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## Club Notes.

Mrs. O. E. Patterson was hostess for the Haskell Magazine Club on Saturday, April 29th. After roll call, the subject of which was Current Events, the business of the afternoon was discussed. Mrs. Bert Brockman was elected delegate to the District Meeting of Women's Clubs which meets in Vernon on April 29th and 30th. Mrs. Brockman will prepare a paper on "The Ideal Club." Mrs. S. R. Rike was teacher for the afternoon. Two papers were read: "A Character Sketch of Alexander Pope" by Mrs. Henry Alexander and "A Criticism of the writings of Alexander Pope" by Miss Houston.

On the afternoon of March the seventh, the Magazine Club met with Mrs. C. D. Long. The subject for roll call was English Rulers. Mrs. G. J. Graham as teacher had prepared an interesting lesson for the members.

Mrs. Jno. L. Robertson has the honor of being chairman of Club Extension Work of this district. Mrs. S. W. Scott and Mrs. Bert Brockman are on this committee also.

Miss Army Houston has been asked to give a musical number on the program for the District Meeting of Women's Clubs at Vernon in April.

Mrs. S. R. Rike and Mrs. C. D. Long are members of a Pure Food Committee, having been appointed by the State President of Federated Clubs.

## REPORTER.

### RHEUMATIC PAINS RELIEVED.

Chamberlin's pain balm relieves rheumatic pains and makes sleep and rest possible, which is alone worth many times its cost. B. F. Crocker, Esq., now 84 years of age, and for twenty years Justice of the Peace at Martinsburg, Iowa, says: "I am terrible afflicted with sciatic rheumatism in my left arm and right hip. I have used three bottles of Chamberlin's Pain Balm and it done me lots of good. For sale by Terrell's Drug Store."

Mr. L. M. McCollum of Henderson, Tennessee, was in Haskell this week. Mr. McCollum came out here last year and purchased two sections of land near Weinert and subscribed for the FREE PRESS to keep himself posted on the country. He now expresses himself as well pleased with his investment in Haskell county land and says that as he has disposed of his interest in Tennessee it is probable he will move to our county. We hope he may do so.

Hon. Jas. P. Kinnard of Belton, Texas, former district attorney in his district, was in Haskell prospecting Monday. Mr. Kinnard expressed himself as much pleased with Haskell and the Haskell county. He said that he had heard many good things about our town and county but still was not prepared to see such great evidence of enterprise and prosperity as he had found here. He thought it very probable that he would move here and open a law office. He met many old Bell county acquaintances while here.

Mr. McGee who is employed in John B. Lamkin's blacksmith shop is 85 years of age. Notwithstanding his age he is remarkably hale and hearty and still makes a pretty good hand at the forge. He has a comparatively young family, his youngest child being a bright little girl of ten years.

## OLD SOLDIERS ORGANIZE

Veterans of the Lost Cause Meet and Organize a Camp in Haskell.

The old Confederate Veterans of Haskell and vicinity met in the District Court room last Saturday evening for the purpose of organizing as a camp. The body was called to order and the object of the meeting explained by S. E. Carothers.

Eighteen members were enrolled and the organization perfected by the election of officers as follows:

M. M. Boberts, Captain; N. H. C. Elliott, Adjutant; G. J. Miller, 1st Lieutenant; D. H. Hamilton, 2nd Lieutenant; W. W. Fields, Quartermaster; C. S. Barbee, Ensign; A. H. Norris, Chaplain.

On motion the Camp was named "Camp Haskell."

On motion of comrade Norris, a committee was appointed to call on all comrades who are afflicted and unable to meet with us and secure their names, company and regiment, in order that they may be enrolled as members. Comrades W. W. Fields, A. H. Norris, D. H. Hamilton and S. E. Carothers were appointed on the Committee.

The Camp cordially invites all Confederate soldiers to enroll with us and let us have one of the strongest and best camps in Texas.

Adjourned to meet in the district court room next Saturday, March 14th at 2 o'clock p. m., sharp.

M. M. Boberts, Commander.  
N. H. C. Elliott, Adjutant.

## CHAMBERLIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOE REMEDY.

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## Education in West Texas.

For a long time it has been the necessary custom in this portion of Texas for young people desiring a practical business training to go to the cities in the east for it, but as West Texas advances in other things it also advances along educational lines. Today it has its splendid high schools, academies, colleges, etc. as other portions of the state, and it is wholly unnecessary to leave this section of the state for training along such lines. The Bertwin Business College of Stamford, Texas is now offering splendid opportunities for those desiring a thorough practical business training. The school is high class in every respect and is easily equal to any in the state. The halls are the largest used by any business college in this section and the instructors are people of wide experience in the school room and office. The courses of instruction are both thorough and practical and the largest office practice department used by any business college in the South is used in the school, thus giving the student the finishing touches that so often are lacking in the graduates of business colleges. If you are interested in the best training of the kind, write for information, and if you are not interested, let us interest you. Address communications to BERTWIN BUSINESS COLLEGE, or A. F. Began, President.

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## Little Folks' Surprise Party.

The boys of the Helping Hand and the girls of the Ever Faithful band gave Mrs. Mauldin a birthday storm party last Saturday night, each member carrying something of remembrance, as follows: Morris Gilbert and Milton Sprowls, hand-painted china cake plate; Elmer Wall, picture; Fred Alexander, Bertman Buchanan and Karl Gilbert, picture; Clarence Hester, collar; Claudis Wadden, belt; Annie Alsbrook, fruit; Lela Spowls, fruit; Jessie Martin, fruit; Arthur Lewis, fruit.

All spent a pleasant evening, and Mrs. Mauldin says she wishes birthdays came oftener than once a year.

"When a person calls for the best cough medicine I always recommend Hart's Honey and Borax, it gives universal satisfaction for the cures of coughs, colds and croup. It is my best seller," writes Chas. E. Edwards, Linden, Wis., 25c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Terrell's Drug Store.



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H. C. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.  
Haskell, Texas.

## THE SALOON QUESTION.

Considered from the Farmers' Point of View.

Let us consider the evils of the saloon from the farmers' point of view. The farmers, of all classes, are the most important as on them depends the responsibility of producing the living for all classes. And it is safe to say that from the farming class come nine-tenths of the boys and girls who are to fill stations of trust and honor. The open saloon is as a dead-fall set in the way to catch many an innocent farmer boy when he visits the city or town.

But a short time since the writer overheard a conversation between a farmer boy and a sharper in a large city. The sharper overpersuaded the boy to enter a saloon and in a short time the farmer boy came out of the saloon without one cent of money and thoroughly under the influence of liquor—possibly drugged liquor.

With these sharpeners and cappers for saloons lying in wait for the unwary what farmer is safe in sending his boy to the city or town where they have saloons? One can hardly believe how easy it is to entrap the innocent country boy who only goes to the city occasionally. Many a good old father and mother on the farm have been made to weep over the destruction of their dear boy upon whom they hoped to lean in their declining years, but whose first entrance into a saloon has proved to be his entrance upon the road to debauchery.

Every farmer, in fact, every parent, should look with gladness for the first opportunity to drive the saloons and the liquor business from Texas, and thus remove the temptation and the opportunity out of the reach of their boys.

The farmers have resorted to the organization of the Farmers' Union in order to save their hard earned money as well as to advance themselves in an educational, moral and social way. Then why should farmers spend their money to keep up the liquor trust and support a traffic that is directly antagonistic to morals and education, because the ignorant and immoral are their easiest victims and best customers.

The farmers bear the larger part of the burden of supporting the government and it is a poor business policy for them to vote for a business which makes thousands upon thousands of criminals, lunatics and orphans every year who have to be supported in State institutions at the expense of the taxpayers. Don't do it the next time you have an opportunity to vote on the question.

J. T. NICHOLSON.

## RACE SUICIDE.

As President Roosevelt calls it, is not nearly the menace to increase in population that deaths among infants are. And eight out of ten of these deaths are directly or indirectly by bowel troubles. McGees Baby Elixir cures diarrhoea, dysentery, sour stomach and all infant ailments of this nature. Just the thing for babies. Price 25c and 50c, sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

Messrs. Lacy and Roy English late of Fort Worth, have purchased the market business of Messrs. J. S. Boone & Son, known as the Central Meat Market, on the north side of the square and they will continue the business under the firm name of English Bros. These gentlemen are brothers of Mr. Booth English, who has been a citizen of Haskell for many years.

## Got a Wife and Got Trouble.

Dan Hadaway, who was arrested at Weinert Sunday by Sheriff Park on a charge of false swearing, had an examining trial Tuesday before Justice Lamkin and was held under \$700 bond to await the action of the next grand jury. The charge grew out of an affidavit made by young Hadaway as to the age of the young lady to whom he was recently married in procuring a marriage license. Friends of the young man made his bond.

## A TRAVELING MAN'S EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Albert Elfrage, representing the Elfrage Printing Co., Paris, Ill., says: "I used Hart's Honey and Borax during the winter of 1901 and 1902 for a bad cold and la grippe. I found it an excellent medicine, which effected a cure in a short time." Our readers are invited to call on the druggist named below and secure a large, complete bottle of excellent medicine free. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

## Home Mission Society.

Friday being the regular business meeting of the Home Mission Society, several committees were appointed to make final arrangements for the Easter bazaar and to take up new work. The society will meet every Friday at 4 p. m. in the church and it is urged that each member be present next week to hear about the unique contest which is to add new life to an already live and enthusiastic society.

The district Home Mission conference will be held at Hamlin, asked to write a paper on "The Loan Fund."

Mrs. Henry Alexander was elected delegate and Mrs. Eph. Wells alternate.

Reporter.

## DO NOT CROWD THE SEASON.

The first warm days of spring bring with them a desire to get out and enjoy the exhilarating air and sunshine. Children that have been housed up all winter are brought out and wonder where they all came from. The heavy winter clothing is thrown aside and many shed their flannels. Then a cold wave comes and people say that grip is epidemic. Colds at this season are more dangerous than in mid-winter, as there is much more danger of pneumonia. Take Chamberlin's Cough Remedy, however, and you will have no fear. It always cures, and we have never known a cold to result in pneumonia when it was used. It is pleasant, safe to take. Children like it. For sale by Terrell's Drug Store.

Mrs. Geo. Smith and son Rufus, Mrs. Gill Bennett and others of the Rule community were in Haskell Wednesday shopping.

Messrs. McCutcheon and T. R. Holbert of Monday visited in Haskell Wednesday night.

Mrs. W. J. Medford of the south side visited the county capital Wednesday and called in and set his subscription date up.

## OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

Mrs. C. B. Mason-Draper of Strout, Ill., in a letter dated Feb. 2, 1904, says: "For several years I have suffered ill health from stomach trouble, have taken many treatments with no satisfactory results until I began taking Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup. Have taken several bottles of this medicine, which has helped me more than anything I have ever used." Re-Go is a medicine of rare excellence for Constipation, Indigestion, Bilioussness and Dyspepsia. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottle. Sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

Mrs. W. J. Sowell and little son Wilton went down on the excursion train Wednesday night and will visit Mrs. Major Smith at Ft. Worth and visit the fat stock show.



When monarchs seek the simple life their subjects can well afford to follow their example.

Absence only makes Henry James fonder of America. That is why he stays in England all the time.

The hours we spend in wishing and craving for the impossible could be better spent in working for the attainable.

A man of intelligence, wealth and power who treats his subordinates with rudeness and insult is a natural coward.

People who show no kindness or mercy in wealth and power will certainly receive none when poverty comes to be their lot.

The man who doubts and the man who scoffs have this difference between them: The one uses his reason and the other his passion.

Possibly sleeping-car porters may become so wealthy that they will turn the tables and tip passengers who have made the faint unkindling.

Prof. Ross says the idle rich are more dangerous than the hobo. It must be admitted, however, that they are less apt to hit you with a piece of gaspipe.

"Only people with a million or more can afford to have 'stuporous melancholia,'" says the Washington Herald. Well, it isn't exactly a disease that many of us crave.

If the learned professor of Harvard should speak politely to the laboring man would not the laboring man give the learned professor a seat? Let the learned professor try it.

They are talking of sending wireless messages around the world. For what purpose? So that a man can telegraph to himself instead of tying a string around his thumb when he wants to remember something?

King Menelik of Abyssinia claims to be the descendant of Solomon and the queen of Sheba, and certainly it is no violent wrench of facts to say he is a much better behaved old fellow than some of our distinguished senators.

We do not know that it will make any particular difference in the world's history whether Gladys is happy or not. Would some of her patriotic advisers guarantee happiness for her?

The Sheridan statue commission has approved and accepted the model of the statue of Gen. Philip Sheridan, which is to ornament Sheridan Circle, Twenty-second street and Massachusetts avenue, in Washington. The model is the design of Gutzon Borglum of New York.

The battleship Mississippi has been accepted by the government. It is in order now for somebody to discover that she was constructed along antiquated lines and that it would be preposterous to expect her to last more than one round in a battle with anything bigger than a rowboat.

Farmers in many parts of the country have been able, owing to the mild winter, to do a good deal of work, according to reports, but have found it difficult to get help in spite of the number of unemployed men in cities. Getting up at 4 o'clock a. m., and going out to feed the stock does not appeal even to the hungry men.

