwee, district court reporter: "Court reporters have one of the hardest jobs in the court room, and yet they are the poorest paid. However, the recent Legislature allowed an increase in their salaries of about \$300 per year."

Mrs. T. V. Reeves, director of Public Service, West Texas State Teachers College: "I have been extremely slow in acknowledging the receipt of two copies of The Nolan County News. Everyone who has seen it have agreed that you have made an excellent start with your paper."

Selected: "If I fail to subscribe to the budget of my church or fail to pay anything to its support, I cast my ballot in favor of closing its doors. No church can remain open without financial support. If I give less than before, I favor reduction in its activities in proportion to my reduced support. If I give the same as last year, I favor holding the ground already gained but do not approve any advancement in our work. If I increase my offering, I favor advancement in the work of my church. What shall I do?"

ROOSTER BALL TEAM WINS FROM GANNON

The Rooster Baseball Team was successful in winning a baseball game from Gannon Wednesday afternoon by a score of 15 to 4. The game was played at Gannon. A disagreeable sandstorm made the game a bit uninteresting to spectators.

Burton Herrin pitched for the local nine while Monk Warren hurled for the Gannonites.

The Roosters are now on the road to victory, and they are hoping that they may be able to keep up the stride they struck Wednesday afternoon and win the remainder of their games this season.

CHITWOOD'S WORK PLEASURES

R. M. Chitwood, a leading factor in the State Legislature, has returned to Sweetwater following a term of very hard work with the 39th Legislature. Sweetwater people have welcomed Mr. Chitwood back to their ranks, and with pride this district can say that it is and has been ably represented during this man's term of office.

In the Legislature Mr. Chitwood has been a leader in everything that was for the betterment of our state. As chairman of the Educational Committee, he has at all times stood and fought for the betterment of our rural schools, city schools, state colleges and the university. As chairman of the Prison Committee, he also did much excellent work. In fact, wherever he was placed he put his whole mind, soul and body to work judiciously in the interest of our citizenship.

The 39th Legislature was possibly one of the best the state has had in some time. Its members worked together with striking harmony, much good-will existed between these men, and they all worked hard. As a result they accomplished many commendable things.

A copy of The Carlisle Mercury, published in Carlisle, Kentucky, was handed us this week by Rev. B. B. Hestir. The Mercury was awarded the prize last year as being the best county paper in Kentucky and from all appearances it is very deserving of the honor. The paper contains six pages, eight columns wide, of good, live news and editorials of such a class as are rarely found in the country weeklies. The paper was established in 1867. The News only wishes that many such papers could be placed on its exchange list.

Thanks, Bro. Hestir.

The overcoat has been discarded, and we all are now cleaning up our electric fans and hunting out our last summer's suits.

Class of Roscoe School Visits Court

The public speaking class of the Roscoe High School and several other high school students of that place were in Sweetwater Wednesday attending the Hickox murder trial. It was the intention of the class to be present when the speeches of the attorneys were made, but being too early for that they remained to observe court procedure and other court actions that every citizen should have a knowledge of. M. L. H. Baze, superintendent of the Roscoe Schools accompanied the students.

The Roscoe boys and girls here were: Roy Clayton, Mike Risinger, Amos Morris, Clarence Snyder, Floyd Ledbetter, Roxy Hoskinson, Aileen Snyder, Aileen Ater, Beatrice Kerby, Bernice Duncan, Nellie Gordon, Alto Boykin, Ila Ray, Pauline Smith, Joe Roberts, Eugene Witherspoon, Arieta Risinger and Joe Standifer.



About This Time of the Year



New Schedule of Postage Rates Effective April 15

TO THE PUBLIC:

Please keep this for future reference:

The following changes in the postal rates will become effective April 15th, 1925.

First Class Matter

The rate of postage on private mailing cards shall be 2 cents each.

Third Class Matter

The postage on third class matter shall be 1 1-2c for each 2 oz. or fraction thereof, up to and including 8 oz. in weight, except that the rate of postage on books, catalogues, seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, scions, and plants, not exceeding 8 oz. in weight, shall be 1 cent for each 2 oz. or fraction thereof.

