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## A MESSAGE TO THE TRADE



We are ready in every Department for your Spring business. Never in the history of the Dependon Store have we shown such a variety of new, snappy Merchandise.

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### Fletcher-Akin.

At 6:30 Wednesday morning, March 12th, an interested crowd of friends at the Presbyterian church awaited the coming of the bride and groom. The church had been made a lovely bower under the artistic hands of Mesdames G. B. Hall, H. L. Morrison and Evans Mabry. The beautiful palms and ferns were all from the private conservatory of Mrs. H. L. Morrison. A vase of lovely, long-stemmed roses lent a bright color to the center.

After the relatives of the contracting parties were seated, Julian Edward's "The Heart's Richest Dower," was impressively sung by Mrs. Rose, the words appropriately fitting into the service which followed. With Mrs. A. A. Morrison's skillful fingers playing the grand strains from Mendelssohn, the handsome young couple marched up the aisle, to the altar where Rev. Gaines B. Hall awaited them. In a few well chosen words he officiated in the solemn ring ceremony which united the lives of Mr. Grady W. Fletcher, of Waco, and our own Miss Roberta Akin. The bride has lived all of her young life in Graham and counts her friends by all who know her. She has been a faithful worker in the Sunday School work of the county, as well as in that of her own church, and was very active in the young people's society and choir, so will be greatly missed. Being endowed with natural beauty she presented indeed a pretty picture in her becoming going-away-gown of champagne chiffon broadcloth with hat, shoes and all accessories in harmony brightened by just enough color. She carried an arm bouquet of bride's roses with a touch of pink in the center.

The groom is a young man of sterling qualities—a staunch christian character, energetic and ambitious, and bound to be a success in life.

Their popularity is evidenced by the array of handsome presents bestowed upon them when they had not even sent invitations. Perhaps never before in Graham has appeared such a quantity of exquisite cut glass and handsome linen. The Leader joins their many friends in wishing for them a long life of deserved happiness, and also joins in the hope that they will carry out their plans to return to Graham vicinity within a year or two to make their permanent home. Amid showers of rice and congratulations they left on the Rock Island immediately for their home in Waco, with short visits to relatives in Fort Worth and Hillsboro, en route. Truly, "there is nothing half so sweet in life as loves' young dream."

### The High School Annual.

The students of the Graham High School are proposing to publish an annual, and the project has been agitated very much during the past two weeks. A joint meeting of all the classes of the High School was held in the auditorium last Thursday evening and Gus Spivey was elected editor-in-chief. John Fisher received the position of business manager, and Hardy Price, first year, and J. W. Akin, second year, were elected associate editors representing the lower classes. Ed Jeffery was chosen for the position of athletic editor. This is the first attempt of our High School pupils to do this and their progress should be watched.

Frank Forbes, cashier of the Graham Cotton Oil Co., left Wednesday morning for his home in Houston. His friends here hope for his return next season.

D. M. Higgins, who was formerly a citizen of Young county, recently died at his home in Oklahoma, so reads a letter from his son, O. D. Higgins, to Rev. W. M. Higgins, who was a brother to the deceased.

### Speaking Dates

The following are the places and dates for the Graham speakers as far as have been arranged up to the time of our going to press. Other dates will be made by mail and telephone and arrangements will be made next week for a date for our speakers to address the people of Loving and Prefitt:

Hunt School House, Friday, March 14.

Henry Chapel, Friday, March 14.

Indian Mound, Friday, March 14.

South Bend, Saturday, March 15.

Monument School House, Saturday, March 15.

Huffstuttle, Saturday, March 15.

Upper Tonk, Monday, March 17.

Gooseneck, Tuesday, March 18.

Bitter Creek, Tuesday, March 18.

Connor Creek, March 19, Wednesday.

### More About Medal Contest.

The medals for the medal contest in local W. C. T. U. contest are now on display and it is hoped thereby to stimulate many contestants to enter. The silver medal is to be given for the best Temperance Reading by a young lady or married woman. The gold medal is to be given for the best Temperance Reading by a girl or declamation by a boy.

Miss Lucile Miller is superintendent of the medal contest and has a fine set of readings from which to select. The time for contest will be set when a sufficient number have entered. A delightful program is assured the public and we urge all who wish to see the Liquor Traffic overturned, to give their children their co-operation and their means. Ask Miss Miller's help as it will be gladly given.

### Surveyors Arrive in Graham

The surveyors for the Quanah, Seymour, Dublin & Rockport Railroad arrived in the city Sunday night and took up the work Monday morning of completing the line from Graham to Seymour. The survey has all been completed except between Strawn and Seymour and this will be completed in a short while. Mr. Walker informed us that arrangements have been made in Europe to finance and build the road as soon as the very reasonable conditions are complied with along the route and that grading has already begun on the southern end of the line. He expects to have the road completed from Quanah to Rockport by July 1, 1916.

### Minor-Roach

Claud Minor and Mrs. Bessie Roach were married at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lamar, in this city last Friday evening and left the following morning for Oklahoma where they will spend some time visiting relatives before returning to Wichita Falls to make their home. The Leader extends congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness and prosperity.

### Preaching at Tonk Valley.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall will preach at Tonk Valley Sunday afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock. There will be Sunday School immediately before preaching, beginning about 2:30.

Rev. Marcus M. Chunn, pastor of the Methodist church at Elíasville, returned last Thursday from a visit with his parents at Mineral Wells.

R. M. Davis, of Ivan, called Monday and renewed for The Leader. He said they had a fine plowing season in the ground before the last rains and the ones which fell Saturday and Sunday would make small grain grow fast.

### Junior Class Meeting.

The Junior Class of the Graham High School met in the library Friday evening to discuss what action they should take in their share of the publication of the High School annual. Before this question was taken up they reconsidered the motion carried at the previous meeting relating to the joint social meetings of the Juniors and Seniors. It was found that the members of the social committee were under a misapprehension as to the statement made by a member of the Senior social committee concerning the wish of the Seniors to hold the social meetings together. A motion to repeal this was made and without any discussion was carried.

The question of how the picture of the class are to be put in the annual was then taken up and after a little discussion was settled. After the meeting had adjourned, the boys of the class took a ballot to choose a girl from the class, whose picture is to be placed on the "beauty page" of the annual. Jewell Steen received the largest number of votes.

### Notice

The regular quarterly meeting of the County Union will meet on Friday, the fourth day of April, at Newcastle, at 10 o'clock. Each local in the county please send a full delegation, as there is business of importance to attend to at this meeting. We have the promise of a Lecturer from headquarters to be at this meeting. Every Union man in the county is invited to attend.

E. B. Moreland, President.

Mr. and Mrs. Rose gave a pre-nuptial dining for their niece Miss Akin. Covers were laid for eight and the place cards bore original verses descriptive of each guest.

### Woodmen Have Big Day

The W. O. W. meeting here last Friday was the greatest success of anything of the kind ever held by a secret order here and reflected great credit upon the local camp. There were members of the order in attendance from nearly every camp in the county and over seven hundred men, women and children partook of the excellent dinner prepared for them in the W. O. W. hall. From noon until 2 o'clock a moving picture show was given free to all who desired to attend, after which the Woodmen of the World and the Woodmen Circle formed in front of the hall and marched behind the Firemen's Band, which furnished music for the occasion, around the square and into the court house where District Judge P. A. Martin delivered to them an address suited to the occasion. After night Consul Commander Rehder entertained the crowd with a drill by his excellent degree teams, in both the W. O. W. and Circle orders. The drill was held in the street opposite the band stand and the Firemen's Band furnished music during the time. The occasion was in every way a complete success.

### Big Monday Again

Last Monday was any other than a suitable day for driving, but the people came to Graham just the same. There were a number of trades made in live stock and the merchants generally did a good business, however, the day was not the best, from a trade standpoint, that we have ever had. This can easily be accounted for when we take into consideration the large crowd here Friday and Saturday before. But these Big Monday's or Trade Day's, always bring a crowd and many come from great distances, so they are always to be looked forward to.

F. M. Cullers was here Monday from Markley.



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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Leader, will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publisher.

### President Wilson

From one end of this country to the other the people are acclaiming the inauguration of the New Jerseyite and they are going this not so much because of the fact that they have repudiated the republican party and have turned to the democrats for relief as it is that the personality of Mr. Wilson has found favor and they believe that they have discovered the very man needed at a time when there is a man's sized task to be done.

You can find evidence of this sentiment everywhere. Partisanship has been shoved into the background while the nation bids God speed to the new executive and there is a general belief that with both houses of Congress in accord with Mr. Wilson, he will be in position to carry out a constructive program of legislation with the same success which crowned his efforts in New Jersey.

Mr. Wilson finds an era of good feeling. Most of the people are agreed as to the economic evils which need remedying. As partisans we may differ as to means, but the man or the party that brings the results desired will stand high in the esteem of our country.

The address of our new president shows that he fully appreciates his opportunities and his responsibilities. He is frank in discussing questions of moment and his language leaves no doubt as to his intent and desires. The trimmer might have deemed it wise to evade subjects which lead to division; the politician would have waited to see how the political wind was blowing and bend his sails accordingly. But Mr. Wilson is neither a trimmer nor a politician. He has accepted the verdict of the people as an endorsement of his stand on questions of interest to the voters and he now aims to give vitality to his views by striving to secure legislation in accord with pre-election promises.

### Plant a Tree.

The retail merchant has become a powerful ally to the shade tree propagandist and thousands of trees have been given away as an advertisement by the local merchants of Texas this season. Certainly no merchant could spend money to better advantage than in providing a friendly shade for the perspiring populace while they ponder that "The Price Is The Thing," or that "Smith Sells It For Less."

Aesthetic beauty must ever rest upon industry and it is fortunate that the shade tree has been able to plant its roots deeply into the rich soil of trade and likewise it has bought the friendly companionship of the tree within the reach of every citizen. Plant a tree.

Morris, of Coryell, introduced a bill in the House which, if it becomes a law, will put a stop to all party line telephone service in the State. He proposes in his bill to prevent the tying or connection of one telephone to another without consent of the parties concerned.

### Diversified Farming

Texas leads all States in the Union in diversified farming, as she does in most every other movement for progress and prosperity. We produce in commercial quantities every commodity known to the market and every day in the year there is a harvest going on in the State. Having conquered the realms of agriculture, we are now extending our farming operations into the animal kingdom.

We have a bull-frog, alligator, armadillo, ostrich and many other animal farms, but the latest addition is a polecat farm opened up near Gainesville and the skunk is said to give promise of making a profitable farmer. We will soon be able to dispose of our prairie dogs, go to market with our boll weevils and sell the Texas fever.

In domesticating nature's delinquents and capitalizing our pests, we are turning waste into profit and that is what makes a country prosperous as well as powerful in commerce. We are likewise illustrating to the world that Texas is the birthplace of the mighty economic forces of 20th century civilization.

The workmen's compensation bill proposed by Senator Collins, after being materially amended, passed the Senate at a night session during the early part of the week.

Senator Vaughn of the First Senatorial District presented his resignation February 3, and withdrew March 1. The Governor says that the resignation was accepted, but the Attorney-General holds that Senator Vaughn had a legal right to withdraw the resignation. Senator Vaughn voted to pass the Katy bill over the Governor's veto.

### Grand Jury Report

To the Honorable District Court of Young County, Texas:

We the grand jurors of this county for the March term, 1913, beg to submit our report as follows:

We have examined ninety-four witnesses. We have found seventeen true bills—five felonies and twelve misdemeanors. We find that some of the officers charged with the collection of monies for the state have made their reports, but some have not. The following named officers have made their reports: C. W. Mayes, H. C. Williams, J. W. Saye, C. F. Marshall, D. D. Cusenbary, Edgar Seurry.

