

The Snyder Signal

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SCURRY COUNTY'S CATTLE INDUSTRY

During the last 30 days there have been shipped from this locality more than 60 cars of cattle to the market centers.

Among the cattle shipped Winston Bros. report two loads of native raised yearling steers and heifers all of one man's 1920 calf crop without any cuts that were good.

The same parties report the shipment of several straight calf crops that have weighed with 10 per cent cut as much as 440 pounds.

By comparing this with the ordinary range cattle, anyone would be led to believe that there is more profit and less grief in having the good big stretchy well bred kind of cattle and stocking ranges light and counting quality and pounds instead of numbers.

Scurry county cattle raisers are commencing to clear their herds of scrub cattle and are watching their ranges as they never have done before.

THE ECONOMY STORE IS DRESSED UP FOR CHRISTMAS

The Economy store is dressing up preparatory for the Christmas rush and to say it is artistically done is putting it mildly.

The lighting is very attractive and they have a train that travels all round the world and many other attractions.

See their opening Christmas announcement in this issue of the Signal.

Epworth League Program.

- Voluntary, Margaret Yoder. Scripture Lesson, John 5:35. Song, discussions. "A needy world" Agnes May. "The Divine Communion," Edith Gatham. Reading, Ellen Bulce Johnson. A Divine Preparation, Jennie Chapman. Piano Solo, Mary Strayhorn. My Response, Ora Norrid. Announcements. Song, League Benediction.

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE COMING YEAR?

Have you outlined a program for the 12 months with which you are satisfied and in which you believe there is the possibility of bettering yourself? If not, before it is too late let's plan for 1922, think over this plan thoroughly, decide on it and then carry it through.

1922 comes around you will have stayed out of any new debts and that you are going to get more than a mere living out of life from now on.

There is one plan open to everyone who will just try it and make up their minds that it can be done. Nearly everyone has a surplus from this season's crop; a thing so rare that we people of Scurry county perhaps do not appreciate it the way we should.

POULTRY EXPERT MOVES TO SNYDER

Snyder has just added one citizen who comes at the right time to help along the poultry program for the coming year.

Mr. Nations states that this section in his judgment is the best suited for the raising of poultry of any part of the country.

He is a specialist on Rhode-Islands Reds, S. C. Brown Leghorns and Barred Rocks having culled one pen of 50 for each of these three breeds from more than 200 selected layers of each variety with many layers that will run 250 eggs per year.

GINNERS REPORT.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Points. Includes Snyder Gin (3750), Bridge Street Gin (3039), South Side (806), Farmers U. Gin Co. (2075), Total Snyder (9670), Hermligh Gin (1918), Hermligh Planters Gin (1696), Dunn Gin (2205), Camp Springs Gin (1165), Phivanna Gin (1067), Total all gins (17,721).

Junior League Program.

- For December 4, 1921, 4 p. m. Subject "What shall we do with our Sundays." Leader, Jennings Ketter. Song, prayer. Scripture, Mark 3:1-5. Maurice McClinton. Song. A rest day, Jimmie Lee Bridgeman. A Day of Worship, Ruby Curry. A Day of Service and happiness. Leader. Bible Drill. Song, Benediction.

Dr. Hannabass of Gall was here yesterday on business.

IT DOES PAY TO RAISE BETTER COTTON

Snyder, Texas, Dec. 1, 1921. The Snyder Signal, Snyder, Texas.

Gentlemen:

The very interesting article on the planting of better cotton has just been received from the extension department of A. and M. College and shows that IT DOES PAY to raise better cotton.

Very truly yours, Scurry County Chamber of Com.

The article follows:

"Premiums for cotton having staple length of 1 1-16 inches and better are improving right along, and it is believed they will continue to show improvement as the season progresses, due to the fact that the drought in August brought about the premature opening of bolls over large sections of Texas, thus causing the short staple varieties (7-8" to 7") to run about 3-4 to 7-8 inches long and to be of very poor strength and character.

The exporters, and shippers of the latter staples to mills in the United States are not going to be as choosy as hard to please, in filling their requirements for the better staples this season, as they were last season, because the staple is not here in quantities sufficient to supply the local market.

The Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates of U. S. Department of Agriculture in weekly bulletins of September 19, 1921, gives out the following information regarding staple premiums.

Memphis, Tennessee—On a basis of 19.50 cents for middling upland short staple cotton, the premiums for Middling premium staples average about as follows: 1 1-16", 250

points on; 1 1-8", 750 points on; 1 1-4", 1550 points on; 1 5-16" and 1 3-8" nominal. Demand fair.

