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The Dependon Store

SPRINGTIME--WHERE ART THOU?

Just a few more days and you will be face to face with Spring and The New Things for Spring. Our buyer is now in the great Eastern markets and he assured us of the fact that he would take more time than ever before in selecting our big Spring and Summer stock. What you want is what we want—The New Thing—and that is what we will have, everything that is new. All the New Things in White Goods will be shown here. Also Silks and Dress Goods, Trimmings, and Novelties of all kinds—New Things that will require no Special advertising. The New Things will sell themselves.

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The City Council, while in session last week, purchased of the Texas Machinery & Supply Co., of Dallas, a thirty-two horse power engine and a three and one-half centrifugal pump to be installed and used at the pump station. The new machinery will pump three hundred and forty gallons of water per minute from the creek into the stand pipe and the new engine will save over \$800.00 a year in fuel. The extra large pump will do the work of the old one in about one-half the time and will thereby lessen the time required of the man at the station and cut down the expenses of operating the plant.

We expected to have more to say of the good things the Council has done for Graham during the past year, but our space will not admit of it this week and we are compelled to quit at this for the present.

Mrs. Bettie Medlan Hurt

Mrs. Bettie Medlan, while returning home from a visit to Graham last Tuesday evening was seriously hurt when the horse she was driving took fright at something and ran away, turning the buggy over and throwing her on the ground. She was severely bruised about the head and the bone near the shoulder in one arm was fractured. George Lemley, who lives near the Medlan place, found Mrs. Medlan and carried her home, where she was given medical attention, and she is now resting well.

A. C. Casey Hurt

County Commissioner Allen Casey, of Precinct No. 4, was painfully hurt while out with the members of the court last Saturday, when the engine of the automobile in which he was riding went dead and the car ran backwards down a hill and turned over throwing him against a post and barbed wire fence. The two middle fingers of his left hand were dislocated and the flesh on the inside of the hand was badly torn and bruised. Mr. Casey was given medical attention at once and he was soon able to continue the tour of inspection, and in the evening went to Olney where he joined his wife and they went home together. The accident occurred on the Woolfolk hill in the western part of the county.

Young County's History

In this issue of The Leader is the introductory chapter of the history of Young County, which will be run as a serial, one chapter each week. Every one should know the history of their home county and to become thoroughly familiar with it every chapter should be read carefully, commencing with the introduction. If you are not a regular subscriber of The Leader you should subscribe and get each chapter of the history. It alone is worth far more than the subscription price of the paper.

Stump Puller Breaks Leg

Horace Ribble, living near Finis got his right leg broken just above the knee while pulling stumps last Thursday evening. The lever of the stump puller broke and flew back, striking the limb and breaking it. A small boy was with him when the accident happened and he was sent for aid but it was several hours before any one arrived. Mr. Ribble was carried home and the family physician was called who set the bone.

WORK RESUMED AT OIL WELL

W. H. Palmer, who has charge of the drilling of the oil well on the Jackson place, east of Graham, advises us that the necessary tools, for recovering the drill which was lost in the well on Friday last, when the drilling cable broke, arrived on Monday night, and that he has already fished the tools from the hole, and drilling is now under way.

The finding of gas in the 2424 foot strata is most encouraging and while the oil man will not hazard a guess as to what is ahead of the drill, he will admit that there is always a chance for a good strike while the drill is running.

Some of the best producing oil and gas wells that the world has ever known have been struck very unexpectedly, and in places where a deep test was made under circumstances that did not seem to warrant the expense.

The usual depth of the wells in the Miller Oil Field, twenty-three miles north of Graham is 2000 feet. The well at Jennyn was abandoned at 1640 feet. There were two wells drilled in the northern part of Jack county by the Producer's Oil Company and the depth of each of them is about 2000 feet. There were five wells drilled near the north of Ioni Creek in Palo Pinto county to depth ranging from 1200 feet to 2100 feet. Messrs. Miller and Puffenburg have drilled two wells in Stephens county to approximately 2000 feet each, before quitting them. The well near the Carmack Gas

well near Murray is reported to be about 2150 feet deep. The Producer's Oil Company drilled a well on the land of Judge R. F. Arnold, about 12 miles west of Graham, to a depth of 2171 feet.

The above is a brief resume of the wells that have been drilled in different directions, within a radius of thirty-five miles of Graham.

The present depth of the well on the Jackson place, three miles east of Graham, is about 2480 feet, and it will be drilled deeper.

The people of Graham are never satisfied with a "half way test" and in their usual broad gauge way are subscribing to the stock in the Graham Deep Well Company in order that funds may be supplied to make a thorough test.

Our citizens realize that a proven oil or gas well right at our doors would be of incalculable value to the town of Graham and are firm in their conviction that it is here and needs only to be developed.

If any proof of the patriotism and the liberality of the citizens of Graham were needed it is verified by the fact that while the prospect wells for oil and gas that have been drilled in neighboring territory, have been financed by outsiders who took "cold feet" when 2000 feet or thereabouts was reached without finding production, the people of Graham persisted and at a depth of over 2400 feet found some gas and still have the nerve to put up their money to have the well made a real test.

Optimism pervades the situation.

Mrs. C. C. Mayes Dead

On last Friday the entire community was saddened by the passing away of Mrs. C. C. Mayes, who lived about two miles northwest of the city.

She had been in a critical condition for some weeks but had so far improved as to be able to be up for a few days, so, very few were prepared for the news of her death. She is survived by her husband and eight children, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, several brothers and sisters and other relatives. She was a niece of Jno. E. Morrison. She was married about twenty-two years ago to C. C. Mayes and has lived in or near Graham, having attended school here before that time.

Her remains were laid to rest at Oak Grove cemetery just before sundown Friday in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The service was conducted by Rev. Hall, the larger part being held at the family residence. He spoke of her having united with the Presbyterian church at the age of 18, and having lived a consistent loyal member, expressing herself as ready to go if it were the Lord's will. He spoke of her devotion to her home and family and her faithfulness in attendance upon church duties under great difficulties. Her forty-two years were full of thought for others and forgetfulness of self.

Death is sad at any time, but it is unspeakably so when the mother is taken and the chair is vacant that can never be filled for the little ones left behind. The pall bearers were Messrs. Nat Price, J. B. Norris, C. P. Hutchison, Bruce Street, J. T. Bickman and Sellers Farmer.

The Leader joins the many friends of Mr. Mayes and family in sincere sympathy in this their great sorrow.

Mrs. J. C. Loving, of Jackboro, left yesterday for Mineral Wells for her health after spending a few days here with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graham.

THROCKMORTON AUTO

MOTOR TRUCK LINE MAY BE BUILT FROM THROCKMORTON TO GRAHAM IN THE NEAR FUTURE

The Commercial Club Throckmorton is considering establishing of a motor truck and automobile line from this city to Graham, cars to leave here at 6 M. and arrive at Throckmorton at 11 A. M. and returning leave at 1 P. M. and arrive at 6 P. M. The Auto truck to be used in the line will have a capacity of ten tons each and besides carrying the mail and passenger, will also carry freight to and from Throckmorton. For this line a special road bed must be built and the Commercial Club of Graham is asked to pay a part of the cost of its construction. This matter will be considered at the next regular meeting of our club, and will, no doubt, interest the members sufficiently to put up the required money. A line of this kind would mean a great deal to Graham, it gives us direct connection with the western part of the country, the country between here and Throckmorton, enabling our agents to deliver passenger orders to their customers in section, the day the order received, and it would through our town many who would go by Alton, Armour or Haskell to reach Throckmorton.

Samuel Kaye, of Jackboro, came over last Thursday and spent Friday visiting relatives here. He was en route to sing at the grand party of his cousin Alkin, but the musical was postponed until Monday.

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Too Many Large Farms.

The are too many large farms in Texas and the average Texas farmer is trying to do too much," said Judge S. A. Lindsey, of Tyler, who, as chairman of the Texas Farm Life Commission, is directing the work of that body.

The Commission will begin an investigation into the causes that maintain this undesirable condition at an early date and Young county will come within the scope of the inquiry as the Federal census reports show 144 farms in this county that contain more than 500 acres.

The average size of a farm in Young county is 253.4 acres, which is 12.6 acres under the State's average. We have a total of 1796 farms in this county while the total number for the State is 117,770.

The average size of a Texas farm is 268 acres while those of Ohio and Indiana contain 71 and 78 acres, respectively, according to Federal census figures recently compiled. There are 23,956 farms and ranches in this State that contain more than 500 acres and Texas ranks first with other States in the Union in this respect. A large number of these tracts are said to be held for speculative purposes and only a small portion are being used. The classification by size is shown in the following table for Young county:

Under 3 acres	2
3 to 9 acres	5
10 to 19 acres	15
20 to 49 acres	158
50 to 69 acres	387
70 to 174 acres	548
175 to 259 acres	244
260 to 499 acres	296
500 to 999 acres	91
1000 acres and over	53
Total	1796

Groveton—The Trinity County Progressive League has been organized here and G. H. Motley, of the Groveton Times, is acting as secretary.

Meridian—An advertising campaign has been started by the Meridian Commercial Club. An effort will be made to secure a creamery and first-class hotel.

For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's Liniment excellent. It allays the pain, removes the soreness, and soon restores the parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Sloan Drug Co. (Advertisement)

San Angelo—Thos. E. Owen has been elected secretary of the Commercial Club. The Club is pressing the campaign for good roads throughout this section of the state.

Mexia—The Commercial Club of this city has been re-organized with W. G. Hansen, formerly of the Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association, as secretary.

Paris—In line with the civic development campaign being waged by the Board of Trade and city officials, ornamental shade trees have been planted along the T. & P. tracks to Evergreen Cemetery.

A scald, burn or severe cut heals slowly if neglected. The family that keeps a bottle of BALDWIN'S SNOW LINIMENT on hand is always prepared for such accidents. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists. (Advertisement)

Over-Production a Curse.

Clarence Ousley, editor of the Fort Worth Record, who is perhaps the best informed man in the South on agricultural conditions, appeared before the House Judiciary Committee and urged the passage of the Calvin joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing tax levies for county warehouses for the storage of cotton and other agricultural products.

Discussing the work of our agricultural departments Mr. Ousley said: "The State is spending \$50,000 per year on agricultural experiment stations, etc., to increase the farmers' production, yet the more the farmer produces, the less he gets. If it were statesmanship to educate the farmers to increase production it is now much more the part of statesmanship to provide for a proper system of marketing his products that the hands of the producer may get adequate remuneration."

Mr. Ousley has very aptly stated the situation. The greatest curse in agriculture today is over-production and until we get a business method of marketing cotton, the boll weevil is as good a friend to the cotton farmer as the man who teaches him to increase production without providing a market.

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Representative is Married.

R. B. Humphrey, representative from Throckmorton to the Texas Legislature, and author of the bill for constitutional amendment was in Dallas yesterday, but refused to talk politics. When asked the reason why, he confessed to a very good reason. He came here to be married, and was. Miss Aileen Rogers, of Throckmorton, was the bride, and the ceremony took place in the study of Dr. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist Church about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A few close friends of the bride and bridegroom were present, including Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University.

Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey will leave tonight for Austin, and after the close of the legislative session will make their home in Throckmorton.—Dallas News.

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Goldthwaite—Edward Geeslin has been elected secretary of the Commercial Club, succeeding R. E. Clements.

Atlanta—H. A. O'Neill, who owns property here said to contain 60,000,000 tons of iron ore, has stated that he would build a \$200,000 ore washing and concentrating mill in this city.

Fort Worth—The first edition of the Chamber of Commerce monthly bulletin has just been issued. It shows something of the growth of Fort Worth and is a booster from cover to cover.

Vernon—The Young Men's Business League of Vernon, has taken up the proposition of securing a cotton factory for this town, as well as a county fair. Both subjects were discussed at a meeting of the League and much enthusiasm was manifested in each of the propositions, and it was agreed to make a strong effort to secure both for this town.

Notes by Missionary.

Last week was a good week for Missionary Joe R. Mayes. A splendid sale of books at Graham on Big Monday, especially a good business done on Bibles and Testaments.

Tuesday afternoon went to Loring; Wednesday went to Farmer and had a nice service. The church called Bro. O. E. Dickson as pastor. Things are getting on fine in the north part of the county.

I came back to Pleasant View Wednesday night and preached to a good and attentive congregation. Had a good sale of books all around. Friday evening I went out to Mt. Home and preached. Saturday was a good busy day; went to Gooseneck in the morning and had a good service with Pastor Suttle. In the afternoon went to Mt. Home and after preaching a presbytery composed of Pastor F. E. Suttle, Deacons R. M. Williams, S. M. James and J. M. Hand and the missionary, was organized and Bros. R. D. Owens and A. Grimshaw were ordained as deacons of the Mt. Home church. This is a noble band of God's children who are doing good work under the leadership of their efficient pastor, Bro. Suttle. Saturday night was a good time at Gooseneck again with a crowded house and all very attentive. Bro. Suttle has a desirable pastorate in these good folk.

Sunday was a good day; the eleven o'clock hour being spent at Henry Chapel; 3:30 at Connor Creek and at night at Salem. These folks are very appreciative and a finer people is not to be found. An appointment will be kept up in these places. Sunday at 11 a. m., at Connor Creek; 4 p. m., at Henry Chapel and at night at Salem. All are invited to attend these services and help us in the good work. Joe R. Mayes, Missionary.

Can You Solve It?

A man pays \$1.00 for an article and it cost him 20 per cent of his total sales for expenses. At what price must he sell the article in order to gain 10 per cent on his investment? The answer is not \$1.30. If you can't work it, write the Bowie Commercial College for solution. It will be sent free.

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Caldwell—The business men of this city, at a recent meeting, organized a Commercial Club with a membership of thirty. Officers elected as follows: Harry Hudson, president; F. H. Hitchcock, secretary-treasurer.

We Need More Home Owners.

The need of home owners in this county is vividly presented in the Federal Census reports of Young County recently given out from Washington and there is an element of alarm in the percentage of gain of the tenant farmer over the farm owner. Many of our most substantial farmers desert our farms annually for the advantages and comforts of the city and the opportunities of the city lure many of our brightest young men from the farm. Their places are filled by the tenant farmer and the hired hand but another half century of rural transition and our farm population in this county will be a land of peasants.