The following named officers have failed to make reports: W. E. McCharen, J. H. Wood, A. C. Casey.

We recommend that the County Attorney be instructed to take this matter in hand at once.

We find that numerous depositions are being committed upon the school property within the county. We recommend that the citizenship of the different school districts use more vigilance if possible in bringing the guilty parties to justice; and that they report to the county attorney immediately upon the occurrence of any malicious mischief, and not wait for the sitting of the grand jury.

We recommend the different county officials keep their books posted up to date; that the county clerk balance the finance Ledger immediately after each regular term of the commissioners court; that the District and County Clerk keep a fee book showing amount of fees collected, and that some of the County officials exercise a little more neatness in the care of their books.

We furthermore recommend that the commissioners court shall cause to be published according to law after each regular term, the financial report of the county.

We have visited the jail and find it in as good condition as could be expected, considering the plan and construction of same.

We desire to thank the court and the District and county attorney's for the courteous assistance they have rendered us in all our deliberations.

We have finished our labors and ask that we be discharged for the term.

Foreman of Grand Jury.  
A. F. Stewart.

Representative Boehmer has introduced his ballot purification bill which seeks to eliminate the illiterate and purchasable vote from the State elections.

The bill to amend the stock and bond law by Humphrey and Lane will come up for consideration the latter part of the present week.

A concurrent resolution introduced, providing for the intermediate sentence, was signed by Weinert, Paulus, Murray, Willey and Nugent.

Sixty bills are on the calendar of the House to be acted on during the present week and one hundred and thirty are scheduled to come up for consideration in the Senate.

Representative Williams, of McLennan, has prepared two bills during the legislative intermission, one dealing with the Governor's veto of the Katy meager bill and the other answering the Attorney-General's opinion holding the bill unconstitutional. These bills have been distributed among all members of the Legislature.

McAskill introduced a bill providing that the bond of tax collectors shall in no case exceed \$250,000.

Tuesday, April 1, has been agreed upon as the date upon which the House will adjourn sine die. Night sessions have been inaugurated.

Lewelling of Dallas, has introduced a bill providing for the establishment of a State negro orphan's home to be known as the Dixon State Colored Orphanage.

The anti-fee bill is out of the committee room and is ready to be acted upon by the House. The measure seeks to prevent county officials from receiving fees and many officials from all over the State are at Austin seeking to prevent the passage of the bill.

Under the Collins compensation bill, as passed by the Senate, employes of railroads doing an interstate business, employes of cotton gins and of all plants employing less than ten men are exempted from the provisions of the act.

A bill has been introduced by Representative Davis and others creating a bureau of marketing in the Department of Agriculture. The purpose of the bill is to bring the farmer and the truck grower in closer touch with the markets and to supply information as to current prices.

The fifty-four hour working law for women has been so amended in the Senate as to be unrecognizable. It exempts cotton mills, stenographers, telephone girls and laundries. If passed in its present form, the only female employes who will be affected by its provisions are those employed by department stores.



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Farming is as old as the human race and is yet in its infancy.

The Commercial Club of this city is making special arrangements for the entertainment of the New York Giant baseball team, which will soon arrive. It is planned to hold an informal reception here at the time of their arrival.

Albany—At a recent meeting, the citizens decided to incorporate the town. At the same time it was decided to organize a commercial club. The club starts out with bright prospects for the future. W. H. Stephens was elected secretary.

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In order to make farming profitable, two things are essential. First, intelligent and diversified production; second, successful marketing.

Some of the world's first gentlemen and scholars and patriots were farmers and today some of the world's best thought is given to farming.

A joint resolution has been introduced in the House by Allison, Lewelling and others providing that a majority of members in each house may pass bills over the Governor's veto and give him only ten days after adjournment to act on bills.

Bridgeport—The coal mines here have resumed operation after a suspension since last April. The output for January amounted to 3,250 tons of lump coal. It is said that the reason for the resumption of activities is that the Rock Island Railroad has abandoned the use of oil as fuel on their locomotives.

## THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS TAKEN FROM THE OLD FILES OF THE LEADER OF SEPTEMBER 2, 1876, RECALLING MANY INCIDENTS OF THE EARLY DAYS

Sheriff Brooks keeps his panther safely caged.

Wagons loaded with buffalo hides are seen on our streets daily.

The spelling bee meets again next Tuesday night. A Webster's spelling book will be presented to the poorest speller.

A party of capitalists connected with the Texas & Pacific Railroad visited Graham this week and unite with general opinion that it is the prettiest, most inviting, most growing and enterprising new town in the State.

Mr. Burkett's family from Louisville, Ky., have arrived and taken quarters in their handsome new home on 3rd street. Mr. Floyd's family from the same city will arrive and occupy their new home on Oak Street.

Sportsmen from England, St. Louis, Galveston, Chicago and Louisville will soon be here in force and have a good time for the next two or three months. Squirrel, turkey, antelope, deer, and prairie chicken are plentiful, and buffalo will soon be abundant.

Attention is directed to the professional card of Dr. R. M. Price, formerly of Fort Worth. The Doctor informs us by mail that he will be here in a few days, and will permanently locate here. He is a good physician and a clever gentleman. We extend him a cordial welcome.

The Graham Lyceum was re-organized last Monday night. The following officers were elected: Col. E. S. Graham, president; C. W. Johnson, vice-president; J. H. Glasgow, secretary; W. S. Me-Jimsey, treasurer; A. C. Caldwell, sergeant-at-arms. The regular meeting is every Wednesday night.

Next week will usher in a golden era for the South—for us. Confidence will be restored, bank vaults opened, progress and prosperity resumed; then soon we shall have a rapid building of railroads into our region. The Atlantic & Pacific from St. Louis, the Trans-continental, both branch roads of Tom Scott's great Texas & Pacific, also the Waco & Northern, Houston & Denver, and Galveston & Santa Fe railways.

Messrs. Donnell & Co., of Fannin County, have made arrangements with that enterprising stone mason, Mr. Foley, for the erection of a flouring mill sixteen miles southwest from Graham on the Clear Fork of the Brazos. It is to be of stone, 20 x 40 feet and 42 feet high from the foundation. The dam is to be one hundred feet long and eight feet high with protecting walls and everything necessary to make it a substantial and a first class mill. Mr. Foley has had wide experience in the erection of mills and he informs us that this is the best mill site in Northwest Texas.

### From Chester Pratt.

Ralls, Texas, 2-26-13  
The Graham Leader.

Graham, Texas.  
Gentlemen: This beautiful day of February has caused me to yearn a little more than usual for news from god old home, so I am enclosing you one dollar for your newsy paper.

Our town is a little more than a year old and every day it is growing. We have one of the best cotton gins on the plains. A fifteen thousand dollar school building and other substantial improvements and about two hundred of the best people, at least as good as there are on earth. The country around town is settling up and we look forward to a dandy town and improved country. Yours truly,  
C. F. Pratt.

### Beautiful Buggies

We have in our car of Buggies and they are the most up-to-date line ever shown in the town.

They are MOON BROTHERS' BUGGIES and have a GUARANTEE that is worth something.

Come in and see them when in town.

Norris-Johnson Hardware Co.

Those who till the soil are the chosen people of God.

Mr. Lewelling, of Dallas, holds the record for having introduced the largest number of bills in one day, he having presented six measures one day last week.

Several burning resolutions were offered in both the House and Senate condemning the present government of Mexico for the death of Madero and Suarez, but after lengthy discussion they were finally tabled.

The speeches of Representative Williams arguing in favor of the Katy consolidation bill being passed over the veto was conceded to be the most brilliant piece of oratory displayed in the House during the present session.

### Obituary

In memory of Little Glenn Milton, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lawrence, of Cotton, California, whom God took to live with him February 15, 1913, age twelve days.

God sent an angel down to earth

To be transformed by human birth.

Into two fond hearts the baby came,

Little "Glenn Milton" they called his name,

His little form so soft and sweet,

With dimpled hands and rosy feet

And dewy lips and eyes of blue,

He won the hearts of parents true.

When those cords of love had twined

Securely 'round their hearts and mind,

God called the little one to come,

That he might draw the parents home.

Beyond the sunsets golden splendor

Awaits their darling fair and tender.

He's safe from sorrow, sin and pain,

Waiting to greet them both again

When they answer the call of his love,

And come to the home God's prepared above

All set with jewels He's gleaned from earth,

And adorned with flowers of human birth,

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1. It's a home enterprise.
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Farming is a business proposition and the farmer is the biggest business man in business.

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Have Full and Complete Line of Groceries, Chops, Bran, Oats, Hay.

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New Spring and Summer Dress Goods arriving daily.

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Everything new in Laces and Embroidered Novelties, Hair Ornaments of every kind, a nice line of Bulgarian Neckwear.

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Nothing better on the market than Case Implements

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Peter Schuttler and Leudinghaus Wagons.

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The Old Reliable Velle Buggies and Hacks. New and Nobby Styles—they stand the rock and sands longer than any other brand.

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Lilly Darling Cook Stoves and Majestic Ranges.

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## PROMINENT FARMER NEARS OLNEY SAYS COUNTY SEAT SHOULD NOT BE MOVED

To the Farmers and Voters of Young County:

How can some promoters instruct our people and make them believe that Young County is in a most progressive condition and able to meet any consideration regarding the Court House reposition?

I have been just like a good many others are at this instant, and I say yet, if we had to build Court House, then let us build at the most central point of county. But after seeing assertion of our honorable members of Court Commissioners, I concluded that it is not sound judgment to throw a good Court House and a new one at a time when county is already in a most pressing condition as far as business reaches, and it seems that we, the producing of people, will have to overcome the strain imposed upon us already.

are we going to pay a tax that can only be done by something to pay in this case it would have to be paid by the people of Young county, and it would land on the shoulders of the county. This is denied; the majority other business is dependent upon the producing classes of the county. If this is the case, illustration, move the Court House (or ranches) out of Young County in your own mind. The rate of 5 per cent on the same of your now

happy cities and prosperous little town. Dear fellow citizen, I have studied over this proposition, and cannot figure out any other way than that the burden will fall, principally upon the producing classes, and the very ones that are the least benefitted. What does the man care for those whom he has centralized to meet this obligation involving our great grandchildren? Just so he is individually satisfied with his gain, and at our sacrifice principally. I do not denounce anyone particularly, but looking at this proposition from a broad standpoint of view, I have decided to let good enough alone. If Newcastle had the court house would that benefit us here on the farm? There is but one difference and it does not amount to more than two hours drive at the outside, and after I get started to make the trip, it would not be of any great consideration. We have very good accommodation in Graham; just as good as you may expect at Newcastle. I know I have good friends at either place and I am not making any preference; in my estimation a friend is a friend with me.

Now we will take up a little space in some figures concerning the \$50,000.00 bond issue on a forty year term, as claimed by the Newcastle people, the amount of interest being \$2,500.00 and \$1,250.00 set aside annually as a sinking fund to pay off the bonds. Both added would amount to \$3,750.00 annually, and the figures show \$7,606,000.00 valuation. The rate of 5 per cent on the \$100.00 valuation would a little

more than cover the emergency required; this is true, will do so. But think about it. We can save this amount by using the court house we have now on hand. This amount could, if it were levied on for taxation, be used for many other purposes. We could use more for school funds and in many other practical public improvements, and if you have never thought about it, in case Newcastle would call another election within five years the above figures show that you have saved Young county the amount of \$18,750.00.

