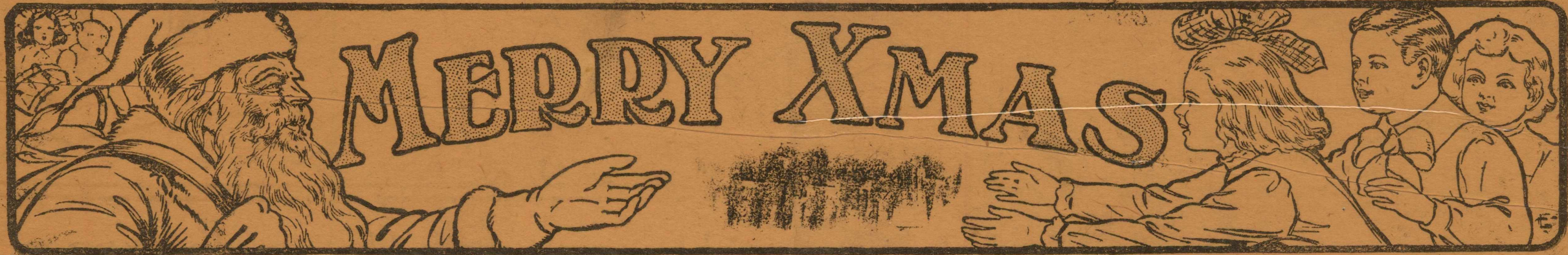


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For Everybody from "THE STORE OF QUALITY" on The Corner.

We are THANKFUL to our Customers for a very Satisfactory Business this season and wish to state that we will have a Very Beautiful and Attractive line of CHRISTMAS Goods on display at an early date

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PRACTICAL TINNER,

TANKS, TROUGH, AND ALL KIND OF TIN WORK.
ESTIMATES FURNISHED. TERMS CASH.

Mr. Windrow will have charge of the shop.

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Quick, Reliable and Satisfactory
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ALL KINDS OF IRON AND WOOD WORK, BOILERS REFLUED,
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Sonora, Texas. Nov. 27, 1909

Rev. Payne Comes Back.

Rev. Robt. Payne comes back to Elgin and we are glad of it and we believe we voice the sentiment of every Methodist in Elgin.

Bro. Payne has been a great factor in putting the church on a business foundation; he is a plain and practical man and has been one of a few who has been instrumental in bringing about a closer brotherhood among the churches of Elgin than has ever been known here before; he understands men; knows how to approach a fellow man; has the entire confidence and friendship of every man, woman and child in our city—saint or sinner.—Elgin Courier.

A Broken Back.

That pain in your back caused by lumbago, stiff muscles or a strain is an easy thing to get rid of. Ballard's Snow Linctment cures rheumatism, lumbago, sore and stiff muscles, strains, scalds, cuts, burns, bruises, scalds and all aches and pains. You need a bottle in your house. Sold by all druggists.

The \$1,000,000 given by John D. Rockefeller will go a long way toward eradicating the "hookworm." The worm was identified in 1902 by Dr. Charles Wardell Stiles of the Rockefeller commission. Soil pollution is responsible for the existence and spread of the worm. It can be eliminated from the human body by a simple treatment of thymol and Epsom salts, the patient in most cases being cured in several days. Pronounced anaemia is the chief symptom of persons afflicted with the hookworm disease, accompanied by emaciation and great physical weakness. Laziness, mental lassitude, and stupidity are other symptoms. Uccinaria is the technical name for the disease. Hookworm disease was probably known to the Egyptians near 3,000 years ago, but its cause was not understood until about the middle of the nineteenth century. The hookworm is about half an inch long. It lives in the small intestine.—Scientific American.

Don't It Jar You?

To have a cough that you can't leave off—even when you go to bed? Put it away for good by using Simmon's Cough Syrup. It heals inflammation of the throat and lungs—gives you rest and peaceful sleep.

A Scalded Boy's shrieks

horrified his grandmother, Mrs. Maria Taylor, of Nebo, Ky., who writes that, when all thought he would die, Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured him. Infallible for Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Corns, Wounds, Bruises Cures Fever Sores, Boils, Skin Eruptions, Chilblains, Chapped Hands. Soon routs Piles. 25c at Nathan's Pharmacy.

A cattle tick that has reached the engorged stage weighs about five grains, and about 1500 such ticks weigh a pound. As cattle in the tick region often carry many thousands of these blood-sucking parasites, and as each tick during the period of its attachment to an animal draws considerably more than its own weight in blood, it can be seen that these ticks constitute an enormous drain on the cattle which they infect. This accounts for the fact that under such conditions it is impossible to fatten cattle even on rich pasture and with an abundance of good feed. A large part of the nourishment that should go toward producing milk is consumed by the ticks. In addition to the loss of blood and nourishment there is the never-ending irritation caused by the ticks, so that the existence of the infested cattle is beset with continuous suffering, and this of course also tends to keep them in poor condition. The shrinkage in the milk production of a cow harboring many ticks will average one quart a day, and the loss occasioned there at 3 cents a quart for the 875,000 ticky dairy cattle out of more than 4,000,000 below the quarantine line would amount to \$26,250 a day. Counting 300 milking days for each cow to the year would make the loss from this cause \$7,875,000 per annum. Full information as to how to get rid of the ticks, including directions for the preparation of dips and sprays, the arrangements of pastures, etc., may be obtained free upon application to the Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture, Washington, Texas stockman and farmers should lose no time in availing themselves of the opportunity to suppress the tick. If the dairy interests are losing nearly \$8,000,000 the beef-producing element is losing fully four times that amount annually.—San Antonio Express.