Orsa, in Sweden, has, in the course of a generation, sold \$5,550,000 worth of trees, and by means of judicious replanting has provided for a similar income every 30 or 40 years. In consequence of the development of this commercial wealth there are no taxes. Railways and telephones are free, and so are the schoolhouses, teaching, and many other things.

Now a movement has been started to compel women to take off their hats in church. The movement might as well be dropped at once before its advocates lose unnecessary sleep and grow thin through worry. If a woman is to take off her hat in church, what, she will naturally argue, is the good for her Easter millinery? The logical conclusion of this argument is so self-evident for formal statement.

Helen Keller's latest intimate and detailed account of her experiences and emotions in an existence where she is deprived of sight and hearing and restricted to the three other senses, is a remarkable paper in many respects. But is not more remarkable declares the Boston Herald, than her declaration that if a fairy lured her to choose between the sense of sight and touch she would not part with the warm and endearing contact of human hands. Those who possess both gifts of sight and hearing would perhaps ponder long before choosing.

King Menelik of Abyssinia has an embarrassing habit, when he wants to make himself agreeable to his fellow potentates of the earth, of sending them pet lions. He has just sent a couple to the pope, whose mild and gentle character is about the last that would willingly take up Abyssinia lions as playthings. The only way, however, not to displease the well-meaning dusky monarch is for the recipient to profess himself delighted at getting the very things he wanted in the line of domestic pets, and then ship them to the nearest zoo.

A LOWER DEATH RATE

AMERICAN LIVES DRAWING NEARER TO SANITY.

NEGROES HAVE HEAVY RATE

Rate Nearly Down to Sixteen per Thousand Population, Against Recent Twenty-Five.

Washington, March 9.—The country's death rate, if the record of a part may be accepted as indicative of the whole, was 16.1 per 1000 of population in 1906. In 1905 it was 16.2, and the five-year average was 16.3, so that one may extract some comfort from these comparisons. It has not been many years since the average death rate was about 25 per 1000 of population, which suggests the marked progress that has been made in the art of rational living.

These facts are gathered from an advanced outline of the statistics of mortality soon to be issued by the Bureau of the Census. But fifteen States require registration of deaths, so that the statistics are based only upon the data gathered in these and in some seventy cities outside these States.

The States requiring registration of deaths are California, Colorado, Connecticut, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota and Vermont.

The statistics give to South Dakota the distinction of either being the most healthful State or of being blessed with the most efficient doctors, for the death rate there is only 8.8 per 1000 of population, while Rhode Island and Pennsylvania are at the other end of the list, with a rate of 17.5.

California's rate is 17.4, but that is due to the presence of so many who have gone there in the last stages of illness. The death rate of a sanitarium is always large.

For the first time these mortality statements make a comparative showing as between the death rate among white people and among negroes, and they disclose what common observation has long made apparent, that is, that negroes are more subject and vulnerable to disease than whites. For example, it was found that in the cities the death rate among whites during 1906 was 17.2, while among negroes it was 28.1, a difference of about sixty per cent. Consumption was the great scourge among negroes, as, for that matter, it is among the whites.

DESPERATE PENITENTIARY DASH.

Three Deaths the Result of Attempt to Make Escape.

Deer Lodge, Mont., March 9.—Warden Frank Conley of the Montana State Penitentiary was dangerously wounded yesterday morning and Assistant Warden John Robinson was killed, when three life convicts, George Rock, W. H. Hayes, and another whose name is not given, made a dash for liberty.

Robinson's throat was cut from ear to ear and the jugular vein was severed. Conley's throat was gashed, and he was stabbed several times in the shoulder and groin before he was able to draw his revolver and shoot two of his assailants down.

Convicts Hayes and Rock were both shot down by Conley after the latter had been wounded. It is believed that the Warden will recover.

Congressman Meyer Dead.

New Orleans, La.: Congressman Adolph Meyer, formerly an Assistant Adjutant General in the Confederate Army, died at his residence here Sunday. Mr. Meyer had been too ill to attend Congress for several months. Heart failure was the cause of his death. He had served in Congress continuously since the fifty-second session, to which he was elected from the First District of Louisiana. Mr. Meyer was sixty-five years old.

Diamond Trust in Danger.

London: There is a probability that the diamond monopoly will be broken up through the non-renewal of the contract which expires this month between the Premier Diamond Mining Company and the diamond syndicate, which hitherto has taken the output of both the Premier and the Debeers Companies. In case the contract is not renewed war will be declared by the Premier Company against the Debeers.

Law Works Hardship on Workers.

Port Worth: Eleven offices of the Houston and Texas Central road between this city and Ennis were ordered closed Saturday as train order points, and about twenty telegraph operators were thrown out of employment. The road declares the action was the result of the nine-hour law, saying the line could more readily cancel offices than increase the number of operators, as would be necessary under the new law.

THE THAYER CASE REMANDED.

No Difference Between Personal and Written Solicitation.

Washington, March 10.—The Supreme Court yesterday reversed and remanded the case of the United States, plaintiff in error, against Edward S. Thayer. Thayer was indicted for violation of the civil service act in having solicited a contribution to the Republican campaign fund from post-office employees in Dallas, Texas. A demurrer to the indictment was sustained by Judge Meek on the ground that as Thayer had asked for the contribution by means of letters it was not actual solicitation within the meaning of the act.

The Supreme Court, in an opinion rendered by Justice Holmes, emphatically disagrees with this view. "It appears to us no more open to doubt," the Court says, "than that the statute prohibits solicitations by written as well as by spoken word. It is not, even primarily to save employees from interruption and annoyance in their business. It is to check a political abuse, which is not different in kind, whether practiced by letter or word of mouth. We can see no distinction between the delivery of a letter and sending it by a servant of the writer."

"ALL'S WELL" WITH FLEET.

Remarkable Wireless Message Received at Pensacola.

Washington, March 10.—About the last place that the Navy Department expected to hear from the Atlantic fleet for at least six months was on the Atlantic Coast, yet this is what has happened. The Navy Department yesterday received a telegraphic message from its wireless station at Pensacola, which had been in direct communication with the battleship fleet, a most remarkable performance, considering that the wireless message was obliged to traverse the Gulf of Mexico, then cross overland the State of Texas, part of Mexico, and again traverse several hundred miles of ocean.

This particular message was from Rear Admiral Thomas, in command of the second division, and was as follows:

"Have you any important news from home?"

An additional dispatch received by Pensacola from Admiral Thomas dated on board the Minnesota at 8 o'clock Sunday night, was as follows:

"Moment is latitude 14.37 north, longitude 102.61 west."

Went After Bank, but Failed.

Texarkana: The Bank of Horatio at Horatio, Ark., fifty miles north of here on the Kansas City Southern Railroad, was entered Sunday night by burglars who dynamited the vault and partially wrecked the safe, but failed to reach the money. The damage to the vault and safe is about \$500, covered by insurance. The bandits, secured nothing of value except \$40 in pennies, which had been left out of the safe. There is no clue.

Wheat, Corn and Oats.

Washington: The quantity of wheat in farmers' hands on March 1 was 23.5 per cent, equivalent to 148,721,000 bushels of last year's crop, compared with 28.1 per cent, or 206,644,000 bushels of the 1906 crop on hand March 1, 1907. The quantities of corn and oats on the same date follow: Corn (estimated), 37.1 per cent, 962,429,000 bushels of last year's growth; oats (estimated), 35.5 per cent, 267,476,000 bushels, of last year's growth.

No One Personally Blamed.

Cleveland, Ohio: In a storm of snow and sleet, Collinwood Monday went on burying the victims of the Lakeview School fire of Wednesday last. Seventy funerals were conducted. As there were not enough hearses, street cars were pressed into service to carry the dead to the cemeteries. "We hold no one responsible for the fire and its attendant loss of life," is said to be the Collinwood School Board's decision.

Returns from the Hamilton County prohibition election give the anti a majority of sixty.

The Praetorian well in Dallas is 1620 feet deep, flows 150,000 to 200,000 gallons per day, and has a pressure at the surface of 25 pounds.

Fire Monday damaged the drug store of J. D. Magee, the wholesale drug house of the Western Drug Company, and the Rogers rooming house at Abilene. The drug stock will prove almost a total loss.

Sunday night a fire at Karnes City destroyed Tobin Brothers' general merchandise store, insured for \$1200; F. Van Wagner, dry goods, insured for \$6000; L. G. Bailey, drugs, insured for \$2500; Karnes Drug Store, insured for \$1000, and one vacant building of A. C. Dietz's not insured. Total loss, \$16,000.

A large barn containing feed stuffs valued at \$1000 near Paris burned Sunday morning. There are traces of incendiary origin. The barn was owned by J. E. Hogan.

NEBRASKA FOR BRYAN

PLATFORM ACCORDING TO MR. BRYAN'S IDEAS.

CHEERED AS NEXT PRESIDENT

The Bad Corporations Must Be Destroyed; Good Ones Must Be Controlled.

Omaha, Neb., March 6.—Instructing their delegates to "vote as a unit" for the Presidential nomination of William J. Bryan at Denver next July, members of the Nebraska Democratic Convention yesterday made clear officially that his home State would support Bryan principles throughout the National Convention of the party. They followed this action by turning out en masse last night to cheer a platform which, admittedly reflects Bryan's views on National affairs, and to greet their leader with an outburst of cheering that brought a flush of pleasure to the countenance of the recipient. All the proceedings of the day were planned with an ascending scale of enthusiasm in view.

How well this worked out was evidenced by the scenes in the convention hall last night. Close on to 1000 delegates, hundreds of other active party members and thousands of private citizens hailed Mr. Bryan as "The Next President of the United States."

Applause that quickly changed to cheers, then instantly turned into wild yells, greeted him when he appeared to begin the speech which would wind up the day. During his remarks this demonstration was renewed frequently, and at the end was repeated with renewed vigor.

Two significant points were noticed in Mr. Bryan's speech. In one he acknowledged his debt to the Populist party, and in the other he replied to a criticism of his policies which Secretary Taft is reported to have uttered in a recent speech in Oklahoma.

"My creed is 'exterminate the private monopoly.' A legitimate corporation can be regulated, but a criminal corporation is beyond the reach of regulation," said Mr. Bryan. "Mr. Taft said I wished to annihilate business conditions, while he declared corporations. I accept this issue. And in reply I will call attention to the fact that the trusts have regulated the Republicans, not the Republicans the trusts."

Concerning the Populists, he said: "If any Democrat has any prejudice against a Populist, I would admonish him that a Populist who crosses the road to vote for a Democrat is not to be despised by a Democrat, who has merely to vote the ticket of his own party."

Sign Contract for Spurs.

Fort Worth: Announcement made from the Farmers' Union headquarters that the contract with the railroads by which agreement is made to build spur tracks to warehouses located within one hundred feet of the main lines, has been signed, and that work will now be resumed. The insurance clause has also been adjusted, whereby, when the railroad takes over the cotton the insurance will be withdrawn from the insurance company and transferred to the railroad, so the railroad may receive payment for the risk which it incurs.

Killed Himself With Shotgun.

Denison: While Adam Hornbeck and his wife and his wife's mother were eating at noon Thursday at their home, three miles north of Denison, they heard the report of a shotgun in another part of the house. They rushed to a room occupied by George Miller, father of Mrs. Hornbeck, and found him lying on the floor dead. A shotgun was found beside him. Both barrels had been fired. He was seventy years old.

Secretary Strauss to Visit Texas.

Washington, D. C.: Oscar Strauss, Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor, will visit Texas next fall to meet various Texas commercial bodies for a discussion of the best methods of extending the export trade from Texas. The Secretary announced his intention to Representative Gregg and Colonel Gresham when they extended to him an invitation from the Galveston Chamber of Commerce to visit Texas.

Head of San Antonio Express Dead.

San Antonio: After ten days' illness with erysipelas, Edmund Caleb Bonal, Vice-President of the Express Publishing Company, died in a hospital here. He had been with the Express for the past three years, being the father of Mrs. Isabel Bonal Grice, widow of the late Frank Grice, owner of the Express. Previous to that time he had been connected with the army in the capacity of chief commissary clerk.

LARGE EXPLOITATION ON TAPIS.

Cooke and Grayson Counties to Be Center of Activity.

Sherman, Tex., March 6.—For several months men of wide and practical experience in the development of oil, gas and coal deposits, as an instance of the faith that is in them that the middle river belt of Grayson, Cooke and Fannin Counties is an excellent field, have been quietly and successfully at work securing leases on lands.

From time to time capitalists from the North and East have visited this section and looked over the field at close range, and their own observations, backed up by the opinions of the expert engineers who have been in their employ, has resulted in definite action.

Last Monday at Wheeling, W. Va., a meeting of the principal parties interested was held and the Red River Oil and Gas Company was formally organized and Thursday a charter was granted to it under the laws of West Virginia. The capital stock is placed at \$100,000, and the object of the same is to develop oil and gas in certain North Texas lands already acquired and to be hereafter acquired. The officers are as follows: President, C. Ferguson of Hallidays Cove, W. Va., already largely interested in oil, gas and coal, as well as electric railways; Vice-President, W. H. Hoyt of Wellsburg, W. Va., prominent Eastern realty dealer, with an office in New York City; Secretary and Treasurer, B. D. Tillinghast of McDonald, Pa., manager of extensive machine shop interests.