I am very patient, and very anxious to meet my obligation as a citizen of our great country, but I do not care to be saddled up with anything not needed, and I do not care to kick and buck and rare after it is done, when the spurs are stuck in us to spur the necessary amount out of the laboring classes. As I have said, it will come out of the profit we pay on the necessities of life and the producer will have to look to God for rain and his welfare.

The assets show as follows:  
Assessed valuation, \$7,604,928.00  
Liabilities \$4,399,436.40  
Net value of the county, \$3,205,491.60  
Owned by non-residents, R. R., Telephone and Telegraph Co., \$1,860,526.00  
Net owned by the people of the county, \$1,344,965.60.

As these figures show, we have less than one-fifth paid up capital in Young county. This means we are working too much for the interest of our just debts we owe now. How are we going to support our families under these circumstances already existing? It does look hard to me and I am going to do the best I know how for the people of Young county.

Hoping that everybody will think over this matter and then go and intelligently vote his sentiment on election day, I am, as ever, yours as a citizen of Young county, Texas.

Vote for Graham.  
C. W. Junker,  
Olney, Texas.

Dr. M. M. Carrick is a keen observer and his trained eye and knowledge of disease and its causes found many defects so common as to be almost universal. This article treats on the care and attention necessary to good sanitary conditions in the School and Homes, besides the public nuisances. We would suggest that EVERYONE read this article "If we want Healthful Towns," in the March Number of HOLLAND'S MAGAZINE and cooperate with others in seeing that these menaces to our own and our children's health are abolished. Regrets won't cure disease after it has once taken hold. Texas is spending thousands of dollars for preventive purposes and it is money well spent.

When the deficiency bill for the Comptroller's department comes up for discussion in the House this week, an amendment will be offered to investigate the methods employed by Lane in dealing with liquor dealers and liquor licenses.

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

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

Highest prices paid for Chickens, Turkeys, Eggs, Butter, Hides and Furs by

D. J. Brandon,  
Hallam & Jones old stand.

## COURT HOUSE SHOULD REMAIN

OLD TIMER GIVES SOME LOGICAL REASONS WHY COURT HOUSE SHOULD REMAIN IN GRAHAM

Eliasville, Texas, 2-28-13.

I came to Young county with my parents, September 1876, consequently, I would like to sit over here in the corner and talk with the pioneers of the county.

I, too, know something of the hardships that we have faced since that time, and now you need not stand up and tell me that it was easy sailing, with continued drouths and crop failures and with other draw-backs, for we know better.

Our 1912 crop was the only crop that amounted to anything since 1908, and now talk of throwing away our present county seat property to the bat roost and rat dens. I feel very sure if there ever was a people that should use a little economy, it is the people of Young County. We don't know whether we will make anything in the next three or four years to come.

Of course I know it is right for the county seat to be as near as possible, to the center; and, if we had no house, it would be best to put it there; but we have a Court House and Jail that is good enough for our need, and it is paid for, and, as I said, to throw this all away and just to please our fancy; also go put a big tax on all those pioneers that have been so faithful in helping to make the county what it is; I would feel guilty to meet them; I would feel as a criminal. I, at first, was in favor of moving it, but when I considered and reconsidered the question, I decided to let it alone for I think our present taxes are great

enough for us now. I know this is equal property of the tax payers but it is our misfortune that it is not in the center. So are the bridges our equal property. How would it be to condemn them because they are not located just where we want them? I have been helping to build bridges all along, and there is not a one that is where I would rather have, but I am sure, I would rather go to them, than tax myself, my father, my children, and such fellows as Uncle Pink Brooks, Uncle Bill Donnell and Uncle Doc Yancey, and all his band of Noble Sons of Rest, (for it is about all they can do to live anyway), just to get a bridge close to me. No Sir, not I. I built my house on the east side of my farm and there was a very good road on that side, and it seemed to be the front and would always be so, for the west side was a rough pasture, but now we have a laned road along my west side and soon will have culverts and nice little bridges, and it seems like the west side should be the front side now, and it would be just the thing to build a larger and prettier house on some nice little spot over on that side. To do this, can I afford to throw away my present house and well and barn, orchard, shop, and all other improvements to make this nice little change and put the burden on myself, wife and little children? I say no, and a dozen times no. Geo. R. White.

## To Our Friends and Customers

We wish to say that we will meet any and all competition in price and quality. No use to go elsewhere; we have it for the same money and oftentimes less. Graves & Ward.



# County Correspondence

## Huffstuttle

Last Sunday evening, March 2, at eight o'clock, Mr. N. W. Reger of Huffstuttle, and Miss Fannie DeLong, of Eliasville, were united in marriage. They were married at the home of the bride's parents in east Eliasville, Bro. Chunn officiating. After congratulations were over, the couple left for the home of the groom's parents at Huffstuttle where quite a crowd had gathered to bid them welcome and to spend a few hours in singing.

C. I. Reger is on the sick list this week. We understood Dr. Vanhorn, of Woodson, was called to see him Monday. We hope he will soon be about again.

G. P. Daniel's family have the measles.

Bro. J. O. Wilson preached last fourth Sunday at our school house and is to preach next fourth Sunday. Everyone come out and hear him.

George Campbell returned from Tarant last Saturday where he had been visiting his sister, Mrs. Will Whitener.

Mr. and Mrs. Ab Campbell visited at Mr. Daniel's Sunday.

We are needing rain here pretty bad at present, as stock water is getting very scarce.

A. M. Jones has been working on his tank, preparing to catch some of the next rain that falls.

People in this part of the county are getting plenty of free reading matter since the county seat fight has begun.

## Red Top

If all of you will be quiet I will write a little, but will not worry you long.

S. L. McGee happened to a very bad accident last week. He broke one of his fingers and cut his hand badly.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Slater have a very sick child.

Mrs. Lottie Marshall is on the sick list this week.

Harris Cunningham is working for Walter Steen this week.

The singing at J. E. Workman's Sunday was well attended and all reported a pleasant time.

Roy Rutherford, of Dallas, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Chess Ramsey, February 21, a fine boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parker went to town Saturday.

John McGee is spending a few days this week with his grandparents.

Our school is progressing nicely under the care of Prof. O. J. McFadden and Miss Sallie Petty.

News is scarce this week as there is nothing "stirring" but the court house question, so I will ring off with three cheers for every man that is level headed enough to vote for that good old place, Graham.

## Bachelor Girl

P. S. There will be speaking at Red Top school house, Friday night, March 7. Everybody come and bring some one with you.

## South Bend

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

J. R. Holcomb has been suffering quite a lot of pain from a catch in his hip.

Some few in the Bend are planting corn.

Bro. Stokely preached to a small crowd here Sunday.

Martin McBrayer and John Dawson went to Newcastle Friday with cotton.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Claud Ingram, the 7th, a girl.

The road crew are doing some fine work on the Eliasville road.

The speaking of the county site was postponed on account of bad weather. Both sides will be here on the 19th inst. Everybody come and see why Graham could keep the court house and jail.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Goode and Miss Bettie Hutchins were shopping in Graham Wednesday.

## Tempest and Sunshine

Several of the men had to go to court Thursday.

## Fox Hollow

Dear Editor: As Rosebud has deserted us, with your permission, I'll come forward and give you a few dots from this place, as no one else seems inclined to talk. Please give your correspondents some work to do while I recite my humble speech.

We are very sorry to report Lona May and Roy Richardson on the sick list this week.

Alex Stringer has been doing some work on his tank. Mr. Stringer surely has not forgotten that it very seldom rains in Texas.

Archie Newby, of Graham, is visiting in this community this week.

Charlie Moran and little son, Delbert, of this place, were trading in Graham Wednesday.

J. W. Cretsing and wife, Mrs. T. B. Wyatt and daughters, Misses Jessie and Lula and Henry Steele were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reed Sunday.

Miss Fannie Wells visited Miss Mary Caudill Sunday.

Miss Vera Reed, of this place, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Lila Ritchey, of Sorghum Flat.

Mr. and Mrs. John Farrow and children spent Sunday at the home of Will Harris and family.

J. J. Williams and family were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Moran Sunday.

Miss Maggie Reed called on Miss Lura May Dendy Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Reed says she does not care how soon it rains nor how much it rains, for she has a new roof on her kitchen now.

Mrs. J. A. Caudill and children went to the Sorghum Flat cemetery Saturday to put up a monument at the resting place of J. A. Caudill.

Heron Newby and wife visited Mrs. Newby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reed, of this place, Friday.

Mrs. Patterson and children, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Robert Newby, and her brother, J. T. Alford, left Saturday for the home of her father, J. H. Alford, near Graham.

Well, Mr. Editor, as news is scarce, I'll ring off for this time but if I'm welcome, will come again.

## Texas Kid

Well, Mr. Editor, as I haven't seen anything in The Leader from this part of the community, thought I would just step in a few minutes, but will try not to stay very long.

We all enjoyed the nice rain that fell Saturday night and Sunday.

R. M. Williams, A. P. Owen, Andy Owen, W. L. Newby and wife, W. A. Pickard, O. D. Lisle, R. A. Kutch, all attended Big Monday.

As Sunday was so bad, most all of the young folks stayed pretty close to the fire. I am sure they did not like that much.

Sam Williams went to the city of Bunker Monday.

Mrs. Mattie Gibbs and children returned to their home near Proffitt, Tuesday. They have been visiting Mrs. Gibbs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newby.

Health in this community is good.

Andy Owens says the rain doesn't keep him at home if it does rain on Sunday.

Earl Pinkard attended the spelling match Friday night at Mountain Home. He says he likes to go to Mountain Home.

Some of the farmers are planting corn and others are getting ready to plant. Some think we will have another good crop year. We all hope so.

Will Gibbs was down from Proffitt and reported a good rain up there.

Well, as news is scarce, and this is my first attempt, I will just step back and let some one else in, and come again soon.

## Bright Eyes

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cunningham visited Mrs. Charles Donnell last week.

Crimson Roses.

WANTED - 1000 Hens by the 25th day of March, 1913. Highest cash prices paid.

D. J. Brandon.

## Camp Creek

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## Lucille

We have had a few more days of pretty weather.

Some have planted corn while others think it is too early.

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

Bro. Williams filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday with a good attentive crowd on both days.

W. D. Nicklas and son, Jewel, made a business trip to Weatherford last week.

The young people spent a few pleasant hours at Mrs. Gilmore's Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridges spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Storm.

Messrs. Tom Jenkins, Felle Spurlock and Bert McPherson are attending court at Palo Pinto this week.

Tom Johnson, S. L. Richardson Ben Weldon, Jewel and Aaron Nicklas and Misses Carrie Weldon, Mattie Newberry and Maggie Johnson called on Misses Ethel and Bessie Storm Sunday evening. They all attended singing Sunday night at Mr. Jenkin's.

Joe Boyce and wife, of Henry Chapel, attended church at Lucille Sunday.

Walter Coffey was out riding in his new buggy Sunday.

Mrs. Andrew Boyce is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Johnson.

As news is scarce this week, I will go for this time.

## Cyclone

We are all rejoicing over the good rain of Saturday night and Sunday.

A. D. Moore and Mrs. W. D. Doolin are both right sick. We hope they will soon be up again.

The infant of Joe Doolin died Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore, of near Loving, spent Saturday night and Sunday at A. D. Moore's.

Mrs. W. P. Stephens spent Monday at Mrs. W. D. Doolin's.

Charlie Ballew went to Bryson Saturday.

Miss Flowers spent the week with Misses Winnie and Easter Smith.

Messrs. Schlittler, Smith and Stephens were among the crowd at Graham Friday.