Notice.

After December 1st, I will be obliged to do a cash business. Those who cannot pay cash or settle their accounts monthly will please not ask for credit. I am obliged to pay cash and have not capital to conduct a credit business. I very much regret being obliged to give this notice and hope all will understand my position. Respectfully,

ROBT. ANDERSON,
Red Front Stable. 93 4t

A Hali's Breadth Escape.

Do you know that every time you have a cough or cold and let it run on thinking it will just cure itself you are inviting pneumonia, consumption or some other pulmonary trouble? Don't risk it. Put your lungs back in perfect health and stop that cough with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

M. Seitz came in Saturday from near Carter Valley, in Edwards county, where he is pasturing his sheep, to meet Mrs. Seitz, who will arrive on the Angelo auto this evening. Mrs. Seitz has spent the greater part of the summer visiting relatives and friends in North and East Texas.—Ozona Kicker.

Kills Her Foe Of 20 Years.

"The most merciless enemy I had for 20 years," declares Mrs. James Duocan, of Haynesville, Mo., "was Dyspepsia, I suffered intensely after eating or drinking and could scarcely sleep. After many remedies had failed and several doctors gave me up, I tried Electric Bitters, and was cured completely. Now I can eat anything, I am 70 years old and am overjoyed to get my health and strength back again." For Indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Kidney Trouble, Lame Back, Female Complaints, its unequalled. Only 50c at Nathan's Pharmacy.

When it comes to the transaction of business that requires good judgement and hustling qualities the San Angelo man is there with the goods early and late. Friday Felix Mann sold for Jas. R. Hamilton & Son, of Del Rio, 1,800 head of sheep at \$3.50 around, netting \$6,300 in the deal. These sheep were sold to McVickery brothers of Oklahoma. Mr. Mann also sold 50 mares to W. B. Caldwell at \$50 per head.—Standard.

Forced into Exile.

Wm. Upchurch of Glen Oak, Okla., was an exile from home. Mountain air, he thought, would cure a frightful lung racking cough that had defied all remedies for two years. After six months he returned, death dogging his steps. "Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery," he writes, "and after taking six bottles I am as well as ever." It saves thousands yearly from desperate lung diseases. Infallible for Coughs and Colds, it dispels Hoarseness and Sore Throat. Cures Grip, Bronchitis, Hemorrhages, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough. 50c and \$1.00, trial bottle free, guaranteed by Nathan's Pharmacy.

"We were treated fine at San Antonio and I have no complaint to make," said Phil C. Lee Saturday evening. "The Leedale Herefords brought back 22 prizes that's about \$500 in money. Not bad for West Texas, eh?—Standard.

CHAS. SCHREINER.

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AND COMMISSION MERCHANT

KERRVILLE, TEXAS.

A General Banking Business Transacted. Solicits
Accounts of Merchants and Stockmen.

THE FAVORITE SALOON

IS NOT effected by the passage of the
PURE FOOD LAW, Our Liquors are of
GOOD. Some Special Brands for Family
AND MEDICINAL PURPOSES.

ICE COLD BEER AND MINERAL
WATERS ALWAYS ON HAND.

Theo. Savell, Proprietor

THE Rock Front

BARTON & SAVELL, PROPRIETORS,

Cold Beer and Soft Drinks
Pure Wines and Liquors
Choice Cigars, Etc.

PHONE ORDERS TO 97 WILL RECEIVE
PROMPT ATTENTION. YOUR TRADE
COURTEOUSLY APPRECIATED

J. G. BARTON.

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THEO. SAVELL.

R. H. MARTIN.

C. S. HOLCOMB.

Martin & Holcomb,

THE LAND AND LIVE STOCK COMMISSION MEN,
SONORA, TEXAS.

Are offering for sale a number of ranches, and have on their list Cows, Stock Cattle, Steers of all ages, Sheep and Goats.
In fact if you want to buy or sell anything in the "Paradise" give us a call or write us.

YOUR HOLLIDAY BUSINESS ?



SANTA CLAUS will make his home
 AT THE "OLD RELIABLE" AS IN FORMER DAYS
 HE WILL COME EARLIER AND STAY LONGER
 Grand Opening Of Holliday Goods Monday, December 6th at
The E. F. Vander Stucken Company.

Make arrangements to spend the days in Sonora. There will be something doing all the time.

Teague & Bennett of Brady are buying fat cows in the Sonora country this week.

C. E. Turner of Katy, Texas was in Sonora this week wanting fat cows.

Ed Martin the saddler returned from a visit to his folks in San Angelo Friday.

G. L. Albin and W. R. Rober son of Comanche are in the Sonora country buying fat cows.

Mr and Mrs C. J. Green were visiting in Sonora last week the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. A. Green.