In Young county the Federal Census reports for 1910 show a total of 1796 farms. Of this number 993 farms were operated by owners, 802 by tenants and 1 by a manager. The form of tenancy was divided into four classes, 710 farms were worked on shares, 10 on a cash basis, 40 on cash and share basis and 32 no basis specified. The census for 1900 shows 899 farms and 540 were operated by owners and 359 by tenants and managers.

Taking the entire state there are 195,863 farms operated by owners, 219,575 operated by tenants and 2,332 by managers. The tenant farmer has increased at the rate of over 5000 per year and the farm owner less than 3000 per annum.

The study of this subject has aroused many thoughtful citizens who have the interest of Texas at heart and the Texas Farm Life Commission was organized to suggest a solution for the problem as it relates to the state as a whole, but the difficulties of Young county are peculiarly our own and the progressive citizens of this county should organize and give them in so far as local action can meet the situation.

There are many difficulties that stand in the way of the tenant farmer becoming a land owner which require cooperative action to surmount. The rate of interest is too high; the method of marketing too uncertain and our economic system has many other defects which must be corrected. Likewise if we are to hold our successful farmers on the farm we must make country life as satisfactory as city life and the business of farming must be made more remunerative.

The greatest thing a human can do is to build a home and those who own homes should assist in making it easy for others to secure them.

Kaufman—P. H. Dismukes has been re-elected as secretary of the Commercial Club here. The report of the finance committee at a recent meeting shows that \$136.50 per month has been subscribed to support the Club.

Edinburg—The Commercial Club has decided to purchase sugar beet seed for distribution to the farmers in this section in an endeavor to ascertain the possibilities of the community as a sugar beet country.

Surprise Your Friends For our weeks regularly use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They stimulate the liver, improve digestion, remove blood impurities, pimples and eruptions disappear from your face and body and you feel better. Begin at once. But at all druggists. (Advertisement)

The Katy Consolidation bill was vetoed by Governor Colquitt early in the week. An effort will be made to pass the measure of the Governor's veto.

If a bill introduced in the House of Representatives by Rowell, becomes a law, hanging will be done away with in the State and electric chair substituted as a means of ending the lives of the condemned criminals.

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Crockett—The roads of Houston County are being worked with the "three way drag" and it is understood that more of these up-to-date drags will be purchased at an early date. The roads will be worked after each rain.

The Senate confirmed the election of Hon. V. A. Collins as Senator from the Fourteenth District. This seat was contested by Hon. J. T. Adams who claimed that according to returns he was entitled to the seat. The case was carried to the Supreme court which decided in favor of Senator Collins.

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Our Religious Column

Sunday Services.

Sunday, February 9, 1913, goes into history as an ideally beautiful Sabbath. Attendance at services was better except from those afflicted with, exposed to, or afraid of taking measles. Of course, this affected Sunday School more than church service.

The Baptists had 170 at Sunday School, 56 Bibles and \$25.54 offering. The morning lesson was from the third chapter of Galatians, and the text was "I will bless thee and make thy name great and be thou a blessing." The theme was closely connected with the Sunday school lesson on the call of Abram, but emphasized more particularly the obligation put upon Abram after he received the blessing of God. If he himself was blessed then he in turn must be a blessing to others. The text for the evening service was Hebrews 7:25, "Wherefore also he is able to save to the uttermost them that draw near unto God through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." This is one of the broadest invitations of the Scriptures, offering salvation to all on only one condition, that they come to God through Christ. The phrase, "to the uttermost" may be interpreted in two ways; Christ is able to save even those who have gone to the lowest depths of sin and He is able to keep those who are saved until the end.

Chas. Andre and Miss Bernice Miller were received for baptism at the morning service. The Christian church Bible school had 126 in attendance with an offering of \$2.97. Rev. Stallings was out of town and no services were held at that church on that day.

The Presbyterians had 104 present with 75 Bibles and \$5.26 offering. Rev. Hall's morning subject was "The Great Teacher," from John 8:2, "He sat down and taught them." There are still three million white children in the south who do not attend Sunday School. He showed how Jesus taught care for the physical body as the temple of the Holy Ghost, of the mind, the helm that guides the body, and of spiritual development. The parable of the talents is mental development. We lose opportunities for winning souls to Christ. We are told to get wisdom which is spiritual development as well as mental enjoyment. Education is not so much a matter of memory as of development, a drawing art. We are responsible for the spiritual, or lack of it, that a child receives. Jesus taught us also to be social. The evening discourse was a discussion and application of the "Parable of the Prodigal Son," Luke 15: 2-24, and was one of the finest the pastor has preached. He showed how this parable is a gospel within a gospel. The parable of lost sheep and coin show God's side in seeking the lost, but this one represents man's side, man seeking God. It is the history of man, in sin, repentance, redemption, and glory. The steps in wandering were an unfilial spirit, or rebellious heart, a discontented spirit wanting to see the unseen and try the untried, a reckless, wasteful spirit. Under the second step the seed thought was the stain and scar left by evil, while ignorance of evil is purity and power. The steps in the prodigal's return were his realization of his condition, resolution to return, and is actually going to his Father. On the Father's side, he meets a not compelling him, changes outer man by new robes of authority, shoes for

freeman, etc., takes care of inner man by feast. So, there is joy in Heaven over the repentance of the inner. There was an unusually good attendance at the evening service. The special music was a gospel duet sweetly sung by Lewis Rubenkoeing and Miss Pauline McJimsey, "O It Is Wonderful." The choir also gave a special number in the morning. The laymen will have charge of next Sunday morning's service and the congregation are to go visiting at the evening hour.

A good congregation came out Sunday morning to the Methodist church and listened to a sermon on the text, "The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up." The text was taken from John 2:17. Among other things discussed was the cleansing of the Temple at this time by Christ. It was shown that a feeling of righteousness indignation took possession of Christ when instead of finding his "house of prayer" that it was intended to be, he found the court of the Gentile filled with oxen and sheep and sellers of doves. And then the sound of the voices of the money changers were to be heard instead of words of praise to God. A plea was made for a clean church, one that was not used for purposes foreign to the intention of God when he found the church. The question of how far the church is to go in turning folks out of the church was discussed. Next the plea was made to keep the body "the Temple of the Holy Ghost" clean. Lastly a plea was made for more zeal on the part of the church. As Christ was an example of zeal and enthusiasm, so he expects his followers to show zeal in their church work. At night the largest crowd that has assembled in the church at a regular night service gathered to hear a discussion of the Moral and Religious character of Abraham Lincoln.

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Ladies Aid Society.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church met Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Walter Burns. There were eight members present.

The lesson on "The life of Joseph" was discussed by each member, led by Mrs. Geo. Miller, who made the subject very interesting.

Owing to so much sickness in the homes of members, the next meeting will be at the church. Mrs. Alma Martin will be leader and "ashamed" will be the answering word.

Here You Farmer!

While they last, we will sell 75 tooth drag harrows with 1-2 inch tooth for \$15.00 and 75 tooth harrows with 5-8 tooth for \$16.50. This is the best price ever offered on this size harrows. Come early and get one while you can.

No. 13-Johnson Hdw. Co.

Missionary Society.

The class of the Missionary Society for the study of Mormonism will meet at the Methodist church Monday, February 24th, at 3 o'clock. Please be present at this hour. We will study the last chapter of the book and have a review of the entire study. Other matters of importance will be discussed by the society. Mrs. J. Hall Bowman.

GEO. P. ROBERTSON'S RESIDENCE BURNS

Washing Gloves in Gasoline— Becomes Ignited—Wife is Badly Burned.

About eight o'clock Saturday morning a fire alarm was turned in from the residence of Geo. P. Robertson, on West Main Street.

The fire originated from a pan of gasoline, in which Mrs. Robertson was washing a pair of gloves. She had finished washing them, and had the gloves on her hands. Thinking the gloves about dry she struck a match to light the stove, and the gloves caught fire. This, of course, excited her and she stuck her hands in the pan of gasoline, mistaking it for water. When she did this, of course the gasoline and fire splashed all over her clothing, which became ignited, and she was seriously burned from the waist down. She was taken to the home of L. C. Counts, next door, and medical attention given. It is thought that her injuries will not prove fatal, though they are extremely painful.

Mr. Robertson was not at the house when the fire originated, having gone to town a few minutes earlier to open the store. He, of course, rushed home when the alarm was sounded and in trying to save some of the household goods was pretty badly burned about the hands and face. Christine too, was burned about the head and face.

The residence, the property of Mrs. L. I. McCauley, was partially insured, we are told and goods were carried out of the all of Mr. Robertson's household house and saved.

The Olney volunteer fire department proved its efficiency at this fire as the house was a mass of flames all over when they reached it and in five or ten minutes they had the flames under control. The work of these men should be, and is appreciated by the citizenship of the city, for we all know that it is no child's play to face smoke, heat and water in an effort to save property.—Olney Enterprise.

Music Recital.

Crabb's School of Music gave a recital at the High School auditorium last Friday night. Several recitals have been given under Mr. Crabb's direction and this one was up to the high standard that characterizes all his recitals.

Everyone present was pleased with the new electric lights. It was the first time they had been used. More than a year ago Mr. Crabb expressed the desire to install lights in the school building and, at that time gave a recital charging a small admission fee. This was the beginning of the fund for lighting the building. Miss Kuykendall contributed \$24.25 and Miss Lucile Miller also made a contribution of \$15.00. Mr. Crabb has raised the rest. There is yet about \$15.00 due which Mr. Crabb hopes to raise at some subsequent date. The school building is now a splendid place for the special teachers to hold their recitals. Mr. Crabb and the young ladies are due the thanks of those who have been accustomed to wade through the darkness trying to get in and out of the building while attending the recitals.

WANTED—To correspond with retiring business men, school teachers and others who have some spare time to devote to a very profitable business in which no investment of capital is necessary.—E. P. Greenwood, Box 1023, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Spur—An election has been ordered by the Commissioners Court of Dickens county to be held February 8th, to vote on the issuance of \$100,000 bonds for road improvement.

SELECT YOUR SPRING CLOTHES

The Springtime will soon be here and you are thinking what you will wear this Spring. If you want to decide the matter with little trouble, come in and look over our big line of samples.

TWO LOTS OF 500 SAMPLES EACH IN THE SWARTZ LINE
FIFTY TWO-SQUARE YARD ENDS
TWO LARGE SAMPLE BOOKS
AMERICAN LADIES' TAILORING COMPANY'S SAMPLES

This is positively the largest line of samples for Tailor-made clothes ever shown in Graham, and you are sure to get the fabric, weave and pattern that will please you.

MEN'S CLOTHES

Our men's clothes are tailored to fit each individual purchaser—no hit and miss proposition with us. You'll get a fit if we take your measure, and the quality of the goods is the best that can be had for the price.

SUITS, \$15.00 UP

LADIES' COAT SUITS A SPECIALTY

If you want a nice Coat Suit for Spring wear, look at our superb line of samples from the American Ladies' Tailoring Company. There's something here that will surely please you and we guarantee a correct fit.

If not convenient for you to call in and see the samples, we will be pleased to send the sample book to your home, from which you can make your selections.

CLEANING, PRESSING AND ALTERING DEPARTMENT

We have the only steam presser in this part of the State and all work turned out by us for both men and women is guaranteed absolutely first-class. Phone us to come and get your next work. We have a closed delivery wagon, which insures your clothes being delivered to you without getting full of dust and dirt on the way.

Graham Tailor Shop

M. M. WALLIS, Tailor. Three Doors North of Postoffice. JOE E. MABRY, Prop'r.

MONEY TO LOAN

At a low rate of interest, without expense on farm ranches and Vendor Lien notes. All loans closed promptly as in most cases do my own inspecting. If you are in need of money at 8%, bring your abstracts and other land papers and come to see me at once or phone or write me at Graham. I represent companies that loan their own money and are able to carry you during hard years. We can loan in Young, Archer, Baylor, Throckmorton and Stephens counties.

BIG LOANS A SPECIALTY

E. C. STOVALL, Graham, Texas

Henry Chapel.

We are having some beautiful weather.

The farmers are all getting busy getting ready for a crop.

Ernest Ribble had the misfortune to get his right leg broken just above the knee last Thursday while pulling stumps with his new stump puller. It was nearly two hours after the accident before Arthur Shahan, who was helping him, could get help to carry him to the house. He is getting on fine now.

As Saturday and Sunday were pretty days there were lots of visiting done in our community.

Mrs. Mollie Gilmore and daughter Miss Grace, spent Saturday night and Sunday with J. L. McLaren and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCasland spent Saturday night with O. L. Campbell's family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Hinson spent Saturday night with his parents. Will Moran got his hand hurt very bad last week. It is much better.

Bro. Joe Mayes, County Missionary, preached us a good sermon Sunday morning to a small but attentive crowd. He will preach for us again on the third Sunday in March.

Little Robertie Craig, baby of Mr. and Mrs. Dud Craig, had her shoulder put out of place one day this week. It was put back in place and she is doing fine.

Little Archie Rateliff is suffering with his foot that he stuck a nail in.

Quite a number visited school the past week. A. C. Anderson made the school a talk Friday evening and it was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson gave the young people a Valentine and pound party on the 14th and gave a prize to the girl that brought the prettiest cake. Miss Nellie Jarnagin won the prize, a pretty valentine. A good crowd enjoyed it all.

Will some of the correspondents please tell me what to do for my little chickens. When first take them off they seem all right, and in a few days they will begin to chirp and stop and sleep and soon die.

H. P. Young has been sick past week. We are glad to see he is up again now.

Rual Young will finish Shahan's house this week.

O. L. Campbell made a business trip to Fort Worth the past week. He and his family will move there soon. We certainly regret to lose them from our community.

Winnesboro—Business men in this city have subscribed \$100 to a fund to be used in improving the highway from this city to Cypress, on the Winnesho and Mt. Vernon road.