New Orleans, Louisiana—On a basis of 18.50 cents for Middling upland short staple cotton, the premiums for Middling staples average about as follows: 1 1-16", 125 points on; 1 1-8", 500 points on; 1 3-16", 850 points on; 1 1-4", 1250 points on; 1 5-16 and 1 3-8" nominal. Demand good.

Cotton in bales of the grade of Low Middling and above, and having a staple length of 1 1-16 inches and better is going to be as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth before the new planting season. It is believed, therefore, that County Agents can do a very constructive piece of work in their counties, a piece of work which will bring large financial returns to their farmers next year, if they will start a county campaign for the planting of cotton seed of better staple varieties, at this time.

Texas bankers will no doubt be interested in assisting local farmers to finance the purchase of seed of the better staple varieties, where assistance is needed. In fact the Extension Service at College Station is receiving letters and samples of cotton every week from bankers in various sections of the state asking for information regarding the staple, and value of cotton, represented by samples sent in, with the idea in view of interesting their customers in the next year, Bankers who are taking this step are progressive and have the interest of their customers at heart.

The Extension Service of the A. and M. College will be pleased to cooperate with any one interested in the proposition, with the idea in view of bringing about community production of one or two varieties of cotton best suited to the particular community. It is suggested that you communicate with the Experiment Station nearest you for information regarding test made by them this year by the actual planting of the several varieties of cotton which have a staple length of 1 1-16 inch and better. The Extension Service of the A. and M. College of Texas will be pleased to answer all correspondence, and will be glad to make engagements for future meeting at which time representatives will be sent to discuss this important feature of the 1922 agricultural program with progressive farmers, through engagements made with County agents, as well as in counties having no County agent.

Scurry County Poultry Show Opens December 22

The annual poultry show of the Scurry county Association will be held in Snyder on the 22nd and 23rd of December, Thursday and Friday before Christmas. Arrangements are being made to have Mr. C. P. Van Winkle of Dallas judge the show.

Attention will be paid to the sale of breeding stock. A good number of chicken fanciers will go to Plainview and it is contemplated that they will buy birds on exhibition at that place for the local show offering them at cost to anyone that wants the best to commence the new year on. Every poultry raiser that has good chickens is specially urged to be getting their birds ready for this show which will be one of the biggest helps toward starting off the coming year properly that we can have.

OUT DOOR EXERCISE IS NECESSARY TO HEALTH

Austin, Texas, Dec. 1.—The Texas Public Health Association encourages everybody, children as well as grown-ups, to get out in the open air all seasons of the year. It is one of the methods for preventing tuberculosis of curing it after it has been contracted.

and sanatoria are demonstrating in every state that no matter what the local climate may be, out-door exercise is necessary for health. The general promotion of interest and belief that rests, fresh air and good food is the best treatment for tuberculosis is one of the tasks of the Texas Public Health Association and during the last 15 years, the death rate among its affiliated local organizations.

The Modern Health Crusade in which six million children are enrolled requires its members to play outdoors and the tuberculosis societies

United States last year, and 1,000,000 active cases in existence; so much more is to be accomplished. Texas has her full quota of tuberculosis patients and much work is yet to be done.

Funds to carry on this work are obtained from the sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals which will be offered to the public from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas. Response to this sale will determine the extent to which the fight against tuberculosis can be carried forward during 1922.

To the Poultry Raisers of Scurry and adjoining Counties:

On the 22nd and 23rd of December we will hold the Poultry show. This show comes right before the time when it is necessary to prepare for the next year's breeding season. Everybody that has good poultry is urged to get ready for this show and let's pull off an exhibition we will all be proud of.

J. A. Merritt, Secretary, Scurry County Poultry Ass'n.

More than 2,000 unemployed ex-service men of Chicago, will eat Christmas dinner on "Lightnin'" this year. With Fred Stone acting as stage manager and the veteran Frank Bacon as his assistant, the American Legion of Chicago is preparing the theatrical benefit.

Now is the time to subscribe for the Signal. \$1.50 per year.

REPORTS OF THE SNYDER SCHOOLS

The Central School has enrolled six hundred and five pupils. The past month the attendance percentage was 93.2.

However there was a large number of tardies. The teachers insist that the patrons of the school co-operate heartily with them to reduce the number of tardies.

The following pupils have made an average of ninety or above in the work and have neither been absent nor tardy.