Drills, etc., have already been ordered for shipment to Cooke County, where work will be commenced near Gainesville at once. Materials will also be purchased for use in the Fannin County fields. Inability to secure leases on a large tract of land a few miles west of Sherman, it is stated, prevents an announcement of when active steps toward the development of the Grayson field will begin, if begun at all.

It is also stated that, incidental to the visit of Messrs. Ross and Tillinghast to Texas, that the City Councils of Sherman, Gainesville, Bonham and Denison will be requested to grant franchises to the Red River Gas and Oil Company, permitting the laying of natural gas mains, pipes, etc., in the respective corporate limits.

Auto Record Smashed.

Ormond, Fla.: Two records were broken on Ormond Beach Friday. M. G. Bernin, in a sixty-horsepower French car, covered 100 miles in one hour, twelve minutes and fifty-six and one-fifth seconds, almost three minutes under the old record of one hour, fifteen minutes, fifty-six and one-fifth seconds, established on Ormond Beach in 1906 by Walter Clifford Earp. The French car performed consistently on every lap and was splendidly driven throughout.

State is Growing All Right.

Austin: The vital statistics report of the Health Department for the month of January shows total death in the State 1395 and total births 4548. The report shows the mortality for communicable diseases to be 513, of which 234 are due to pneumonia, 138 to tuberculosis, 58 to typhoid fever, 55 to influenza, 15 to diphtheria and 3 to scarlet fever. Many counties have not reported.

The highest March wind which has struck Chicago in three years commenced early Friday from the southwest, and wrought much havoc in the downtown district.

Bralley to Be Nominated.

Austin: Dr. S. L. Hornbeck, superintendent of the State Institution for the Blind, will resign on September 5, 1908, instead of January 1, 1909, as first contemplated, to accept the Presidency of Trinity University at Waco. Governor Campbell will nominate F. M. Bralley, general agent of the Conference for Education in Texas, to succeed Dr. Hornbeck. The nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Trustees.

Interurban Project Promising.

Fort Worth: It is evidently the belief of a committeeman appointed by the Board of Trade to assist in promulgating the building of the Fort Worth and Mineral Wells Interurban line via Weatherford that there remains no further doubt as to the building of the line, and that within the next ten days announcement will be made of the successful bidder on the construction work. There will be no trouble in renewing bonus notes.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

Port Worth's new Methodist church which cost \$125,000, was opened for use Sunday.

Mrs. C. B. Kennedy of Laredo, Tex., landed the first tarpon of the season at Aransas Pass. It measured 5 feet, 10 1/2 inches.

The planting of onions in Collin County for this season is about over, and the acreage exceeds that of any previous year.

Mrs. Florence E. Russell, aged fifty years, a resident of Dallas, was found dead Friday morning, sitting in the bathroom of her home.

The Home National Bank of Stanton has been authorized to begin business with \$25,000 capital. Charles Ebersol is President, J. E. Garrett, cashier.

A party of six persons from Temple who had been bitten by a mad dog arrived in Austin one day last for treatment at the State Pasture Institute.

Fifty laborers left Fort Worth for Dallas Tuesday, where they will be put to work laying track on the Dallas-Sherman Interurban line. All the laborers are Americans.

Congressman John N. Garner of Uvalde has announced his candidacy for re-election to Congress in the Fifteenth Congressional District. This is his fourth race for that office.

The sawmill plant of the Wier Lumber Company of Texia was started up Monday after having been shut down for some weeks on account of the depression in the lumber business.

Mr. Cooper has introduced a bill to appropriate \$40,000 for the establishment of a light house and buoys at Sabine Pass. This work has been recommended to the Lighthouse Board.

The Interstate Commerce Commission decided Monday, by unanimous vote, to deny all petitions for extension of time within which to comply with the so-called hours service law—the nine-hour law.

Helen Bruce, aged three years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bruce, died at her parents home in Beaumont from tetanus contracted by piercing her foot with a small nail three days before.

The House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries has agreed to report favorably the bills appropriating \$250,000 for the establishment of fish hatcheries in Texas, Louisiana and eight other States.

Mrs. H. S. Bunting of Fort Worth was fatally burned Tuesday morning. When she applied a match to a gas-line stove the flames flared up, igniting her clothes, and her face and hands were badly burned.

The Rock Hill, Collin County, three-story school building and the residence of Will Krantz were burned early Monday. The loss on the school building was \$3000; loss on the residence \$1000. No insurance.

After exchanging several shots with Constable McCalpin and Deputy Sheriff Rush Hickman Saturday afternoon ten miles northeast of Waxahachie, Willie Williams, a negro, shot and killed Mary Williams, a negro, and then killed himself.

Ben Sloan, aged twenty-two years, was shot and killed Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock by S. D. Norton, at the salt works, six miles west of Palestine. The shooting was claimed to be accidental.

A mob of fifty men went to the Livingston jail looking for Tom Miles and Jim Adair, two negroes charged with killing Gus Williams at Knox Mill Saturday night. The Sheriff had a tip, and the negroes had been sent to Houston.

W. B. Blaylock, Secretary for Superintendent J. A. Herring of the Texas penitentiaries, and also senior member of the firm of J. R. King & Company, died at his home in Huntsville, Thursday.

Mrs. Cora B. Mulholland was found dead in her bed at her residence in San Antonio Sunday morning, when a servant went to call her to breakfast. Heart disease was the cause. Mrs. Mulholland was principal of a school for girls.

Dave Briggs, a Houston and Texas Central engineer, lost his life Wednesday in a freight wreck on the Mexia-Navasota cut-off. He was caught under the engine, which turned over. The dead engineer lived at Ennis.

The question of the organization of a new county is being discussed by the local press and citizens living in the Big Sandy section. It is proposed to organize a new county from a portion of Wood, Smith and Upshur counties.







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## Announcements.

The following rates will be charged for announcing candidates for office, cash in advance:  
 District offices - \$10.00  
 County offices - 5.00  
 Precinct offices - 2.50

## Democratic.

We are authorized to announce the following persons as candidates for the offices specified, subject to the action of the Democratic party:

For Representative 104 District:

R. B. HUMPHREYS  
 of Throckmorton County.

R. M. REED  
 of Stonewall County.

For County Judge:

A. H. NORRIS

H. R. JONES

For County and District Clerk:

J. W. MEADORS

For County Treasurer:

A. G. JONES

For County Attorney:

BRUCE W. BRYANT

W. C. JACKSON

For Assessor of Taxes:

J. W. TARBETT

R. H. SPROWLS

E. W. MOSER

L. D. MORGAN

A. D. STAMPS

J. N. McPATTER

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

M. E. PARK

J. W. FITZGERALD

D. W. FIELDS

For Public Weigher Prec. No. 1:

THEODORE BOWMAN

W. A. MARSH

For Public Weigher Prec. 2:

P. J. POLLARD

For Constable Prec. No. 1:

T. W. CARLTON

For Constable Prec. 4:

T. E. SCHARFF

For City Marshal:

W. K. WHITMAN

E. F. SPRINGER

The burning of the Collinwood O. school building on March 5th, in which 166 children and two of the nine teachers were burned to death and many others seriously injured, because there were not sufficient means of escape provided in the construction of the building, has aroused inquiry and investigation in towns and cities all over the country as to the safety of their school buildings. In some places, as in Milwaukee, Wis., the authorities have ordered the discontinuance of the use of the third stories of school buildings until additional fire escapes shall have been provided.

We gather from the description that the Collinwood building was of the prevailing type of two and one-half story school buildings, apparently much like the Haskell high school building, except that it had one fire escape leading from the second story while our building has none.

Nearly all of the children that escaped from the Collinwood building did so through this fire escape.

doors had opened outward there would have been no difficulty in opening them and most probably none of the children would have lost their lives or even been seriously injured.

It would be well to look into these two features of the Haskell school buildings.

The peach and the plum trees are in full bloom and many of the forest trees are bursting their buds and the prairies have taken on a hue of green and the wild primroses, dandelions, crow poison and wild onions will soon be showing their countenances and smiling upon a re-awakening world. In fact "springtime is coming, gentle Annie," and the young and callow but glad some spring poets are due to pour out their effusions on an indulgent world. Both, however, may be a little previous, as Easter doesn't come till the 19th of April and Jack Frost may yet have a word to say that will give the blossoms a chill, while the editors may not be warmed up to the point of passing the poetry to the compositors instead of into the waste basket.

The following list shows the number of illiterates in each 1,000 of population according to the last United States census

## TEXAS ILLITERACY.

Iowa	23
Nebraska	23
Kansas	29
Washington	31
Utah	31
Oregon	33
Ohio	40
Wyoming	40
Minnesota	41
Illinois	42
Michigan	42
Colorado	42
Indiana	46
Idaho	46
Wisconsin	47
California	48
South Dakota	50
Maine	51
New York	55
Oklahoma	55
Massachusetts	59
New Jersey	59
North Dakota	56
Vermont	58
Connecticut	59
Pennsylvania	61
Montana	61
New Hampshire	62
Missouri	64
Rhode Island	84
Maryland	111
West Virginia	114
Delaware	120
Nevada	133
Texas	145
Kentucky	165
Arkansas	204
Tennessee	207
Florida	219
Virginia	229
North Carolina	257
Arizona	290
Georgia	305
Mississippi	320
New Mexico	332
Alabama	340
South Carolina	359
Louisiana	385

We are paying \$14 cash per ton for Cotton seed and we also make a liberal exchange of meal and hulls for seed. As the mill will run but a short time any one desiring to sell us their seed should deliver them before March 20th.

We have meal and hulls for sale. RULE OIL MILL CO. Rule, Texas.

## Buying Cotton Seed.

We are paying \$14 cash per ton for Cotton seed and we also make a liberal exchange of meal and hulls for seed. As the mill will run but a short time any one desiring to sell us their seed should deliver them before March 20th.

We have meal and hulls for sale. RULE OIL MILL CO. Rule, Texas.

## NO USE TO DIE

"I have found out that there is no use to die of lung trouble as long as you can get Dr. King's new discovery," says Mrs. J. P. Whit, of Rushboro, Pa. "I would not be alive to-day only for this wonderful medicine. It loosens up a cough quicker than anything else, and cures lung disease even after the case is pronounced hopeless." This most reliable remedy for coughs and colds, influenza, asthma, bronchitis, and Terrell's Drug Store. Trial not de free.

## Stray Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
 County of Haskell.  
 Taken up by A. A. Gaunt and estrayed before G. W. Lamkin Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1 Haskell county. One red steer yearling, about 18 months old, no mark nor brand, appraised at twelve dollars.

The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 15th day of February, 1908.  
 J. W. MEADORS, Clerk  
 County Court Haskell, Co.

## LOVERS

of good health should prevent sickness instead of letting themselves get sick and and try to cure it. So long as you keep your liver, bowels and stomach in a healthy and active condition you won't get sick. Ballard's Herbs relieves constipation, inactive liver and stomach and bowel troubles. Sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

## Bro. Farmer.

I have a car load of choic new seeds raised in Nebraska and Missouri, clean of Johnson grass. Call and get what you want.  
 G. J. Miller.

## GOOD FOR EVERYBODY.

Mr. Norman R. Culter, a prominent architect, in the Delbert Building San Francisco, says: "I fully endorse all that is said of the Electric Bitters as a tonic medicine. It is good for everybody. It corrects stomach, liver and kidney disorders promptly and efficiently and build up the system." Electric Bitters is the best spring medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter as a blood purifier. It is unequalled. 50c. at Terrell's Drug Store.

## A NEIGHBOR OF YOURS

as well as yourself is liable at any time to have rheumatism. We're all liable to have cuts or burns, bruises or scalds, cricks in the back, neck or side—some kind of an ache or pain. Then heed this advice and tell your neighbor—Ballard's Snow Liniment relieves all aches or pains, and heals all wounds. Sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

## WOOD.

I am putting in an up-to-date wood yard in Haskell and will be prepared to furnish cord wood cut to uniform lengths for cook and heating stoves. Will deliver anywhere in town or sell at yard.  
 W. M. Gardener.

## If You Want to Build a House

And hav'nt the money, come to see us and we will help you, as we have millions of feet of lumber.

## Progressive Lumber Co.

## MAX STERN

### THE OLD OPTICIAN

Is now permanently located in the Sherrill building, up stairs. If you are in need of GLASSES what is right, call on him.

## FEED AND FUEL

Full and complete stock of feed and fuel always on hand, such as

GRAIN, HAY, BRAN, CHOPS, WOOD AND COAL

Give my new cash system a trial and see the difference. Nothing is added to the price of what you buy to help make up the loss on bad credit accounts.

## WEIGHING

Five-ton accurate five-ton scale and weigh for the public.

I'll be pleased to do business with you.

## BOOTH ENGLISH

## CENTRAL MEAT MARKET



All kinds of fresh BEEF, PORK, SAUSAGE AND LARD

We pay the highest prices for FAT CATTLE AND HOGS

English Bros.  
 PHONE NO. 216

Mr. Stein had a letter Thursday from Mrs. W. C. Zerwer who accompanied her husband to Ennis, where he went to be operated on for appendicitis, stating that the operation was successfully performed on Wednesday and that Mr. Zerwer was doing as well as could be expected. We hope that he will soon be able to return home. He is the efficient stenographer in the real estate office of Mr. J. J. Stein.