San Angelo—Contracts for 1000 square yards of street paving have been let by the commissioners. Other contracts calling for the construction of \$4,000 in storm sewers were

FACTS FROM ONE OF YOUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Where was the first county seat of Young County? At Belknap, three miles southwest of the center.
When was it removed? In 1874.
How? By regular election.
Where? To Graham.
By what vote? Belknap, 4; Center, 24; Graham, 101.
Was a bonus given for the removal in 1874? Yes; 320 acres of land and 100 town lots in Graham were given on condition that Graham be voted the permanent county seat.
Has there been an election since then to remove the county seat? Yes; in 1884.
Was it successful? No.
Was there a new Court House built after the second election? Yes; in 1884.
What did it cost in 1884? \$32,937.
How was it paid for? 6% 20-year bond issue for \$28,000 and \$4,937 cash.
What tax was levied to pay for it? \$0.20 per \$100.
When was the Court House finally paid for? The last bond was paid in 1904, the total cost to that date being \$68,766.
Was it substantially built? Yes.
Is it safe now? Perfectly so.
Does it need repairs? No more than any other building of similar construction.
Is it large enough? Entirely so.
What kind of a jail has Young County? A substantial two-story stone building.
How many prisoners were confined there in 1911? Largest number at any one time, six; smallest number none.
In 1912? Largest number, four; smallest number, none.
Is it large enough? Entirely so.
Where is the center of the County? On T. E. & L. Co. survey No. 443.
How far from the center is Graham? $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles southeast.
How far from the center is Newcastle? 3 miles northwest.
Is all of Young County prairie land? No; the northwest half is prairie, the southeast half is hilly post oak.
Would it take longer for a juror to go to the center of the County from the southeast corner of the County than it would from the northwest corner of the County? It would.
Would it take a juror longer to go to Newcastle from the southeast corner of the County than it would take a juror to go to Graham from the northwest corner of the County? It would.
In hours of travel then, isn't Graham nearer the center of the County than Newcastle? It is.
Where is the present center of population? About 4 miles east of Newcastle, 7 miles northwest of Graham, and 1 mile northeast of the center of the County.
Where is the future center of population likely to be? No one knows.
Why not? Because so many factors enter, such as natural advantages, of water, fuel, railroad transportation, tillable and irrigable land, enterprise, etc.
Is it a foregone conclusion that the center of population will move toward the geographical center of the County? No, it may move in any direction. Wichita Falls, county seat of Wichita County, is seven miles from the southeast corner of the County and 32 miles from the northwest corner of the County.
What would a new Court House and Jail cost at Newcastle? \$100,000 to \$150,000.
What would it take to cover interest and sinking fund on this amount? \$15,000 annually.
Would this be all the cost? No; new roads would have to be opened, as the law requires a first-class cardinal road in each direction from the County Seat and many other necessary expenses.
Who owns the Newcastle Townsite? A Company owned principally by non-residents.
Is this a desirable condition? A resident ownership is much more to be desired.
If this election is decided in favor of Graham, does it locate the County Seat permanently? No.
When can another election be held? In five years.
Can a majority move it then? Yes.
Is there any urgent and immediate reason for moving the County Seat now? None whatsoever.
Why is it better not to move it now? So that, as the County grows and becomes settled, the needs of the greatest number of citizens can be considered and properly provided for.
Should it be moved to Newcastle, when could it be removed? After five years.
Would it require more than a majority vote to move it from Newcastle? Yes, it would take to move it more than five miles from center, two-thirds majority.
Should Newcastle win now and it be found desirable to move it from Newcastle in five years, would not the investment there make such a removal impracticable? It would, as the County would be heavily in debt, and the new improvements would not only be a loss, but the County could probably not raise the funds to build more elsewhere.
I submit the above questions, which are facts, together with my answers and invite comments. Can you figure it out any other way?
Yours truly,
A. H. JONES.

SOME QUESTIONS FROM AN ELIASVILLE FARMER ON THE COUNTY SEAT QUESTION

If you had a good, substantial stone house, paid for and located where you have every convenience, would you tear it down and rebuild it on credit, on a coal mine, because some irresponsible said it was unsafe and that you had to do it anyway? Whose is the Court House? Who says you will have to do anything, anyhow?
Did you know that \$150,000.00 at 5 per cent compound interest would amount to almost \$400,000.00 in twenty years? Who says you will have to spend this, anyhow? Who is going to give you value received for your money? How could this possibly benefit you?
Who says you must bind your children for twenty or forty years and make them pay for something they may not want when you have to inconvenience and impoverish many of your friends and countrymen and put the money in the pockets of non-resident town lot owners to do it? If the farmers of Young County already owe \$6,000,000.00 on their homes, and the County already owes \$64,000.00, why do you want to add \$300,000.00 or \$400,000.00 more to the burden your children will have to bear? Because it will make two or three men rich doesn't answer it.
If four men started from the four corners of Young County and traveled at their best speed considering the country, where would they likely meet? Isn't this "center of the county in hours of travel" the real center of this County? Isn't the "real center" of this County the proper place for the County Seat? Since Graham is the most convenient to everybody, isn't it the "real center" of the County? Isn't it the best policy to "never trouble trouble 'til trouble troubles you?"
Yours truly,
C. D. YANCEY.

SEED TIME AND HARVEST

The springtime of youth should be employed in planting the seeds of thrift which will yield a crop to provide for the winter of old age.

Start today.

THE BECKHAM NATIONAL BANK

HOME FOR SAVINGS
STRONG SAFE CONSERVATIVE COURTEOUS

Local Notes

SOUTHWESTERN PHONE 25-3
INDEPENDENT PHONE 20-3

Mrs. Rollie Voules returned last Saturday from Mineral Wells. Chas. Gay has purchased another fine touring car.

Pearl Edens is recovering from a case of measles.

Try a sack of Hand Wheat Ozark Flour for Light Bread—Graves & Ward.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Stevens, Tuesday, February 11, a boy.

We are paying top prices in cash for Chickens, Turkeys, Butter and Eggs.—Graves & Ward.

Misses Fay and Gertie Williams were pleasant callers Monday to see the linotype in operation.

Just in, another five cases of Roy's Best Coffee.—Graves & Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dalton, of Pickwick, were here last Saturday.

For Sale or Trade.
One good Sulky Plow.
W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Chas. Widmeyer returned the first of the week from Dallas with a new touring car.

The Newton Stock Co. at the Opera House for one week, commencing February 24th.

Don't forget the Newton Stock Co. of 10 people at the Opera House all next week.

If you enjoy a real good show come out next Monday and see the Newton Stock Co.

Don't forget at the Opera House all next week the Newton Stock Co. of 10 people. New play every night.

Highest prices paid for Chickens, Turkeys, Eggs, Butter, Hides and Furs by
D. J. Brandon,
Hallam & Jones old stand.

If you want to see a good clean show with plenty of good comedy, come out to the Opera House next week.

A. L. Wilson, of Eliasville, was in town on business last Monday and called and ordered The Leader sent to him.

Lost Watch
A Junior Ingersoll Watch was lost on Elm Street near the Christian church. It had a leather fob with a small metal saddle attached. Finder please return to this office.

Misses Dot Graham and Pauline McJimsey spent a few days this week in Jacksboro visiting Mrs. Ringenberg.

Mrs. A. M. Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Street left yesterday for Mineral Wells to spend several weeks.

We are daily expecting a car of Velie buggies, something new in style. If you want the nobbiest buggy ever shown in Graham wait a few days for this car of Velies.
D. G. VICK.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Prather came in last Thursday night from Dallas.

G. W. Hinson and daughter, of Henry Chapel, were in Graham Tuesday.

County Attorney Fay Marshall went to Olney on legal business Tuesday.

Lee Thornton, of South Bend, says he expects to plant corn next week.

Mrs. R. V. Tidwell is yet very low, but her condition is thought to be some better than at the first of the week.

D. H. French left Tuesday for his home in North Yackima, Washington, after a few weeks visit with old friends here and looking after business interests in the county. He will spend a few days enroute home, visiting relatives in St. Paul Minnesota.

ATTENTION
I have a full and complete line of Groceries, Feed, etc. I want your business, cash or credit.
D. G. VICK.

Frances Bowron has the measles.

Miss Ida Leach and little niece are sick.

J. M. Keen, of Farmer, was here Wednesday.

Peter Schuttler Wagons and Velie Buggies at Vick's.

J. M. Askew was here from Bunker Tuesday.

J. L. Lester was among our citizens here today.

Jay Garvin left Sunday morning for Weatherford.

V. M. Hale was here from South Bend Monday.

Mrs. W. E. Price is improving from her recent sick spell.

J. W. Green, of Granbury, was here prospecting this week.

Seed Oats, Seed Potatoes and Garden Seed at Vick's.

Jules Ardis was here from Eliasville last Monday on business.

Jake Walker, of Indian Mound, was here buying feed Wednesday.

See G. C. Masey for a cheap dwelling for the summer. Plenty of good water.

Judge R. F. Arnold spent Tuesday at his farm in Miller Bend.

John Davis, of Proffitt, was in Graham Thursday laying in supplies.

PLANTERS
J. I. Case Buster Planter.
J. I. Case Double Row Planter.
J. I. Case Single Row Planter.

All latest improved. See them before you buy.
D. G. VICK.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Widmeyer went to Fort Worth Saturday and returned next day in their new automobile.

Sam Fitzgerald and daughter, Miss Effie, of the Mount Pleasant community, were trading in Graham yesterday.

For Sale.
We have a good heavy work horse to sell for cash or on time.
Norris-Johnson Hdw. Co.

G. M. James, one of the leading citizens in the Indian Mound community, was transacting business in Graham Tuesday.

Seed Corn
The best varieties of Texas grown seed corn now in. Buy your seed early.—W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Ben Slater, of Red Top, says he has oats sowed and will plant corn next week.

Dan Orr, who lives two and one-half miles southeast from Jean, informs us that he has good cotton seed for planting for sale at his home. They are almost pure Rounton seed, and he will sell them at 30 cents per bushel.

Dr. Terrell is enjoying his new car.

C. S. and B. J. Lamar, of Jean, were trading with Graham merchants yesterday.

A. W. Black, of Newcastle, took the train here Sunday morning for Bridgeport.

Just received forty barrels of pure Ribbon Cane Syrup; bring your jugs.—Owen & Young.

O. V. Steele, of the Home Insurance Company, was here today adjusting some claims.

G. W. Dalrymple, of Elbert, purchased a large bill of goods from our merchants Tuesday.

Car Number Lost.
Last Saturday S. R. Jeffery lost the number—82 Ingleside—from his automobile while driving in the country. Finder will please return to Mr. Jeffery or leave at Leader office and oblige.

Ed Martin, living out in the Mount Pleasant community, was with friends in Graham yesterday.

Vegetables received fresh the first and last of each week.—W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Ovid Wright, who now lives in east Texas, came in last night to visit old friends for a few days.

W. T. McBee and C. Littlejohn, of the Red Top community, were in Graham on business Tuesday.

Abstract of Title.
Every land owner owes it to himself to have a complete abstract of title to his land.

J. W. Aklin with twenty years experience can furnish you with a correct abstract on short notice.

W. C. Mattison, one of the citizens of Olney was shaking hands with his friends here today.

Joe Wright and Norman Thompson, two prominent citizens of Miller Bend, spent yesterday in town.

D. C. Allred, one of the leading Clear Fork Valley farmers, was here Monday from his home near Eliasville.

Mrs. C. T. Horton returned home the first of the week after an extended visit with her children in Dallas.

J. H. McCann and C. C. Robinson were here from Murray last Saturday.

R. L. Reed returned last Saturday from a business trip to Dallas.

Mrs. M. W. High went to Dallas last Friday where she visited until Monday evening, when she returned home.

Notice to Stockholders.
A meeting of the stockholders of the Union Gin Company, at Graham, is hereby called to meet at the court house in Graham at 1 o'clock on Saturday, February 22. A. H. Jones.

The little infant of Mr. and Mrs. Dud Craig got one of its arms dislocated at the shoulder last Thursday. The family physician was called in and the joint was put in position and it has been getting along nicely.

One Success Sulky Plow; in good repair, top sale cheap; also two six-plow riding cultivators at a bargain. These implements are second-hand, but in first-class condition. Cash or credit.—A. W. Kay.

T. I. Higdon called Monday and ordered The Leader sent for one year to W. A. Morris, at Bellville, Alabama. The Leader has a number of friends who keep the paper going to parties out of the State, and in so doing they are assisting in advertising the greatest country on earth, to the outside world.

A. H. Jones, county commissioner of Precinct No. 1, has just finished a tour of inspection of the roads of the precinct and reports them in good condition. On the McCann Bridge road, west of Finis Burnett's place, the road has been moved about fifty yards north, eliminating two bends and getting a better road bed. The improvement is good and the cost very small.

Statement of Commissioners' Court

FEBRUARY 14th, 1913.

TO THE PEOPLE OF YOUNG COUNTY:

We, the Commissioners and County Judge of Young County, do hereby certify that the Court House in the said County, is in good condition; that no suggestion of condemnation of said building has ever been made to our knowledge and that the said building is in every respect adequate and sufficient for all purposes for many years.

E. W. FRY, COUNTY JUDGE.
A. H. JONES,
W. E. MCCHAREN,
A. C. CASEY,
J. T. HUNT,
COMMISSIONERS

F. R. Cornelius left Sunday morning to visit a sick sister in Jack county.

Take your old hats to Korn, the tailor, he will make them look new.

J. E. Mayes, of Marlow, Oklahoma, visited relatives in Graham last week.

Ed Shanafelt writes us from Stamford that he wants The Leader continued to his address and enclosed the price for same.

Take your old hat to Korn, the tailor, he will make it look like new.

Mrs. B. W. King spent a part of last week at Loving while Mr. King was visiting the schools in other parts of the county.

A. G. Bennett, living near Finis was selling cotton here Wednesday. He realized 10 1-2 cents per pound for his last picking.

J. E. McBrayer, a former Graham man who now lives at Turlock, California, sends us, this week, his renewal to The Leader.

J. I. Case Latest Improved 6-Plow Cultivator.

J. I. Case Latest Improved 4-Plow Cultivator.

J. I. Case Latest Improved Disc Cultivator.

At D. G. VICK'S.

The Baptist church at Indian Mound has called Rev. A. S. Wilson as pastor for the current year. It is expected that he will accept the call.