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

A. J. Ballew went to Graham Saturday.

## Benne

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Barron has been quite sick for several days but is said to be some better now.

Mrs. George Wyatt was sick for several days but is improving now.

Mrs. M. C. Barron went to Murray to the bedside of her son, Richard, who is sick.

There is but little corn planted so far but we have heard several speak of planting this week.

John Steele was driving four horses abreast when a doubletree broke, the long doubletree coming back with terrific force and struck him on the leg and inflicted a very painful wound, though fortunately the bone was not broken.

Many farmers here are using the lister this year instead of flat breaking, believing it to be the best plan.

M. S. and J. W. Gann, who now reside near Pickwick, were visiting home folks and other friends in this community last Sunday.

A considerable amount of gardening has been done here in the last few days.

Bro. Brewton discards the Easter of March 23rd, but we propose to stay with The Leader and the almanac and risk the consequences.

Cedarite.

With its seventy-six pages containing excellent Stories, Articles, Fashions, Beauty Hints, Household Helps, and other things too numerous to mention, HOLLAND'S MAGAZINE for March will especially appeal to Southern readers. The illustrations are especially attractive. Frank S. Guild, Chas. D. Mitchell, F. Vaux Wilson and several other artists having contributed. The cover design is done by Larry Hutt. Get your order in at once and be sure to receive this number.

Johnson Grass Hay for sale. 30 cents per bale.

Fred Rubenkoenig.

## Flat Rock

Old Young County has gone wet once more. We certainly are having some rain out here.

Sunday was a gloomy day but we had Sunday School just the same. It hardly ever gets too bad for us to go to Sunday School.

Mrs. Genie Corley who has been sick for some time is no better. We hoped she would soon be up again, but she was taken worse Saturday.

Mrs. S. E. Pritchard is still on the sick list but we hope to report her better soon.

As it was too wet for most of our farmers to plow, they went to Graham on Big Monday.

George Birdwell is doing some work on his brother Mance's place in Ming Bend.

Hurrah! for the man who votes for the county seat to stay in Graham.

## School Girl

The Rural Telephone.

My babies need dressing;

Oh! it's distressing,

My wife is at the 'phone,

My coffee is bad,

And I am mad;

My wife is at the 'phone.

My dinner is late;

And I must wait;

My wife is at the phone.

Now supper is over;

I'll turn down the cover;

My wife is at the 'phone.

I'll turn up my toes,

And try for a doze;

My wife is at the 'phone.

But, alas! I hear in thunder tone;

My wife is saying,

"Hello, Mrs. Jones,"

Reminds me that my wife's

Still at the 'phone.

## O. D. L.

Health of the community is very good with the exception of a few cases of measles.

The speaking at Lone Oak Thursday night, the 8th was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

We cordially invite the speakers to come again. We simply like to listen to them, especially the Graham side.

Mr. Petty's people are having the measles. Some of them are able to be up again, but there are eleven in bed yet.

Mrs. C. C. McBride has been quite sick for some time, but is improving now. We hope she will be well again soon.

We suppose A. J. Lowe has turned chicken peddler of late, as he was seen going to Loving with a load of chickens the 12th.

Miss Isla Rutherford, of Red Top, spent the day with Mrs. Lowe Sunday, the 10th.

We have been having some real nice rains lately which were greatly appreciated by the farmers.

Horace Stewart purchased a new horse at Jermyn Saturday the 8th.

Quite a number of the Lone Oak people attended the speaking at Red Top last Friday.

A. P. Stewart and son, Horace, were transacting business with Oliver Loving at the Loving ranch the 8th.

Mrs. Ethel Buchanan and little son, Wayne, visited relatives at Hawkins Chapel Saturday evening.

Emily McBee has the measles.

Prof. D. B. Wood visited home folks at Graham Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. G. Hawkins is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Stewart, accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Buchanan and little son, Wayne, were business visitors to Graham Friday.

Will Tedroe has recovered from the measles.

Lee Hawkins is able to be up again.

There will be speaking at Lone Oak Friday, the 14th. Everybody is invited to attend.

Mrs. B. C. Orr was kicked by a horse one day last week, but we hope the injury will not be serious.

News is scarce this week, but will promise to do better next time.

## Happy Lucille

Perfect cleanliness of teeth is one of the most important essentials to beauty. Clara M. Dixon takes "The Care of the Mouth and Teeth" as the subject in the Before your Mirror department of the March issue of HOLLAND'S MAGAZINE.

Johnson Grass Hay for sale. 30 cents per bale.

Fred Rubenkoenig.

## Proffitt

A good shower fell here Saturday and Sunday which was greatly needed.

Rev. G. W. Black filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday at eleven o'clock. It was his first time to come in two months. Rev. Joe. B. Mayes, the Baptist missionary, came up with him.

Miss Eddie Akers and brother, Archie, came up from Lower Fish Creek Friday to visit their sister Mrs. Campbell, and to attend the Literary Society Friday night.

Curry Akin, of Fort Worth is visiting relatives here.

Quite a number of the Proffitt voters attended the county site speaking and big supper given by the Newcastle men Saturday night. All report a good time.

Messrs. Pick Campbell and Waugh went down near Breckenridge Sunday on business.

Messrs. J. F. Weatherbee, Walter Dent, Bob Pierce and Worth Holbert went to Fort Worth Sunday to attend the W. O. W. Convention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Daws came through Proffitt last week in a fine car.

## The Star

Health is good at present.

Mrs. Ingram and daughter, Mrs. Annie, visited Mrs. Groner Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Sid Copeland spent the evening with her mother, Mrs. Frank Stringer, Wednesday.

Jessie Ingram who has been going to school at Roanok Texas, the past four months, returned home last week to help his father make a crop.

The 'phone talk of this community is; "is your garden up, and how many little chickens have you? From the men; "When are you going to plant corn and what kind of seed corn did you get?"

Floyd Burgess and family visited Mrs. Burgess' sister, Mrs. E. M. McCluskey, of South Bend, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Della Braddock is spending this week with her brother, Claud Ingram, of South Bend.

Esther and Clifton Rogers left Monday morning for Pleasant Hill community, where they will stay with their grandmother Rogers and go to school the rest of the term at that place.

## Guess

All the people have a smile on their face since the rain came. It is enough to make anyone feel good, for we seldom see a good rain.

Mrs. Martin visited Mrs. Burnett Monday.

A crowd of the young people attended the Literary at Briar Branch Saturday. All report a rainy time.

Misses Minnie and Dink Watson, of Briar Branch, and Bertie Wilson visited Miss Lillian McClain



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- ¶ Then when opportunity knocks, you are safe in opening the door.
- ¶ We invite you to start an account—TODAY.

## THE BECKHAM NATIONAL BANK

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### Orth

A smile almost a foot wide is to be seen upon the face of every man we meet today. The cause?—why this rain we have had, of course. It rained all night Saturday night and part of the day Sunday.

The discussion between the Graham and Newcastle speakers on Friday night was attended by quite a large crowd of good natured people who cheered the speakers repeatedly. The Graham speakers were Judge Arnold and Dr. Williamson, Newcastle speakers were Ed Whiteley and Mr. Counts, of Olney. Both towns sent large delegations to hear them.

The Hunt school boys came over and crossed hats with our boys here, leaving their scalp here of course. Come again boys.

The delegation from the I. O. O. F. and Rebeckah Lodges from this place, to Houston, returned Saturday. The report good time. Prof. Singleton made a business trip to Graham Saturday.

W. S. Bailey has returned from Graham, having served as a Grand Juror during last week. Miss Allyne Young, of Bowie, visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. R.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Burris representing the W. O. W. and W. C. from this place, left for Dallas on Monday's train.

G. W. Jones and son, A. W. were business visitors in Newcastle Saturday.

An enthusiastic Newcastle club was organized here last Tuesday night with Geo. E. Leberman, president and Con Singleton, secretary.

A large crowd of Orth citizens went to True last Wednesday night and assisted in organizing the Newcastle club of that place.

Quite a few of the young people who attended the party at A. J. Gibbs' Saturday night say they will look at the almanac before going to another party.

Among those who attended to Messrs J. W. Carlton and R. L. Reed.

Messrs Geo. E. Leberman, A. W. Jones, G. W. Jones, A. W. Payne, R. Rounton, A. B. Rogers, H. L. Whitehead and Con Singleton attended the mass meeting at Ingleside Monday night.

Deputy Sheriff J. N. Newman made an official trip to Graham Monday, returning Tuesday.

Mrs. T. J. Rounton is on the sick list this week, but is reported doing well.

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### Miller Bend

Hello, Mr. Editor, I will bring in a few items from the Bend.

We had a good shower of rain the 8th and 9th which we all were glad to see. It will help the grain and gardens, and also make the weeds grow rapidly.

Mrs. S. Dozier left March 8th to visit her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Fitzgerald, at Seymour.

Mrs. Lee McCan our new neighbor living on the Vance place, has gone to Oklahoma to be at the bedside of her sick father.

Our school is progressing nicely. Mr. King, the superintendent, visited our school Thursday afternoon. We were glad to have him come.

Tobe and Elmo Fitzgerald visited our school Friday evening. We were glad to have them come. Come again boys.

G. W. McCallister has been on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Elkins, of Elvasville, visited at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McCallister, March 1st and 2nd.

The county site is the subject of the day. I think it will be moved to the big city of Drummond.

W. S. Dozier has planted corn. I guess he will have roasting ears soon.

Several of the Benders went to the city of Graham Saturday after their groceries.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones visited Mrs. Jones' sister, Mrs. Bob Arnold, Saturday night and Sunday.

J. A. Steadham reports that he has a fine stand of oats.

Ed Reeves is still batching, and says he likes it fine.

David Higgins died at his home in Oklahoma last week. His daughter, Mrs. McCan, of our community, was with him.

I will ring off as this is my first time.

### A Chrysanthemum.

**Black Monarchs**  
I will sell pure strain prize winning Black Monarch eggs at \$1.50 per setting of 15.

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**Resolutions of Respect**  
Report of committee from the Graham Presbyterian Sunday School.

Whereas God has seen best to take from us our Sister and co-laborer, Cordia Mayes, an honored and faithful member of our church and Sunday School, therefore be it Resolved;

First; That we bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father.

Second; That our church and Sunday School has lost one of its best members whose untimely death we all deplore, her loss we deeply feel. Her quiet life so full of self-sacrifice, spent in service to others, will ever live in the hearts and memories of the church and Sunday School.

Third; That we extend to her companion and children our sincerest sympathy in their great sorrow and commit them to the keeping of a faithful God who is able to do for them and us abundantly above that we can ask or think.

Fourth; That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Sunday School, a copy sent to the bereaved family, also that copies be sent to the local papers.

Mrs. C. S. Wynns,  
Mrs. W. S. McJimsey,  
Mrs. H. P. Rose.

### Annual Reunion

The Primitive Baptist church at Median Chapel, seven miles west of Graham, will hold their annual three days reunion and communion meeting Friday, Saturday and second Sunday in May.

There will be dinner on the ground Sunday and we will try to have some visiting preacher.

Sunday will be especially devoted to the enjoyment of the old people of any or all religious orders or of any who would like to come and spend a day with old friends and renew the pleasant memories of old times. Also the afternoon may be devoted to some short talks, on religious experience, hopeful views, good exhortations and singing the old songs that our father's and mother's sang before there were any note books. Everybody is welcome. Our neighbors, who are not members of this church have always been on a wide level with us, and their hospitality is not surpassed by our own members, but all come with well filled baskets. As I grow older I love these meetings more and more.