## City Meat Market...

maintains its reputation for furnishing the tenderest and juiciest Roast & Barbecued meats. These ready cooked meats are a great help to the ladies—especially is preparing Sunday dinner.

The beeves we slaughter are selected with a view to getting the fattest and tenderest.

We solicit your patronage.

## Joiner & Whitacre

### NOTICE.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to Collier-Andruss Drug Co. will please call and settle at once. Mr. Andruss has retired from the firm and I own all the accounts due to the firm.  
 I. P. COLLIER.

## CITATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
 TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF HASKELL COUNTY—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Peter Maas deceased; by making publication of this Citation once in each week for 8 successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the thirtieth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Haskell County to be holden at the Court House thereof in the town of Haskell, on the fourth Monday in May A. D. 1908, the same being the 25th day of May A. D. 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 17th day of February A. D. 1908 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 488, wherein Chas. S. Fisher is Plaintiff and the unknown heirs of Peter Maas, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that heretofore to wit, on the first day of November, 1907 plaintiff was lawfully seized and possessed of the tract of land hereinafter described, situated in the said County of Haskell, holding the same in fee simple; that on the day and year last aforesaid, the defendants entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom and unlawfully withholds from plaintiff the possession thereof, to his damage in the sum of \$500.00; that the premises so entered upon and unlawfully withheld by defendant from plaintiff are bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

640 acres of land, situated in Haskell County, Texas, and being abut, No. 321, Patent No. 313, Vol. 25, third class, patented to the heirs of Peter Maas on the 20th day of December, 1850 by virtue of certificate No. 354, third class, issued to Peter Maas for 640 acres of land on the 7th day of April 1845. Beginning at the S. E. cor. of survey No. 169, a stake on the East line of survey No. 169, another br. S. 36 W. 13 vs., another br. S. 36 W. 15 vs. Thence S. on the East line of survey No. 169 1900 yrs. a stake, the S. E. cor. of said survey No. 169; Thence East at 120 yrs. Millers creek, 1900 yrs. a stake, the N. E. cor. of survey No. 163 from which a mesquite br. N. 47 E. 10 yrs. corner; Thence west 1900 yrs. to the place of beginning.

That the tract of land hereinbefore described was patented by the State of Texas to the heirs of Peter Maas, deceased, by Pat. No. 313, Vol. No. 25, dated December 20th, 1850, by virtue of Cer. No. 354, third class, issued to Peter Maas for 640 acres of land on the 7th day of April, 1845.

That prior to the issuance of said Patent as aforesaid, the said certificate had been sold and transferred to John R. Baylor of Fayette Texas, and had become and was the property of the said John R. Baylor; that the plaintiff has title to the said land by virtue of valid deeds and transfers from the said John R. Baylor and his vendees.

That plaintiff and those under whom he claims, had and held peaceable and adverse possession by an actual enclosure of the land above described, using and enjoying the same for a period of more than ten years after any cause of action accrued to the defendants; and that said peaceable, continuous and adverse possession was taken and held, a regular memorandum of title specifying the boundaries of said tract of land and duly recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Haskell County, Texas. That the nature of the defendant's claim is unknown to the plaintiff.

Wherefore plaintiff prays that the defendants, the unknown heirs of Peter Maas, deceased, be cited to appear and answer this petition, and that he have judgment for the title, restitution, and possession of the above described premises, and for his damages and costs of suit, as provided by law, and for such other and further relief as he may be entitled to in law and in equity.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. W. Meadors, Clerk of the District Court of Haskell County. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Haskell Texas, this the 17th day of February, A. D. 1908.

J. W. MEADORS Clerk.  
 District Court, Haskell Co.  
 By Lucile Hughes, Deputy.

For sale or trade—three residences in Haskell, close in. For terms and price see W. P. B. Tucker.



**Local and Personal**

Irby & Stephens have onion sets and sweet potatoes.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Maddox were in shopping Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hudson and little son Delbert spent the week at Fort Worth.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from  
**Sanders & Wilson.**

That \$3 hat at The Hub, made by John E. Stetson, is the best.

Mrs. W. L. Hills of Rule visited in Haskell Thursday.

For trade—A rubber tired buggy and a good buggy horse.  
**J. J. Stein.**

Plant your dollars at The Hub and you will get the best results.

A made to measure suit at The Hub for \$18 is equal to the ordinary \$20 suit.

While here this week Mr. H. L. Sherrill of Temple purchased a 132 acre farm through the Haskell Real Estate Co.

A car load of fresh bran and chops just received by G. J. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Chitwood went on the Fort Worth excursion Wednesday.

Mr. R. M. Smith of the Rule community was in our city Wednesday.

Let us show you the newest styles in trousers. Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. S. L. Robertson left Tuesday for the Eastern markets to purchase his general spring stock.

Mrs. Jacob Hemphill of the east side visited Mrs. Stedman of this city Wednesday.

Mr. J. L. Holman of Bowie was in Haskell this week visiting and to sell the remainder of his cotton crop raised here last year.

Don't help pay the other fellow's bills—trade at a cash store, The Hub.

Boys, if it is a swell tie you need, call at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Fowler of the south side were in the city shopping Wednesday.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bishop died on Tuesday. The parents have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

Buy the Bull-dog Walk-Over shoe at The Hub for the best \$3.50 shoe.

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup acts gently yet promptly on the bowels and allays inflammation at the same time. It is pleasant to take. Sold by French Bros.

Help the Little Racket Store to give that beautiful piano to some Sunday school, lodge or church. It's a beauty. Come in and try its tone and action.

Miss Mary Wansley of Tyler, who is a graduate of the Tyler Commercial college, has accepted the position of stenographer in Mr. J. J. Stein's real estate office.

Messrs. E. L. Ridling and G. W. Courtney were in the city yesterday and Mr. Courtney gave us an order for letter and bill heads for his broom factory.

Mr. J. J. Stein has sold the O. E. Patterson farm southeast of town to Mr. H. Meyer.

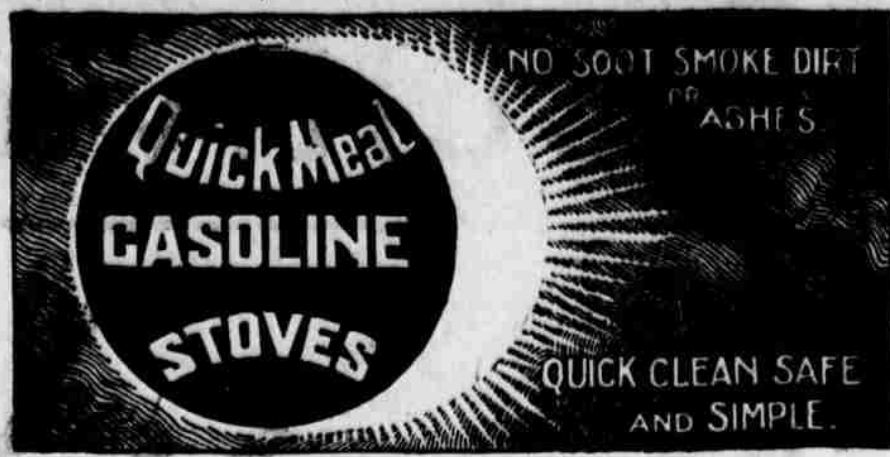
H. T. Smith, sheiff of Comanche county, was here Monday and returned with Elmer Albin, who was arrested on a charge of burglary.

We handle the C. C. Mill bran, best in the market. L. P. Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

You can get tornado insurance from the Haskell Real Estate Co. For quick sales list your property with the Haskell Real Estate Co.

Fine line of jewelry—counts 5 to 1 in purchases in the piano contest at the Racket Store.

**Prepare for Summer**



These stoves appeal to the ladies with great force because of the

**Comfort, Cleanliness and Convenience**

afforded by them.

We have them in various sizes. Prices are reasonable.

Call and investigate them fully

**McNeill & Smith Hardware Co.**

**GIVING AWAY  
A PIANO**

We have made an arrangement by which we will give to some one of our customers during this year a \$325 Upright Grand Piano.

Each customer will be furnished with a card on which his or her purchases will be stamped and the one having cards showing the largest amount of purchases, on next Christmas day, will get the piano absolutely free of cost, for the reason that all goods will be sold at the same price as if the piano proposition did not exist. We simply do this expecting to make back the cost of the piano on the increased volume of business it will bring us.

We have many things in our stock that you need from time to time.

Get in the race and win this piano. Get your friends to trade with us and get the benefit of their purchases. Call at the store and get full particulars.

**The Racket Store**

Go to the Haskell Real Estate Co. for fire insurance and bonding.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Maddox visited at Munday this week.

Mrs. J. A. Couch of Munday visited the family of sons here this week.

The best line of buggy whips, lap robes and horse blankets at Ever's shop, Haskell.

Get DeWitt's Carbollized Witch Hazel Salve—it is good for piles. Sold by French Bros.

See W. M. Gardener for stove wood.

Mr. G. W. Brown of Seymour is visiting his daughter, Mrs. E. A. Chambers at this place.

Blacksmith coal in abundance at Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

Just a little Cascasweet is all that is necessary to give your baby when it is cross and peevish. Cascasweet contains no opiates nor harmful drugs and is highly recommend by mothers everywhere. Sold by French Bros.

The latest creations in men's neckware at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Field seeds, fresh and of best quality at G. J. Miller's feed store.

I have several trading propositions on Haskell county land. Don't fail to see me if you want land. **J. J. Stein.**

"Big Boll" cotton seed for sale at 50 cts. per bushel. A Sulky plow and disk harrow cheap. **10-4tp**  
**W. H. Gentry, Haskell.**

See the newest patterns in trousers at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

A good Eagle baler and racker, good as new, for sale or trade for stock. **J. K. Aston.**

DeWitt's Little Early Risers, small, safe, sure little liver pills. Sold by French Bros.

All plow gear from a hame-strap to the best collar can be had at reasonable prices of Evers, the saddler at Haskell.

LOST—One bay mare mule about 11 years old, in good shape. Any body who will bring her in to Mode Collins will receive pay.

Kaffir corn, dwarf milo maize, red amber cane seed at Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

Mr. E. A. Adams of the Rochester community was in the capital city Tuesday.

**A NEW PAPER IN HASKELL**

A new publication had its birth in Haskell this week—"THE FRATERNAL BANKER." It is edited and published by officers of the Independent Order of Fraternal Bankers as the official organ of that order. The paper is a four column quarto in size, printed on good book paper and contains much matter of general interest in regard to fraternal insurance and carries a page write-up description of Haskell and Haskell county with pictures of the court house and school building which, going to members of the order and others all over the state, is calculated to do good for our town and county. The paper will be published monthly from the office of the FREE PRESS.

The Fraternal Bankers is a fraternal insurance order carrying life and accident policies, sick benefits, etc., and is chartered under the laws of Texas with its headquarters or supreme office located at Haskell. Some of the most enterprising and substantial citizens of Haskell and other places are back of the order and have a strong corps of workers out organizing new lodges, and we are informed that it is growing rapidly. Being a home institution, Haskell people should give it all the help and encouragement they can.

Rowdon cotton seed for sale. This seed is the kind to plant.  
**J. K. Aston.**

Swellest line of trousers ever shown in Haskell at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

A car load of planting seed and blacksmith coal at Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

We always stand for the best and our farm seed are the best that money can buy. **L. P. Davidson Grain and Coal Co.**

There is a stray black pig about three months old at my place. Owner get him and pay for this notice. **A. J. Norman.**

Mr. J. A. Parish, one of the prosperous Wild Horse prairie farmers, was in the city Wednesday.

Mr. E. D. January of Shelby county was here Thursday prospecting.

We can fit you in the newest and nobbiest line of trousers you ever saw. **Alexander Mercantile Co.**

**For County Treasurer.**

Our county treasurer, Mr. Abel Jones, announces for re-election to that office. That perhaps is saying enough, as he is an old-time citizen, well known for his honesty and the general uprightness of his character, and, we believe, has given entire satisfaction in the administration of the business of the treasurer's office, and will likely be re-elected without opposition.

There is no big pay in this office to tempt candidates and as the people already have a good servant in charge of it, it is not probable that they will care to make a change.

There is no perfection on earth, therefore, it is not claimed that the Independent Order of Fraternal Bankers is a perfect institution, but we do know that it advocates ideal principles and will make a good man better. It throws the protecting arm around the old and infirm, the widows and orphans, it is therefore worthy of any good man's consideration.

Lady in search of country board: "You have plenty of fresh eggs?" Farmer: "Millions of 'em, lady, millions of 'em." "And fresh butter?" "Tons of it, lady, tons of it." "And pure milk?" "Oceans of it, lady, oceans of it." "And mosquitoes?" "Billions of 'em, lady, billions of—er—what did you say?" Lady: "Mosquitoes." Farmer: "There ain't a skeeter on the farm."