J. L. Bratcher, of Loving, called Tuesday and renewed for The Leader and also had the paper sent for one year, to W. H. Kenyon, at Goodley, Texas.

M. D. Harrell, of South Bend, was here Tuesday night to meet his son, Frank, who came in from Oklahoma to spend some time visiting his parents.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by Sloan Drug Co. (Advertisement)

We can make you a loan on land for 5 or 7 years time or we can make you a loan payable 1, 2, 3 and 5 years. See C. W. Hinson, Graham, Texas.

Weir & Offill have moved their barber shop from the Pohlman building on the west side of the square to the Johnson building a few doors north.

Time to Plant
Seed Irish Potatoes, Onion Sets and New Garden Seeds. Select them early.—W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

J. R. McCluskey was in town last Monday for the first time in several months, owing to a protracted spell of typhoid fever. He is slowly regaining his health and strength.

G. B. Nelson is the foreman of a crew of men engaged in repairing and making additions to the Southwestern Telephone Company's lines in Young county. The following are engaged in the work: P. S. Williams, Frank Beaumont, George Southern, and John Fisher.

Large bulk Queen Olives.—W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Wright McClatchey, of The Beckham National Bank, spent Sunday with home folks at Olney.

Miss Aline Johnson returned last Saturday from a visit with her sister in McKinney.

Bring us your chickens, eggs, butter, hides and furs; we try to handle everything the farmers have to sell.—Owen & Young.

George McCallister, a citizen of Miller Bend, and one of the best farmers in Young county, was talking to old friends here yesterday.

George Raynes left Sunday morning for Hot Springs Arkansas, for the benefit of his health. He will be gone six weeks or two months.

J. W. Miller, of Elbert, in Throckmorton county, was transacting business on our streets Tuesday. He ordered The Leader for one year.

SPECIAL NOTICE
If you need anything in the Implement line this season don't fail to look over the J. I. Case line at Vick's.

The Baptist Bible Institute in its regular monthly session at the Baptist church in the city last Monday night and a profitable and pleasant meeting is being held.

Judge E. W. Fry, A. A. Morrison and Thomas Price went out to M. K. Graham's farm on the Clear Fork this morning to shoot ducks. They were well rigged up with edibles.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Lynch came over from Albany last week and spent two days with the brother, R. E. Lynch. Mrs. J. Lynch came with them and remained to visit here.

Henry Axley is another candidate for the postmaster at Graham. Henry is well known as a good business fellow, a reliable man and is, no doubt, well qualified to fill the office.

Cracked Cake Meal and Eggs.
We have only a limited quantity of cake meal and eggs on hand and those who wish to purchase will please see us at once. We wish to supply our local trade, before shipping elsewhere.

Graham Cotton Oil Co.
Rev. W. T. Kilpatrick, a Baptist minister of Jean, was in Graham yesterday and favored The Leader with a social call. He is to preach at Orth next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Jones and Mrs. B. P. Larimore, of Newcastle, were pleasant callers at our office last Saturday and Mrs. Larimore gave us her subscription to The Leader and Las News.

Judge and Mrs. Jo W. left Tuesday morning for Albany where the Judge had business to attend to, but reaching Dallas they learned of another outbreak of meningitis in the Capital city, which had caused the court of criminal appeals to adjourn, and they decided to go no further until the conditions there improved. They may return home tonight.

POOL ROOM FOR SALE
A big bargain in the ham, Texas, pool room. Trade in good horses; use a buggy also. See Hydro-Gas Burner man, door north Baker & Grocery, Graham, Texas.

County Correspondence

Bergham Flat.

Mr. Editor, may I step into the reader office for just a little while if there is no one in my place. I shall not take your time for discussion of any subject whatever, this time.

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

Our publisher has again struck our valley in full blast, however.

Our farmers are breaking the ground sowing grain, as if we were having ideal weather.

We haven't learned how the flu well is progressing on Mrs. Corbett's place, but from the noise of the hammers, we think they must have the derrick almost completed.

Mrs. Maggie Dooley, and little daughter, Willie Mable, spent Wednesday with Mrs. J. R. Conroy.

J. W. Gann made a business trip to the Piekwick community Wednesday and visited his brother while.

Several of the home boys went to Graham Monday. They can't in yet on second Monday.

A. Upham has returned State after spending two weeks total of relatives at Strawn and while at Flat.

A party of young people spent a most pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barrow's Sunday.

Mack Rickles, of the Ivan community was in this vicinity Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Gann and J. W. Cretzinger and wife were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cretzinger Sunday.

We are glad to report the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nicklas, who has been sick for the past week, some better at this writing.

The ladies in this community have begun to talk garden already. It is early, we think, though some have cabbage plants 10 to 20 inches high.

Either, but have come up with a box of dirt and are now getting ready to plant.

George Winter was a pleasant visitor at the Ritchey home Wednesday.

As news is scarce and the writer has a bad case of the blues she will now resign and give the chair to some other writer who knows more than

Ignorance.

South Bend

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holcomb spent the day with Walter McDavid and family Sunday.

Several cases of measles in the Bend.

We are glad to see J. R. McGinty able to ride over his farm again.

Miss Mary McBrayer visited Miss Loretta Atchison Saturday Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. McDavid and mother, Mrs. Comere visited Mrs. Cad Young Monday afternoon.

Miss Smith was knocked down by a mule Saturday morning and has an awful black eye.

W. M. Goode and family spent the day with C. A. Melton and the family Sunday.

There was no Sunday School Sunday morning on account of the measles.

Mrs. Mary Goode and children visited Grandma Fickling Sunday afternoon.

Tempert and Sunshine.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Beware the Signature of Dr. J. C. Watson

Flint Creek.

We are certainly having some fine spring weather and oat sowing, gardening and general farm work seems to be the order of the day.

There is still some sickness in the settlement. Mrs. W. D. Doolin, and George Guinn's baby are both right sick at this writing.

There was no school the first of last week on account of our teacher, Mrs. Moore, being confined to her room with lagrippe, but we are glad to report her able to teach now.

Mrs. May Caskey spent Monday evening with Mrs. Annie Doolin.

W. D. Doolin visited Mrs. Mabel Ballew Monday.

Mrs. A. J. Ballew and Miss Winnie Smith spent Wednesday at Mrs. Moore's.

Mrs. Annie Doolin visited Mrs. Smith Thursday evening.

W. C. Burns, of Graham, was out at his farms which are occupied by A. J. Ballew and Will Guinn, Friday.

Mr. Rogers went to town Friday.

Miss Winnie Smith was shopping in Graham Friday.

Mrs. W. D. Doolin and Mrs. A. J. Ballew visited at Mrs. W. E. Stephen's Thursday.

A young man has arrived at each of the homes of Bon Nored and W. E. Stephens since our last writing.

Mrs. Stegall and family called at George Guinn's Sunday evening.

W. E. Stephen happened to a very painful accident Thursday morning. In stepping over a plow he had the leader in his heel cut in two, which necessitated the service of the physician to sew it back, but we are glad to report him doing fine.

Mrs. Smith spent Sunday at Mrs. Doolin's.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ballew, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ballew, Mr. Stegall, Mr. Smith and Mrs. D. W. Doolin were among the visitors at W. E. Stephen's Sunday.

Mrs. May Caskey spent Saturday evening at Mrs. Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Caskey visited Mr. McKelvey Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore, of Oakland, spent Sunday at Mr. Moore's.

Will Guinn and family spent Sunday at George Guinn's.

Eliasville

Mrs. Duckworth has been real sick but is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bentley spent a few days this week in Newcastle.

Dr. Evans, of Caddo, visited Col. McGlamery and family Monday night.

Bro. Chunn, Otis and Miss Lisa Cunningham went to Murray Saturday.

Messrs Alexander and Dudley Ford attended Christian Endeavor here Sunday.

Miss Edna Long is spending a few days at home.

Mrs. Vennie Elkins is sick at the present.

Miss Hettie Pratt was at home from her school from Friday until Monday morning.

Edgar Davis has purchased a lot in Newcastle and is having a house built on the same. They expect to move there in the near future.

Col. McGlamery and children desire to express their gratitude to the many people of Eliasville and community for their kindness during the illness and death of the wife and mother, Mrs. McGlamery.

Crimson Roses.

Flat Rock.

Here I come after being absent last week.

We have been having some pretty weather the last few days but am afraid it won't stay that way long.

The sick in our community are better at this writing.

Miss Pearl Atkins, of Breckenridge, is visiting Misses Bettie and Delilah Robbins this week.

Everybody seems to enjoy themselves at our literary on Friday nights.

A crowd of young people went to the oil well Sunday evening.

Miss Myrtice Findley and Ira Jiant were visitors at Flat Rock Sunday evening.

Our Sunday School was well attended last Sunday and Bro. Bowman preached a fine sermon.

R. W. J. Parsons visited our school Friday evening. We were glad to have him and hope he will come again soon.

Carl Birdwell and Printess and Albert Corley spent Sunday with Carrol and Walter Robbins.

We had several visitors from Graham at Sunday School and preaching last Sunday. We are always glad to welcome visitors any time they will come.

We have our new organ now, and we sure do some singing.

Clarence Corley spent Sunday with Jim Hodges.

We will meet Wednesday night to arrange our program for our next Literary meeting, which will be three weeks from last Friday night.

Gene Martin, Earl Brewton, Misses Lona Corley, Delilah Robbins, Pearl Atkins, Mrs. Robbins, and Mr. and Mrs. Brit Alford went to church Sunday night at Graham.

J. H. Robbins and Frank Corley went to Rock Creek Monday.

Newby Corley is working for Mr. Hodges this week.

Mrs. J. M. Taylor was unable to be with us Friday night.

Best wishes to The Leader and its many readers.

"School Girl."

I am still the

Mebane Cotton Seed For Sale! For sale at my ranch, or I will deliver them in town if desired. Price 50 cents per bushel.

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Murray

We are having some pretty weather and every one is busy getting their land ready for planting.

A large crowd listened to two interesting sermons preached by Rev. Chunn Sunday morning and afternoon.

Odis Cunningham and sisters, Lilah and Bessie Grace, of Eliasville, visited their sister, Mrs. Chas. Donnell Saturday and Sunday.

They were also met there by their sister, Miss Annie May Cunningham who is teaching northwest of here.

Rev. Ferguson and family of the Craig ranch, attended church here Sunday.

Messrs. Olan Martin and Dee Lilly, of Elbert, were pleasant visitors in our neighborhood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Avants, of Jean, visited relatives Saturday and Sunday.

School is progressing nicely under the management of Prof. Braddock. His wife and baby are with him now.

Mrs. Nicklas, of Piekwick, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Robert Fawks.

Miss Bettie Dawson, who is teaching the Mayes school, attended church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Megginson visited their daughter, Mrs. Bruce, of Woodson, Sunday and Monday.

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We want to know your reasons for wanting the County Seat to remain in Graham and in order to secure this information we will give \$50 in cash to voters in Young County for letters setting forth the best reasons why the County Seat should remain in Graham.

For the best letter we will pay \$15.00 in cash.

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For the ten next best letters we will pay \$2.00 each in cash.

Any poll tax payer in Young County may enter this contest, but you must be a poll tax payer, and we don't care whether you favor Graham or Newcastle. You might be a supporter of Newcastle, but if you can write the best reasons why it should remain in Graham, we believe you ought to get the \$15.00.

All letters must be limited to 500 words and must reach Graham by Saturday, March 8, 1913.

Sign your name and state whether you will vote for Graham or Newcastle. Address all communications to Dr. J. L. Williamson, Graham, Texas.

GRAHAM COUNTY SEAT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Loving

Well, everything in this part of the country has been enjoying the pretty weather the last few days and seemed to almost take the second growth.

Mr. Oliver has two cars now and is trying to enjoy life in a new way.

Claud Oliver came home from Dallas a few days ago and will likely remain at home this summer.

Grady Millica is working for the Smith & Morrison Lumber Co. A Fort Worth Stock Company has a man here to sell a thoroughbred horse.

Miss Ford and a lady friend from Newcastle, spent a few days with Loving people last week.

M. A. Steadham went to Newcastle Sunday and returned Tuesday.

Several young people here attended Sunday School at Monument Sunday.

Prof. B. W. King was here Monday. He reports everything in his line in the best of shape.

Our school boys matched a game of ball with Jean last week and the High School dismissed and went to see the ball game.

It is a little early for ball playing, but the weather was so fine that went came back overjoyed with the results and the way Jean treated us was a sure appreciation of our coming. They have some of the best people in Texas up there. The game stood 7 to 11 in favor of Loving. The High School has the best team in Young county and are in shape to play ball. We expect to have several games this spring. Our line-up was: Sam Ligon, catcher; John Holt, pitcher; Hobson Grant, first base; Noel Sims, second; Hubert Stewart, third; Arthur Blevins, short; Sidney Sims, right; Frank Norris, left; Earl Holland, center; Prof. Bradshaw, called the game. Several good plays were made and all the boys went into the game to win. In the first inning, Earl Holland stole second and third on round plays. Sam Ligon beat the Jean boys out of third and home base. In the second inning, the boys all tried it, but the Jean team closed them out with Noel Sims and Frank Norris on bases. Then

came John Holt, the capital pitcher, with a three-bagger and a scurmage for home. This put the Loving team to watching and Holt showed his dexterity in the box when several times he won the applaud of the hundred and fifty onlookers. He twirled the ball right and left and every other conceivable way until the Jean boys lost heart. They could not get a hit during five innings, and at last the Loving boys let Jean hit to try the field. Sidney Sims was in his place to get the ball and in the field made some fine catches. Frank Norris did not let a ball pass if he had to run one hundred yards. Earl Holland backed them up in the center and Sims and Stewart never let a ball pass them on their bases. With Sam Ligon at home plate, always on his job, Jean had but little showing to score; then in the seventh inning, John Holt got with ease, a home stretch and you ought to have heard the boys cheer. Well, it was too good to tell any more, only Blevins picked up a ball and left short with it and made two outs with ease.

We will try to have a big teachers meeting here Saturday, March 1st. Will try to entertain the people and want them all to come. We will have a ball game and may have dinner at the school house. We want the Editor of The Leader to be sure and come that day.