Let us forget for a few days, all the cares of this sinful world, and devote ourselves to the public service of God for a little while. Will our members for Christ's sake, make a united effort to attend this meeting? Come praying; "pray to thy Father in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret, himself, shall reward thee openly."

We have passed through a long, raw winter, have had little meetings. Does not every true christian heart have a longing desire to meet the saints in the general assembly once more?

Those living at a distance are expected to come at this time. Let us arrange matters at this time for the General Association which meets here the first Sunday in August.

J. H. Fisher, Pastor.

### Resolutions of Respect

Whereas, God has seen fit in his allwise Providence to remove from this life the wife of Brother C. C. Mayes, a Pythian Knight and a brother of Corinthian Lodge No. 143, and,

Whereas; We realize in her death that Brother Mayes has lost a good and true wife, her children a devoted mother, and the community one who was known and loved by a large circle of friends. Therefore, be it Resolved; by the Corinthian Lodge No. 143, Knights of Pythias, that we tender to Brother Mayes and family our heartfelt sympathy in this sad hour of bereavement which he has sustained in the loss of his wife and loving companion. Be it further

Resolved; that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes, a copy sent to the family, and a copy be furnished The Graham Leader and The West Texas Reporter.

A. B. Eddleman,  
R. L. Reed,  
Edgar McLendon,  
Committee.

### Aid Society.

On Monday afternoon the Aid Society of the Christian church met in regular session with Mrs. Bell in West Graham. Only a few members responded to roll call; sickness being the cause.

After an interesting and instructive discussion of the life of Joshua, and a short business session, the society adjourned to meet next Monday with Mrs. Joe Birdwell. The lesson will be the life of Gideon. Roll call will be responded to with a passage of scripture containing the word, "delight." Mrs. Ed Martin will lead the discussion.

Reporter pro. tem.

Plenty money to loan on land at a reasonable rate of interest. We do our own inspecting. Apply to

C. W. Haddon,  
Graham, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stovall of the

G. W. and wife, in Tonkney, were here Saturday.

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## BUY YOUR EASTER HAT HERE

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¶ We now have on display many of the Newest and Prettiest Style Hats to be Worn this Season. They are just as good as you will find in the best city stores, the same shapes, the same trimmings and just as artistically trimmed—the only difference is in the price—Ours being considerably cheaper.

Another shipment of Pattern Hats was received this week, which in addition to the hats recently trimmed in our own department, gives us a very large stock of fine trimmed hats for you to select from.

Our Milliners, Miss Stroud and Miss Logan, would be pleased to have you call and select your Easter Hat or give them an order for one to be trimmed.

## Spring Dress Goods

¶ Our showing of Fine Dress Goods for this Spring comprises all the newest and most popular fabrics in the best patterns and shades. Let us show you some of the following goods:

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| Cheney Silk Foulards | Fine Messalines   |
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### B. Y. P. U. Program

Subject—Temperance Meeting  
—Some Mistaken Notions.

Leader—Mr. Spencer Mayes.  
Scripture Reading, by leader—  
Psalms 105:1-5.

Interfering with personal liberty—  
—Mr. N. S. Farmer.  
Song.  
You cannot make men good by laws—  
—Mr. Calvin.

Such laws cannot be enforced—  
—Miss Amy Robertson.  
A moral question, not a political issue—  
—General discussion.

Try a Packet of Plants—Graves & Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Grabb went to Fort Worth Wednesday to take in the Fat Stock Show.

Lost—Gold rimmed spectacles, in case, lost last Sunday. Return to Leader office.

Samuel Kaye, of Jacksboro, came in Tuesday night to attend the Fletcher-Akin wedding, and returned Wednesday morning.

Visit the New Cannon Studio, Akin Building, Photos, Postcards, etc. Kodak Work, a specialty.

Tom Loftin, of near Farmer, was doing business in town Monday.

Fresh Fort Worth Bread every day at our store—Mabry & Sons.

Seth Mabry has returned from Bowie to spend a few days with his parents.

The arrival of our second car of Majesty Flour is expected—Graves & Ward.

Wheeler, from out west, here last week to visit her mother, Mrs. H. A. Miller.

### Resolutions

To the officers and members of the W. M. S., of Graham, Texas.

We, your committee appointed to draft resolutions upon the loss by removal to another town of our beloved co-member, Mrs. Kidwell, beg to submit the following:

Whereas: Our highly esteemed Sister, Mrs. Kidwell, has removed from this to another town and,

Whereas: Her loss to this society is regretted by the entire membership; therefore be it Resolved: That we cherish the memory of her labors in behalf of our Society and her loyalty to the work of our Society; Be it further

Resolved: "That our love, best wishes and prayers go with her to her new home. We bespeak for her the love and esteem of all workers in our Master's Vineyard."

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our Society, that our secretary be instructed to send a copy to Sister Kidwell and a copy be furnished the press for publication.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. J. Hall Bowman,  
Mrs. F. M. Burkett,  
Mrs. J. E. Norris.

"Why I want to Vote" and "Why I do not want to Vote" are the headings in Holland's under which quite a number of women express their views on the suffragette question which is attracting widespread interest. Both sides of the question are brought out in HOLLAND'S MAGAZINE.

Hunting a job in New York is a big undertaking in itself and with a pretty wife at home and no money to live on most men would be worried to death, but not "Tip Smedley." He did not find a job but he did find—Better read the whole story in the March Number of HOLLAND'S MAGAZINE. Its title is, "A Specialist in Optimism."



# THE COUNTY SEAT PROPOSITION

## THE REAL QUESTION

As citizens of the United States, we have a National Capital which was moved from place to place in the early days, until finally, about 1790, Washington was selected as the most suitable location, and there the various buildings were erected, and have been added to from time to time without a suggestion of a change, though the center of population has steadily moved farther and farther away, decade by decade, until now our Washington is just a few miles from one side of the nation and thousands of miles from the other. Yet no one raises the cry of special privilege on account of its location or asks for a change. As individuals, we have little business there that requires our actual presence, and our representatives are only too glad to go there, regardless of the distance they may have to travel.

As citizens of Texas, we have a State Capital, which also in the early days was moved from place to place, until finally one generation chose Austin as the most suitable location, and there in 1886 our present Capitol was built and there it remains, with no suggestion of a change or cry of special privilege, though Austin is much farther from the center of the State, proportionately, than Graham is from the center of the county. So we see that we are easily satisfied in the location of our National and State Capitals, and that we have more important business in life than to be continually shifting them about, trying to suit the ever changing needs or wishes of the people. Both were changed about until adequate houses were built, and there they now remain unchallenged.

Again, as citizens of Young County, we have our County Capital, of less importance perhaps, but of the same general nature. This, like the others, has been shifted about as our needs changed, first at Belknap, then to Jacksboro, back to Belknap, and finally, in 1874 to Graham, by the duly expressed will of that generation. Our first capitol building, or court house, was a frame building which satisfied our needs for 10 years, when another became necessary. As was right and proper, the people of Young County held an election to determine where the new one should be built, and the majority, favoring Graham as the most suitable place, then built our present Stone Court House, and they did their work well. The foundations were laid deep and wide and to-day, after 28 years, the building is as sound as when the keys were delivered. Future needs were anticipated and to-day it is amply large for double our present population.

At first thought, it may occur to some that these are not parallel cases, that we have more business at a County Capital than at either of the others, and that its central location is of more importance. But, is it so? Our County Capital is primarily the home of the County Officers, the place where we keep our records and hold our courts—and so are the other capitals the same in all respects. As a juror you are liable to be called only once a year, and there are now so many jurors that you sit only once every 4 or 5 years. In this connection, it might be interesting to note that our District Federal Court House, where you are also liable to be called as jurors is at Ft. Worth, at the extreme southeast corner of the Division, and that since its removal from Graham, which was much better located as to the geographical center and the center of population, we are called to Ft. Worth because of its greater accessibility and better accommodations. You may be called anywhere as a witness, so that is negligible. Your assessor notifies you as to your taxes, your collector collects at various points or your banker will pay them for you. You may have to come on road business occasionally, but not often, and now that the county is well settled, the roads are becoming well fixed, and there will be less of that kind of business. Look back over your own experience, deduct what you might have attended to by phone or a 2c stamp, and how many trips per annum to your County Capital have been unavoidable? So it is evident that we have but little business requiring our actual presence at our County Capital, and that its location is governed by the same requirements and customs as are the other two.

So why are we wasting our time and our energies on a matter that now should have no serious consideration? Before debating the proper location of a new County Capital at all, we should first consider the condition of our present one, and decide whether we need a new one; and, even then, if decided affirmatively, we should consider our financial condition and our ability to pay the price. As to our needs, our Commissioners' Court and all informed citizens, universally agree that our present building is sound and adequate, so that should end it. As to our ability, even if a new one were needed, neither our county finances nor our private finances warrant the expenditure.

If it were contemplated to add much to our present plant in Graham, there might be some reason for the agitation, but again the same two propositions present themselves. Our needs are now pretty well cared for and our finances require the strictest economy; and in addition to these reasons for no further expenditure, any bond issue in the sum of \$2,000 or more would have to be submitted to a vote. Until a great deal more money is spent here by the county, there is nothing to be lost by waiting, as the same bare majority can move the County Capital whenever it becomes advisable to do so—after five years.

So, the thinking citizens of Young County must see that this agitation is ill timed; that it was originated by seekers for selfish ends; that many words have confused the main issue. If we needed a new county seat and were able to build one, the general debate would be to the question, and quite proper; but under present conditions, it is our plain duty to go no further in the argument, but to declare it out of order and to administer such a rebuke at the polls that the question of building a new County Seat will not come up again until it is quite evident that a new Court House is needed, or until we are financially able to build one whether needed or not.

## Count Well the Cost, Pay Back the Bonus

The Acts of the Legislature of Texas of April 17th, 1874, and April 30th, 1874, prescribed just how the permanent County Seats of Counties in Texas should be established; and, in accordance therewith, the voters of Young County voted to establish the permanent County Seat of Young County at Graham, and in 1874, G. A. Graham deeded to Young County, in consideration that Graham be voted such permanent County Seat T. E. & L. Co. Sur. 625 of 320 Acres and 100 town lots in the Town of Graham. This land and these lots have been sold by Young County. If the County Seat is removed from Graham, the value of this land and these lots can be recovered from Young County by the Heirs of G. A. Graham. Just what this amount may be, the Court will have to determine; but if you throw your Court House away, this bonus will also go with it.