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Office: 231—Res. 15  
Office in Sherrill Building  
Microscopical Diagnosis  
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**HASKELL, TEXAS.**  
Residence Phone No. 124.

**DR. W. WILLIAMSON,**  
**RESIDENCE PHONE 113**  
**OFFICE OVER**  
**French Bros. Drug Store.**

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**Physician and Surgeon.**  
Office Northwest Corner Square.  
Office Phone No. 50  
Dr. Neathery's Res. No. 23

**DR. J. D. SMITH**  
**Resident Dentist.**  
Office—Sherrill Building.  
Phone Office No. 12  
Residence No. 111

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**Law, Land and Live Stock.**  
A. C. FOSTER, Atty at Law  
J. L. JONES, Notary Public  
Haskell, Texas.

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OFFICE—Corner rooms over  
FARMERS NATIONAL BANK  
Will practice in all the Courts.

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**W. C. JACKSON**  
**Attorney-at-Law**  
**Haskell, - - - Texas.**

**Gordon B. McGuire**  
**Attorney-at-Law**  
**Office in McConnell Bldg.**

**Pete Helton**      **W. H. Murchison**  
**Heiton & Murchison**  
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**Architect and Superintendent.**  
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**WALTER MEADOWS, Sec'y**  
Lodge meets every Thursday night.

Nobbiest line of gents' neck-ware ever exhibited at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

A car of choice hay just in at G. J. Miller's feed store.

Remember that T. E. Bowman is still taking orders for tomb stones and monuments and can furnish you with anything you want in that line.

WANTED at once \$50,000 in vendors' lien notes.  
**Thomason & Thomason.**

**Judge H. R. Jones.**

Judge H. R. Jones' name was placed in our announcement a week last week as a candidate for the office of county Judge, too late for an extended mention.

Owing to his long residence in Haskell his good moral standing and integrity of character are matters so well known that it is wholly unnecessary to advert to them further in this connection.

Not every voter, however, gives due consideration and weight to the matter of qualification and ability of candidates to fill important offices, therefore we call attention to the fact that Judge Jones is a lawyer of about twenty years experience, that he has served two terms as county judge and one term as judge of the 39th judicial district. As judge of the district court we are informed that his rulings and decisions both in criminal and civil trials stood above the average of the district judges throughout the state, showing him to be a lawyer of good ability. His service as county judge gave him a knowledge of and familiarity with the law governing county affairs and with the large volume of law applying to probate matters, such as the administration of the estates of deceased persons, guardians and wards, etc.

The law on these matters is voluminous and is perhaps the most difficult of construction of any in our statutes and its faulty application by incompetent county judges has long been a prolific source of litigation and has clouded many land titles. These are facts and they show the importance of having a competent man in the county judge's office.

Judge Jones' announcement is subject to the Democratic primary.

**We Appreciate Such.**

One of our subscribers in another part of the state to whom we recently sent a statement of his subscription account responded with a \$5 bill and a letter saying: "I hadn't noticed the new postal regulation or that I was in arrears so much, so I send you a \$5.00 bill to put myself in good standing until April 1909, as I don't like to drop the FREE PRESS yet, as it would be like going back on an old friend without a cause in time of trouble."

When he reads this item we wish him, as well as many others who are paying up, to know that they have our sincere thanks. We now think there will be very few to drop from our list after April 1st.

Keister & Griffin have just received another car of Light Crust flour. It's the best flour on the market and is sold exclusively by Keister & Griffin. Phone No. 69 for a fresh sack of it.

If you want a Stetson hat The Hub has the nicest and most up-to-date stock.

Get onion sets and sweet potatoes at Irby & Stephens.

Just received an assortment of fine whips—all prices.  
**Cason, Cox & Co.**

Go to Irby & Stephens for onion sets and sweet Potatoes.

Call at Ellis & Williams' cash grocery and see how far a little money will go in the grocery line.  
**(9-4t)**

At Ever's harness shop you will find the largest assortment of saddles and harness ever carried in Haskell.

Baggage transferred to all parts of the city, ring No. 114 for Rupe & Pearsey.

You had better let the Haskell Real Estate Co. insure your cow or horse. It don't cost much to insure and be safe against loss.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from  
**Sanders & Wilson.**



### County and District Clerk.

The announcement of Mr. J. W. Meadors for county and district court clerk appears in this issue of the FREE PRESS.

His honesty, integrity and good standing as a man and as a citizen are too well known to the people throughout Haskell county to require a statement of them here. These qualities conceded, his qualifications and competency to properly discharge the duties of the office are to be considered. As to these it may be said that his eight years service as deputy and clerk has given him a thorough familiarity with the many details of the office and enables him to point out and furnish any information called for in a few moments instead of having to rummage among the archives and records of the office for an hour or perhaps a day. This long experience has also perfected him in the technical details of filling out and issuing legal documents and the process of the courts, including commissioners' court business. These are advantages in an incumbent of this important office not to be

overlooked. And lastly, but not least he is courteous and accommodating to persons having business with the office. His announcement is subject to the Democratic primary in July.

### Standing Side by Side.

Never in the history of the world was there a time when women had more cause of rejoicing than to-day. Her God-given right has almost been restored—a "helpmate to man." And in no line of life is this so discernable as in the fraternal societies.

Here you will find the wives, mothers, sisters and daughters standing side by side, united in one grand purpose to encourage, assist, cheer and inspire every effort made to educate, elevate and develop latent energies of men and women to a broader, higher plane of life. Is there any higher work in life than this? Did not the lonely Nazarene spend 33 years teaching by word, by precept and by example this great truth: "My neighbor is my brother."

"Eat, drink and be merry, for to-morrow you may die," are the words of Devine inspiration. If you have anything to do, do it to-day, don't put it off until to-morrow, it may be too late. Hawthorne makes one of his prominent characters say: "I have spent all my life in pursuit of to-morrow, being assured that to-morrow held something of vast importance in store for me. But I am now growing old, I have never overtaken to-morrow and fear I never will." He died probably on the day before he expected to overtake it. Had he started out on life's journey with the inspiration of that maxim, "One to-day is worth two to-morrows," he would never have pursued the phantom of to-morrow at all. We have no way of knowing what to-morrow may bring, so let us live in such a manner to-day as to be prepared to meet the inevitable of to-morrow.—Ex.

Doctor: "Well, Pat, have you taken that box of pills I sent you?" Pat: "Yes, sur, be jabbers, I have; but I didn't feel any better. Maybe the the lid hasn't come off yet."

# WE ARE SELLING IT!

The Jas. Scott League of land is now on the market in

## LARGE AND SMALL TRACTS

This land adjoins the town plat and is convenient to school and churches.

40 Acre Tracts at \$30 Per Acre

80 " " 25 " "

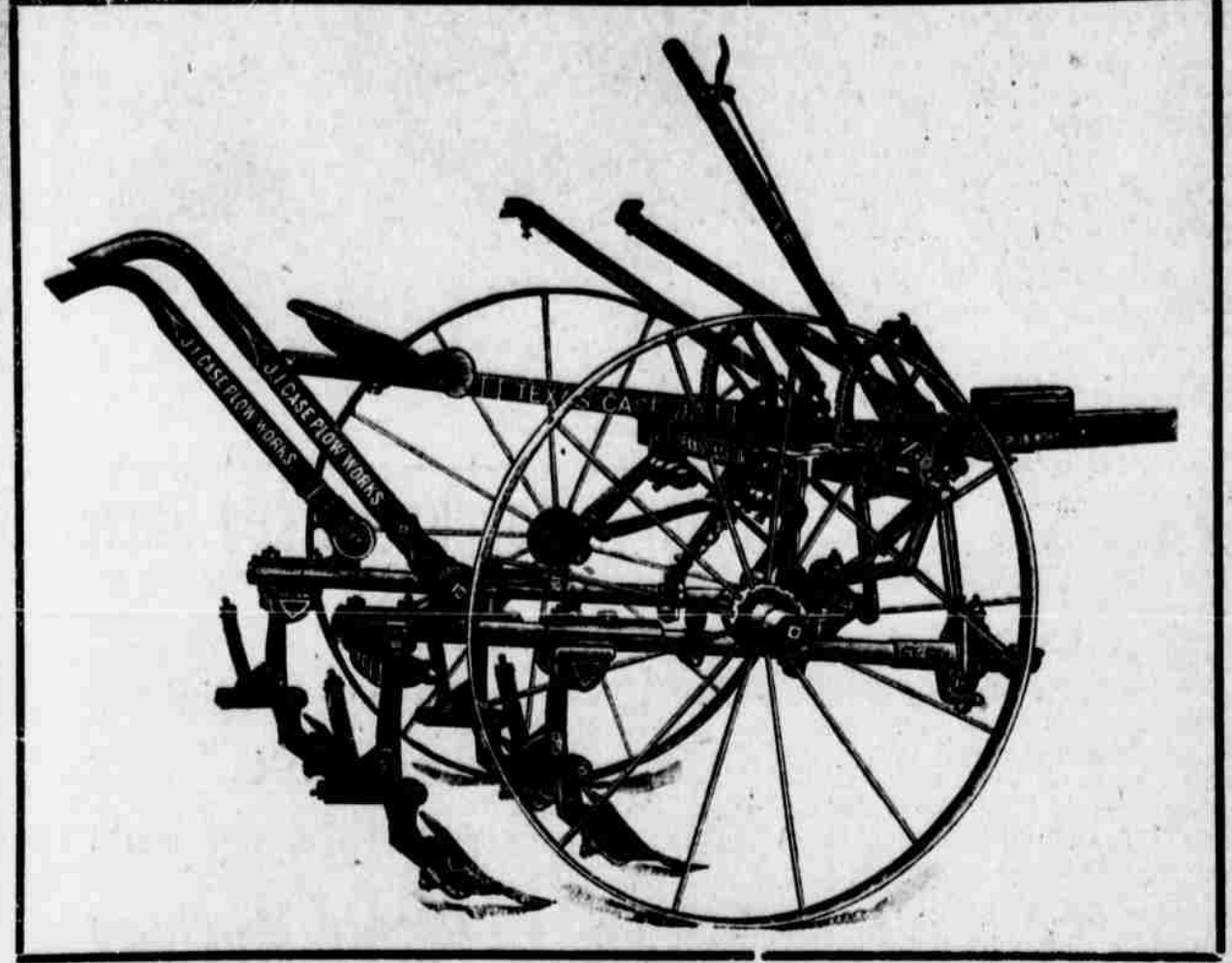
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## TERMS

One-fourth cash, balance in five payments at 8 per cent interest.

## SANDERS & WILSON

## THIS IS THE Cultivator



Sherrill Bros & Co. DEALER IN GENERAL HARDWARE & IMPLEMENTS

### THE 10,000 CLUB

SENDS BIG DELEGATION TO FORT WORTH

INVITES WEST TEXAS CLUBS

Takes up Park Question with Athletic Club

The Haskell Ten Thousand Club held a called meeting Monday afternoon at which there was a large attendance.

The special matters for consideration were, the providing for a delegation to attend the meeting of the commercial club secretaries of Texas and the fat stock show at Fort Worth the latter part of this week, also to provide for a strong delegation to attend the meeting of the Central West Texas Association of commercial clubs to be held at Anson on the 17th and work for the April meeting of same to be held at Haskell. Both of these matters were favorably and unanimously accomplished.

A committee from the Athletic Association was present and requested the appointment of a committee by the Ten Thousand Club to take up with them the question of providing a public park for our city. The request was acted upon favorably and Messrs. T. E. Matthews, F. G. Alexander and W. C. Jackson were appointed a committee to act in the matter.

Mr. Homer D. Wade, the wide-awake secretary of the Stamford commercial club was present and, responding to an invitation, delivered an instructive and interesting speech, which was received with much favor and enthusiasm. He advocated co-operation and good fellowship between the towns of this section as far better calculated to promote their development than would a jealous, unfair rivalry.

He advocated unity and co-operation on the part of the citizens of any community as a first essential to their upbuilding and said that no town had any room for knockers and that they should be invited with more emphasis than courtesy to move to some place that suited them.

He also advocated with earnestness co-operation between the farmers and the business

men of the town as each could help the other and thus promote their mutual interests. He also laid great stress upon the value of good roads, saying that forty miles of good graded roads leading into Haskell from different neighborhoods would be worth more to it than a cotton factory.

He recounted at some length the various advantages of this country, such as healthfulness, capacity for a widely diversified productivity, cheapness of land compared to the price and productive ability of land in the older sections and said that we did not want or need to boom our West Texas country or town, because to tell the truth about them was enough to secure the attention of any intending home-seeker and was far the best in the long run.

The above is but a brief outline of Mr. Wade's speech, which was well received and, we believe, did much good. We only regret that we cannot give it in its entirety.

### A Letter of Credit.

Says an insurance journal, "A life insurance policy is a letter of credit, payable to your wife when you reach the end of your journey." This is a truth well told, and the writer might have added that the said letter of credit is of credit to the man who issues it. It is all well enough for a man to tell his wife that his affection for her is so great that he would willingly do anything for her, but it is a good deal better for the wife when the man does something for her without talking about it. And there are few things more practical that a husband can do for his wife than to insure his life in her favor. If a man really and truly loves his wife, and he is worthy the name of a man, he will not permit her to remain long under the danger of being left destitute, with perhaps two or more children to care for besides herself.