R. E. X.

Appreciates The Leader.

Fresno, Cal. Feb. 11, 1913. The Graham Leader, Graham, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed please find check for Two Dollars in payment of my subscription to your valuable paper to Nov. 13, 1913. I enjoy reading The Graham Leader very much and notice with much pleasure the steady growth of Graham as is reflected in your new columns. With best wishes for your continued success, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

J. H. Mittenhal.

Sewing Wanted! Ladies' and children's bonnets a specialty.

Mrs. Pearl Mandeville.

Red Top

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parker visited home folks Sunday.

Bruce Burton, of the Loving community, was visiting here Sunday.

J. J. Dowdy happened to the misfortune of losing a good horse last week.

Mrs. Scott spent the day with Mrs. J. Ramsey last Friday.

Jim Smith and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Rutherford.

A. D. Scott made a business trip to Olney last week.

Charlie Bridges made a call on J. C. Petty last Sunday.

Bro. Noble filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

The singing at J. M. Parker's was well attended. All reported a pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Steen spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Dowdy Sunday.

The party was quite a success at A. L. Ramsey's Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ramsey visited his brother, Chess Ramsey.

Horace Cunningham and Ernest Blakney were pleasant callers at Mrs. A. J. Graves' Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton, of Loving, visited Mrs. J. L. McGee Sunday.

Harper Dowdy has gone back to South Bend, where he will work for E. C. Stovall.

Well, for fear of crowding you other writers, I will close.

Bachelor Girl.

Seniors Meet.

The Seniors held their regular weekly meeting Wednesday afternoon, Omer Kramer presiding. After the minutes of the preceding meeting had been heard and approved, the matter of committees was brought up. In a short time the various committees had been appointed and admonished to "get busy," for there are many arrangements to be made to show the high standing of the present senior class when compared to all past or future classes. After other minor business had been attended to the class adjourned until its next regular meeting.

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We are pleased to announce that we will have with us again this season Miss Claudia Morgan, who is now in the Northern markets purchasing one of the most fashionable and up-to-date lines of Millinery that has ever been shown in Graham. We will appreciate a call from you.

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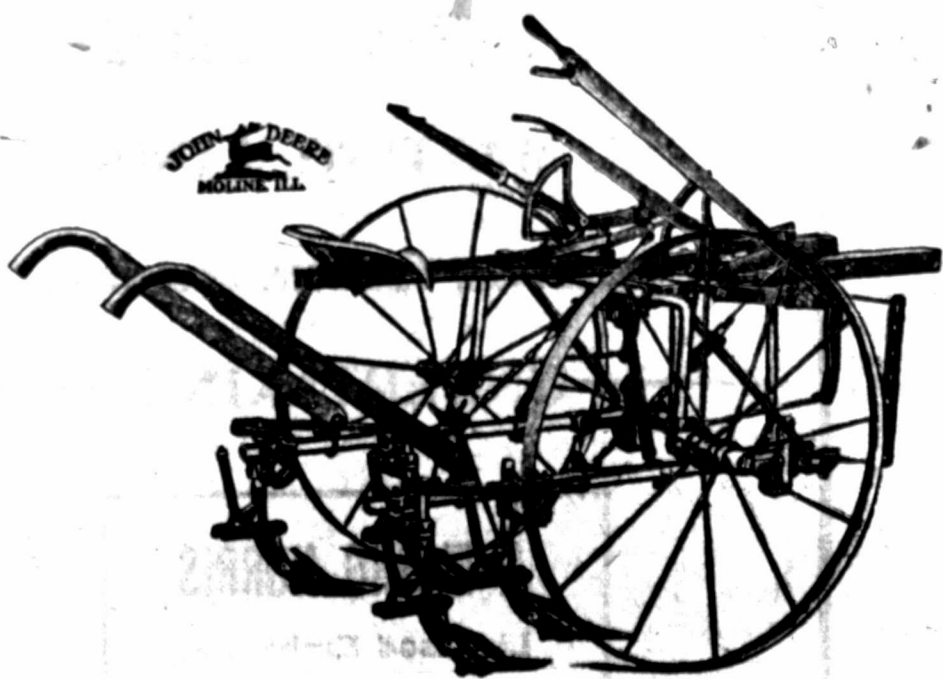
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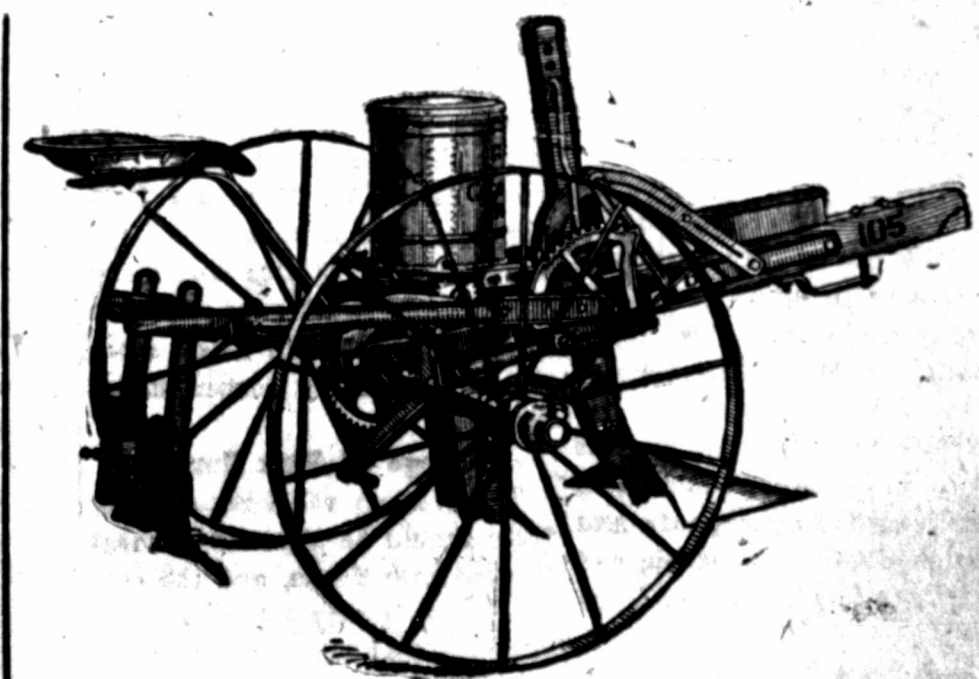
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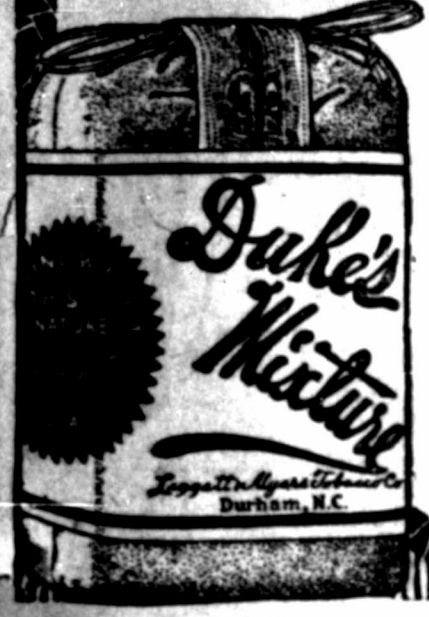
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T. J. Dunlap,
The Watkins Man.
East Graham. (Adv.)

A heavy cold in the lungs that was expected to cure itself has been the starting point in many cases of disease that ended fatally. The sensible course is to take frequent doses of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It checks the progress of the disorder and assists nature to restore normal conditions. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. (Advertisement)

Men Big Enough to Build Cities.

There are not many men in the world big enough to build cities, but fortunately we have a few such men in Texas. Civilization has never been able to lay down specifications for building cities. They spring up in obedience to the command of powerful men. One man who can do things is of more value to a community than the entire population of a dozen dead towns. The town of Freeport, built by the Swensons, is a recent example of the ability of men to build cities. Post City has sprung up in the Plains country at the command of C. W. Post and Port Arthur is the handiwork of the late Jno. W. Gates and many other towns stand as monuments to strong men. We need more men who can corner stones of cities.

Shortage of Pork Supply.

There is no valid reason why there should be a pound of meat shipped into Texas, and the continued prosperity of agriculture demands that we raise more live stock—and especially hogs, of which we are sadly deficient. In fact, we should become heavy exporters of all kinds of meats. The geographical location of our packing houses gives them command of the trade of the Southern hemisphere, and the opening of the Panama canal will bring the Orient within their trade territory yet the Texas packing houses are able to supply only 2 per cent of the cured meats and lard shipped into Southern United States which transportation advantages, due to location, entitle them to furnish.

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THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS TAKEN FROM THE OLD FILES OF THE LEADER OF AUGUST 16, 1876

Fort Worth will soon have a street railway.

The pecan crop on the Clear Fork is unusually large.

Wild turkeys in abundance, but the fowls are not in good condition yet.

The buffalo hides have not all gone by yet; an average of three hundred pass by Graham daily.

We notice very fat hogs on Fish Creek and in other parts of the county. We had always thought July and August very hard months on hogs.

The old frontiersman, Rev. G. W. Slaughter, was in town last Saturday with a thousand head of cattle. We understand he was on his way to market.

We saw two boys seated under a post oak in the rear of the post office this morning playing poker for a water melon. Wonder "whar they 'larned" the game.

Dr. Price and John E. Morrison of Fort Worth, have bought extensively of town and county estate, and will bring their families and locate permanently at Graham this fall.

A centipede invaded Rhodes' law office on Sunday evening; books and inkstands were brought into requisition, but Rhodes went for him with his army shoes. Spiller calls the shoes "Saratoga Trunks."

Last Monday a number of our citizens amused themselves by ornamenting a number of dogs tails with tin cans containing pebbles, etc. One of the dogs made a hole in the wind which was perceptible for several hours, and, after telescoping a house, took refuge under a bed. It is the general opinion that his "old haunts" will know him no more.

Some of our good citizens seem determined to break up midnight shooting and hallowing upon the streets. One of our cattlemen was up before Justice Lafferty on Thursday for an offense of that kind. The jury hung and the balance of the day was consumed in trying to get a new one but failed. Shooting after night in dangerous and should be stopped.

Orders have recently been given for the remaining company of soldiers at Fort Richardson to proceed to Yorktown as soon as relieved by Company I, Tenth Cavalry, now enroute from Fort Concho to Jacksboro. This leaves only one company at Richardson, however, it is expected that the troops sent from Richardson will return soon as the Sioux war is ended. Capt. Baldwin was expected to reach Graham last night with the company spoken of.

Last Saturday L. P. Brooks brought to town a young cougar which was placed in a cage near the court house. Though only six months old this specimen of the Genus Felis is as large as an ordinary dog, and an animal of a powerful frame. Mr. Brooks has a farm near the Griffin crossing on the Brazos, where he has suffered considerably from the ravages of the animals. Mr. Brooks informs us that within the past eight years he and his brothers have killed some thirty panthers, giving some thrilling incidents in his various hunts. We hope this panther wont lay down and die.

Perishes in Blizzard.

London, Feb. 10.—Captain Robert F. Scott, famous British Antarctic explorer, and four members of his South pole expedition, perished in the Antarctic after having reached the pole.

Scott and his party, after having reached the South pole, January 18, 1912, were on their way back to one of their bases of supplies when they were overtaken by a blizzard and lost their way. All were frozen to death.

The victims in addition to Captain Scott, were Dr. Willson, chief of the scientific staff; Captain Oates of the Inniskillen Dragoons, who was in charge of the dogs and ponies; Lieutenant Bowers of the Royal Indian marines, and Lieutenant R. E. Evans in charge of the equipment.

Scott reached the pole thirty-five days after Captain Amundsen, its discoverer. Amundsen reached the pole on December 14, 1911, and remained there three days. He said the weather on his return trip from the pole was excellent. He saw no trace of the Scott party. There are still Japanese and German expeditions in the Antarctic looking for the pole.

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—Mrs. Robert F. Scott, widow of the explorer, is on board the steamer Oargangi, sailing for Australia, where she was to meet her husband on his return from his search for the South pole. Efforts are being made to reach her by wireless and notify her of the catastrophe that overtook her husband.

There is no better medicine made for colds than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions, aids expectoration and restores the system to a healthy condition. For sale by Sloan Drug Co. (Advertisement)

Opera House Next Week.

The Newton Stock Company of 10 people will open a week's engagement at the Opera House on Monday night, February 24th, by presenting a four act comedy drama, entitled, "At The Old Cross Roads."

This company will present a new play each night, and will also introduce high class specialties between acts. The company is composed of good talent, of which Mr. Newton feels proud, for it is his motto that, "You can put on good plays, with a good company that will give satisfaction, just as easily as you can put on a poor play, with an inferior company that will not give satisfaction."

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Elgin—The Civic Improvement Club has signed a lease for a large tract of land, now occupied by a lumber yard and intends to convert it into a public park.

Marlin—A Young Men's Business League has recently been organized in this city. The following officers were elected: G. W. Glass, president, and Steve L. Pinckney, secretary.

Hamilton—The Young Men's Booster Club of this city, recently closed a membership campaign in which 141 new members were added to the roll.

Corpus Christi—The bankers of the Second District of Texas will meet here February 15. The principal address will be made by Edwin Chamberlain, of San Antonio.

Vernon—The Young Men's Business League has offered \$166 in prizes for the various corn, cotton, kafir corn, milo maize, poultry and chicken clubs, in the county during the year 1913.

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San Antonio—Capt. H. E. Hunn well is in this city endeavoring to make arrangements for balloon flight from here, in an effort to break the world's distance record and thus life the Lahn cup.

Eastland—A thirty horse power gasoline traction and grader engine has just been purchased by the county commissioners for use on the roads. Ten miles of graded road is now being constructed from Eastland to Cisco.

Pleasanton—The Crystal Sand Company of San Antonio, is installing machinery to dredge the sand from the Atascosa River near here. The sand is to be used in making concrete.

Nacogdoches—The Hoya Lumber Company has been organized here and will erect a saw mill of 25,000 feet capacity at Hoya, a few miles from here. The company has purchased a tract containing 50,000,000 feet of standing lumber.