Fourth Class Matter.

There shall be a service charge of 2 cents on each parcel, except upon parcels collected on rural delivery routes.

Whenever in addition to the postage, there shall be affixed to any parcel of mail matter of the fourth class postage of the value of 25 cents with the words "Special Handling" written or printed upon the wrapper, such parcel shall receive the delivery accorded to mail matter of the first class.

Money Orders.

A money order shall not be issued for more than \$100 and the fees for domestic orders shall be as follows:

For orders not exceeding \$2.50, 5 cents.

For orders exceeding \$6.00 and not exceeding \$10.00, 7 cents.

For orders exceeding \$10.00 and not exceeding \$20.00, 12 cents.

For orders exceeding \$20.00 and not exceeding \$40.00, 15 cents.

For orders exceeding \$40.00 and not exceeding \$60.00, 18 cents.

For orders exceeding \$60.00 and not exceeding \$80.00, 20 cents.

For orders, exceeding \$80.00 and not exceeding \$100, 22 cents.

Registered Mail.

Fees on registered mail carrying indemnification not above \$50.00 shall be 15 cents. Above \$50.00 to \$100, 20 cents. A fee of 3 cents shall be charged for a return receipt.

Insurance and C. O. D. Services.

Fee for insurance shall be 5 cents for indemnification not to exceed \$50.00; 8 cents for indemnification not to exceed \$25; 10 cents for indemnification not to exceed \$50; 25 cents for indemnification not to exceed \$100.

Upon payment of a fee of 3 cents a receipt shall be taken, showing to whom and when the same was delivered, which receipt shall be returned to the sender.

The fee for collect on delivery service shall be 12 cents for collections not to exceed \$10; 15 cents for collections not to exceed \$50; and 25 cents for collections not to exceed \$100.

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Bright Cincinnati Star



Earl Sande of the Cincinnati Reds--champion holdout, batsman and outfielder at different periods of his most eventful and successful career.

Earl Sande in Saddle Again



Earl Sande up on I. E. Brown's middle pony, "Pony Bill," the first time in the strappings since the accident in which he was nearly killed last summer at Saratoga. Sande expects to ride some of the winners on the tracks this season.

livery of mail matter weighing more than two pounds, stamps of the value of 15 cents shall be affixed in addition to the regular postage. For mail matter weighing more than 10 pounds, stamps to the value of 20 cents shall be affixed in addition to the regular postage.

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Nolan News

Much excitement was caused in the Nolan community last week by the report that the outlaw Mexican was near Dora and headed this way. People are getting tired of suspended sentences for murder and some times wish to administer justice themselves rather than risk a court trial. There are too many pardons and suspended sentences to force respect for law and order. People become so bold as to murder our officers just because we have failed to enforce respect for the law. When people are brought to a realization that the law is to be respected, then will we have security of life and property and not before then.

The home of Mr. Jess Brown was destroyed by fire last Saturday. They lost all the household goods except some clothing. The house belonged to Mr. John Lister. It is said he will rebuild at once.

Si Dennis left Sunday for Austin. Singing Sunday eve and night was well attended. The Show at Nolan Saturday night was fairly well attended.

The Literary was not held last Friday night but will meet next Friday night. All are invited.

Mr. C. Y. Butler and family, Mr. W. O. Shirley and family, heard a fine sermon by Dr. George W. Truett in Dallas Sunday night, also a fine musical program afterward. It came by radio.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following citizens have announced their candidacy for election to the various city offices for the coming two-year term, subject to the action of the voters at the city election to be held April 7, 1925.