It is astonishing, when you come to think of it, that there are so many men who fail to insure their lives, and still more astonishing that there are so many women who deter rather than encourage their husbands to take out a policy. The wife may be excused on the ground that it might seem selfish for

her to advise her husband to do a thing which is particularly for her benefit, or even upon the plea that women are not possessed of the hard practical sense which is supposed to distinguish the men folks; but upon neither of these grounds can the husband be excused. He knows well enough what he ought to do, and to be false to his convictions is to be untrue to himself and to those who are dependent upon him.

Married life, however fortunate, can not fail to be made happier for both husband and wife, where the former has taken out a policy for the other's benefit. The husband is happier in the consciousness of having done his duty, and in the thought that his loved one is partially provided for in case of his death, and the wife is happier because her mind is not haunted by fears which must come now and then especially when her husband is ill or is compelled by business demands to meet unusual dangers.—Ex.

### Information for Homeseekers.

For the purpose of furnishing reliable information in regard to the productions, resources, school and church facilities, social conditions, etc., of this portion of the state and also to give any desired information to persons seeking locations for any industrial or manufacturing enterprise, the towns throughout a group of counties—in which Haskell county is included—have organized the Central West Texas Association of Commercial Clubs with officers and agents whose business it is to gather and furnish such authentic information.

A letter of inquiry addressed to the secretary or any of the officers, or a member of the executive committee will receive prompt attention.

Their names and addresses follow:

Officers:  
Pres. T. E. Powell, Baird, Tex.  
Vice-Pres. Jas. Stinson, Anson, Texas.  
Treas. R. B. Wofford, Hamlin, Texas.  
Sec. O. P. Thomas, Abilene, Texas.

I am in the race to a finish and solicit respectfully your vote.  
A. H. NORRIS.



Manufacturers', Wholesalers' and Retailers'

# UNITED SPRING SALE

of Advance Season's Merchandise.

Thousands of merchants all over the United States decided to hold this United Spring Sale at practically the same time if wholesalers' and manufacturers' would co-operate with them in furnishing the newest merchandise and the best values. A sale of this nature by wide-awake retailers everywhere has never been held previously.

Wholesalers' were glad to assist in such a mighty concerted merchandise movement. We bought liberally, selecting our goods with the greatest care. So we offer you not only merchandise which we carry in stock regularly but the best selections from the entire country.

WE INVITE YOU TO COME, SEE, APPRECIATE AND BUY.

One Week, Mar. 16 - - - Mar. 21 Inclusive

## Bleached Domestic

We offer about 20 pieces good bleached domestic furnished us by J. V. Farwell Co., Chicago, especially for this sale. It is full 36 in. wide and is a bargain at 10c per yard. Our price during this sale, only.....7c

### GINGHAM

A few pieces also furnished us by J. V. Farwell & Co., for the

### United Spring Sale

including a good assortment of colors in Blue, Black and Brown plaids. These gingham are worth regularly 12½c per yard. Our price during the United Spring Sale, only.....8 1-2c

## ONE PIECE SILK AND LAWN SUITS

We now have on display an assortment of Silk and Lawn Suits of the newest and most approved styles. The one piece suit and the baby Princess are the newest creations of the fashionable world. The leading stores in all the larger cities are making extensive showings of them and they are meeting with universal success. We offer for your inspection suits similar to those shown by MARSHALL FIELD & CO. and CHAS. A. STEPHENS & BRO. of Chicago. Having bought from the same house that sells to them.

IN THE SILK we are showing the newest designs in Navy, Copenhagen, Brown, Blacks and Champagne, in both Tafeta and Rajah Silks.

**The Prices range from \$15 to \$20.**

THE LAWN SUITS are very dainty in design and they are made in a way that gives them a superior look and finish to a home made garment. In addition to these advantages these suits offer a saving, we being able to sell them for less than you could buy the material and have them made.

**They are worth from 4.00 to \$10.**

## Eaton Tailored Suits

We have a few Eaton Tailored Suits carried over from last season. They are beautiful suits and are made of a very serviceable material. The sizes are 34 & 36, and they range in price from \$12.50 to \$15.00. We offer them at the remarkably low price of.....\$8.75

### VALENCINE LACE BARGAINS

Our customers were so enthusiastic about the lace bargains during Ladies Day that we offer again a large selection of Valenciene Edgings and Insertions worth 10c, 15c and 20c at the unusual low price of 4c yd.

These are bargains, no one can afford to pass by. A look will convince you we are right.

FOR MONDAY ONLY	FOR TUESDAY ONLY	FOR WEDNESDAY ONLY	FOR THURSDAY ONLY	FOR FRIDAY ONLY	FOR SATURDAY ONLY
Toilet Soap worth 25c per box, special at..... .....10c per box. Lace Curtains worth 3.50 per pair.....\$2.25 3 pair Ladies Hose worth 25c per pair for.....50c 16 Bt L Kid gloves worth 3.50 to 4.00, your choice only.....\$2.95 \$1.00 Short Kid gloves .....79c	<b>HANDKERCHIEF BARGAINS</b> A choice selection of Ladies Handkerchiefs including a good number of pure linen in pretty dainty designs. Value from 25 to 40c, your choice only .....19c For choice Torchon Lace worth 8 1-3 to 15c, choice for only .....3c yd.	<b>Dependon India Linen</b> A choice selection furnished us for this sale. Regular prices are 15c, 20 and 25c, your choice only.....15c  <b>BELTS</b> Any belt in our assortment worth 75c, for only .....49c	<b>EMBROIDERIES</b> A large assortment of new Hamburg embroidery ranging in width from 3 to 6 in. and in price from 10 to 15c, your choice only.....9c yd  <b>BACK COMBS</b> A choice collection worth from 35c to 75c, your choice only .....25c	<b>LAWN WAISTS</b> 37 of the prettiest and daintiest Lawn embroidered waists made especially for us and for this sale. They are exceptional values at regular prices which range in from 1.75 to \$2.50, your choice only .....\$1.65	All Calico.....4½c yard 6 spools best thread 25c 3 regular 15c vests...30c 3 pair ladies 15c hose 25c 15c figured Lawn.....11c

## MILLINERY

As usual our hats are meeting with universal approval.

Our Showing of Gage and Gold Medal Patterns is larger than usual and their superiority is easily seen.

The Mery Widow Sailor is one of the newest hats and it is meeting with much success.

A visit to our hat department will be time well spent.

## SKIRTS

Our showing of Panama and Voile Skirts is very complete. We offer a variety of the newest styles, trimmed with the self fold, with the tafeta bands, and also pleated. The colors are black, blue and brown.

They are worth from \$5.00 to \$12.50.

## FANCY HOSIERY

The selection of Brown, Tan, Black and Lavender fancy hosiery, we offer is the newest and best you will find. We have the Plain Silk Lilse, fancy Lilse, Lace and Embroidery. Also a good selection of Silks in both the Plain and the Embroidered.

Lilse Hose Sells at 35c to \$1.25  
 Silk " " " 2.00 to 3.50

# C. D. GRISSOM & SON

The Store With the Goods



# THE WEEK'S EPITOME

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

## NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

The Katy shops at Denison reopened Monday after being shut down for one week. Until further orders, their time will be eight hours a day, six days a week.

Work started in the mines of the Amalgamated North Butte and Coalition companies at Butte, Mont., Monday. These mines give employment to 5500 men.

Senator W. O. Bradley of Kentucky in a statement declares himself to be unqualifiedly for Vice-President Fairbanks as the Republican nominee for President.

A Chilean naval officer has invented a torpedo tube which, after official trials with excellent results, the admiralty has ordered adopted aboard all torpedo boats.

Some foot, freak or fanatic has been sending letters to anti-saloon leaguers at San Antonio threatening all sorts of evil things if they do not desist from working for saloon abolition.

The commissioner's court of Hill county has ordered twelve four-horse grading machines for use by overseers. Three of the machines will be given to each commissioner's precinct.

The Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company of Delaware has been granted a permit to do business in Texas with capital of \$1,500,000. Dallas is to be headquarters. The filing fees amounted to \$1619.

Thomas J. Callan, the man whom Gen. Custer sent for reinforcements when his command was entrapped by Indians on the Little Big Horn River in Montana, died at his home in Yonkers, N. Y., Sunday.

At the age of 105 years, Owen Priestler, the oldest Confederate veteran in the South, died last night at Salkhatchie, S. C. His death was due to an accident received while he was occupied in raking straw.

Mme. Schumann-Heinek, the first woman singer of foreign birth of prominence to take out citizenship papers, appeared before Judge Ten Eyck in Newark, N. J., and became a citizen of the United States.

George Wilson, a negro, was electrocuted at the New Jersey State prison Tuesday for the murder in December last of Frederick Romer an undertaker of Orange, N. J., who was killed in his room at a hotel.

Col. Lewis Cass Carpenter, who represented South Carolina in congress just after the close of the civil war and well known as a newspaper man, died in Denver Saturday night from dropsy, aged 72 years.

The T. B. Simmons gin of Frederick, Ok., burned Friday night. Gin, boiler and ginhouse total loss, saved cotton and seed house, no cotton lost. Supposed to have caught from matches. Loss \$9,000; insurance about \$2,000.

For some time relations between China and Japan have been very strained. An apology for recent occurrences from China have apparently opened up a way for arranging an amicable adjustment of differences.

John Gary Evans was elected United States Senator Friday on the fourth ballot to succeed Senator Lattimore, deceased, of South Carolina.

A telegram received from Chihuahua, Mexico, says that the Banco de Minera, owned by Ambassador Creel, has been rebuffed of \$295,000 in Mexican money.

It is understood that the President has decided to appoint W. S. Rossiter of New York to be public printer, to succeed Charles S. Shillings of Massachusetts.

Poultry men in Johnson county claim that the shows held in Cleburne have greatly increased interest in both breeding and rearing poultry.

The Knickerbocker Trust Company which suspended business at the beginning of the financial panic in October, will resume business at noon Thursday, March 26.

The total disbursements of the State government and various institutions for the three months ending February 22, as shown by the treasury statement, aggregates \$3,820,754.

The Bank of England Wednesday reduced the rate of discount from four to three and one-half per cent.

Ohio has turned down the Foraker wing of the Republican party and put in a full Taft delegation and revised its State Committee, putting in Taft men only.

Safe crackers early Wednesday robbed the Mount Orab Bank in Mount Orab, Ohio, forty miles east of Cincinnati on the Norfolk and Western Railroad, and escaped with \$3000 currency and securities.

The big fine is working as a fine temperance inducer in Dallas.

The North Texas Beekeepers' Association will meet at Blossom April 1 and 2.

A row of frame buildings were burned in Bay City Sunday entailing a loss of some \$12,500.

All over Texas the public and private school houses are being examined with a view of improving safety in case of fire.

Cecil Kenser, a young man, was found in a dying condition Sunday morning in his bathroom in Dallas, where he resided.

Sheriff Jessie Farris of Cuero is making preparations to have the execution of John Brown, colored, on Friday, in private.

At the Jennings, La., oil field a boiler owned by the Ismerie Oil company exploded, seriously injuring two men slightly wounding several others.

Vice President and General Manager Pettibone will surrender the nineteen cars of the Union Tank Line Company to the state's receiver for the property of the latter company.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria and Elouise Caroline Louise, Princess of Reuss, were married in Coburg, Germany, Friday, and left immediately for Gera, the home of the Reuss family.

More than twenty car loads of seed potatoes have been sold in Pottawatomie county, Ok., points this season, according to the commission men of Shawnee. An extra good crop is promised.

B. F. Arthur of Union, S. C., one of the receivers appointed by Judge Pritchard for the dispensary funds, telegraphed to the governor his resignation. Gov. Ansel has accepted his resignation.

Hypodermic injections of a serum similar to that used in the treatment of diphtheria are being successfully employed in scarlet fever cases in New York City, according to doctors in hospitals on the East Side.

Milford Bass, 15 years old, living at Saratoga, was accidentally shot by his younger brother with a 38-caliber pistol. The bullet entered just below the right cheek bone and lodged under the scalp behind the left ear.

The Baptist Young People's Union and Sunday School Convention of Southwest Texas adjourned at San Antonio Saturday. Seguin was selected as the next meeting place on the first Thursday in March, 1909.

Dr. Thomas, the famous aeronaut, has signified his intention of coming to Dallas in the near future, and arrange for a balloon flight in an attempt to break the world's records, for length of flight and time in the air.

A special dispatch states that China has apologized to Japan for hauling down the Japanese flag when the steamer Tatsu Maru was seized. The dispatch further states that China later will reply to the Japanese government regarding the seizure of the steamer and its cargo.

Paul Torch, a Polish-German, was found dead in his bed on the Kirby farm near Dallas Saturday evening. Death was ascribed to natural causes.

The new scout cruiser, the Birmingham, made a trial run from Boston to Rockland Saturday at an average of 23 1/2 knots without force.

The United States troops that have been in Goldfield for three months evacuated the camp and turned the responsibility of maintaining order in the Goldfield district over to the local police authorities and the Nevada state police.

Samuel Repozel, aged eighty-five years, who fought in the Mexican War under General Taylor, died at Oklahoma City Monday.