H. P. Jordan, H. H. Sassins, Paul and Roy Willoughby, of Brady, were in Sonora this week on business.

John J. Teague one of the stock holders of the Texas Oklahoma Commission Co. of Fort Worth, is in the Sonora country buying fat cows.

Bart C. Dawitt has gone to Brackett on a visit to his parents and relatives. Bart was missed by many Misses at the Thanksgiving hop and by the boys in the neighborhood.

Strackbein was in from Saturday trading. Prof. Clayton who is teaching in the neighborhood accompanied by Professor is very well pleased with his school and is agreeably surprised at the advancement of the scholars.

Your attention is called to the report of the condition of the First National Bank in this issue. Look up the items: loans \$193,000; capital and surplus \$96,000 and bills payable \$30,000; deposits \$107,640.70 and you will know that Sonora has the right to be thankful for having such a strong banking house.

Kindness the Talisman.

For years we have confidently believed, and repeatedly insisted upon it, that kindness is eminently the talisman of success in handling horses. In fact, it is the one condition of getting on in any worthy way with all living creatures, from the human down. It is the magic touchstone which avails to train and conquer when all other agencies fail. It has been illustrated in so many directions and in such multitudinous examples that it would seem almost anomalous that all men have not recognized it and come to cultivate and rely upon it in their practical dealings with beings animated with the vital spark—Our Dumb Animals.

Stock News.

C. S. Halcomb of Sonora sold on the Fort Worth market last week 50 calves at \$8.40.

The Wool Growers Central Storage Co. of San Angelo will sell their wool Monday Nov. 29.

John A. Ward of Sonora sold on the Fort Worth market last week 32 cows \$18.50 and 62 calves and yearling heifers at \$9.

St. Gilbert of Sonora sold on the Fort Worth market last week 30 cows and 30 calves which brought him \$8.50.

J. B. Bakney sold to Robbins & Clendinning 368 head of stock goats at \$2.50 per head. Also 4 billies at \$12.50.

Teague & Bennett of Brady sold to Willis Lawhon at San Angelo last week 313 cows. The total amount was about \$7,000. Teague & Bennett bought those cows from Sutton county parties, a short while ago.

You can buy lumber just as cheap from B. F. Bellows of Sonora as at San Angelo; freight added. 93 B.

Wanted.

One to five sections of good smooth farming land, well pay cash at right price. Box 373, San Angelo, Texas.

The convenience of being able to buy a few planks of lumber in Sonora from B. F. Bellows is greater than the increased price. 93 B.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis entertained a number of friends at a delightful social at their home in Sonora Saturday night. Games and music was the program of the evening. The guests were: Misses Mary Smith, Sallie Karnes, Jewel Decker, Erna and Lillie Maddox, Arnis Smith, Alva and Grace Howten, Pearl Parkerson, Winnie Davis, Tot and Dottie Allison, Wynona Grimland, Ruth Morris and Beatrice Brown. Messrs. Bonnie Wyatt, Fred and Roy Smith, Wallace Keese, John and Homer Holman, Lige Long, Harry Meckel, Ica and Less Adams, Fred Grimland, Rector and Ben Cuseberry, and Owen Cornell.

The News extends its sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brotherton in the death of their 3 year old son J. C., which occurred at the ranch 25 miles south of Sonora Friday November 19. The funeral was from the residence of Walter Whitehead Sturdy to the Sonora cemetery.

E. E. Sawyers, R. H. Martin and Theo. Savell arrived home Thursday from a business visit to San Antonio.

Thanksgiving was very generally celebrated in Sonora. The stores closed for the afternoon and the people evidently had something to be thankful for by the way they turkey out to all gatherings.

The Ladies of the Baptist church furnished a splendid Thanksgiving dinner and supper and their hard work was rewarded by a patronage that netted over \$80.

The boys gave a good entertainment Thursday afternoon at the ball grounds with a game of base ball. The contest was made up of local nines. The "Town" line up was as follows: Lee Whitehead, M. McDonald, Ray Smith and Wyatt, C. O. O'By, T. Adams, E. Johnson, E. Debers, Ben Wyatt.

The "School Boys" were G. Caruthers, Rus. Martin, J. no Martin, W. Keese, Fred Smith, Woodie Martin, Amor Whitehead, It Holman, Jno. Holman. The game was the first played in a long time and was good practice for both nines. The "School Boys" won the score being 9 to 15. L. F. Burney was umpire and Kenneth Taliaferro, score keeper.

The Basket Ball game by the High School Girls Thursday afternoon was witnessed by a large and interested crowd. The "Blacks" and "Reds" were in fine trim and fought earnestly to win. The Blacks however won both games. The following were the players:

BLACKS

Ruth Morris, Capt. O. R. Eastrice Brown, G. P. Mary Smith, Sallie Karnes, Neill Smith, Ruby Bridge, Ray Davis,

REDS

Jewel Decker, Capt. C. R. Ethel Adams, G. P. Pearl Parkerson, Maggie Pfister, Allie Merck, Etta Campbell and Shelby Joy. Miss Smith referee.

There was a large attendance at the Thanksgiving hop and the floor was crowded to its capacity. Many of the ladies were attired in new dresses and the evening was to all appearances enjoyed by every one.

