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tional model gense league.
you may follow some useful
oceupation that will bring occupation that will bring honor
to your family name, elevate to your family name, elevat
you morally, that the world
blessed by you having lived. ROOSEVELT

CONGRESS
Congress called on the Pres ain his charge in a former mes sage that congress had with hel appropriations to the secrete service because they feared the se cret service would be used to in vestigate congressmen, and in reply the President has referred them to the speeches of members
of congress. Congress tried to of congress. Congress tried to
take his message as a joke. In take his message as a joke. In
this they will fail. They will then presume on a gullable public and make some kind of a loosing fight to injure the reputation of the President and Sampson like
pull down the pillars to their pull down the pillars to their
destruction. We do certainly destructio demeratic member hope the butt in, but just tak
will whats coming to them in a decent way.
The President has just gotten the best of the argument. When a set of men get in the wrong it
is best to "fess up," it is the shortest way out.
Of course congress would like to make such an example and
visit such punishment on th President, that no man would ever again call them, down what ever offence or mistake they make. But we would advise that you just apologize to the Pres ident and the people and promise to be
forgive.

WITHOUT PRECEDENT IN HISTORY

Paris, Jan. 2.-The Figaro today publishes the "As each day goes by the dis terrifying and immenss. It i without precedent in the history of the world. In my earlier dispatches I spoke of over 150,000
dead. This number doubtles will be exceded, for now it
servatively est imated 200,000 persons perished mise abbly in this staggering catas trophe and the worst is not yet known. The scourge "The tremblings of the earth continue with sinister rumblings and at times of boiling water esurge from the crevasses. T
sources of the streams a sources of the streams
poisened by putrid water. "In spite of Herculean effo the succor is still insufficient. In the more remote regions the un-
happy injured are dying for want of food and medical treatment, Dogs and swine, enraged by hunger, spring upon the wounded
and devour them. Insatiable and devour them. lise and uncontrolled famine will inexorably claim their vic-
 this train contained one full car
of soap, billed from Chicago, Ill., of soap, billed from Chicago, Ill.,
to San Francisco. Cal., thus, showing how readily the northshowing how readily the northtages of adirect rout to the Pa cific coast. Through passenger service will be establishe. This
day January 3rd 1909 .
will will give us direct connecti
with all the northern cities. Benjamin Post.
ravity, and through moral it , there a mute appeal to the manhoo lead you to the light and dict you to channels wherein

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EW DEMOCRATIC PAPER EW DEMOCRATIC PAPER
National Democrat," Weekly,
expected to Make Its First Ap, "Natiounl Democrat," Weekly,
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pearance Next Monday at

## Washington, Jan. 2-It wa announced this afternoon th

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$\square$ ated at once. Who the stockholdill be business of Maryland National Democrat" is intended o counteract the influence of the
Commoner, but this is denied. If the intention of this new journalistic enterprise is to fight the Commoner. the old Commoner readers will be the first to de-
tect it. We predict that this will be the purpose of the new paper, and also predict that it will be of
much more benefit to the much more benefit to the Repub-
lican party than any existing lican party than any existing
republican journal now being published.
The Democratic members of
he republican policies to attain
DISTIVGISHED PARTY VISITS HASKELL.

Last Monday night at the Court House There was a large
crowd of citizens to hear the adcrowd of citizens to hear the ad
dress of E. R. Cone of Austin. state Commissioner
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directors of A. M. College: Wal directors of A. \& M. College; Wal-
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ber of the hoard of directors of
the A. \& M. College; Sam D. Dixon of Houston, State horticultuaist and inspectors of nurceries R. L. Burnett of Paris, cotton ex pert of the Department of Agri-
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\& M. College experiment stations $\& \mathrm{M}$. College experiment stations
Homer D. Wade of Stamford. Homer D. Wade of Stamford-
secretary of the Stamford Commercial Club secretary of the sociation. W. M. Imboden of Stamford, formerly editor of the Austin Statesman; C. A. Jones, manager of the Spur ranch, in Dickens County, whech is the
property ofthe Swenson brothers of New York, and three newsThe meeting was called to order by D. H. McCosh secretary of the Haskell Board of trade who appointed Mr. Wade to Act as Master of ceremonies. W. H Murchison delivered addres of welcome to the visitors which
was responded to, by W. M. Imwas responded to, by W. M. Imboden of Austin, In the party also were D. P. Toomey editor
of the Dallas News, C. D. Reemors editor of the Fort Wort Fort Worth Star.

We was doing the Wall Paper business of Haskell before we got opened up The price briyg them one way. Norman.