- For Mayor:
JAS. H. BEALL, Jr.
JNO. J. FORD
- For Water Commissioner:
L. E. MUSGROVE (re-election)
ROY BARDWELL
HORACE WADE
- For Street Commissioner:
M. C. MANROE
- For Chief of Police:
W. R. (BUCK) JOHNSON
(re-election)
- L. G. (GORDON) HEADRICK
For City Secretary:
W. H. BARTLETT (re-election)

NORFLEET HERE

J. Frank Norfleet, Hale Center who became famous as a result of a \$45,000 swindle pulled on him several years ago, was in Sweetwater Sunday night. Mr. Norfleet says many people are going out to hear the lectures he is giving over Texas.

One thing responsible for Norfleet's notoriety is due to the fact that he rounded up and captured something like forty swindlers who were fleecing many other Americans as Norfleet was fleeced.

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Miss Marie Apel, New York sculptress, putting the finishing touches on her model for the national memorial to the men of the air services of the army, navy, marine corps and coast guard killed in the war.

Sylvester Items

Chapel exercises were held Monday morning in the high school auditorium. The following short program was given by the students of the high school:

Piano Solo—Sylvina Kiser.
Reading—Alcous Terry.
Trio—Thurston Williams (cornet), Carl Douglas (saxophone) and Truman Calhoun (cornet).
Dialogues—Mojique Hart and Jack Purdy.
The Chapel program next Monday will be given entirely by the students of the grammar school.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Douglass and family attended the singing at Salt Branch near Merkel Sunday.

Misses Sylvina Kiser, Henrietta and Inez Ward spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Onetta Tooley.

Rev. E. V. Tooley was in Pleasant Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Terry, Miss Thelma Dudley and Miss Sadie Chestnut were judges in the declamation contest between the McCauley declaimers Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Webb, of the Newman community were in Sylvester Tuesday of last week.

Miss Thelma Joney gave a "forty-two" party Thursday night in honor of Miss May Hill of Junction. Those present were: Virgil Reed, Lucille Barnes, Milo Grey, Maye Hill, Morris McCarthy, Thelma Joney, Bonnon Carroll and Mabel Hill.

Mrs. W. A. Laverick, of Newman spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kiser were in Sweetwater Thursday.

Band practice was held in the grammar school building Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tarleton and family visited friends and relatives in Merkel Sunday.

Excellent preaching services were reported at the church of Christ both Sunday morning and night. Rev. T. F. Stocker preached.

Floris Seaton, Curtis McCain, Gordon Webb, Gus Kiser and Virgil Reed attended the singing at Mr. Webb's of the Golias community Sunday night.

Misses Roberta Scott and Kate Hauldie, and Gordon Webb took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caskey Sunday.

Arthur Melchery, Clarence Parsons and Harold Williams who are all attending the Sumner College at Abilene, spent the week-end in Sylvester with their parents.

M. E. Ward, M. D. Douglass, Misses Lucille and Mary Lou Barnes took Miss Bird to her home at Abilene Sunday. Miss Bird had been nursing Mrs. Mat Harris.

Miss Onetta Tooley and Miss Laverne Hill were chosen by three members of the McCauley school faculty to represent Sylvester in the Senior and Junior (respectively) declamation contest at Roby.

CARNIVAL AT COLORADO

The Donald McGregor Shows, which played in Sweetwater all last week, is playing in the city of Colorado this week.

Nelius Tedford, who has been teaching school at Cisco, visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill Wednesday night while on his way to Canyon to enroll for the spring term in the West Texas State Teachers College.

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To Hold Exams, Friday and Saturday

State Teachers Examinations for all grades of certificates will be given at the office of the County Superintendent on Friday and Saturday of this week. The examinations are anyone desiring to take them, however, registration was required on or before March 20.

A total of fifteen young women have registered to take the examinations. This is the largest number that has taken teachers examinations in this county in some time. A fee of \$4.00 is collected from those taking the examinations.

Of those who have registered, 6 are from Sweetwater, 4 from Maryneal, 2 from Buscon, and 1 each from Trent, Sylvester and Hylton.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY VISIT

The Daughters of Confederacy met at the home of Mrs. Walter Booth Wednesday afternoon. The daughters went from Mrs. Booth's home to Mrs. Fitzgerald's and before going in, little black masks were put on, as it was April Fool Day. Mrs. Daniels played the fiddle and the Virginia Bell was danced by Mesdames Vinson, J. Edwin, B. Hendrick, Alben, M. A. Bolcher, Walter Booth and Miss Minnie Fowler.