**"It is Better to be Safe than Sorry"**



**Rules Governing Club Work.**

1. All boys in corn, kaffir or milo contests must be between ten and eighteen years of age and a member of a regular organized club in Texas.
2. All members of cotton clubs must be between the ages of six and twenty.
3. All members of the girls' canning club and poultry club must be between ten and eighteen years of age.
4. Each boy or girl must plant their own crop and do their own work. A small boy or girl may hire help to break land.
5. Corn exhibits must consist of ten ears each. Milo or kaffir corn exhibits must consist of ten heads each. Cotton exhibits must consist of one stalk, and 12 bolls of cotton.
6. Each entry in the canning club contest should consist of at least one pint of the product exhibited.
7. Each contestant should be allowed one entry in each class if he or she so desires.
8. Each contestant must submit with the exhibit of a certificate attested to by two disinterested citizens showing the yield per acre and accurate measurements of the land and products.
9. Each member shall deliver an exhibit to the local county agricultural agent upon request.
10. The basis of reward of sweepstake prize and grand champion prize on corn, kaffir and milo maize shall be as follows:
  - (a) Greatest yield per acre, 30 per cent.
  - (b) Best ten ear or ten head exhibit, 20 per cent.
  - (c) Best written record showing complete history of crop, 20 per cent.
  - (d) Best showing of profit, 30 per cent.
  - (e) Total 100 per cent.
 (NOTE) In estimating profits uniform prices must be used as follows:
  - (a) Rent of land \$5.00.
  - (b) Per hour of work for each boy 0.10c.
  - (c) Per hour of work for each horse 0.05c.
  - (d) Per two horse load of stable manure \$2.00.
  - (e) Commercial fertilizer, actual cost.
11. Items "a" and "b" in rule 10 should be judged by a committee of agricultural experts. Items "c" and "d" should be judged by a committee of educational experts or teachers.
12. In awarding prizes for cotton the following basis shall be used:
  - a. Greatest yield of seed cotton per acre—30 per cent.
  - b. Best written account of growing crop—15 per cent.
  - c. Best showing of profits of crop—25 per cent.
  - d. Best exhibit of cotton to consist of; 1. One stalk, 15 per cent. 2. Twelve bolls of seed cotton, 15 per cent. Total—100 per cent.
13. Cost of product in Girls' Canning Club contest shall be figured the same as in other contest, except that \$1.00 shall be charged as rent of 1-10 acre of land.
14. The basis of awards on Canning Club Contests shall be as follows:
  - a. Quality, 25 points.
  - b. Variety, 25 points.
  - c. History, 25 points.
  - d. Profit, 25 points.
  - Total—100 points.
15. In measuring the yield of corn per acre, the entire crop should be weighed while it is in a dry condition. 200lb lots should be weighed from different parts of the total. Weigh the shelled corn from these two lots in order to find the average per cent of shelled corn. Multiply the total weight by this per cent and divide by 56 in order to find the total number of bushels. In cases of large yield a moisture test should be made.
16. Kaffir corn and milo maize in heads should be figured at 80lbs per bushel and threshed at 56lbs to the bushel.

**Grinding Up Mustard Seeds**

is not by any means all to good mustard making. In the first place there's just one mustard seed that will make thoroughly satisfactory mustard—that seed comes from England. Then there has to be extraordinary care taken in the handling and the grinding of the seed so that strength and delicacy of flavor will not be lost.

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17. In estimating the cost of producing cotton the same rules as used for corn shall apply, except that \$1.00 for 100lbs of lint shall be charged for ginning, hauling to market, wrapping, etc. If the picking is hired it must be figured at the actual price paid; otherwise at the rate per hundred.

18. Girls shall not be organized in canning clubs only in counties where lady supervisors are employed.

19. In counties where there is no lady supervisor girls may be enrolled in any of the other clubs mentioned.

(NOTE) For further information write Mr. H. H. Williamson, Assistant State Agent, in charge of Club Work, College Station, Texas.

**Roosevelt Suggests Plans**

Oyster Bay, Mass., Mar. 12.—Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt is in receipt of a communication from Chairman S. A. Lindsey, of Tyler, Texas, soliciting his suggestions regarding plans for the future work of the Texas Farm Life Commission. The commission is composed of 15 practical farmers and business men of that State and their work will deal exclusively with the Texas Farmer. The commission, through its chairman, is soliciting the opinions of the five men appointed by Mr. Roosevelt before his retirement from public life. They are Dean L. Bailey, of Cornell, Dean M. L. Butterfield, of Amherst, Mr. Henry Wallace, of Wallace's Farm, Iowa, Mr. Walter Page, of the World's Work, and Mr. Gifford Pinchot, of the Bureau of Forestry.

**Attention Farmers!**

I have Mebane cotton seed for sale—second year out. I used all precautions in ginning the seed and can safely guarantee them to be pure.

I will deliver these seed at Graham for 50c per bushel. You can procure them by placing your order with Jim Henderson at the Henderson Wagon Yard.  
E. E. Price.

According to dispatches from Austin, meningitis microbes are not the only ones which are flourishing in the House of Representatives. Love germs are also lurking in the atmosphere of that august chamber. The only victim reported so far, is Representative Humphreys, of stock and bond fame, who married Miss Aileen Rogers, of Throckmorton.

Cooperative thinking is the biggest problem that confronts the Texas farmer today.

**BETTER FARMING METHODS INCREASED CORN YIELD RESULTS FROM PRIZE CONTEST OF TEXAS INDUSTRIAL CONGRESS.**



**ALFORD BRANCH**  
"Champion Corn Grower of Texas." 167 1/2 Bushels on One Acre.

Alford Branch is a wide-awake farmer boy living at Overton, Rusk County, Texas, who, by careful preparation of his land in the fall of 1911, so that it was in condition for the winter rains to sink in and to be stored for the use of the plant during the following season; who carefully selected the best seed-corn that was grown in his section and by shallow and constant cultivation from the time the corn was a few inches high until it was actually mature, not only kept it free from weeds, but kept the surface for an inch and a half or two inches so finely pulverized that it acted as a mulch and prevented the loss of moisture by capillary attraction, has raised on one acre of second bottom land 167 1/2 bushels of corn at a cost of 13 cents per bushel. Rating the corn at the low price of 70 cents per bushel, there was a net profit of \$95.35 from this acre. Adding to this the \$250 prize money awarded him by the Texas Industrial Congress, makes a total of \$345.35, which is the interest at 6 per cent upon \$5,755.83, and represents the value of an intelligent combination of brains and work.

This young man broke his land in the early winter with a two-horse plow, cutting about six inches deep; followed in the same furrow with a team pulling what is known as a "bull-tongue" that cut ten inches further into the earth, but turned up no new soil, and formed a reservoir to hold the moisture as well as to aerate the land and make more plant-food available. He used five hundred pounds of commercial fertilizer that had been recommended by a reliable house as best adapted to the successful growth of corn upon his black, sandy land, which had been in grass for a number of years and had an ample supply of humus. He used seed-corn that was popular in his neighborhood, known as the "Bloody Butcher." He states that he made as much corn on the one acre by the better methods above-mentioned as his father made on ten acres prepared and cultivated in the old-fashioned way.

The picture below is a graphic illustration of the value of using improved methods.

100 BU. PER ACRE

10-YEAR AVERAGE OF TEXAS

51 BU. PER ACRE

GENERAL AVERAGE OF ALL CONTESTANTS

30 BU. PER ACRE

LOWEST PRIZE-WINNING YIELD

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The general average of all contestants was fifty-one bushels to the acre, while the general average for the State in 1911 was but twenty-one bushels. If all of the corn growers in Texas had averaged just what these contestants averaged, at the prevailing price, the crop would have brought one hundred and sixty-odd million dollars more than it did.

In 1911 the average corn crop of Texas was 9.8 bushels to the acre. Seventeen hundred and forty-six contestants for the prizes offered by the Texas Industrial Congress, coming from one hundred and sixty-one counties, averaged 21 1/4 bushels of corn per acre. All of the prizes were won in seventeen counties. In 1912 there were 4,990 contestants from 208 counties. Fifty-five counties won prizes and 16 of the 17 that won in 1911 won again in 1912. This clearly demonstrates that the work of the Congress is constructive, permanent and cumulative.

The Congress keeps in touch with all contestants, makes suggestions as to preparation of soil, conserving moisture and fertility to make plant food available, as to seed selection and the best methods of cultivation, but all of these are subject to any changes that the contestant thinks best to make; the only object being to offer suggestions that cause the farmer to investigate and with all the information at hand to determine the best methods to adopt.

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**ANOTHER GOOD ROADS MOVEMENT**

UNITED STATES SENATOR REQUESTS PEOPLE OF DISTRICT TO EXPRESS THEIR OPINIONS

The good roads movement is nation wide and the government is planning to take greater interest in it than ever, but before assisting the people they desire an expression from them. Read the following and then write a letter.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1, 1913.

My Dear Sir: I am very anxious to obtain for the benefit of the Joint Committee, an intelligent

expression of public opinion on the basic questions involved in the granting of Federal aid in road improvement. It occurs to me you might like to co-operate in this matter to the extent of stimulating the public to an expression of their views. If this suggestion strikes you favorably will you kindly advise me as early as practicable as to public opinion in your section of the country on the following questions:

1. Should the Government make appropriations in aid of public roads?

2. On what roads should the first Government appropriation, if made, be expended: (a) all roads; (b) post roads (r. f. d. and star routes); (c) main traveled market roads; (d) main highways connecting important cities and towns in State; (e) trunk line, interstate highways connecting State capitals and large cities?

3. Should the Government appropriation be expended on construction or maintenance, or general improvement, or on any or all of these, or should the allotment by the Government be unconditional, or paid as a reward after local authorities have constructed or maintained a highway in good condition?

4. What proportion of cost of construction, improvement, or maintenance should be borne by National Government, State, County, road district, and abutting property owners, respectively, or what amounts should be allotted to the States on an unconditional plan, or what amount per mile should be paid as rewards?

5. Should the Federal appropriation be apportioned among the States on a basis of population, area, mileage of roads, mileage of rural and star routes, taxable valuation, or a combination of these?

6. Should the supervision of construction or maintenance of Government aided roads be by the Federal Government, the State and local authorities, or jointly?

Kindly let me know in what manner you submit these questions to the people of your community, and how soon you can probably report the consensus of opinion. Yours very truly,  
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According to the assessor's rolls there are 23,328 dogs in Texas and their total assessed valuation is \$343,770. Compared with last year, this is a decrease of 4,693 in number and \$88,348 in total value. Layaca County leads in total number, having 3,204 of the canine family, and Andrews, Dawson, Lynn, Martin, Maverick, Midland, Moore, Reagan and Webb have only one dog. There are twenty-three Texas counties that have no dogs.

**Honor Roll**

This is to certify that the following names are of those who have attended school and been on time each day the previous month, same ending February 21, 1913:

**BOYS**

- Ray Lester
- Dewie Blount.
- Cooper Blount.
- Millard Blount.
- Henry Box.
- Holland Enlow.
- Willie Hignight.
- Johnnie Hignight.
- Albert Riddle.
- Tommie Hignight.
- Dee Enlow.

**GIRLS**

- Georgie Bell Blount.
- Dora Robertson.
- Carmen Enlow.
- Vera Enlow.
- Jewel Lester.
- May Riddle.

I wish to thank the people of this community for their hearty co-operation the previous months, asking them to please continue the same through the entire school.

I beg to remain theirs for service,  
H. L. Groner,  
Teacher.

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**Flagging Progress**

It is reported that one of our railroad commissioners lost his "socks and belt" trying to stop a construction gang at work in the lower branch of the Legislature, but of course, every man burst into a flame of rashness now and then in order to be human.

During the past year, the people of Texas have seen truth peep over mountains of error and have heard the carriages of industry scream as the light of truth was turned upon their fetid habitation. The curse of Texas today is its political "tightwads" whose dishonest imagination forces them into scuffles with progress. For several years west and southwest Texas has suffered in silence for railroad facilities and when relief came in sight there were always those in power willing to lay withering hands on their promised prosperity.

It ought to be encouraging to those men of lofty courage in our Legislature, who are struggling to open the gates of civilization, to learn that all the opposition can do is to set error in motion and fan the embers of dissension.

Texas is coming into her own and any man had as well try to stop the creation of a new world as to undertake to flag progress with the dark lantern of prejudice.

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**Red Barns**

Press reports from Wills Point announcing that one hundred new barns had been constructed in that vicinity during the past three months is the most cheerful news item appearing in the Texas press during the month. No community can proceed far in its agricultural economy until its stock are sheltered and its grain housed. Wherever red barns exist there frugality reigns and prosperity abides supreme.