THE HISTORY OF YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS

By JUDGE P. A. MARTIN.

To the men of iron nerve and dauntless courage, who opened up the wilderness of the west and made possible the civilization we now enjoy, this series of articles is respectfully dedicated.

CHAPTER I

There is no land without a history, no people without a tradition, and few, if any, without a song and a story of which they are justly proud. Young county is not an exception to the general rule, but, on the contrary, it has a history which will rival in interest that of any other land in the great Southwest. Yet aside from the files of the press and the records of the public offices, no effort has ever been made to complete this history so that coming generations may know whence came their civilization and who they were, who "blazed the way" and carried in advance the torch of civilization into the darkness of savagery and opened up this fair land to the Anglo-Saxon race.

It is no small task to compile this history, yet, in the opinion of the writer, it is of more importance that our children should know something of their own home country than to be versed in the history of the ancient civilizations or even that of modern, foreign governments. It is a lamentable fact that there are graduates of our schools and colleges and even teachers who, while able to teach the prescribed courses in all branches, could not answer the simplest question in regard to the history of our home county. Under these conditions, the time is fast approaching when a most valuable and interesting history would be buried in oblivion and entirely lost to posterity.

It is in the hope that we may in some measure, prevent this loss that this history is written; then, it is also our object to do justice to a class of people to whom the chronicles of the past have never given the meed of praise they so richly deserve. We refer to the early settler who, with his wife and little ones, came here in "Indian times" and, with his axe and his rifle, possessed the land. Without detracting in the least degree from the glory of the achievements of heroic heroes we would say that this humble hero of the frontier was as truly great as Leonidas, of Thermopylae, or Crockett of the Alamo, though his deeds of daring have never been recorded on the pages of history. His was a life of continual danger, continual exposure, and continual self-sacrifice. Far away from the walks of civilization, far from succor in time of distress or treatment in time of disease, ever in danger of the tomahawk and the scalp-knife, the torture and the captivity worse than death, he came as an "entering wedge" penetrating the dominion of barbarism and blood and made the desert to "blossom as the rose." Then should we not teach our children and our children's children to keep his memory green, though his grave be not marked by costly stone and his deeds be not recorded on historic page?

Geographically, Young county is situated in latitude 33 deg. and in longitude 21 deg. west of Washington. It embraces a territory of 900 square miles and is bounded on the south by Stephens and Palo Pinto counties, on the east by Jack and a small portion of Palo Pinto counties, on the north by Archer county and on the west by Throckmorton county. It is traversed from northwest to south-

east by the Brazos river, main fork, while the Clear Fork of the same stream enters the county from Stephens near the southwest corner and flows into the main stream about ten miles southwest of the county seat. Another beautiful water-course is Elm Fork, or Elm Creek, which comes into the county from Throckmorton on the west and flows into the Brazos a few miles above old Fort Belknap. Other important water-courses are Salt Creek, which rises in Archer county and flows down south through the center of the county to the Brazos four miles south of Graham; Fish Creek and Boggy Creek, both coming from the west into the same stream, and Brushy Creek, which rises in the northeastern part of the county and flows east into the Trinity river.

The county is about half prairie and half timber land, in the northern part the prairie predominating and in the south the timber. The principal products of the soil are cotton, corn, wheat and oats, while stock-raising is one of the greatest industries if not the greatest. The county possesses a great variety of soil, and at a very early day it was a popular county for the homeseeker. It has a large variety of mineral deposits, including some of the best coal fields yet discovered in the State.

Young county was organized by virtue of an act of the Texas Legislature, passed on February 2, 1856. It was named in honor of Col. William C. Young, a Texas Veteran, who was killed in the year 1862 in the war between the States.

In the act of February 2d, 1856 referred to, the legislature named Peter Harmonson, Pleasant Tackett, Allen Johnson, Harry George, Wm. H. Burkett and James Duff, as commissioners to perfect the organization of the county. Fort Belknap was marked off and established on June 24, 1851, by Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. Belknap, of the Fifth Infantry, U. S. Army, at a place about two miles north of where Belknap now stands, the intention of the post being to check the marauding bands of Indians who infested the settlement on the frontier, coming from the north and west. The post was subsequently moved to where the town of Belknap was afterwards built, the reason of the move being to get a better water supply. The first garrison consisted of companies G, and I, of the Fifth Infantry, under the command of Capt. Carter L. Stephenson, upon whom devolved the task of constructing the Fort under the general instructions left by Col. Belknap. The post was afterwards occupied by a considerable force until the year 1859, when they were ordered to Utah to reinforce the forces in that territory. On the 23rd day of February, 1859, the last of the troops marched from the fort, and the Civil War intervening, the next four years they never returned in force, though for a few months in 1867 a detachment of the 9th Cavalry occupied the post as a base for scouting operations. The site was never declared a military reservation and the government never claimed any title to the land on which it was built. Bearing the destination of being an important military post it is

no wonder that the ruins of old Fort Belknap have clustered around them many interesting memories which will, as we proceed with the narrative, form a very important part.

Note. (This introductory is considered necessary more particularly for the benefit of the readers outside the county who do not understand the geography of the county.)

No Need to Stop Work
When the doctor orders you to stop work it staggers you. I can't you say. You know you are weak, run down and falling in health day by day, but you must work as long as you can stand. What you need is Electric Bitters to give tone, strength and vigor to your system, so prevent break down and build you up. Don't be weak, sickly or illing when Electric Bitters will benefit you from the first dose. Thousands bless them for their glorious health and strength. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50c at all druggists.
(Advertisement)

All of the plays that will be presented by the Newton Stock Co., which opens a week's engagement at the Opera house on Monday, February 24th, are absolutely clean. The management cater especially to ladies and children, and each play has been selected with care. The opening play will be "At The Old Cross Roads" a comedy drama in four acts, with high class specialties between each act.

Plainview—The Quanah, Aeme and Pacific Railroad has made a proposition to the town to build through here if Plainview will raise a bonus of \$100,000 cash, to secure a right of way through the country, and give terminal facilities 300 feet wide and 3,000 feet long. The matter is considered a good one by the business men and if the proposition is accepted the railroad promises to be in Plainview within eighteen months.

Obituary.

Graham, Texas, January 9-13. Brother A. A. Timmons, the subject of this sketch, was born in Cherokee County, Georgia, August 9, 1844, and fell asleep in Jesus at his home in Tonk Valley, September 9, 1912.

Brother Timmons came to Young County in 1866. He married Miss Mary Howard in April 1873, and to this union was born nine children, two of whom are dead, and the seven living are all grown. Brother Timmons prepared a hope in Christ about 1882 and was baptized into the fellowship of the Mount Pleasant Baptist church, by Eld I. H. Cunningham. He remained a member of that church until he moved to Tonk Valley, where he joined the Tonk Valley Baptist church and remained until the Master said it is enough, come up higher. In the death of Brother Timmons, the church has lost one of its best members, his wife, a loving husband; his children, a kind father and the County, one of her best citizens. But let none sorrow as those who have no hope, for if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, also them that sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him when he comes again. Let us all live the life of Brother Timmons, that our last end may be like his.

Resolved, that as Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Brother Timmons from among us, we bow in humble submission to His will, with the assurance that He does all things well, and that we mourn as those that have no hope, feeling sure that he finished his course, and as the Scripture hath said, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." Weep not, wife, mother, brothers, sisters, for he fought a good fight and hence-

forth is laid up for him a crown of righteousness; further that the sudden removal of such lives from among us is keenly felt and leaves vacancies and shadows that will not soon be forgotten by the members of the church to which he belonged and also will prove a serious loss to the community at large in which he lived so long and was so well known, therefore, be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the Church Record; a copy be sent to the county paper and a copy sent to the family of the deceased.

J. M. Hand.
A. H. Jones.
W. E. Moore.

A child that has intestinal worms is handicapped in its growth. A few doses of WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE destroys and expels worms; the child immediately improves and thrives wonderfully. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. (Advertisement)

Dawson—The census of Dawson has just been completed and shows the town to have a population of 1,105, an increase over the census of 1910 of 250, or a gain of 30 per cent.

Bryan—The recent election here to vote on the issuance of \$25,000 in bonds for street paving was carried by a majority of thirteen to one. In all \$75,000 will be expended in street improvements, which includes nine blocks in the business section.

Are You a Cold Sufferer?
Take Dr. King's New Discovery. The Best Cough, Cold, Throat and Lung medicine made. Money refunded if it fails to cure you. Do not hesitate—take it at our risk. First dose helps. J. R. Wells, Florida, Texas, writes: Dr. King's New Discovery cured my terrible cough and cold. I gained 15 pounds. Buy it at all druggists. (Advertisement)

In Memoriam.

Mrs. J. B. McGlamery was born January 7, 1864, converted and joined the Baptist church at the age of thirteen. Later she joined the M. E. Church, South, and remained so until death, which was summoned to her February 1, 1913, at 9 o'clock P. M.

Her face was pleasant, her conversations sweet and joyful; her life was a type to follow; her influence was one of the greatest admiring quality. She was carried away into the bosom of Jesus and left a bereaved husband and six children, three boys and three girls. All saw the death angel call mamma home.

To her husband, J. B. McGlamery; to the children, Bert, William, and Glenn; to Misses Maud, Lottie, and Larelle; we trust your sorrow will soon end, for we know where she is. Let's live to meet her there to part no more.

Marcus M. Chunn, P. C. Eliasville, Texas.

Plenty of Money to Loan—We can loan you any amount of money, from \$200 up to \$10,000.

REMEMBER we do our own splicing; don't have to wait two three months for an inspector to come from a distant city.

You get your money at once NO EXPENSE.

C. W. Hinson.

Eagle Pass—T. A. Welder shipped from this point 366 head of steers, 120 head of cows and 120 head of calves purchased in Mexico. He is taking them southeast Texas for feeding purposes.

San Angelo.—Bids are now being received by the Commissioners' Court of Tom Green County for the construction of a concrete bridge over the Concho River. The cost of the bridge is not to exceed

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Use Graded Seed

It is imperative to use the best seeds for planting.

The Grading Process is simply a separation of the best seeds from those of inferior quality by the use of an air blast and sieves, after the seeds have been prepared to eliminate the fuzz or lint with which they are coated when they come from the cotton gin. The process has been patented. The object is to obtain the heaviest seeds for planting. There is a difference in size and weight of the seeds in each lock of cotton similar to the difference of the grains on each ear of corn. It is not possible to select cotton seed according to their weight by hand picking. Street's Grading Process weighs them more accurately than the druggists scales. Careful tests have shown that the use of the heavy cotton seed increases the yield more than 25 per cent; and, in addition improves the quality of the crop, without adding to the expense.

Mr. A. Shamel demonstrates in experiments conducted by the Bureau of Plant Industry of the Department of Agriculture, that the best developed and most vigorous tobacco plants are always produced from the heavy seeds, and that the light seeds produce small, irregular and undesirable plants. United States Experiment Station work with other crops demonstrated that the heavier seed are "in proportion to their volume, the higher in the percentage of germination, the more rapid is the growth of resulting plants, the more resistant are they to disease and adverse conditions and the greater is their productivity."

Cotton farmers find two plants growing side by side, each having all observable conditions alike. Yet one plant is loaded full of bolls and the other is barren, or perhaps has a few bolls. The full fruited stalk has grown from a heavy, well developed seed—the other from a light or weak seed.

Cotton plants begin to bloom in June and continue blooming and fruiting until killed by frosts in the fall of the year. They are sensitive to the climate vagaries of a long summer. Rain, drought, and varying temperature affect them. They thrive and deteriorate as weather conditions are favorable or adverse, and in consequence, nearly one-half of the seeds produced are infertile in some particular, which renders them unsuitable for planting purposes.

The secret of my having the best cotton crop every year is the use of graded seeds.

Any farmer can learn to grade cotton seed. I have the necessary tools for sale. Also, graded Mebane cotton seed and the patent rights.

Selecting the Seeds

WHILE considering the business of growing and raising cotton seed for market, it occurred to me that it would be impracticable to get any considerable quantity by the hand picking process, as practiced by plant breeders, yet, that process is absolutely necessary to prevent any variety of cotton from running out. The government experiment stations, in numerous bulletins, instruct the farmers to go through the cotton fields ahead of the pickers and select the best cotton for their own seed.

In that way a trained man, if he possessed of unusual discriminating powers, can improve the type of the variety and even develop a new and desirable cotton. To get beneficial results the work would consist of a correct consideration of the various characteristics of type of a great number of plants to find one plant having the ideal qualities of shape, number and position of branches, foliage, size of

bolls, length, strength and fineness of lint, character and performance of hulls to hold against storms, and at the same time facilitate picking, length of joints on fruit branches, habit of growth, time necessary between blooms and grown bolls, root system, etc., nevertheless, to go over the field picking large bolls off of well fruited stalks is well worth doing, because the use of seed thus obtained will increase the yield of resulting crop, but that kind of work will not preserve the purity of the kind, because the desirable cottons are the result of a mixture of other varieties or "sports" which have been selected and improved for a series of years and which will cross back or run out unless the work of selection, as practiced by a competent plant breeder, is continued. My method is to purchase pure seed sufficient to plant four acres each year. From the seed patch thus planted the "sports" are cut out and in addition a careful selection is made at picking time. The seed thus obtained, after submitting them to the grading process, are used to plant the crop from which I obtain seed to sell to others. These seed will produce a crop better than 95 per cent pure, and as they are acclimated the yield will be greater than can be obtained the first year from Texas seed. No mixing from the pollen of other cottons is possible, because my seed fields are isolated and surrounded by timber, and proper precautions are taken to prevent mixing at the gin.

Here I wish to make a peculiar remark. I am inclined to the belief that pure bred cotton lacks some vigor on account of inbreeding and might produce a lighter crop than cotton slightly mixed. I know this to be the case with corn. Many experiments with hybrid corn seed have resulted in more than doubling the yield.

We are indebted to the careful breeders for our finest products of the farm, we all admire a typical animal or plant, but our hogs prefer one hundred bushels of mixed corn to fifty bushels of the pure bred articles. I mix my corn seed to get more bushels from the fields grown for feed. I keep my cotton pure to have planting seeds for market. This year's crop had less than two "sports" to the one hundred plants. The good spots in the crop were picked for seed. They are the purest Mebane seed to be obtained in quantity and, after being submitted to the grading process, will yield enough more than other seeds to pay the expense of picking.