Before removing the masks they made Mrs. Fitzgerald guess who they were. The ladies spent awhile chatting with Mrs. Fitzgerald.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Timmons and family of Roby spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caskey.

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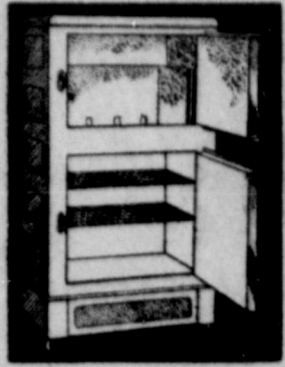


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5. Hold a handkerchief before your mouth and nose when you have to cough or sneeze and insist that others do so.
6. Always wash your hands before eating.
8. Eat freely of fruit and of leafy and course vegetables.
9. Eat slowly; chew thoroughly.
10. Drink 6 to 8 glasses of water daily.
11. Evacuate thoroughly, regularly.
12. Keep the teeth and gums clean.
14. Work, play, rest and sleep in moderation.
15. Keep serene. Worry is the foe of health. Cultivate the companionship of your fellow man.
16. Avoid self drugging. Beware of the patent medicine faker.
17. Have your doctor examine you carefully once a year. Also consult your dentist once or twice a year.

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Maryneal Notes

A light shower of rain fell here on Monday, which helped to settle the dust for awhile.

A. L. Collins and dwife took charge of the Orient Hotel Monday.

Lem Herrin made a business trip to Dallas Tuesday.

W. C. Collins and family have moved to their home on Locust St.

Mrs. Ramzel and Mrs. Cochran of Decker passed through here Saturday on their way to Roscoe.

Henry Gollard of the Jones ranch is very ill with pneumonia.

W. C. Collins, who has been very sick for the past week, is improving.

Lem Herrin has purchased both stage lines running from Sweetwater to San Angelo, and has taken charge of same. They now pass thru Maryneal, giving our people a chance to spend the day in Sweetwater or San Angelo returning home at night of the same day.

Dr. Young of Roscoe was called to see the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Alexander of the Summers community Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Garrett moved back to their ranch south of town, this week.

There was singing at Mack Harris' home Sunday night. A large crowd was present, and had some good singing.

R. N. Wilkins and son, Melvin, are putting in a cold drink stand, they are located in the building west of the Post Office.

Zola Burns will go to Sweetwater Friday and Saturday to take the teachers' examination.

There has been some improvement made on our streets lately.

Bascom Hartgraves of Sweetwater spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks.

Mrs. H. B. Adams and children were shopping in Sweetwater Saturday afternoon.

J. W. Blakemore and son of the Barnett community were in town Saturday.

W. M. Barbee, chief of Police of San Angelo stopped over in Maryneal Thursday evening.

Mrs. E. A. Miles is in Sweetwater at the bedside of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Harrison who is very sick.

Some of the ladies of the Summers community were in town last week, collecting funds for which to apply on a new piano which they have recently purchased for their church and school. They will appreciate any donation anyone is able to make to them.

Veoma Thomas spent Sunday with Josie Fay Morton.

T. P. Copeland and Mr. Johnson, contractors from Sweetwater passed through here Sunday enroute to Blackwell where they are doing some concrete work.

PROMINENT SYLVESTER LADY DIED LAST SUNDAY

Mrs. Willie Florence Harris, wife of M. J. Harris, prominent farmer of Sylvester, died at her home Sunday morning after an illness of only a few days.

Funeral services were held by Rev. H. W. Hanks of Lorraine, assisted by Rev. R. V. Tooley of Sylvester. The church was filled with neighbors and friends. The school children all passed to the church. There were many floral offerings.