At a mass meeting of business men Tuesday night Jas. Cornell was elected chairman and Mike Murphy secretary. The following committee was appointed and elected to arrange for the Christmas celebration E. F. Vander Stucken, Geo. J. Trainer, Dr. L. F. Robichaux, W. L. Aldwell, Mike Murphy and James Cornell.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bond and sons and Miss Willie Clemenson were in Sonora for Thanksgiving. Mrs. Bond, however, was unable to join in the festivities because of the fatigue of the 30 mile trip from the ranch and the next thing you hear of will be that Mrs. Bond has an auto. Here's hoping

Letter to W. T. O. Holman.

Sonora, Texas.
 Dear Sir: Here's the gist of the paint question:

1st. Every job painted Devoc takes less gallons than of any other paint.

2nd. The paint that takes least gallons wears longest; Always. We can't help it.

Yours truly

F. W. DEVOE & CO.
 P. S. E. F. Vander Stucken Co., sells our paint.

John Swinburn made a business visit to San Angelo last week. His garden suffered recently from frost.

Have B. F. Bellows of Sonora give you prices on lumber and you will buy from him. 93-B.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Vander Stucken and daughter of Fredericksburg are here on a visit to relatives. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken.

Trials of Winter.

Do not permit yourself to be a victim to a cold or cough. Stay at home and use Simon's Cough Syrup. It cures coughs, heals lungs and will keep you right here to enjoy the beauties of spring.

With every dozen cabinet photos I will give one large photo during Dec and Jan.

F. GLIED the photographer.

DR. T. K. PROCTOR.

SPECIALIST,
 EYE, EAR, NOSE, AND THROAT.

Western National Bank Building
 San Angelo, - Texas.

FOR SALE

Extra fine piano and household furniture cheap.
 94 2/2 Mrs. IRA WORD.
 Sonora, - Texas.

Pipe Lost.

On Nov. 13, on road between Sonora and the 13 mile gate on Junction road (the old Berlin gate) Metchun pipe straight stem, dog and rabbit engraved on pipe, no brand on dog. Liberal reward will be paid for return to Mason Roundtree.
 Sonora, Tex.

No. 5466.
Report of the Condition
 OF THE
First National Bank of Sonora,
 at Sonora,

In the State of Texas, at the close of business, Nov. 16, 1909.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$186,766.60
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,955.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
Premiums on U.S. Bonds	800.00
Banking house, Furniture and fixtures	4,834.45
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	10,602.61
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks	5,301.54
Due from approved receive agents	10,775.42
Checks and other cash items	25.00
Notes of other National Banks	270.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	87.65
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$2,853.50
Legal tender notes \$314.09	6,487.50
Redemption fund with U.S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,590.00
Total	\$284,384.83
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	30,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	16,444.13
National Bank notes outstanding	50,000.00
Due to other National Banks	1,528.99
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	605.49
Individual deposits subject to check	105,349.31
Cashier's checks outstanding	157.00
Bills payable, including Certificates of Deposit for money borrowed	30,000.00
Reserve for Taxes	300.00
Total	\$284,384.83
STATE OF TEXAS.	
County of SETON,	I. W. L. Aldwell, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. L. Aldwell, Cashier.	Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November 1909.
H. P. Allison, Notary Public.	Correct Attest:
E. R. Jackson, Geo. S. Allison, E. F. Vander Stucken,	Directors.
Recapitulation.	
RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$182,720.60
U. S. Bonds	50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	800.00
Banking House and fixtures	4,834.45
Cash in Banks and Vault	33,529.72
Due from U. S. Treasurer	2,590.00
Total	\$284,384.83
LIABILITIES.	
Capital	\$50,000.00
Surplus	30,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses	16,444.13
Circulation	50,000.00
Bills payable	30,000.00
Deposits	107,649.70
Reserve for Taxes	300.00
Total	\$284,384.83

Her Heart Was Broken.

because her complexion was bad and she could find nothing to clear it up. Ladies: a bad complexion is caused by an inactive liver. An inactive liver will be put in perfect condition by taking Ballard's Herbine. The unequalled liver regulator. Sold by all druggists.

The Board of Arbitrators, composed of Messrs W. N. White, John Ransbott and Tom Baker, appointed by the Court in the condemnation suit by the Frisco against the Dutton property, last Monday awarded the right of way to the Frisco. This right of way includes part of the land purchased a few weeks ago by the Santa Fe, and also part of the Dutton property. The Board awarded the Santa Fe damages to the amount of \$1930, the same as they paid Mrs. Dutton for the property, and also awarded Mrs. Dutton \$710 for her land. It is likely the Santa Fe will appeal the case to a higher court. The award made in the Nash case, as published last week, has been accepted by them but the Maraden case has been appealed to the district court—Brady Enterprise.

Rest and Sleep.