The rapid approach of the red barn lifts our farming industry into a higher zone of utility and marks a new era in our industrial progress.

Representative Rogers, of Wise will introduce a bill providing that the regular session of the Legislature hereafter be held, beginning the second Tuesday in April instead of the second Tuesday in January as is now the case. The bill grows out of the recent investigation into the sanitation of the Capitol building from which it was found that the structure was unsuitable for winter sessions.



# 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 IV.

One of the most interesting and most pathetic chapters in the early history of this country is the story of the Tonkawa Indians, originally a Texas tribe, and for many years ranged thro North-west Texas as far down the Brazos as where the city of Waco now stands.

Before the coming of the white man to Texas they were credited by tradition with being a brave and warlike people, holding their own fairly well against the plains Indians, Comanches, Kiowas and Apaches during the many raids made by these Indians into the timbered country on predatory purposes bent.

The vast ranges of the north-west, then known as the Llano Estacado, or Staked Plains, and laid down in early geographies as the "Great American Desert," was the natural home of the Comanche and Apache tribes, yet by stress of drouth, lack of food or water, or through a naturally practical spirit, they often raided the more peaceable tribes to the south and east, and the Tonkawas, Caddos and other tribes were forced to the tomahawk, scalpknife, bow and arrow to defend their own hunting grounds.

When the white man came along with his so-called civilization, the Tonkawas were among the first to yield to the influences and the wiles of their palefaced brethren from the far East. It is said that they were always the friends of the whites, laying around the trading posts and forts, drinking the white man's firewater and picking up a general spirit of vagrancy, instead of living by the manly chase as they had done in the past, and when, during the early days of the white settlement, the plains Indians made their periodic raids, the Tonkawas were extremely useful to the whites as guides and spies and often entered with them into open battle.

This action on their part, engendered the most bitter hatred between them and the plains Indians and the luckless Tonkawa who happened to fall into their hands met with short and summary vengeance.

So it happened that when the government moved all the Indians away from Texas reservations, as detailed in a previous chapter, the Tonkawas were taken to the Indian Territory also where over four-fifths of the tribe met an awful fate. They were peacefully camped in a little valley near the Anadarcio agency, implicitly trusting in the protection of the government, when one beautiful morning at day-break they found themselves surrounded on all sides by Comanche and Kiowa warriors in full war-paint. There was a wild yell of triumph, a sudden charge, screams from frightened women and children, and in less than a half hour the scalp-locks of nearly the whole tribe were dangling at the belts of their bloody enemies. They spared none. The papoose and the nursing mother met the same fate as did the strong warrior.

This awful tragedy left only a scattered remnant of the tribe, who mostly returned to Texas and resumed their vagabond life around the posts and in the frontier settlements where they were familiar figures for many years to the early settlers.

They had an old chief named Charlie, who was a famous vagabond and beggar and of whom many amusing anecdotes are told by the early settlers. Aside from petty pilferings, they seem to have been harmless. The tribe has disappeared, so far as we can ascertain, and it has always been the opinion of the writer that the white man owed the Tonkawa a debt of gratitude, which was poorly paid. His story is certainly a pathetic one.

Hon. Peter Harmonson was the Chief Justice, or County Judge, of Young County from its original organization till the election of 1858, when he was succeeded by Hon. Alexander Deckman, who held the office till August 1860. Isaac R. Vannoy was next wearer of the judicial ermine, succeeded by A. H. Latimer in February, 1861. Judge Latimer resigned in May, 1862, and Judge Harmonson was again called to the office till the election of the following August, when Hon. Pleasant Tackett was elected to the office. He held it a full term and was succeeded by Martin V. Bowers in August, 1864.

The sheriffs during this period were Pat Murphy, 1857-8; J. R. King, 1858; Ed Woolfarth, 1859; I. D. Sutherland, 1860; Alfred Woodman, 1861; R. C. Whitten, 1862; J. D. Dyer, pro. tem, 1864, and H. S. Cox, 1864.

During all this period, and especially during the years of the great civil war, there seems to have been great difficulty in keeping the county offices filled. This is not wonderful when we note that the treasurer's reports sometimes shows that he has paid out considerable more money than he received from all sources and had to take a town lot or so to cover the difference. The old records of these troublous times are replete with suggestive orders which throw a great deal of light upon the conditions confronting the county in those days.

It may be of interest to mention a few of them. On November 29th, 1862, the county commissioners' court passed an order that the Chief Justice make requisition on the State government at Austin for 100 pounds of powder "and a corresponding amount of lead and caps" for the purpose of frontier protection, reciting that this magnificent supply of contraband of war had been gotten from Mexico by the Military board of the State. The order further recites that the sum of \$636.00 had been subscribed by the people of the county to purchase the ammunition from the State. The court generously went further and levied a special tax "to pay for the transportation of this supply" of fire works. On motion the names of the contributors of the fund and the amounts given by each were spread upon the minutes of the court, where they stand today, a monument to the patriotism and devotion of the donors.

In May, 1863, the court levied a "war tax" of 20 cents on the \$100.00 for the support of the widows and wives of Confederate soldiers slain or absent in the war. At the same term they accepted a proposition of the "war board" to purchase "eleven pairs of cotton cards at ten dollars per pair" and authorized the Chief

Justice to draw on the treasury for the necessary funds and procure them. The number was subsequently increased to thirty-five pairs of cotton cards. It is probable that many of our young lady readers do not at this date know what cotton cards are, but the women of those days knew them well and depended upon them to card the cotton which they converted into the clothing for themselves and their children on the old-fashioned looms of the South. They were doing such duties as this while husbands, fathers, brothers and sweethearts at the front found cheer and solace in the song, "Hurrah for the Home-spun dress the Southern Ladies Wear." These cards were an indispensable requisite to the making of the "home-spun dress" and as many of the ladies of Young county were unable to buy them the county spent three hundred and fifty dollars (Confederate money) to keep the looms running. It is hard for us to realize and appreciate the privations of those days and the hardships endured by the early settlers.

The early officers, with commendable pride, used every effort to maintain the county organization. Now and then a simple entry in the minute book notes the fact that there is a vacancy in some office and an election is ordered to fill it. On one occasion we note that both the county clerk and his deputy fail to materialize at a term of court and a clerk pro. tem. is appointed. Frequent orders are made looking to the safe keeping of the records and the care of the clerk's office and court house at Belknap. No longer a government post and of no particular military value to the Confederacy the county seat became but a small frontier town. It was usually visited twice a year by the district judge and district attorney and terms of the district court were held, but most of the important business was transferred to safer places for trial.

In September, 1864, the newly elected sheriff, H. S. Cox, was killed by the Comanches and the records do not show that a successor was ever elected to fill this important trust. An election to fill the office was ordered by the court to be held on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1865, but we presume that the election was never held, for on that day the record of the first organization of Young county was closed. Judge Bowers does not say how many members of the court were present or whether there was a clerk there or not, but the order simply and briefly recites that the court considers the records unsafe at Belknap and that the court authorizes itself to select some suitable place for a court house and a clerk's office and then the court solemnly proceeds to select a place called "Flag Springs" as the most suitable place for the conduct of the county business. This place is about one and one-half miles north of Graham and near the residence of J. B. Norris of Graham. It was in the early days a famous rendezvous of the stockmen and camp for the cowboys and the scouts and rangers but no court house or other public office was ever built there and in nothing but name was Flag Springs ever the county seat of Young county.

In common with all the Southland, Young county suffered severely from the results of war between the states and its close may properly be called the close of the first era in the county's history as it witnessed the downfall of our first organization and that chaos which follows an unsuccessful effort to keep up with the tide of civil progress.

But the old organization left a rich legacy to be developed by the one to follow. It produced a sturdy citizenship, trained in the school of adverse experience, to whom a failure was but an invitation and an incentive to greater effort. The richest legacy of any country is its citizenship and with the citizenship of the old regime still in its borders, the subsequent reorganization of the county started out with the absolute assurance of success.

But before we pass from the ante bellum period of the county, there are many other things to relate, which must be reserved for future chapters of the work. While the county officials were making history at old Fort Belknap, the settlers and the savages were not idle by any means, but were constantly contributing to the story by desperate and daring deeds and revolting scenes of carnage.

**Teachers Meeting at Loving**  
The Loving High School gave a play Friday night, as was advertised, in program for the Teachers' Institute. The play was "In Plum Valley"

Long before night the house began to fill up and there was between four and five hundred people to witness the show, which consisted of three acts and lasted two hours and fifteen minutes. Every part was spicily and the audience showed their appreciation by their cheers. Saturday morning, Mr. Nance, the State Lecturer on Agriculture, gave us an hour and twenty minutes talk on better farming and stock and plant breeding. The house was crowded all day with farmers and teachers. Several farmers came miles to hear the plan Mr. Nance had to offer. After his talk he organized a Farmer's Club, with Mr. Wheat president; Mr. Stewart, vice-president and Mr. Ford, secretary.

The teachers program was then taken up and we had several fine talks. Mr. Burkett, a member of the County Board, discussed the Trustees place in our school system; Supt. B. W. King ably handled the Rural High Schools; Supt. McLendon, of Graham, discussed at length, the consolidation of schools and the plans he offered seemed to take well and we think something can be done along that line, as we are in the place to have the best High School in this part of the country. Then the visiting teachers, and others, were all cared for at noon and made to feel at home.

At 1:45 the chairman, Prof. Bradshaw, called the house to order. Mr. Groner gave a good talk on the school as a social center, and that was discussed by Mr. King and Mr. McLendon.

Miss McFerran read a very interesting paper on the study of language in the school, discussed by Miss Carmack and others. Prof. Bradshaw and McFerran ably handled the subject of where and when should analysis be introduced in arithmetic, and this was discussed by several present.

Then came the ball game with the High School and the town first nine. The game stood 8 to 10 in favor of the first nine, but the school boys won a record as the best players. We had for the High School 18 strike outs and the first team had 12.

The farmers and teachers have solved the problem of holding teacher's local institutes. They can be held and can be a success, if everywhere the people will take hold of it as they did at Loving. It shows the interest the people here have in the school and school work. There were about twenty teachers present and all took an interest in the meeting as well as the rest of the people in general, and it will inspire the teachers to do better work and the pupils will see that the people are interested in them. Loving has one of the best schools in Young county and we want to make it better.

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# In the Realm of Society

**In Honor of Miss Akin.**  
Friday evening, March 7, at 8 o'clock, in response to invitations from Misses Minnie and Elsie Rubenkoenig, some forty or more of Miss Akin's friends assembled to enjoy a shower party in her honor. The rooms were prettily decorated with rain-bows.

The first diversion of the evening was an interesting one. Names of songs were passed around on slips of paper. The guests were then requested to write a love story or courtship using the names of these fifteen songs, or as many as they could remember. After these were carefully examined it was found that Mrs. Rose had used all the songs and made a connected story with fewest additional words. Mrs. Jones and Miss Mary Mayes had also very fine compositions. Many of the others were good, disclosing much undiscovered talent. Rev. Hall in his presentation speech made it clear that the contest was one of brains and not a game of chance, and that the reward was for both merit and hard work. The favor, an attractive book of love poems, daintily tied in rainbow colors, was presented to the honoree, with the request that she read from it. She opened at random, at an appropriate passage, and read, "Oh, there's a heart for everyone, if everyone could find it," which, of course, caused much merriment.