Mrs. Harris was born in Dallas county, October 25, 1866. She was a faithful member of the Methodist church, and an earnest worker in the Missionary Society of the church she loved. She is survived by her husband, M. J. Harris, four children, several grandchildren and four brothers.

Her tired body was laid to rest in the Roby Cemetery.

BIBLE CLASS STUDY THE FLOOD.

Thirteen members of the Ladies Bible Class of the Church of Christ met Monday afternoon at the church. Mrs. H. P. Harkins directed the study from the 6th chapter of Genesis on "The Flood," and an interesting discussion was made by the leader.

Cobb Wallace, wife and daughter spent Saturday and Sunday in Abilene and Albany.

PLANTING THE TULIP BULBS

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

THE bulbs came late last fall. I had ordered them for the first week in October with the hope of getting them in early, but there was delay in shipping them from Holland, the florist said, or congestion of freight at a shipping port, or something that the railroad was responsible for. At any rate they did not come.

October passed, and no bulbs came; November was almost at an end, and I had given up all hope of the tulips. Winter was coming on, the ground would soon be frozen, and if they did not come immediately it would be useless for them to come at all, for they could not be planted.

Then one night, as I was coming from the office after dark, I stumbled up the porch steps and ran into a large box standing in front of the door. My bulbs had come. It was too late to begin work that night. I looked up the address of my boy who was to help with the work, but he had no telephone. I should have to wait until tomorrow to summon him.

I awakened early the next morning with an undefined feeling that there was something I ought to do immediately. The rising sun was shining in at my window, but there was a feeling in the air that suggested the oncoming winter. Then I remembered the tulips. Should I get up and plant them myself, or should I trust to luck and the uncertain boy? The bed felt mighty comfortable, and I have little enough time to sleep in the morning.

I remembered the legend that if you really want a thing done, the best way is to do it yourself, and I rolled out and got into my garden trousers.

The ground was still in good condition, late as it was, and by working hard I got them half in by breakfast time, and I came home early from the office in the evening and finished the job. That night the weather man got busy, the thermometer fell almost to zero, and the ground froze so that there was no more planting until spring. I had finished in the nick of time.

I have often remarked that in gardening as in other things there is a definite time when a thing should be done, and if it is not done then there is likely to be regret or failure. No matter at what sacrifice or discomfort, it pays to do a thing at the right time. Sometimes, of course, one time may be as good as another, but usually there comes an hour when a task should be accomplished or it is never done so opportunely again.

Outside today the birds are singing the grass is turning green, and after a long, hard winter, there is a breath of spring in the air. New life and new opportunities are springing up within us. It is the time of the resurrection, when new hope is born and a new vision comes to us.

Through my open window I can see the crocuses in bloom, the lilac buds are swelling and showing a touch of tender green, and everywhere the tulips are sticking up their heads. Clumps of them are appearing in the shrubbery, and the long rows are showing in the buds. I know it will be only a matter of a few sunny days and a few gentle showers until the garden will be a riot of color—of red and orange and violet and rose, and I shall be more than compensated for my early rising and my hours of unpleasant labor in November.

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Fascinating Style Theme Is the Modern Sweater



Thanks to the knitted outerwear fashions, we are getting entirely away from the idea that just because a sweater is useful it must be dull, prosaic and ordinary. In its lovely colorings and intriguing design the modern sweater is achieving the poetry of things stylish rather than the prose.

The flattering sweater model in the picture is the sort of happy-looking affair we are reveling in these days. Irresistible charm is expressed in its every detail. The slashed collar and lower edge gives a fanciful touch and the lacing at the front opening is especially featured this season.

By the way, here's something more than interesting about knitted fashions—they are wearing stockings to match sweaters.



Father Sage Says:
My idea of the three hardest jobs in the world is: Acting as sparring partner for Jack Dempsey, figuring up John D.'s income tax, or being secretary to a lady congressman.

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Miss Irene Laurent, fifteen-year-old daughter of a Paris chemist, who has discovered a substitute for explosive oils. . . discovery considered of great economic importance for France in decreasing her dependency on outside sources for explosive oils.