Few escape those miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simon's Cough Syrup. Soothing and healing to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

The Womans Home Mission Society entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey on Friday afternoon Nov. 19th. from 3 to 6. Every one had a good time, also had the pleasure of meeting Bro. and Mrs. W. R. Campbell. Miss Ruth Morris played many beautiful selections on the piano. Delicious cake with coffee and chocolate was served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey, Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Campbell, Grandma Whitehead, White, Nordain, Mesdames Bellows, Kirk, Hamilton, Morris, Wyatt, Turney, Word, Rarton, Jno. Smith, Evans, Shurley, Fowler, Wheat, McDonald, Whitehead, Fields, Davis, Halbert Meckel, Hickman. Misses Arnie Smith, Lilly Meckel, Velma Outlaw, Emma Whitehead, Ruth Morris and Georgie Irving.

Sonora Volunteer Fire Department will hold an important meeting next Monday night Nov. 29, all members are requested to be present.

W. B. Keese, Chief.
 Clarence Gosch, Sec.

Railroad Land Deal Falls.

Brady, Tex., Nov. 21—Three months ago several officials of the Frisco Railroad contracted for the purchase of 40,000 acres of land in Menard county, along the right of way of the Menardville extension of the Frisco. It is now stated that the trade for this land has fallen through, the purchasing parties paying the forfeit. Whether this has any connection with the reported trouble among the high officials of the Frisco & Rock Island is only a matter of conjecture, but the names of several of the chief officers were connected with the real estate deal.

Don't Do It.

Should you have a cough, cold or sore chest, do not rely on time and nature to cure. They may do so—they may not. Use Simon's Cough Syrup. It is a balm for sore lungs and will cure you at once.

Veterans Entertain.

A very interesting program of literary and musical selections was given at yesterday afternoon's meeting of Albert Sidney Johnson Camp No 144 United Confederate Veterans. There was an unusually large attendance, and the entertainers were warmly applauded.

The program was as follows: Instrumental selection from "The Bohemian Girl," Mrs. M. Vaughn; "L'Estasi," Mrs. M. Vaughn; short talk by S. G. Taylor; song, "Dreaming of you," Miss Bessie Mae Emerson; reading, "Laska," Mrs. Daisy Marquis Briggs; "The Homespun Dress," Mrs. M. Vaughn; comic recitation, Miss Corinne Taylor; "Remember the Alamo," Mrs. M. Vaughn.—San Antonio Express.

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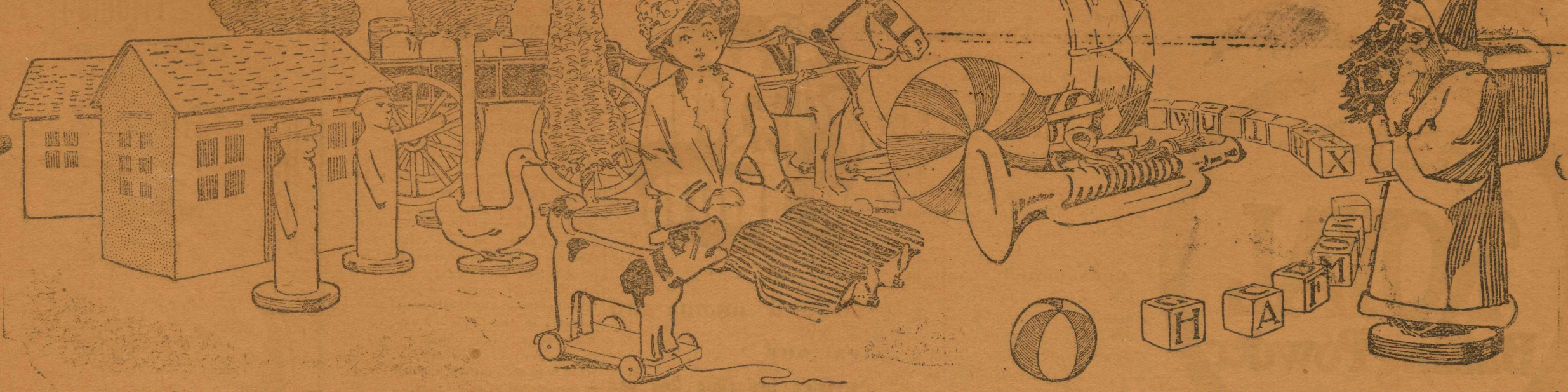
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THE CORNER DRUG STORE Will present the most elegant line of CHRISTMAS and HOLIDAY GOODS ever displayed in Sonora. You will agree with us in believing that our store now occupies FIRST PLACE in the hearts of SONORA'S Careful Buyers. A Visit to the Corner Drug Store Will convince you that this is so.

CORNER DRUG STORE, SONORA.

E. R. JACKSON, President. W. L. ALDWELL, Cashier. E. F. VANDERSTUCKEN, Vice President.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

SONORA, TEXAS.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS: \$25,000.00.

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NATHAN'S PHARMACY

A. H. NATHAN, Proprietor.

When in Sonora make yourself at home among the pretty things which are constantly arriving: **JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, CUT GLASS and WATCHES.**

If the day be cold he cordially invites you to have a **HOT CHOCOLATE** or **BOUILLON**. If it be a warm one, a **COLD SODA** is yours.

When ever you are ready to make a purchase call on him. He will save you money.

CORNER DRUG STORE

WARDLAW & GOSCH, Proprietors.

Drugs, Jewelry and Stationery. We appreciate your Business and try to give you satisfactory service.

CLARENCE GOSCH, C. B. WARDLAW.