Mebane Seed the Best

For a number of years I made careful tests of different cottons to determine the best varieties to grow on my own farm in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma. For this work I purchased one bushel of seed of each of eight varieties from well known seed houses and plant breeders in Texas and I obtained one variety from the Agricultural Department. These various seeds were planted side by side and subjected to like conditions of soil and cultivation. Of all the varieties tried by me, the seed I purchased from Mr. Mebane, Lockhart, Texas, produced the most profitable crops and the best quality of cotton. The first year of my series of experiments the picking was purposely delayed until practically all of the bolls had opened. The Mebane cotton was planted in the middle of the plot—the fifth of nine varieties. My cotton pickers averaged 2300 lbs. in the other varieties. They picked the same quantity—2300 lbs.—in the Mebane before noon. Of course they raced in the Mebane, but a cotton picker

can get one-third more Mebane cotton than of other varieties with the same effort. This is because the Mebane cotton does not glue in the bolls, the bolls are larger and the hulls roll back out of the way of the picker's fingers. Fifty matured bolls of Mebane produce one pound of seed cotton, while it takes ninety bolls of Rowden cotton to produce the same quantity. The Mebane gins out from 35 to 42 per cent of lint. The Mebane cotton plant is smaller and not disposed to grow so much "weed" as other varieties. It branches low down, sends out more fruit branches and has shorter joints, thus producing a larger yield than other varieties. The seeds are smaller and the lint is the longest, strongest, finest and most valuable of any of the big boll varieties. An important characteristic is its ability to mature its bolls in the shortest time and at the same time continue to bloom and make cotton until frost kills the plant. The lint is not subject to "stain" because the bolls turn down and shed the rain. The circulars published last year by the Oklahoma branch of the Bureau of Plant Industry recommended only the Mebane cotton. My crop and seeds were viewed by agents of the Agricultural Department and my seed was listed on the circulars mentioned. Of course, I felt elated to find my name heading the list of the four farmers in this great state whose cotton seed were officially recommended to the demonstration agents of the Agricultural Department as the best cotton seed to be obtained; and, doubtless, I needed a larger sized hat for a time, but I do not wish to convey the impression that I am a plant breeder. What I have described was a simple experiment to determine the best paying variety of cotton for my own use. The plant breeders used their brains and talents to produce the varieties. I used the scales to select the most profitable variety. The Mebane made me the most money every time. Then it occurred to me to grow planting seed that would benefit my fellow farmers.

Plowing

It has been my custom to "flat break" all of my cotton land. This work has been done at varying depths. Like other farmers I have been foolish enough to attempt a larger acreage than my equipment warranted and have frequently found it necessary to do shallow plowing in order to work over more acres. The deepest plowing has invariably been the most profitable. For the 1912 crop I plowed five acres of ridge land sixteen inches deep and five acres of bottom land twelve inches. The ridge land was plowed in November and made eleven hundred pounds of seed cotton to the acre. The bottom land was plowed in February and made seventeen hundred pounds of seed cotton and about two hundred pounds of "cracked bolls" per acre. This work was done with a Spalding Deep Tilling Machine. My other bottom land was plowed eight inches deep with turning plows and it made an average of eleven hundred pounds of seed cotton per acre.

The Agricultural Department published a bulletin describing the work of a Georgia farmer who plowed twelve inches deep with a turning plow and seven inches deep with a subsoil plow, making a loosened seed bed nineteen inches deep which produced two and one-quarter bales of cotton per acre on a sixty acre field that had previously made an average crop of three hundred pounds of seed cotton per acre.

A deep seed bed absorbs and conserves more moisture, prevents washing, renders more plant food available and retards the starting and growth of grass and weeds. To be available plant food must be in solution. Some of the most important matter entering into the food supply of plants will not dissolve until brought into contact with the oxygen of the air. Hence, the deeper the air enters into the soil the more fertile the seed bed will be. Some experts advise against deep plowing on rich bottom land, because such work would tend to cause too rank a growth of "weed." I have grown more than two bales of cotton per acre a number of times on deep plowed rich bottom land by pruning to check the rankness of the growth. I cut the top off of the main, or trunk, stalk as soon as it appeared above the level of the other branches. A week or ten days later I topped the primary branches and again clipped the ends off of fruit branches in spots where the "sand" was too thick.

All the reasons for pruning fruit trees, tobacco plants, tomatoes, etc.,

apply to cotton. My method of working the land is to harrow lightly after the plow and before any lumps or clods, become dry and hard. Other harrowing after a rain to break the crust is advisable. In the spring the seed bed will be in better mechanical condition when fall and early winter plowing has been done.

To plant, a disk harrow followed by a drag is used ahead of a two-row planter having shoes on its runners to carry the runners on the surface so that none of the seeds will be covered too deep—thus most of the seed are in sight behind the planter, but pressed down by the wheels into the cut made by the runners. A few days after planting a light harrowing is given.

It has been recommended to bed or ridge the land to make it warm so the plants will grow fast. I prefer the plants to grow slow while a root system is beginning to form and until the branching age is reached. The slow growing plants branch lowest and fruit best. Early chopping to a single plant also favors low branching.

I favor deep cultivating once or twice at the beginning for the same reasons that I favor a deep seed bed. The after work should not cut the roots and should be done in a manner to keep the ground level.

It is a mistake to plow the earth out of the middles where it protects and supplies feeding roots. I object to the use of sweeps unless absolutely necessary to kill grass and weeds. The "middles" should be kept loose and level by the use of small plows and harrows as long as it is possible to drive between the rows without breaking the plants. I have one case in mind where an extra plowing carried part of a field through a drought and doubled the yield of cotton.

If each plant would produce fifty matured bolls of the Mebane variety, the yield from an acre would be more than three bales of lint cotton. In an average field many plants produce more than fifty bolls, and in consequence it seems to me to be possible to greatly increase the profits of cotton growing by intelligent work along the lines of seed selection, cultural methods, pruning, fertilizing and control of the moisture supply.

J. O. B. STREET,
Okemah, Okla.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel very much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and paves the way for more serious diseases that so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Sloan Drug Co. (Adv.)

Laredo—The Board of Trade of this city is making a strong effort to interest capital in the proposed railroad from here to Beville.

Yorktown—Work on a new garage for Yorktown has been started. The plant is to be thoroughly modern and up-to-date in every respect.

Jacksboro—The three rock crushers here turned out 200,000 cubic yards of crushed stone during the past year. The crushed stone is used in the construction of paved streets, concrete and railroad ballasting. Most of the stone is mined within the city limits. The three plants represent an investment of \$100,000 and furnish employment for 200 men.

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FRIDAY NIGHT

Program by the Loving High School.

SATURDAY MORNING

Song—America. Led by Frank Beard.
Devotional Exercises—Rev. W. W. Noble.

The Place of the County Board in Our Small School System—V. M. Burkett.

Is the Rural High School Law a Blow at Our Small Schools?—Supt. B. W. King.

Loving's Opportunity for a First-Class High School—Supt. Edgar McLendon.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Rural School as a Social Center—H. L. Gröner and D. B. Wood. General discussion.

The Importance of the Study of Language in Our Schools—Misses Louvenia McFerran and Florence Carmack.

Where Should Analysis be Introduced in Arithmetic?—A. O. Bradshaw and O. J. McFadden.

You are invited to be present at both of the above named dates, and the Trustees of the adjoining districts are especially invited.

Teachers who are present will please consider themselves on the program.

Respectfully submitted,
B. W. King,
County Superintendent.

Pearsall—The County Commissioners at a recent meeting, decided to ask the agricultural department for the service of a government engineer, to supervise the construction of roads in the county, provided the election, for this purpose carries.



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WHEN there is sickness or an accident on the farm, haste in calling the doctor is vital.

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Meia—\$25,000 has been raised for the erection of a Methodist church here. Lots have been purchased and construction will start at an early date.

Galveston—Out of a needed \$100,000, over \$40,000 has been pledged for the organization of a company and the building of an automobile factory here.

Livingston—The records of Polk county for the year 1912 show that 203 marriage licenses were issued, and that there were 62 births and 19 deaths in the county.

Bay City—This city recently voted bonds to the amount of \$17,000 to be used for street improvements, extensions and maintenance of the water works system.

Itasca—The Board of Trade and Retail Merchants Association of this city have consolidated. A fund of \$2400 has been raised for the purpose of employing a permanent secretary and plans have been made for an extensive campaign.

Do you know that more real danger lurks in a common cold than in any other of the minor ailments? The safe way is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a thoroughly reliable preparation, and rid yourself of the cold as quickly as possible. This remedy is for sale by Sloan Drug Co. (Advertisement)

The Realm of Society

Announcement Party.
 About forty friends of Miss Roberta Akin were invited to a pre-arranged party at the residence of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Rose, on last Monday afternoon—the occasion announcing her engagement to Mr. Grady Fletcher, of Waco.

The home was artistically decorated with hearts for this happy event; a red heart glowed a welcome from the front door, a hearth-ringer of the delightful social gathering within. Red hearts were used in profusion, suggestive of Valentine lore and the little red cupids dancing in festoons above the table of love and romance and innumerable conquests. Red hearts of varied sizes graced the different rooms—all betokening a happy celebration of this prenuptial affair. A bright poinsettia centered the table, which bore further decorations of cut glass and embroidered linen. The dainty programs also emphasized the chosen colors.

The following program, all savoring of this happy time in a young girl's life, was rendered and received with manifest appreciation, each number being received with applause:

Piano: Waltz, Mrs. Crabb.
 Voice: "Jaunita." Mesdames Morrison and Rose.

Reading: "Speak Up, Ike, and 'Sprees Yo'se'f." Miss Morrison.

Piano: "Old Love Letters." Miss Elsie Rubenkoenig.

Voice: (a) "The Sweetest Story Ever Told" Mrs. Rose.
 (b) "A Story Story Still." Mr. Rose.

Reading: "That Old Sweet-heart of Mine." Mrs. Hallam.

Piano: "Norma." Mrs. Akin.
 Voice: "My Hero," from "The Chocolate Soldier." Miss Akin.

Piano: "Love Pats." Mrs. Mabry.

Voice: "Love Is All In All." Mrs. Duncan.

Piano: "Il Trovatore." Mrs. Morrison and Miss Garrett.

Voice: "My Lover is a Weaver." Mrs. Rose.

Reading: "An Interesting Bit of News." Mrs. Hallam.

Heart-shaped slips of paper were handed each guest with the request that she write a favorite culinary recipe, the slips to be bound and presented to the honoree, as a souvenir of the occasion and as a very present help in household duties, later.

Delicious refreshments were served, a pear salad with salted nuts, marshmallows, brown bread, angel's food, hot chocolate with whipped cream. The hostess was assisted in serving her guests by Mesdames A. A. and H. L. Morrison, Mabry, Wynns, W. H. Vaughan, and her mother, Mrs. Elliott.

The following poem, the original production of our own talented Mrs. Hallam, announced "The Happy News" as the last number on the program.

Were I an artist with power divine
 To direct this impotent hand of mine,
 I'd use his technique and his skill,
 His power, his genius—all until
 I had told in colors graver, and gay
 Of a fair girl's wedding day.

Were I a poet for one brief hour,
 With his wonderful words and his magic powers,
 I'd invoke the muse from Olympia's height
 In rhyme of "love" the poet's delight—
 Of love, and mating, and "nests
 for two."
 As the springtime poets always do.

Were I a prophet—some wise old seer
 With visions bright of the coming year,
 I'd sing of happy days galore
 In a vine-clad cot, of an open door
 On a sunny ranch, where dwelt the pair,
 A young man dark and this maiden fair.

An artist, a poet, a prophet—or seer,
 On this gala day—O, would that I were!
 I'd paint and I'd sing and fore-tell to you
 Of a happy event—almost in view—
 For of all happy days, the happiest, I ween,
 Is March the 12th, nineteen thirteen.

On this day of days in the early spring,
 'Mid sighing trees and birds on wing,
 Like Hiawatha, brave and bold,
 Who traced a path through the forest old
 To find his lovely, tawny bride—
 So comes the hero, if naught betide.

O, Hymen's bells, swing soft and slow
 For Grady Fletcher, of Waco,
 The fiancée; the bride-to-be,
 Roberta Akin; ring merrily!
 Ring, happy bells, for the joyous scene,
 Of March the twelfth, nineteen thirteen.

The marriage ceremony will be read at the Presbyterian church on the morning of March 12, at 6:30, to which all of Miss Akin's friends are invited.

Priscilla Club
 The Priscilla Club met with Mrs. W. D. Norman Tuesday afternoon, Mesdames Duncan and W. H. Vaughan as guests.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Stovall; this being a business meeting all members are urged to be present.

Les Hiboux Club
 Les Hiboux Club was entertained delightfully last Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock, by Mrs. W. D. Norman and with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Loving, as honoree.

The red and white color scheme was used for the Valentine decorations of cupids, hearts and carnations. Cupid score cards were used for progressive bridge and miniature valentines were given for favors. Mrs. L. D. Clark won first favor in a cut with Mrs. Wadsworth and Mrs. Parrish, Mrs. R. G. Graham won guests favor in a cut with Mrs. Stovall and Mrs. Gay won the consolation. Mrs. Fowler was presented with the booby.

A dainty salad course with coffee and stuffed dates was served.

Notice.
 All the cedar trees in Oak Grove Cemetery will be trimmed, unless the owners object and instruct the sexton otherwise at once.

Mrs. S. R. Crawford, President Ladies Cemetery Association.

The many friends of Miss Grata Lichte are rejoiced to have her again in our midst. She came Saturday and is the guest of Mrs. Pohlman and will remain until she has recuperated sufficiently to resume work in her chosen profession. She still has to use crutches to assist the limb so long in a plaster cast and her eyes trouble her. But she is, otherwise, her bright, cheerful self, dispensing sunshine all along her pathway.