COMMUNITIES ENJOY APRIL FOOL DAY.

School children and residents in general of the communities of Mulberry Canyon, Fairview and Champion celebrated April Fool's Day with picnics. A pretty good way to prevent the children from playing "hooky."

The Plum Creek community and people from a number of adjoining communities took the day off Thursday and spent the time in a rabbit drive east of town.

TEARING DOWN CHURCH

Workmen began the first of this week tearing down the old Methodist church in preparation of beginning the construction of a new one, at present however, due to the lack of sufficient funds, they will only build the basement, and later as more funds are available the church will be finished. And we are informed that when the edifice is entirely finished it will be one of the best in this part of the country.—Roby Star-Record.

How Big Is Our Little Old Texas?

None of us really have a proper conception of the magnitude of this great State. We know that it has 265,000 square miles of territory, but that sounds vague. Texas is a world within itself. If it were a great door shutter and could be hinged on Louisiana and turned over, it would cover all the Gulf States, a part of Tennessee, part of Kentucky, all of North Carolina and have a large slice left to dip into the Atlantic Ocean. Its diameter from north to south is as great as the distance from Chicago to New Orleans, and its diameter from east to west is as great as the distance from Shreveport to Charleston. If we should take the people in the United States and place them in Texas. There would be less population to the square mile than there is in Great Britain. If you take the population of the United States and Canada and place it in Texas, there will be fewer people to the square mile than there are in France. If you should take the population of Central America, Mexico, the United States and Canada and bring it to Texas, there would be fewer people to the square mile than there are in Belgium. And if you should take the population of all North America, South America and Central America and put it in Texas, the population would still be less to the square mile than that of Holland and we would have enough wheat land and enough cotton left to feed and clothe the world.—Hamlin Herald.

RABBIT DRIVE AT CLAYTONVILLE WAS SUCCESS

The rabbit drive which was held at Claytonville Wednesday, was pronounced by all present to be a huge success. Over 1000 of the long eared specimens were killed.

A big barbecue was enjoyed by all the hunters and it is reported that over 200 men were present.

A similar drive will be held at the same place in the near future and everyone is earnestly invited to be present.—Roby Star-Record.

The Sorosis Club will meet Friday at three o'clock with Mrs. A. S. Kendrick. The subject "Walter Whitman" will be led by Mrs. A. H. Fortner.

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WORK STARTED ON NEW BRICK AT LORAINE

Work started Monday on the new 25x60 foot two story brick building located on the lot east of the Concrete Filling Station, and being erected by Mr. A. Phillips, with Grady Furlow as contractor.

Work is progressing rapidly and it is estimated that the structure should be completed within thirty to forty days if material arrives on time.

The upper story of the building will be cut into seven office rooms, most of which have already been rented. The lower story will be used for a store building of some kind but has not been rented as yet.—Lorraine Leader.

SINGING AT BLACKLAND SCHOOL HOUSE

Messrs W. G. Jowell and O. D. Peden of Roscoe with some of their co-workers drove to Blackland school house last Sunday afternoon and a good singing was had. The house was well filled and everyone seemed to enjoy the singing. Another class was organized with the following officers: Mrs. Mark Dawson, president; Mr. Chester Holt, vice-president; Mrs. Chester Holt, secretary; and Mr. R. M. Daily, chaplain.

These gentlemen are working under the direction of the County Singing Convention and their services are without cost to the community served. They will be glad to go anywhere in the county and help organize a singing class. We want to insist that you call on them and begin now to make ready for the County Singing Convention. They will be at Plumb Creek on the afternoon of Sunday, April 12th, and after that you can get them by the asking them to come.

Since the first Sunday is Roscoe's regular singing day we take this method to invite all singers in the county to be present at two-thirty in the high school auditorium. We know you will enjoy it.

Reporter for the singing at Blackland.

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Photograph of a little Blackfoot Indian born with six toes on each foot and five fingers on each hand. This is the first Indian boy in the present generation to be so liberally endowed. His ancestors were from the Glacier National park reservation region.