Then small packages tied in various colors, claimed our attention. These were squares of muslin to be hemmed in the different colored silks with initials worked in the corner, to be used by the bride for dust cloths. So, fingers flew busily, but not much brain effort was required which allowed tongues to fly also. Miss Garrett and Miss Akin played some piano numbers. Pieces of hearts were passed; these being mated showed a catchy couplet of love, and coupled the guests for the march which was played by Mrs. A. A. Morrison. The last couple was Miss Akin with Miss Elsie Rubenkoenig. As they passed into the last room, a shower of packages fell from a suspended umbrella. Then the honoree was told to go to the end of the rainbow to find a pot of gold. She followed the boys around the walls until she came upon some more treasures in tissue paper. Then came the fun and excitement of untying, admiring and enjoying all of the handsome linen towels, handkerchiefs, work-basket, china, fancy caps, bags and other toilet and household articles dear to a lady's heart. The young hostesses, assisted by their mother, Mrs. J. H. Rubenkoenig, also Mesdames Jno. Pohlman and T. J. Price, served a most enjoyable pear and cherry salad with home-made bread and butter sandwiches, hot chocolate and drinks to which all guests did full justice.

The bride-to-be looked particularly pretty in a gown of ecru orystal lace over pink messaline. Magnificent good wishes made known and loving greetings given. Everyone was sorry that going home time had come so quickly, and all cordially expressed to these capable hostesses the good time they had had.

**Les Hiboux Club**  
Miss Pauline Medjimsy was the charming hostess for Les Hiboux Club last Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock. Four games of progressive bridge were played in which pretty little score cards in pink and white were used. Mrs. W. D. Norman made the highest score and won the first favor, a dainty little chafing dish apron with pink ribbon bows. Miss Vera Norman won second favor in a cut with all the guests. Dainty refreshments were served to sixteen guests.

**Priscilla Club**  
The Priscilla Club spent a very pleasant afternoon with Mrs. J. Hall Bowman last Tuesday. There were eleven members present and Mrs. Dunnean and Mrs. Hudson were made new members. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Widmayer, Tuesday afternoon, March 18th.

**Literary Club**  
The weekly meeting of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle occurred at the home of Mrs. B. B. Garrett on last Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. The program was selected from the text-book, "Home Life in Germany," which gives many intimate and interesting glimpses into the domestic routine of this home-loving race.

Quotations on "Home" was an appropriate prelude to a program full of home duties viewed from a German standpoint. An excellent paper, prepared by Mrs. J. W. Jackson, reviewed "The German Householder"; while an equally interesting paper by Mrs. C. B. Jones extolled the many virtues of the thrifty "German Housewives."

Mrs. A. A. Morrison directed the Table Talk, which was of vital interest to every home keeper present. Mrs. R. G. Hallam read a timely article, "The Price He Paid" by Ella Wheeler Wilcox; Mrs. F. F. Parrish conducted a most interesting Parliamentary Drill.

The hour of meeting was changed to 4 o'clock. Leave your orders for tuning and repairing Pianos and Organs at Carroll's Studio, over the Postoffice.

**Birthday Dinner.**  
"Grow old along with me!  
The best is yet to be,—  
The last of life for which the first was made."

On last Friday, March the seventh, Mrs. Washburn, Graham's next oldest inhabitant, passed the eighty-fifth milestone on her journey through life. "Granny," as her friends lovingly call her, is an optimist, and has so much of sunshine and cheer in her heart that years can never make her old.

For several days, Granny's friends had been planning a real surprise birthday party, and nimble fingers had been busy fashioning dainty gifts and tempting dishes. Since it was to be a complete surprise, it was necessary that she should be away from home for an hour or two that morning. The big Woodmen convention offered sufficient attraction, and in her absence the gifts were smuggled in, and the feast was spread. Under the efficient management of Mesdames Jeffery, Steen, Burns, and Bower, the house soon took on a festive air, and on the return of the guest of honor, everything was in readiness, even to the huge birthday cake with its eighty-five candles all aglow. The surprise was complete and her were tears of joy and appreciation in Granny's eyes, for the loving kindness of these her friends and neighbors.

The following menu was served:  
SALAD  
Nut and Fruit - Potato  
Roast Beef with Potatoes  
Baked Chicken and Rice  
Boiled Ham

Olives - Pickles  
CAKE  
Devil's Food Angel's Food  
Pineapple  
Coffee

After dinner the guests repaired to the living room, where Granny displayed the treasures of her linen chest, the work of her own hands. Among other things, there were six knitted bedspreads. These are to be her parting gifts to her six children, and are, as Granny aptly expresses it, "symbols of patience and industry." These children are: Jack Washburn, Clear Fork; Billie Washburn, Oklahoma; Mrs. Curtis, Fort Worth; Joe Washburn, Graham; Mrs. Witton, Oklahoma; Mrs. Dooley, Clear Fork.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hallam spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Fort Worth attending the Fat Stock Show and visiting Mrs. Hallam's brothers. Mr. Hallam's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Moberly, also joined them there.

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Mr. Grady W. Fletcher, of Waco arrived in the city Monday night. His presence was necessary here Wednesday.

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## Local Notes

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Mrs. Ben Johnson and children returned Tuesday night from a visit with relatives at Goree.

**Fresh Fort Worth Bread every day—Graves & Ward.**

Rev. C. P. Welch, of Jacksboro, will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and at night.

John Butler and father, of Jack county, were in Graham last Saturday buying supplies from merchants.

Rev. Joe R. Mayes, county Missionary, left Monday for Petrolia, where he will assist in a revival meeting.

**We keep Eggs, Butter and Chickens—Graves & Ward.**

Charley Keen, of Farmer, came to Graham Sunday afternoon and left on the train Monday morning for the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth.

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Young Mr. Richard Sebe Doziet, firstborn son of Walter and Lila Doziet, was visited last week by his friend, J. H. Fisher.

Mrs. G. W. Black, Sr. was given a surprise birthday dinner last Monday, March 10, it being her sixty-first birthday.

Joel Edens and M. O. Kramer were among the Graham visitors to the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth the first of the week.

Young Woodrow Wilson Busch made his arrival in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Busch, living two miles west of town, on March the 9th.

Sam Fitzgerald moved to the Medlan Chapel ranch last week. He looked rather wry when told just how many of the distant members of his church he should entertain at each meeting, but Sam is alright.

J. H. Thompson, of Mansfield, Texas, our new manager for the Southwestern Telephone Company with his family have arrived in Graham and are now residing in the residence recently vacated by Mr. Parker in the southwestern part of town.

# Our Religious Column

## Sunday Services

Sunday, March 9th, was rainy and muddy, but attendance was fairly good at the churches.

The Presbyterians had 69 with \$3.14 offering. Rev. Hall's morning text was Mark 16:15. The main thought was "Go" as a result of the "Come" studied the previous Sunday. This is as a Father's last message. How well His work is done depends upon how well we do our part. Has anyone the right, because busy with everyday burdens, to be excused from doing the Master's work? What is our part in giving the gospel to the whole world? There was an especially enjoyed musical number by the male chorus, "Sweet Galilee." At the evening service the sermon was based on John 15: 1-8. This is the familiar figure of the vine and branches. It was shown how Christ and his disciples are one body, not a piecing together, but a living union. He is the true vine, to whom it is an honor and privilege to be connected. The vine in its beneficence is a fitting emblem. We are not placed by chance but where we can bear fruit that will best honor him. As the branch grows by connection with vine, so only can a Christian grow by vital connection with Him. The engrafting into Christ, the adoption into the family is necessary if it is a vital union. Our will must be in accord with His, else the Spirit is not prompting. The branch that is not alive will die. If, he abide not, he is cast forth and withered. God is the husbandman. He alone can engraft the branch. He enables us to die more and more to sin and abide in Him through the Word. We honor Him by bearing much fruit. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." Do we show the joy? Are we abiding in Him? Can we claim the promise in verse 7? The special music was a gospel solo, sweetly sung by Miss Akin, "Clinging Close to His Hand."

The subject for the morning service at the Methodist church, was "The tragedy of being out of place." Little children forced to work in mill and factory are out of place. Many young women are by circumstances forced out of the home, their righteous sphere and while we appreciate their work, we depreciate the labor at their being forced to labor. Many men are in places below their intellectual level and are out of place. Any man in sin is "out of place" Christ's his parables thus teaches. The sheep away from the fold was "out of place." The coin that was lost was "out of place." The prodigal son off in a far country in sin and want was "out of place." The mission of the church is to seek to put men in their rightful places. God's call to men is "to get out of the wrong place into the right place." Any person not doing all they can for the church is "out of place."

The Christian church Bible School had 69 present and an offering of \$2.29. Bro. Stallings opened the morning service with the reading of the fifteenth chapter of John's gospel. The subject under discussion was "The Vine and the Branches." The thought stressed was that of the true relationship between Christ and his followers; Christ not as the head of different organizations but Christ in touch with each individual. The scripture teaches that Christ was at this time talking to his disciples and making his teaching a personal matter. "He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit." It was clearly shown that in order to become a branch of the life-giving vine, man must meet the conditions which Christ has fixed, and to remain in the vine he must live up to Christ's requirements. The life of a close union with Christ leads to a life of activity in His service. Just as the vine must fulfill its mission of bearing fruit so the Christian must continue his life of good deeds. And as the deeds of this life determine the soul's destiny, all were urged to a more

earnest consecration of service. The evening sermon was based on the reading of the third chapter of 1 John and the theme was God's infinite love for his children. The uniting of God and man through the wonderful love which God bestows, the adjusting of man's relation to God and the perfect freedom of such a state were strikingly illustrated. The bird is a slave to the air and the fish to the water because they cannot live out of the element for which they were created, and yet each has perfect freedom in his proper element. So man was created to bear a certain relation to God and so long as he remains out of that relation he is out of his proper environment. When he has entered his relationship to the Heavenly Father and comprehends his wonderful blessings and privileges so perfect is the adjustment that a life of sin or idleness would be foreign to him. When in his proper environment or relationship he can live the life of reciprocity which perfect love prompts, and thus honor the Father.

The Baptists had 144 at Sunday School, 56 Bibles and \$21.42 offering. The text at the morning was Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

The metrical revision of this Psalm, beginning "A mighty fortress is our God," was one of Luther's favorite hymns and was also sung by Cromwell's ironclads when going into battle. God is a shelter from danger in times of sorrow and in times of temptation. There is found a refuge from the nervous strain and so very common at this time, from sin and its power. The theme at the night service was Isaiah's call, based on the sixth chapter of Isaiah. The modern preacher is the successor of the prophet rather than the Levitical priest, the chief distinction being that there is no new revelation. When Isaiah heard God's call he had a vision of the holiness of God and the sinfulness of self. Then came the cleansing for service and his answer, "Here am I, Lord, send me."

**Missionary Society**  
The Ladies Missionary Society of the Graham Baptist church met Thursday, March 6th, with Mrs. Fannie Rutherford, and with thirty-eight adults present and twenty-five Bibles.

Song, "Follow On" prayer, by Mrs. C. R. Taylor. Twelve hundred Bible questions and answers were led by Mrs. High; the book of Ezekiel was concluded. Song, "Higher Ground," prayer, Mrs. Jeffrey. Our president then took charge of the devotional. The 23rd Psalm was repeated in concert. Prayer by Mrs. J. C. Short. The offering amounted to \$9.10.

Our next meeting will be on the fourth Thursday in March, the 27th. Missionary study, subject "Cuba" led by Mrs. N. S. Farmer.

Closing prayer, Bro. C. R. Taylor.

Mrs. Rutherford, assisted by her daughter, Miss Dema Waters and Mrs. Beecher Baker, served delicious refreshments.

Thanks were extended to Claud and Ross Rutherford for conveying the ladies to and from the Society in Missionary cars 1 and 2. See, pro. tem.

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