If you can not buy what you want at home, send your orders to **COS-HART DRUGS**

Everything in Drugs. Heart of shopping district. In the busy block.

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M. M. Hargis, Manager. Walter A. Hargis, Cashier. T. H. Stone, Cattle Salesman. G. M. Bishop, Hog & Sheep Salesman. Tommie Shaw Jr., Yardman. Leonard Harsh, Yardman.

J. P. Maddox. L. C. Smith. Joe R. Blocker. Will H. Ford. G. O. G. Hardin. John L. Teague. Alfred Vander Stucken. Walter Vander Stucken.

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SONORA, TEXAS. Nov. 27, 1909.

Sol Mayer was in Sonora Monday attending to some business.

W. B. Silliman of Eldorado, was in Sonora Monday, on business.

Jim Pharris was in from the Ford ranch Saturday trading.

T. W. Rash of Colman, was visiting his cousin W. J. Fields this week.

Sam Oglesby one of the best known sheepmen in West Texas was in Sonora Saturday trading.

Mrs. E. M. Kirkland, was in from the ranch Thursday visiting friends.

Mr. W. E. Dumber and daughter Miss Naudie were in from the ranch Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Fannie Salmon spent a few days with friends in Sonora this week.

Jim Howard of Dallas representing Fairbanks & Co. was in Sonora Friday on business.

Arthur Martin of the Crowther Hardware Co., of San Angelo, was in Sonora Friday, soliciting trade for his house.

Joe Cornell, L. J. Wardlaw, E. R. Jackson and W. L. Aldwell made a business trip to Eldorado, Monday.

Pat Lee the big merchant of Mc Kivett, was in Sonora, Monday on business. Pat says all the folks one doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dabney of Eldorado, were in Sonora Saturday visiting Mrs. Dabney's mother Mrs. F. M. Wyatt.

Hull Bros, the well drillers were in Sonora Saturday trading. They have just finished a well for De Wallace and got lots of water at 312 feet.

Bub Jackson and Joe Cox, of Mockless, Calif., were in Sonora this week on a prospecting trip. Mr. Jackson visited his old friend M. V. Seesom while here.

Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Odom and children were in from their ranch on the line of Sutton and Crockett counties Thursday. They were the guests of the Commercial.

Sam Hall the well driller, left Thursday on a visit to his old home in Schellburg, Pa. The Devil hopes Sam will have a haul of a good time.

Geo. Strickland who was in the saddlery business in Sonora some time ago, but who is now managing the North ranch near Menardville for E. R. Russell, was in Sonora a few days this week on business.

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SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Ronntree are preparing to move to the ranch about January 1st.

Gus Wheat and sisters Miss Zena and Elma spent Thanksgiving Day in Sonora.

Mrs. A. R. Cuthbert and some of the family were in from the ranch Saturday shopping.

Sam Merck and son Les Merck returned from a hunting trip Wednesday.

Miss Blanche Young of San Angelo, was in Sonora several days this week in the interest of the San Angelo Standard

R. E. and Andrew Wail were in Sonora this week from the Frank De-feat country, trading.

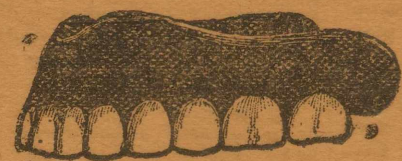
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Jackson of Parkview, Oregon, were in Sonora several days this week visiting relatives. Mrs. Jackson is a daughter of Mrs. Victoria Miers and sister to Mrs. Theo Seyell and W. A. Miers.

Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken gave a dining Wednesday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Vander Stucken of Fredericksburg. Miss Meda Nimtz of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Cornell and Joe Wyatt were present.

Dr. L. F. ROBICHAUX,

DENTIST

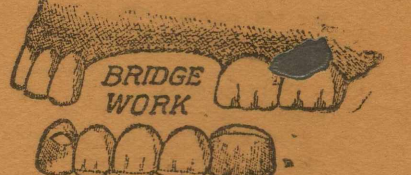
Late of the firm of Drs. Robichaux & Wagoner, Hicks Building, San Antonio, has moved to Sonora



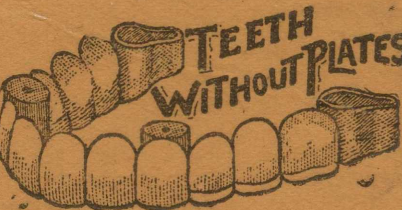
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Chief Keeseo says tell all the members of the Fire Department to be at the Jackson Hall Monday night for the big supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kelley and children of Sabinal were in Sonora enroute to Odessa on a visit to Mrs. Kelley's father Judge Wm Martin. While in Sonora they were the guests of Mrs. J. O. Roundtree. The trip is being made in their auto.

Alfred Vander Stucken of Fredericksburg, member of the general mercantile firm of E. F. Vander Stucken Co. and of the E. F. & Alfred Vander Stucken land and live stock firm is in Sonora on his annual visit. Alfred Riley of Fredericksburg accompanied him. Mr. Riley is looking at some ranch property.