REALLY, ISN'T IT FUNNY?

Isn't it funny?
That a man who thinks he is a business man,
Will get up in the morning,
From an advertised mattress,
Shave with an advertised razor,
Put on advertised underwear,
Advertised hose, shirt, collar, tie and shoes.
Seat himself at the table and Eat advertised breakfast food,
Drink advertised coffee or substitutes,
Put on an advertised hat,
Go his place of business and turn down advertising on the ground that advertising doesn't pay.
There's evidently something wrong with his upstairs.—Ex.

Knitted Frocks Define Latest Style Details



Buy a knitted frock? Of course, it is the practical thing to do. As to style, there is no lack of it in a two-piece frock such as is pictured.
The ultra-smartness of this knitted model is declared in the graceful runic, the long, close-fitting sleeves, border contrasted in color and buttons for the fastening.
Then, too, knitted outerwear offers such a wide range of delightful colorings. Bright red is given its full amount of attention in sweaters and frocks, in accordance with fashion's pronounced trend. Other featured colors and combinations include copper shades, pompadour blue, Spanish yellow, purple and fuchsia shades and climaxing all are the lovely white knitted suits with multicolored borders.

***** Your Conversation *****
"SPIC AND SPAN"
Housewives like to be told that their kitchens are "spic and span." Spic is a corruption of spike or nail, and span means a chip. The ships in which every bit of wood and every nail were new were originally described as spic and span. Doctor Johnson, of dictionary fame, says, however, that span is a reference to the spanners or stretchers on which cloth was placed during the final processes of weaving.

ROSCOE WINS

The Roscoe High School baseball team, with Marvin Leech and Bob Potter pitching, defeated the Prairieview team here last Saturday afternoon by the score of 9 to 4. The game was loosely played from start to finish.

Nothing exciting happened except two or three home runs.—Roscoe Times.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Marriage Licenses have been issued during the past week by County Clerk, Gus Farrar to:

Hardy Taylor, city, and Miss Anne Laura Rogers, city, March 28.
Carl Bumier, Sweetwater to Miss Alice Justice, Sweetwater, April 1.



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TEXAS IS ILLITERATE

A county grand jury in Kentucky has returned 84 indictments against parents for failure to send their children to school. If Nolan County and the remainder of Texas would do a little more towards the enforcement of its school attendance laws there would be fewer illiterates and more residents better fitted for citizenship in our state.

United States census figures of 1920 show the state of which we citizens boast so much, Texas, has 295,844 children and grown people over the age of 10 years who are absolutely illiterate. In other words, 17 per cent of us cannot read or write, which is 7 per cent below the average for the United States. Even Hawaii has a population that is only 6 per cent illiterate. Our Lone Star State stands 42nd among the states of the union from this standpoint, or only sixth from the bottom. We get much pleasure out of poking fun at Arkansas, but census figures shows that that state stands not quite 1 per cent below us.

People, how long are we going to permit ourselves and our state to be classed at the bottom in number of illiterates? Isn't it high time we are beginning to send our children to school?

MANY ROSCOE MEN HERE THIS WEEK

Many Roscoe men have been in Sweetwater this week attending the Hickox trial and attending to various business matters. Several of them are serving on the jury. Some of those here were: J. B. Dunn, Jim Pratt, J. F. Hemphill, Walter Potter, P. E. Harkins, E. A. Ater, R. H. Whorton, W. E. Woodard, W. H. Worthy, Benie Williford, Went Witherspoon, Roy Prim, J. H. Hastings, Ben Mueller, Bryan Haney, J. T. Wilks, C. S. Pitts, J. L. Powell, Max Hantche and J. E. Clayton.

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WHEN YOU AND I WERE YOUNG.
IN THE GARDEN.
CARRY ME BACK TO OLD VIRGINIA.
IN THE BAGGAGE COACH AHEAD.
WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS.
RED WING.
PRISONERS SONG.
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Pioneer Resident Of Trent Passes Away

Mrs. W. W. Johnson died at Trent Friday afternoon of last week, following a month of serious illness. Mrs. Johnson was a long time resident of this section, having come to Trent many years ago.