There is a general understanding among manufacturers of cotton goods to curtail the output to only enough goods to barely cover orders.

A permit to do business in Texas was granted by the state department to Newson & Company, book publishers of New York, capital stock \$50,000. The Texas headquarters are to be at Dallas.

Thomas B. Wannamaker, son of the merchant since, John Wannamaker, died in London Monday, which point he had reached while traveling for his health.

George Miller, a well known farmer of Denison, died at noon Thursday from the effects of gunshot wounds. He leaves a family.

It turns out that Senator Bailey has not bought a lot in Washington, but Mr. Jayne, his secretary, bought one as an investment, paying \$17,000 therefor.

In a county election Ward county voted for prohibition 3 to 1, as was expected, as the three main towns had already gone dry.

Fred Meyers, conducting a printing office in Denison, was found dead in bed Friday morning. He was formerly from Fort Worth.

Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Dallas, Orient of Texas, will hold their spring reunion in Dallas on April 6, 7, 8 and 9. The ceremonial sessions will be held in the auditorium of Turner Hall.

## HOW TO BROIL A STEAK.

Rules That Must Be Observed to Attain Success.

To broil a steak properly is one of the most important undertakings in cookery. Many cooks send it to table turned on the outside while the interior is raw, while others cook it into a dry tastelessness.

There are several rules to be observed if the steak is to be a success. The fire should be clear and free from smoke, the gridiron should be scrupulously clean, well heated and greased before the meat is put on.

If the fire is too hot the meat will be hardened and scorched; if not hot enough the juice will escape and the steak will be "flabby."

The gridiron should be held sloping over the fire so that the fat may run off to the back of the grate. If it drops on the coal a blaze will result which will blacken the meat and cause it to have a smoky flavor.

If, however, by chance, a blaze should happen during the time the steak is broiling the gridiron must be caught and held away from the fire until the flame is gone. A little salt thrown on the fire will prevent this.

Should the fire be too brisk raise the gridiron on two bricks, one on each side of the opening.

Steaks should be turned often in order that they may be done in every part. The fork used for this purpose should never be stuck in the lean of the beef, as it causes the gravy to escape; it must be put in the outer skin or fat.

Verdigris on metal can be removed by rubbing it with liquid ammonia.

Put a little saltpeper in the water used for cut flowers, for it will make them last much longer.

A piece of lime or charcoal in the new refrigerator will prevent the "new" odor and taste from clinging to eatables.

To scent an invalid's room heat a shovel and drop on it a little oil of sandalwood. This may be bought of any chemist, and it will give a delightful perfume to a room.

For cleaning brass emery powder made into a paste with paraffin is excellent. Use like any other polish, and with the addition of a fair amount of "elbow grease" a very good result is obtained.

Vaseline makes a stain on linen, which should be removed before the article is sent to the laundry, for it is set by soap. Soak such stains in kerosene, alcohol or turpentine before touching them with water.

Almond Icing. A delicious icing for fruit cake is made of almonds. This is a favorite treatment of this cake in many English families, but is little used in America.

While the oil of almond may be used to make the icing, it is much better if made from the fresh nuts. Blanch and pound in a mortar to a smooth paste one ounce of sweet almonds and a few bitter ones. Add a little rose water when the almonds begin to look oily.

This can be mixed either with confectioner's sugar and white of egg, or it is even better when used with plain boiled icing.

If you do not care for iced fruit cake this almond mixture is very good on the ordinary ice-cream cakes.

Teddy Bear Pudding. "Teddy bear pudding with de-light-ed" sauce is one of the odd features of a terroir bill-of-fare and has proved one of its best drawing cards. The pudding has no special relation to its name. It is a frozen custard, rich with glace fruits and French chestnuts, and is topped with whipped cream flavored delicately with wine.

A home-made version of the pudding would call for an ordinary custard sweetened a little more than is necessary when the custard is not to be frozen a few French chestnuts boiled tender and mashed through a sieve while hot and glace fruits of any or all kinds cut fine.

Stuffing for Pillows. Dried grass clippings, thoroughly sun dried in order to remove all possible dampness, makes a soft pillow. Corn husks treated in a similar manner are splendid for porch pillows. Milkweed pods also are used for this purpose. Gather them when ready to burst, remove the seeds and center and put down into your pillow for softness equal to those you purchase at the store. For hard, ornamental pillows fill with cotton batting all the slip will possibly hold. These you can stand anywhere. Excelsior and newspapers torn in tiny strips also are good and lighter in weight.

Mend with Ravelings. Gashes or rents which have been torn in tailored suits or any woolen or colored cotton fabric can be darned so as not to be noticeable even though in a conspicuous place, by darning with the ravelings of the goods, clipping all frayed edges closely and carefully and pressing over a thin cloth wrung out of water, with a hot iron.

Stewed Beets. Cook six medium sized beets. When soft, peel and chop in dice. Take water and vinegar, salt and pepper to taste, one dessert spoon of sugar, butter the size of a walnut. Cook all together 15 minutes, then thicken with flour to the consistency of cream. Serve in side dish as a vegetable.

Grated Horseradish. Add grated horseradish to taste to a plain cream sauce when served with baked fish.

## JUDGING BY THE RESULTS.

Villager's Conversion Had Not Been of Great Avail.

"In our business we get many doubtful compliments," said Col. John F. Bishop, deputy surveyor of the port, the other day, "but I do not think I ever received a compliment such as my grandfather got down in my native state of Tennessee. My grandfather was a minister and I was a very small boy when we both strolled down the road one day. One of our fellow villagers came along toward us.

"'Good morning,' said the villager, who apparently had looked upon the cup. 'I sh con-ver—hic—ted, parson,' he stammered with difficulty. 'An-twashyou—hic—ihat con—hic—con-verted—hic—me.'

"That must be so," replied my grandfather, "for it's certain the Almighty had nothing to do with your conversion."—New York Evening Telegram.

## THREE CURES OF ECZEMA.

Woman Tells of Her Brother's Terrible Suffering—Two Babies Also Cured—Cuticura Invaluable.

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## OLD GENTLEMAN NOT PLEASED.

Letter's inscription Certainly the Reverse of Flattering.

In the English club at Hongkong a white-haired old gentleman, who had come down from some northern port, was seated at dinner when he suddenly became very excited. He had been brought a letter by a solemn-faced Chinese butler, and he saw something on the outside of this letter which sent him downstairs two steps at a time to interview the hall porter.

When he came back he told us what was the matter. The hall porter had inscribed in the envelope, in Chinese, for the information of the butler:

"This is for the old baboon with white fur."

Unfortunately for the hall porter, the old gentleman was a first-class scholar in the Chinese language.

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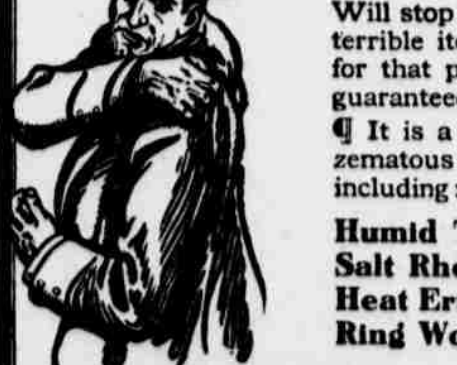
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**To Save Trouble.**  
A Connecticut man tells of two Irishmen from Boston who, while driving through the state named, observed that many of the barns had weather-vanes in the shape of huge roosters.  
"Dennis," said one Irishman to the other, "can ye tell me why they always have a rooster an' niver a hin on the top of thim barns?"  
"Sure," replied Dennis. "Its because of the difficulty they'd have in collecting the eggs."

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Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson* In Use For Over 30 Years.  
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**TICKET SYSTEM IN SPAIN.**  
Mileage Books Must Have Photograph of the Owner.

The average first-class fare in Spain is about four cents a mile (just double the first-class of some American lines, and with only 60 pounds free baggage) but with these mileage books, which are good on all the railroads of Spain, the fare works out at 2.65 cents a mile for 1,210 miles down to 1.85 and 1.7 cents a mile for 5,000 and 7,500 miles. In order to secure these mileage tickets application must be made at any of the important railway stations of Spain at least 48 hours before the tickets are required. Simple blank forms to be filled up by the applicant are furnished at any of the railway offices, and the application must invariably be accompanied by a 4 1/2 by 3 1/2-inch unmounted photograph of the applicant. This is glued on the inner cover of the mileage book. If desired several persons may use the same book, but the book must then contain a photograph of each of these persons. There is no advantage in having several names on the same book, except that if persons are traveling regularly together the trouble of making out a separate application and the additional fee for preparing a separate book for each person is avoided by making a collective demand.

Second-class mileage books cost from 1.96 cents down to 1.27 cents per mile, while third-class mileage books are issued at one-third less than those for second-class. In Spain it is almost impossible, however, to travel third class. As a matter of fact even second-class is not very satisfactory, for the reason that the express trains as a rule are limited to first-class. However, for persons who do not object to crowds and slow traveling and long waits at railway stations second-class is not impossible. It is said that tourist agents in central Europe either know very little about these economical Spanish kilometer tickets or else for reasons of their own do not advise intending tourists to Spain as to their existence. Perhaps this is due to the fact that the Spanish railways allow the agents commissions on ticket sales.

**CHASED BY AN EXPRESS TRAIN.**  
French Way Train Got on Wrong Track and Had to Make Quick Time.

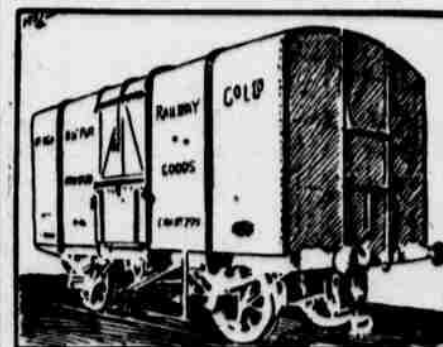
Through the fault of a signalman a way train which left Paris Monday night for Amiens got on the wrong track and was chased by an express train for over an hour at the imminent risk of a collision, says the New York Times.

The mistake took place where the northern line branches after leaving the bridge at Creil. There, through the momentary absentmindedness of a signalman, the way train was sent out on the track going to Compiègne instead of the one going to Amiens.

Knowing that he was followed at a short distance by the fast express which leaves the Gare du Nord at 6:20 o'clock the engineer immediately sent his train ahead at full speed for the station of Pont-Saint-Maxence, where there is a siding. The track was clear for the express, so there was no danger ahead.

The passengers, many of them commuters used to a leisurely pace and familiar with every inch of the road, soon discovered that something was wrong, and the report spread that the engineer had gone mad. This seemed verified when the train passed station after station at dizzy speed. Conductor and brakemen were as terrified as the passengers. When Pont-Saint-Maxence was reached the train came to a sudden halt and was then run safely on the siding.  
The express dashed by—on time and without mishap. The way train with its agitated commuters then returned in peace to Creil, where it was switched to the line it should have taken two hours before.

**Steel Freight Cars in India.**  
The freight cars on the Bengal-Nagpur railway in India are small compared to the freight cars of this country, and resemble somewhat a large covered wagon. The body of the car



is constructed of light steel plates and the flooring is made of teak-wood boards. This car is used for heavy goods traffic and carries a load of 32 tons. The ends of the car are fitted with ventilators.

**Railroad Building in 1907.**  
During 1907 5,220 miles of railway have been built in the United States, according to the estimates of the Railroad Gazette.

This was exclusive of second, third and fourth tracks, sidings and electric lines. The total is eight per cent, less than for 1906, though the year began with conditions promising a larger construction than ever before. With these expectations a scarcity of labor and supplies, adverse state legislation and difficulty in borrowing money interfered. The amount spent on new equipment exceeded that of 1903 by 25 per cent, approximating \$477,000,000.

**A WELL MAN, AT 81.**  
The Interesting Experience of an Old Settler of Virginia.

Daniel S. Queen, Burrell Street, Salem, Va., says: "Years ago while lifting a heavy weight a sudden pain shot through my back and after that I was in constant misery from kidney trouble. One spell kept me in bed six weeks. My arms and legs were stiff and I was helpless as a child. The urine was discolored and though I used one remedy after another, I was not helped until I used Doan's Kidney Pills, and I was so bad then that the first box made only a slight change. To-day, however, I am a well man, at 81, and I owe my life and health to the use of Doan's Kidney Pills."

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**HER SUSPICION.**



"Does your husband ever admit that he was wrong?"  
"Yes, frequently, but I don't suppose he ever really believes it."

**The Editor of the Rural New Yorker,** than whom there is no better Potato Expert in the country says: "Salzer's Earliest Potato is the earliest of 38 earliest sorts, tried by me, yielding 484 bu. per acre. Salzer's Early Wisconsin yielded for the Rural New Yorker 736 bu. per acre. See Salzer's catalog about them."

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**Such a Clever Waiter.**  
Two gentlemen dining in a New York restaurant were surprised to find on the bill-of-fare the item, "green bluishfish."