W. B. Keeseo, Chief of the Fire Department has made a careful examination of the fire hose and reports that it will soon be necessary to replenish same. Chief Keeseo says, however that his boys are always ready and willing to fight to save the property even if they had to use buckets and wet tow sacks.

The business meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society will be held at the M. E. Church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Lesson will be—First two chapters in the History of Methodism.

Mrs. T. C. Hickman, Pres. Mrs. J. D. Lowrey, Sec.

Please Return

Ben Meckel will be the person who has the bride will return it, particularly.

Lee Benyon who is working on the Sol Mayer ranch is making a reputation as a roper. Last week he roped a rabbit but best of all roped a young buck. He was the proudest boy in camp when he came in with the deer.

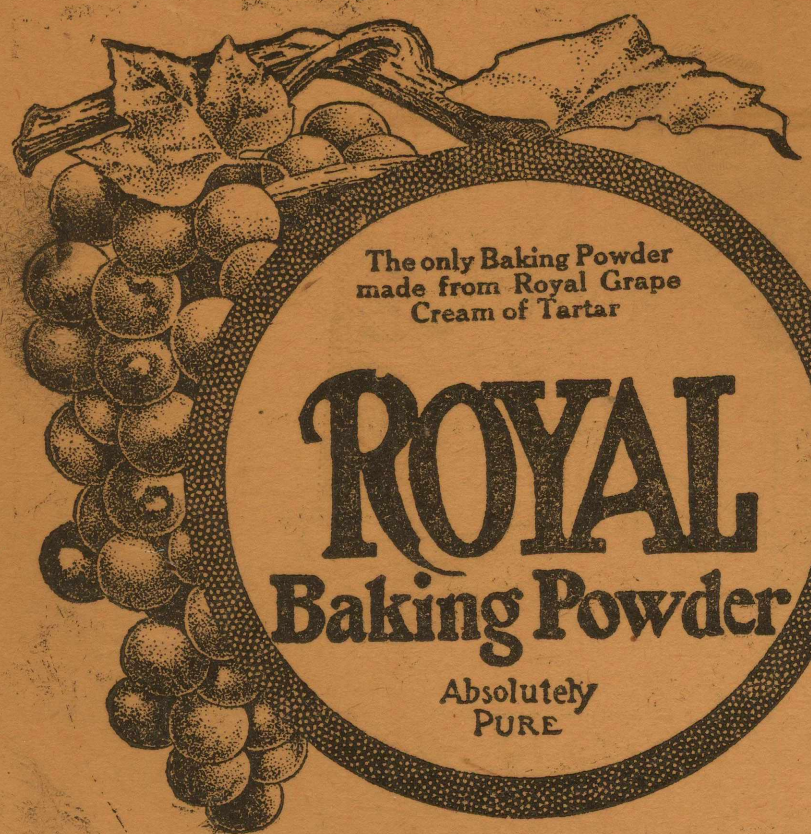
Lumber may be bought from B. F. Bellows of Sonora at San Angelo prices and delivered where you want it. Have him give you prices. 938t

Sonora was thrown into a fever of excitement Sunday night with the cry of fire, but fortunately the cause was only the burning out of the chimney at the residence of Mrs. S. C. Potter. The department was prompt in responding but it was not necessary to turn on the water.

Ask B. F. Bellows of Sonora about lumber. He will deliver to you at San Angelo or in Sonora.

Joe North and I. N. Brooks returned Monday from an 18 days hunt in Edwards, Val Verde and Kinney counties. Basil Halbert, Hawley Allen of San Angelo were with them for a week. They had a fine time but Joe says he still has one deer to get.

Are you ready for a Big bucin during the holidays? A little will help.



The Lure of the Mask

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

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"Has the foolish boy been telling you that I refused to marry him? I like him very much," she said gravely. "but I shall never marry any man till I have ceased to love the stage. I am not a whit less extravagant than he is. How could the two of us live on an income which he himself admits that he cannot live within? A month after I am gone he will forget all about me."

"Merrithew is the most loyal man I know," Hilliard declared.

"Of course he is loyal! And he is always in earnest—for the moment."

And then they both laughed.

It was outrageously late, nearly 4, when the revelers took leave. Merrithew was happy with that evanescent happiness which goes hand in glove with late suppers and magnamas.

"Isn't she a little wonder, Jack?"

"Yes, she is, Dan. It might be a good thing for you to marry a sensible little woman like that. But she won't have you."

"No, she won't." Merrithew reached for his watch. "Four a. m."

"Say, what do you think of that man?"

"Very good voice, but he's too handsome."

"Oh, go on! You're as fine a looking chap as there is in New York. But this man Worth has the looks of a lady killer. He's been eying Kitty, but it doesn't do. Hang it, I can't see why she won't marry me now."

"You must have patience."

"O more money. Can't O'Mally tell a good story, though?"

"Yes, but I should hate to turn him loose in my wine cellars. I imagine he will praise anything good to drink but water."

Merrithew roared.

"Well, here's your station, Dan. Shall I see you tomorrow?"

"Eight-thirty in the park. Nothing to do for a headache."