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Fancy Greely Colorado Potatoes	\$1.00 per bu.
6 packages Soda	25c
Velva Syrup	65c per gal.
3-pound Wapco Tomatoes	10c per can
12 cans Wapco Corn	\$1.00
White Swan Corn	12½c per can
18 pound best Granulated Sugar	\$1.00
25-pound sack Granulated Sugar	\$1.30
White Pearl Meal	60c per sack
Pure Corn Chops	\$1.30 per cwt.
Mill Run Bran	\$1.35 per cwt.

We have many other bargains which we have not space to mention. We want your trade and have the goods and prices to get it. Remember we give honest weights and measures and guarantee everything we sell. If not satisfied you get your money back.

GRAVES & WARD

<p>Mount Pleasant After having so much cloudy weather, we are all glad to see pretty sunny days. It seems like spring is almost here to see the ladies out in the garden planting seed. A. H. Jones and family, of Tonk Valley, visited J. A. Timmon's Sunday. Mrs. J. O. Wilson and children visited Mrs. W. S. Timmon's Sunday. The young people enjoyed a party at J. A. Timmon's Saturday night. All report a fine time. Miss Watson, of Graham, visited Mrs. J. W. Moore Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Tina Jones and children of New Mexico, are visiting J. A. Timmons and family this week. Our Sunday School has been stopped some time, but we hope to start it again Sunday. Let's all come out and take a part in the work. Misses Eppie, Jewel and Eunice Moore and Sallie Timmons and Walter Kemp of Tonk Valley, visited in our community Saturday and Sunday. Come again, we are glad to have you all with us. Mrs. Burnett and Mrs. Fitzgerald visited Mrs. Wilson Saturday. J. O. Wilson went to Graham Monday to attend a Bible school. A Texas Girl.</p>	<p>Resolutions of Respect. To the W. M. Wardens and Brethren of Young County Lodge No. 485, A. F. & M.: We, your committee heretofore appointed for the purpose, do hereby fraternally submit the following resolutions of respect to the memory of our deceased brother, W. S. Timmons. Whereas, the Grand Master of the Universe, in his wisdom, has seen fit to call from earthly labor to the Celestial Lodge above our brother, W. S. Timmons, therefore, be it Resolved; That the untimely death of our brother, Young County Lodge has lost one of its most faithful members, and the membership a most trustful friend. That in the death of our brother, the family of the deceased has lost a devoted husband and a kind and loving father. That our county has lost an honest and upright citizen, a man who was a credit to the state and an honor to the Masonic Lodge. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Lodge, a copy be given to the family of the deceased, and a copy furnished The Graham Leader and West Texas Reporter for publication. Fraternally submitted, W. M. Terrell, A. B. Eddleman, D. G. Vick, Committee.</p>	<p>Junior Committee Report. Pursuant to a call issued Tuesday morning by President Short, the Junior Class, of the Graham High School held its second meeting that afternoon in the Library, directly after 4 o'clock. The class was called to order by the president, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer then made his report and the signatures of the president and secretary were affixed thereto in approval. The motto and class committees made their reports and "Adhuc facientes; adhuc sequentes"—"still achieving; still pursuing"—was adopted. The class voted unanimously for purple and gold for the class colors. The committee on the class flower was not prepared to report and they were allowed another week to decide upon a flower. The office of Administrator was created and that distinction was conferred upon Henry Schlittler, and his duties were assigned to him. As there was no further business to be considered, the class adjourned.</p>	<p>Speaking Dates. Below are the Young County speaking dates arranged for Hon. B. L. Nance, of the State Department of Agriculture, who is organizing Farmers' Institutes. Graham, Monday, Feb. 24. Newcastle, Tuesday, Feb. 25. True, Tuesday, night Feb. 25. Ingleside, Wednesday, 11 a. m. Feb. 26. Camp Creek, 2 p. m. Feb. 26. Olney, Thursday, Feb. 27. Jean, Thursday night, Feb. 27. Lamar, Friday, 10 a. m., Feb. 28. Farmer, Friday, 2 p. m., Feb. 28. Loving, Saturday, March 1. These lectures are for the special benefit of the farmers and they are earnestly invited to attend. Mr. Nance is an earnest forceful speaker, and has the fullest confidence of the department at Austin which sends him out on this splendid work.</p>
<p>FURNITURE Just received, big car of Furniture, Rugs, Linoleum, Window Shades, etc. Let me figure on your house-keeping "outfit." Can save you money. D. G. VICK. Fred W. Fay, living out east of town, was in Graham on business last Saturday and remembered The Leader in a nice, substantial manner. He says his sons, who have been in Oregon and Washington are now at home and will remain with him this summer and they have all gone to farming in earnest. Mr. Fay has been renting, most of his land heretofore, but with his sons, he expects to tend it all this year.</p>			

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Notice to Praetorians.
 All Praetorians are urged to be present at the meeting of the council next Friday night as there is business of importance to attend to.
 Joe Mabry, S. G.
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 W. L. Howry,
 Old Finch Building, Northwest corner of square. Graham, Texas.
 Mrs. Homer Thompson, who has been staying with her sister in Fort Worth, came to Graham last Sunday to join her husband and make her home with us. Mr. Thompson is the jeweler with J. L. Woods. They will occupy the Washburn house.

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Joint Ballies

Pursuant to previous announcements, joint rallies with the teachers, school trustees, teachers, pupils and patrons are to be held by Hon. B. L. Nance and County Superintendent B. W. King, over Young county during next week.

The public generally is cordially invited to attend these meetings. Why not take a few hours lay off to study things of common interest to us all while the opportunity is passing? The dates for these meetings are published elsewhere in this paper. Mr. Nance will talk on the best and most up-to-date methods. The rally at Graham will be held in the Court House at 2 o'clock P. M., February 24th.

To the Boys

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The Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church held a most enjoyable social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rubenkoenig last Thursday night.

Harry Wadsworth returned Friday night from Eustis, Florida, where he had spent over a month with his parents. He says he did not see any frost at the time he left Texas until he got back.

Misses Bladen Garrett, Pauline McJimsey, Elsie Rubenkoenig, Lillie Morrison, and Messrs. Z. A. Hudson, Chas. Hutchison and F. A. Kessler accompanied Rev. Gaines B. Hall to Tonk Valley Sunday afternoon for preaching services.

Nearly Loses Foot.

Wylie Stevens, living out on East Creek, came near losing his right foot last Thursday evening when the plow he was using jumped or skidded from the ground and struck him just above the heel and cut to the ankle joints. The big leader behind the ankle was completely severed, but this, the physician believes, will grow together and Mr. Stevens will completely recover from the accident.

Card of Thanks

We desire to express our sincere thanks to the good people of Graham for the many favors shown us during and following the fire which destroyed the Dolman House last Wednesday night. Especially do we wish to thank those who assisted in rescuing our furniture from the burning building, and the boys of the fire department for their quick response to the call, and for their heroic efforts to extinguish the flames.

C. W. Day and family.

The many friends of Judge C. W. Johnson are glad to see him able to be up town again after a spell of sickness which had confined him to his room since the 24th of December. He is not yet able to attend his duties in the law office, but he is regaining strength rapidly for one of his age and will, no doubt, be his former self in a few more weeks.

Mrs. B. G. Woods, of Fort Worth, is spending a few days of this week in Graham preparing to move her household goods to her new home in the Panther City. Mrs. Wood was a resident of Graham for forty-one years and has been a regular reader of The Leader from its first issue up to the present time and she says she expects to continue reading it.

Madero Made Prisoner

City of Mexico, Feb. 18.—Francisco I. Madero has been forced out of the Presidency. He was arrested at the National Palace shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon by Gen. Blanquet.

Gen. Victoriano Huerta, commander of the Federal troops, was proclaimed Provisional President.

About the time Madero was seized by Blanquet, his brother, Gustavo Madero, the former Minister of Finance, was arrested by Gen. Huerta, who was dining with him in a restaurant.

All members of the Cabinet were promptly placed under arrest, with the exception of Ernesto Madero, the uncle of the President, who held the portfolio of finance. He was apprised of the intentions against the Government and managed to make his escape.

A few loyal members of Madero's staff rushed into the room when Madero was struggling with the soldiers and went to his rescue, but ineffectually.

Capt. Garmendia, who had just been appointed Chief of Police, advanced upon Col. Riveroll, shooting and wounding him seriously. Immediately there was an exchange of shots and three or four members of the President's staff are said to have been wounded.

Just to make the record clear, Madero had been given reasonable time in which to write his resignation. Failure to do this, it is said, would have resulted in his being sent with his family to Vera Cruz, to be given the choice of outgoing vessels. Madero signed his resignation later in the day.

At 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon the cannonading was still heavier than before, and the rattle of machine guns was heard in various quarters. At that time San Francisco street was being cleared by Huerta as if it were expecting an attack. A half hour later the order to cease firing was sounded and the battle was over.

Commissioners Court

The county commissioners court adjourned last Saturday after a busy week's work, and the members went out in automobiles to inspect the bridges that had recently been built.

The following were appointed as election judges for the following two years:

Graham—F. M. Burkett, H. C. Fields, Chas. Long, Walter Burns.

Gooseneck—T. L. Lisle, R. B. Whittenberg.

South end—L. M. Pratt, Ed McCluskey.

Elisaville—W. P. Stinson, G. L. Donnell.

Fish Creek—C. E. Donnell, C. E. Grubbs.

Miller Bend—G. W. McCalister, R. F. Arnold, Jr.

Newcastle—Charley Daniels, J. S. Thomas, C. M. Proffitt, P. J. Cochran.

Proffitt—G. R. Thomas, R. T. Wells.

Farmer—Chas. N. Keen, G. L. Joyner.

Indian Mound—W. W. Williams, Harry Kindley.

Olney—W. H. Keen, W. F. Keathley, C. West, John Bloodworth.

Markley—W. W. Gregg, J. M. Wallace.

True—Lee Hardy, M. M. Burris.

Bitter Creek—J. J. Gray, H. Barry.

Rabbit Creek—C. M. Webb, A. M. Eddleman.

Loving—A. J. Wheat, G. McCluer, W. H. Simmons, Frank Beard.

Red Top—Will McGee, Geo. Slater.

Huffstuttle—W. W. Fawks, A. M. Jones.

Camp Creek—D. K. Lyons, Edgar Tandy.

Jean—J. L. Duncan, C. C. Carpenter.

Conner—J. A. Chandler, F. W. Fay.

Lone Oak—J. V. Hanna, J. G. Hawkins.

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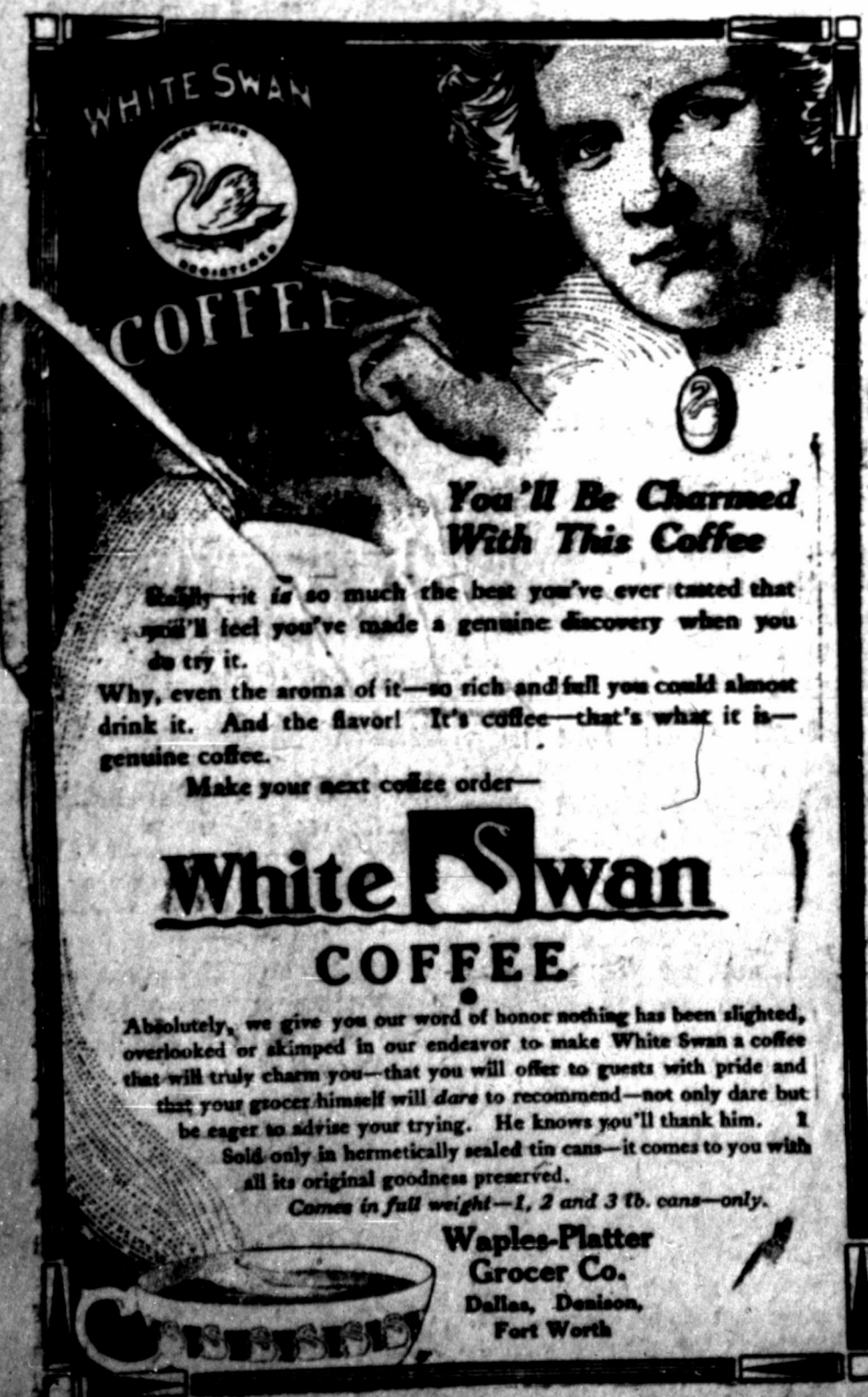
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