"Waiter," one asked, "what sort of fish are green bluishfish?"  
"Fresh—right out of the water," said the waiter, offhand.  
"Nonsense," said the man. "You know well enough that they do not take bluish at this season."  
The waiter came up and looked at the disputed item.  
"Oh, that, sir," he said, with an air of enlightenment, "that's a hot-house bluishfish, sir."—Youth's Companion.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it a constitutional disease, and therefore require constitutional treatment. Catarrh is cured by the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally, and comes from drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.  
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**Diplomacy.**  
"Why do you make a practice of predicting bad weather?"  
"It's the safest plan," answered the professional prophet. "If the bad weather prediction comes true, people have to admit I am right, and if the weather is pleasant they feel too good-natured to care whether I was right or wrong."

**It Cures While You Walk.**  
Allen's Foot-Powder is a certain cure for hot, sweating, callous, and swollen, aching feet. Sold by all Druggists. Price 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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Be wise to-day; 'tis madness to defer.—Young.

**ECONOMY CARRIED TOO FAR.**  
Old Man's Thrift That Led Him Into Ridiculous Action.

President J. G. Schurman of Cornell was discussing elective college courses, of which in the freshman and sophomore years, he disapproved. "A freshman of 16 or 17," said President Schurman, "is too young to choose for himself the courses best for him. His mind is not mature enough. It will make mistakes. In its immaturity, its proneness to error, it is like the mind of an old man in my native Freetown. He, though old, was mentally undeveloped, and saw nothing wrong or ridiculous in a piece of economy that he put in practice in the cemetery. The old man had lost four wives, and desired to erect for each a headstone, with an inscription commemorative of her wifely virtues. But inscriptions, he found, were very expensive. He economized in this way:

"He had the Christian name of each wife cut on a small stone above her grave—'Emma,' 'Mary,' 'Hester,' 'Edith.' Under each name a hand pointed to a large stone in the center of the lot, and under each hand were the words: 'For epitaph see large stone.'"

**Not Born There.**  
A Washington man, whose business had brought him to New York, took a run not long ago into Connecticut, where he had lived in his childhood. In the place where he was born he accented a venerable old chap, of some 80 years, who proved to be the very person the Washington man sought to answer certain inquiries concerning the place. As the conversation proceeded the Washington man said: "I suppose you have always lived around here?"  
"Oh, no," said the native. "I was born two good miles from here."

**IN JEOPARDY.**



Willie Mouse—Just my luck! No rudder and the wind blowing me right into a bunch of cat-tails!

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Your attention is also invited to our general stock of groceries, which includes everything in the line of staple and fancy family groceries, flavorings, seasoning etc., and which we endeavor to have of the purest and best.

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#### For Sheriff and Collector.

Mr. D. W. Fields has authorized us to announce him as a candidate for the office of sheriff and tax collector of Haskell county, subject to the action of the democracy at the July primary.

Mr. Fields has been a citizen of Haskell county for about eighteen years, residing in the western portion of the county. He engaged in teaching school some years ago, but for most of the time has devoted his time and energies to farming, at which he has been fairly successful. He has established and has always borne the reputation of a good and lawabiding citizen as well as enterprising, always doing his part in any matter looking to the upbuilding of his community.

From what we know of Mr. Fields we believe him to be qualified and competent to fill the office to which he aspires with credit to himself and satisfaction to the public.

Mr. G. H. Henshaw of the east side was in town Thursday. He says they are getting a little anxious for rain out his way as planting time is close by.

#### Try It Once

There is more actual misery and less real danger in a case of itching, skin disease than any other ailment. Hunt's Cure is manufactured especially for these cases. It relieves instantly and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

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There was a big white frost Wednesday morning that made everybody fear for the safety of the fruit crop. Nearly all peach and plum trees were in full bloom, but, as well as can be determined from an examination of the blooms, they were not damaged. The frost was quite heavy, but a minimum thermometer registered only 30° degrees.

"We prefer Chamberlin's Cough Remedy to any other for our children," says Mr. L. J. Woodbury of Twinning, Neb. "It has also done the work for us in hard cold and croup, and we take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by Terrell's Drug Store.

It is to your interest to pay. Cash for feed—no per cent is added to the price to balance bad accounts. Try it at Booth English's feed store.

#### The Fort Worth Excursion.

On Wednesday night the Wichita Valley railroad ran an excursion train from Abilene to Fort Worth to accommodate the delegates and visitors from points along the line to the meeting of the secretaries of the Texas Commercial Clubs and the fat stock show to be held in the Panther City. The train arrived at Haskell at 10:12 with seven coaches filled with parties from Abilene, Merkel, Anson, Stamford and other points. A sleeper that had been left on the side track for the Haskell contingent, consisting of twenty-five or thirty persons, was coupled on and the train pulled out to pick up other delegations at Weinert, Munday, Seymour, etc.

A FREE PRESS reporter was on hand and got the names of the Haskell party, viz: Messrs. G. R. Couch, Lee Pierson, W. H. Murchison, A. H. Day, J. M. Ferrell, H. M. Rike, J. N. Ellis, Leon Gilliam, R. B. Fields, S. Bevers, W. T. McDaniel, W. C. Speck, W. P. Whitman, F. N. Chapman, L. M. Garrett, R. D. Overby, S. A. McDaniel, J. H. Devell, Dr. A. H. Gebhard, F. C. Lowe, A. F. Neal, J. O. Chitwood and wife and Mrs. W. J. Sowell and little son Wilton.

#### BEST HEALER IN THE WORLD.

Rev. F. Starbird, of East Raymond, Maine, says: "I have used Bucklen's Arnica Salve for several years, on my old army wounds, and other obstinate sores, and find it the best healer in the world. Use it too with great success in my veterinary business." Price 25c, at Terrell's Drug Store.

#### JACK FOR SALE.

Klondike, my fine black Spanish Jack is for sale. He is six years old, fourteen and one half hands high, standard measure. His colts are very fine and can be seen here.

This Jack is registered in the American Jack Stock Stud Book as No. 1198 and I have a certificate of his registration and pedigree, which interested parties may examine.

Will sell cheap for cash, or will give part time with good notes. See me for further information at farm two miles northeast of Haskell. (9-4t) J. M. Woodson.

#### Don't It Jar You?

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

#### CITATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF HASKELL COUNTY—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summons James Lake and the unknown heirs of James Lake dec'd., whose names and places of residence are unknown, and the unknown heirs of Joseph Kopman, whose names and places of residence are unknown to plaintiffs, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in a newspaper published in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of District Court of Haskell County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, on the 4th Monday in May A. D. 1908, the same being the 25th day of May A. D. 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 12th day of Feb. A. D. 1908 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 444, where in Una L. Foster and S. J. Murray are plaintiffs, and James Lake and the unknown heirs of James Lake dec'd., whose names and residence are unknown; and the unknown heirs of Joseph Kopman, whose names and residence are unknown, are Defendants, and said petition alleging that on or about 1st day of Sept. 1907 they were lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land in Haskell Co., Texas holding and claiming the same in fee simple to-wit: Subd. No. 4 of E. W. Taylor 1280 acres survey No. 54, Abst. No. 363, Cert. No. 9172 patented to Joseph Kopman assignee of Edward W. Taylor on Dec. 5, 1867 by patent No. 463, Vol. 8, said land being described by metes and bounds as follows:— Beg. at S. W. corner of Subd. No. 3 on the S. B. line of said E. W. Taylor survey, 1923 1/2 vrs. west of its original S. E. cor. for the S. E. cor. of this 200 acre tract; Thence north 1250 vrs. to stake for N. E. cor. thence west 903 1/2 vrs. to stake for N. W. cor. on E. B. line of Subd. No. 1 of this E. W. Taylor survey and S. W. cor. of Subd. No. 2; Thence S. 1250 vrs. to stake for S. W. cor. on S. B. Line of original E. W. Taylor survey and S. E. cor. of said Subd. No. 1 Thence east 903 1/2 vrs. to place of beginning containing 200 acres of land.

That on the day and year last aforesaid defendants unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiffs therefrom, and unlawfully withhold from them the possession thereof to their damage \$6000.00; that the reasonable annual rentable value of said land is \$500.00.

Plaintiffs further allege that they claim said land under a deed from A. C. Foster to plaintiff Una L. Foster dated Aug. 30, 1900 acknowledged same day before J. L. Jones N. P. Haskell Co., Texas and filed for record same day and duly recorded in Vol. 18, page 608 of the Deed Records of Haskell County Texas conveying said 200 acres of land; that said plaintiffs J. Murry claims an interest in said land under his co-plaintiff Una L. Foster which claim is admitted by said Una L. Foster.

Plaintiffs further allege that the defendants James Lake and the heirs of James Lake are asserting some kind of a claim to said land under a deed executed by one D. C. Freeman Jr. to James Lake dated May 9, 1859 and recorded in the deed records of Young Co., Texas. The extent and nature of said claim being to these plaintiffs unknown and any other claim or title of said defendants to said land, if any they have, is to these plaintiffs unknown, and that the unknown heirs of Joseph Kopman have some kind of claim on said land by inheritance from Joseph Kopman any other claim they may have being to plaintiffs unknown.

Plaintiffs further allege that they are claiming said land by 5 years limitation having held same under deeds duly registered peaceably, continuously, and adversely, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes due thereon for a period of more than 5 years prior to the filing of this suit.

Plaintiffs pray that defendants be cited by publication and that they may have judgment for the title and possession of said premises with writ of restitution and for their rents, damages, and costs of suit and for general relief.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, on the first day of its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. W. Meadors, Clerk of the District Court of Haskell County. Given under my hand and Seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this 12th day of February A. D. 1908.

J. W. MEADORS, Clerk, District Court Haskell Co.

#### Junior B. Y. P. U. Program.

March 15th, 1908

Subject—"The Baptism of Christ."  
Leader—Mr. Bert Davis.  
Song.  
Scripture Lesson—Matt 3:1-10.  
Prayer.  
Song.  
Scripture references.  
Psalm 100—Miss Edna Parnell.  
References on Scripture—Mr. Davis.  
Address on the Lesson—Mr. Maddox.  
Recitation, The Rose Bush—Mable Parnell.  
Psalm 1—Louise Davis.  
Psalm 39—Mary Hughes.  
Song, Only Trust Him—Edna and Marl Hilbert and Fadrell Parnell.  
Benediction.



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Mr. R. B. Williams of the west side was in the city the other day and set his subscription up two years.

Mr. G. H. Taylor of the east side was in Thursday and put his subscription account O. K.

Mr. E. Woeful returned Thursday from Abilene, where he has been for some time confined with typhoid fever in Dr. Hollis' hospital.

#### W. W. FITZGERALD.

Mr. Warren Fitzgerald, our present city marshal, announces this week as a candidate for sheriff and tax collector and a friend handed in the following write-up of him which, while we might endorse in the main, we disclaim the ability to have written:

Will the world please come to order while we put the entire voting aggregation next to the fact that Mandy Fitzgerald is fostering a bunch of slumbering ambitions to fan the heated brow of the goddess fame with a turkey wing.

Mandy after taking a mental invoice of his speed and capacity for kicking track behind him rapidly has decided if he don't meet an earthquake and the track don't cave in in the middle he will do his dead level best to get under the wire first in the free for all for the sherriff's office of Haskell county.

Mandy climbed on to this terrestrial ball of matter sometime between the fall of Adam and the spring of 1908, and has resided here continuously since, during which time he has won the confidence of a host of friends who will do anything on earth for him up to and including manslaughter. He has demonstrated on a thousand occasions that he is the biggest bundle of good fellowship in Haskell for the money. Reared an orphan, educated in the school of experience with a finishing course in the university of hard knocks, like all orphans who have to fight the battles of life single-handed and alone, he has fought like a true Greek and won and, today stands high in the estimation of men who value a man, not for his wealth and power but for the true principles of manhood that has ever animated those godlike beings who have always stood for the right and made the world move, whose prowess we ever strive to emulate and whose honor we revere.

As a boy Warren Fitzgerald was about as other kids, fond of cutting Sunday school in favor of the swimming hole, passionately fond of playing hookey and never overlooked an opportunity to tie a tomato can that was not working to the caudal appendage of a shepard that came his way.

While passing through that impudent age of boyhood he had the usual number of stone bruises and black eyes with an occasional brush of green water melon cholera morbus and was counted in the matter of toughness about the same texture as a pine-knot.

He was the friend of the stray dog, the avowed enemy of soap and society salts and Sunday school, never having washed his neck without first offering every argument and protest known to the profession against any such sanitary proceedings.

In the matter of Mr. Fitzgerald's qualifications as a vigilant, wide-awake officer, his excellence in this particular connection has been demonstrated very forcibly before the very eyes of the people of Haskell in the fact that he was for years a trusty attache of the sheriff's office and claims the honor of being Haskell's first city marshal. In both of the above positions he has been all that goes to make an ideal officer of the law.

To the older settlers of Haskell county an introduction is unnecessary and to the new people he wishes to say that his record as an officer is as an open book and your inspection is invited.

Politically Mr. Fitzgerald is a Democrat. Matrimonially he is a chronic candidate of about fifteen years standing, your vote solicited in both candidacies.

Mr. John Riba, of Vining Ia., says: "I have been selling DeWitt's Kidney and bladder Pills for about a year and they give better satisfaction than any pills I ever sold. I have used them myself with fine results." Sold by French Bros.