Hilliard arrived home tired and happy, but as he saw a letter on the table in the hall his drowsiness passed. There was no other blue envelope like it. She now had his house-keeper's key; she was interested enough to look it up. She did not follow his lead and write in Italian; she wrote in English—crisp English too. Again there was neither beginning nor ending. But this was a letter. There was something here of the woman, something to read and read again:

I had told the maid to burn your letter, but she left it on the floor where I had thrown it, and I came across it this morning. It looked rather pathetic. So I am writing you against my better judgment. Yes, I know your name. I find that I am well acquainted with people you know. I am a woman who often surrenders to the impulse of the moment. I may or may not answer any future letter from you. You write very good Italian, but it will surprise you to learn that I detest all things that are Italian. Once I loved them well. Why should you wish to know me? Our ways are as divergent as the two poles. Happy because I sing? There are some things over which we can sing or laugh, but of which we cannot speak without crying. Happy or unhappy, what can this matter to you? To you I shall always remain the lady in the fog. Are you rich, young, talented? I care not in the least. Perhaps it amuses me to add to your confusion. Find me? I think not. Misguided energy!

Hilliard put the letter away, extinguished the lights and passed up to his room. This was a direct challenge. He would accept it. This time he would use no personal to tell her that a letter awaited her. She should make the inquiries herself. And from the mail clerk he would obtain a description of the elusive Mme. Angot. Next morning he rode in the park with Merrithew. Again he saw the veiled lady on the Sandford bridge. Out of normal curiosity he telephoned the stables and made inquiries. The reply was short. No one at the stables knew the lady, but she rode the horse on proper authority.

That night he wrote:

I shall keep on writing till you cease to reply. Let me be frank with you. I am bored. So are you. The pleasure you derive in keeping up this mystery engages you. You bid me to find you. I accept the challenge. You must understand at once that it is the mystery that interests me. It is the unknown that attracts me. I am mentally painting you in all sorts of radiant colors. You defy me to find you. There is nothing so reliable as the unexpected, nothing so desperately uncertain as a thing assured. I warn you that I shall lay all manner of traps, way-lay my messengers, bribe them. I shall find out where you live. The rest will be simple.

She replied:

(To be continued.)

Cattle Thieves at Brady.

Brady, Tex., Nov. 20.—The calf pasture of Lewis Brook at his ranch on the San Saba was entered Friday night by unknown parties. Several fine Hereford calves were killed and the hind quarters cut out and carried off, leaving the balance of the meat untouched. The pasture fences were cut in a number of places. The officers are working on the matter, but so far no clues to the perpetrators have been discovered.

Consumption Stactics.

prove that a neglected cold or cough puts the lungs in so bad a condition that consumption germs find a fertile field for fastening on one. Stop the cough just as soon as it appears with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Soothes the torn and inflamed tissues and makes you well again. Sold by all drug gists.

Frisco and Santa Fe After the Same Land.

A Brady dispatch says: Locating Engineer Beach of the Frisco opened his office in the Syndicate Building. The C. H. Sharp Construction Company, which has the contract for the first seventeen miles of the Menardville branch of the Frisco, has established headquarters near the depot. With W. J. Marrie as office manager. William McCartney, the subcontractor, came in from Stamford with a full supply of grading material, and is actively engaged in grading the new road.

The local railroad situation is taking a peculiar shape. The Santa Fe had bought a strip of land about half a mile long and 300 feet wide thru the Dutton property just north of the main portion of town. The Frisco surveyor and its Menardville branch right through the center of this strip. 100 feet wide, and went into the courts for condemnation proceedings. It is expected that the matter will be thoroughly thrashed out in the courts.

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FOR GOOD WOOD PHONE 96

NOTICE. I forbid anybody laying or tearing down my fences or driving stock through my pastures without my consent. Sply R. T. BAKER

Notice to Trespassers. Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch east of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood or hunting hogs without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. W. J. FIELDS, Sonora, Texas.

When you go to San Angelo call on Eddie Maier, at the Favorite Saloon, he will treat you. O. K. 72-1f

Citation By Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS: To the Sheriff or any Constable of Sutton County, GREEKING: J. A. Sykes, Administrator of the Estate of A. J. Sykes, deceased, having filed in our County Court his final account of the condition of the estate of said A. J. Sykes, deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration, you are hereby commanded that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a news paper regularly published in the County of Sutton, you give due notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the February Term, 1910, of said county court, commencing and to be held at the Court house in said County, in the town of Sonora, on the 3rd Monday in said month, same being the 21st day of February, A. D. 1910, when said account and application will be considered by said Court.

Witness J. D. Lowrey, Clerk of the County Court of Sutton County, Texas. Given under [L. S.] my hand and seal of office, at my office, in the town of Sonora, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1909. J. D. Lowrey, Clerk of County Court, Sutton County, Texas. A true copy, I certify: J. S. Allison, Sheriff, Sutton County, Texas.

NOTICE.

On and after October 1, 1909, we the undersigned, will not do any more credit business only with those who pay their accounts on the first day of each month.

To those who know themselves to be indebted to us we take this means of asking them to pay their accounts at once. Our reasons for the above action, are, that we have to pay our bills every thirty days, and unless we pay, or have the goods to show, it places us in a very embarrassing position with those who credit us. Their motto is: "Pay us or show us that you still have our goods in stock." Thanking you for your patronage in the past and asking a continuance of same.

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