- Miss Corine Traubridge's room: Janice Erwin, Frances Clements, Janey Thompson, Hilda Gene Williamson, Julia Bynum, Maxine Shuler, Earl White, Earnest Pierce, Jim Ezell, Frank Stokam, Jack Hudson, Willie Ray Patterson, Albert Ditto, Wayne Wren. Miss Pearce's room: Dorothy Darby, Lois Terral, Ruth, Yoder, Pauline Nall, Tex Berry, Ernest Westbrook, David Lamberth. Miss Palmer's room: Marion Edmonds, Weldon Alexander, Gene Michael, Clarence Walton, Virginia Hudson, Meva Doak, Eva Grubb, Graes Avery, Lois Faye Gideon, Howard Robinson, Eldred Swint, Agnes Early, Lucille Brown, Mildred Davis, Adelle Raugh, Hazel Canble, Woodrow Meadows, Miss Roon's room: E. J. Bradberry, Hunter Bryant, Austin Erwin, Mary Jo Glen, Gladys Lewis, Allene Curry, Donald Chapman. Miss Clark's room: Eupha Bertram, Leota Glen, Christiana James, Mary Julia McMillan, Joe Southland, Thelma Leslie, Lena Ruth Smith. Mrs. Clark's room: Sadie Mae Morrow, George Barnes, Mary Lula Joyce, Marian Rosser, Frances Southland. Miss Bolin's room: Lois Belflour, W. L. Hardin, J. T. Jenkins, Dewey Moore, Evalyn Mayfield, Barrie Temple, Lois Rosser, Fay Dell Glen, Thelma Dowell. Miss Halley's room: Ione Bridge-man, Doris Pope Elza, Violet Bradberry, Maurice McClinton, Bruce Barnes. Miss Jone's Room: Clark Robinson, Mary Lynn Naton, Ellen Jameson, Anna Bell Underwood, Donna Wilmetth. Miss Gilmore's room: Hubert Curry, Gordon May, Clyde Teter, Minnie Lou Rothrock, Faye Joyce, Paulino Kelley, Rai Morgan, Ina Caton.

NEW DRUG STORE TO OPEN SOON

Mr. J. E. Puett arrived here Wednesday from Gorman with his stock of Drugs and is opening up a drug store in the Manry building on the south side. Mr. Puett is an old drug man having been in the business at Gorman, he also has a store at Desdemonia and one at Breckenridge.

Associated with Mr. Puett in the store here will be his son-in-law, Mr. E. C. Byars, and his daughter, Mrs. E. C. Byars.

They will be open for business tomorrow, Saturday, and will have a formal opening Saturday week, Dec. 9th, when they hope to meet the people of the town and county.

We welcome these people to our town.

Dunn News.

School is progressing. Miss Dimple Gross of Snyder is teaching music here now.

The spelling match given at the school house Thursday night was very interesting.

The teams, boys and girls went to Ira Thursday and played matched basket ball games with the Ira teams the scores were: boys, 14 and 10 in favor of Dunn; girls, 25 and 16 in favor of Dunn.

We were to play Ira here Friday, Dec. 2 but the game was postponed on account of the singing school.

Mr. H. P. Halley began a vocal music school here Monday, Nov. 28. Prof. Curtis Brown began his school at Round Top Nov. 21.

Mrs. Green made a business trip to Sweetwater Saturday.

Mr. W. J. Lay has added a new room to his house in Dunn.

Miss Emma Corliffe of Camp Springs spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Madies.

A party was given at Mr. Claude Holdings Saturday night.

The Parent-Teacher's Association is moving along nicely.

Mr. Worley and family of Colorado have moved back to Dunn. Mr. Worley has bought a place and intends to farm next year. We welcome them back.

Lester Hancock left for Rising Star Sunday.

Ollie Richardson spent Thanksgiving with home folks.

Dad's Girl.

Cozy Theatre Changes Hands.

The Cozy Theatre changed hands Thursday. E. K. Smith has sold out to Messrs. B. S. Ferguson and T. J. Lollar of Hamlin. Mr. Lollar will take active charge of the Cozy at once as manager. Mr. Ferguson has a show house at Hamlin and will remain there.

High School Notes.

We have begun a beauty contest in each room. This will only be for the class beauty. Later on we begin the contest for our High School beauty. Each one in the room was allowed to vote, and the two girls that got the most votes are the contestants.

The girls are as follows: Senior Class, Elga Howell and Pauline Clark Junior Class, Ellen Pratt, and Juanita Pearce.

Sophomore Class: Earnestine Rosser, and Cecile Bertram. Freshman Class: Rubinelle Johnson, Claribel Clark, and Tip Messimer. Two of the girls tied and they had to run three.

There is a box for each contestant in each room, and the voter may drop his pennies into the box of the contestant that he wants to win.

The contest lasts until Friday, Dec. 2, anyone can vote that wishes to go to our annual.

The Seniors have charge of Chapel Monday morning. The Seniors will meet with Mrs. Monroe Friday.

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