At the time of her death, Mrs. Johnson was 75 years of age, and a long time member of the Methodist church. She was survived by seven children, five girls and two boys, all of whom were at the bedside.

The funeral services were held at the Methodist church Saturday afternoon, and her body was buried in the Trent Cemetery following the services.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Watson and family attended the services from here.

TEACHERS ASSOCIATION ENROLLMENT GROWS

A gain of more than 2,000 over the total enrollment on this day a year ago has been made to March 31, 1925 by the Texas State Teachers Association. The 1925 enrollment is expected to be more than 25,000, the largest in the history of the Association. President Lee Clark of Gainessville and Secretary R. T. Ellis of Fort Worth are directing the general campaign, and in the 18 congressional districts campaigns are going on under the direct supervision of the executive committees.

Stressing the need for better teachers as the primary solution to the problem of giving every Texas child an equal educational opportunity, leaders are calling on all teachers to support their professional organization. The Texas State Teachers Association has as its primary object the raising of teachers' standards.

TAXES

Speaking before the Kiwanis Club of Sedalia, Jesse W. Barrett, attorney general of Missouri, said that when taxing authorities "soaked" the public utilities with heavy taxes, they were merely "soaking" the public which used the utilities; that higher taxes inevitably meant higher rates for service rendered by the utility companies, and that the general public in the end paid all taxes thru the rates they pay for service. Mr. Barrett said, in part:

"The dog chasing his tail, the ostrich hiding its head in the sand, are no more foolish than we are about taxes. We put extra tax burdens upon public utilities and think our own pockets saved that much of the expense of government.

"Then we must fix utility rates high enough to yield them a fixed percentage over and above those taxes and we pay the taxes we fix, which always must include the taxes we impose upon the utilities. We lose in addition, the extra cost of handling the circle of payment and collections. In the case of the railroads the farmer loses still more. High freight rates are to him almost a double burden, for they are added to everything he buys and subtracted from everything he sells. He pays taxes by way of paying freight charges, but too often, he pays twice his share. High taxes are one of the main causes for the prevailing high freight rates, and lower railroad rates are absolutely a prerequisite to better farm conditions.

"All taxes, by the inevitable proc-

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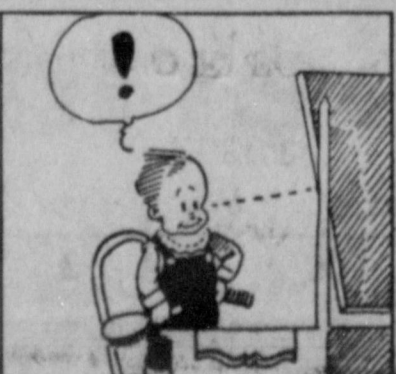
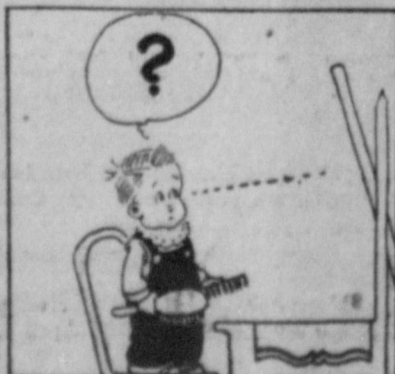
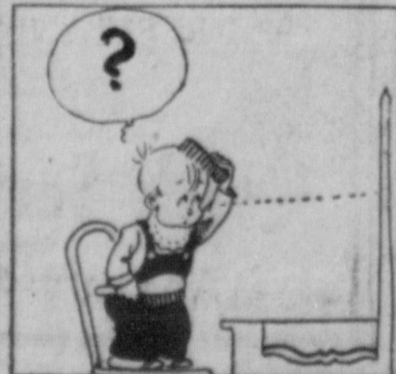
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