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## bev mequation <br> ILIUSTRATIONS BY MEL,VIL,L





| Gen. Bostos was a soldler before he was a father, and she knew that inter vention on her part would prove futlle The thought of the fate that surely nwaited him finally caused her to break down completely. <br> CHAPTER IX. |
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field.
Late one afternoon, Marina Bostos,
accompanied by Miguel Pliaro, a cap
tain under Gen. Bostos, started out to tain under Gen. Bostos, started out to
visit the sick and wounded in the dun.
geons. Her heart rebelled against
the treatment accorded the prisoners
in the damp, unsanitary cells, and she
was flery in her denunclation of the in-
was fery in her denunclatio,
humane methods practiced.
Jerry Chambers was in
Jerry Chambers was in a restless
doze when she and the captain came
to the grating oo his miserable death-
chamber. Capt. Pillaro to the grating of his miserable death
chamber. Capt. Pilaro called out to
himm, and as his hall-razaed senses be
came roused. he began to moan tn his
pleadiding to came roused, he began to moan in his
pleading to be put out on tis misery.
"Poor sul." said Marin. as she
peered tinto the gloomy cell, "his mind peered into the gloomy cell, "his mind
is wandering. Unlock the door, cap-
taln, and I will try to help him."
The captain did her bldding, and she The captain did her bldding, and she
went into the cell and knelt at J Jerys
side, her eyes showing greatest symside, her eyes showing greatest sym-
pathy. At her reueust, Capt. Plilaro
brought a highted stantern, which
showed more phandyly to her a face
that told of the awful sufferings of the
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& \text { longer. He conveys his love to you. } \\
& \text { My father coming withn three } \\
& \text { days!" she halk muttered with batod } \\
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& \text { her, unable to speak. The announce } \\
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"Call me 'Jerry'" he interrupted.
"In sounds so much as though we have
known each other
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"No-Just Jerry", sald
pressed her hand slighty. $\qquad$
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came into his eyes made her forget
the rest of the sentenee, and she
stroked bis brow soothingily,
Pularo returned whithin 15 minutes
with the materials Marina had sent

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him for. He scarcely had entered the
cell when she asked him to relate the
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of the young New Yorker. The cap-
tatn told the whole story whll tain told the whole story while
redressed the wound, concluding:
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"He sald he did not conspire agains
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pelled to do the bidding of the fili$\dot{B}^{2}$

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efforts the prisoner was taken to a
more comfortable cell, although not
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Even this improvement in his sur
roundings was welcomed by youns
Chambers, and he fnwardy bleesed
the "little saint of Uranla" who made
the change possible. Installed in his
more comportable quarters, he soon
folt a change for the better in his con-
dition and gratitude swelled his feel-
ings.

ans morest than the handsome prisoner
It a moment of his wildest jealousy
atter he had heard Marina call the
prisoner "Jerry". he thought: "If she
does love him, he the will does love him, the love will count for
naught. He Hs to die withn the week.
and then-" But his human nature
checked th
for shame.
Under Marina's care and treatment
Jerry improved rapidy. The swelling
in his leg was greatly reduced and the
inflammation began to disappear. He
felt that he could stand on the injured
limb, but Marina would not pern
him to put it to such a test.
Gen. Bostos did not arrive at the
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We are in receipt of the Ros. ter of the members of the 31st legislature gotten out by the
Texas Commercial Secretarie' Association. It is neatly printed and carefully arranged. It also contains a directory of the lead ing newspapers by representa

## To Whom it May Goncarn:

The firm of Hunt Hancock has dissolved parynership by mutual wish. $h 1$ indebtedness and accounts, will be assumed

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COTTON
The cotton specialist wh said that it court house Monda the farmers to make a bale of cotton per acre on Haskell county soil. He said the stalks in th field showed the lack of seed selection, and over crowdin
young plant in the drill He said plant not more than three pecks of seed to the acre. with soil furrow, cover lightly eed with pressed down on the stand early roller. Thin out to a selected from the middle of th field, from short jinded of the The longer the joints the more quired to produce a amount of lint.

Locals and Personals
Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Morga have moved to the Boone Ranc in the north-east part of th Next time your Gwatch stops ry Evans.
Miss Eda Cobbin of Jefferson is assisting in the county clerk office.
Mr. S. B. Street and son Bruce, of Graham, were visitor here this week. Mr. Street is a charter member of the Alexandr Mercantile Company
Gus Evans would like to put the next main spring.
WAIT A WEEK?
Norman's pictury mould ing will be in, you know the picture framing man Our abstract books are cons
plete and np-to-dnys. Get you
abstracts from (t1) saly hefs \& Wiison
Business lot with twotocm res

B. Baker.

For watch repairjing see Gu Evans.
Rev. S. D. Roberts made us pleasant call Wednesday and handed us the price of a year
Mr. Frank Simmons has moved from Avoca to his fathers farm t creek
Evans and watch repairing.
Gone to Evans Wfh a dea

## CAR OF PANT

## Norman/s Paint Store

Mr. J. W. Dennington move earn country in Nov. and we cleared he and his boys have hundred acres of land. This is a good showing for a contractor and builder. We predict that he will make a big crop this year Not all some clear profit. Not all, but most gt the broken watches can be repaired by
Evans. If you
If you want a nide/priggy real cheap see mine y/écle buying. . Evers at Haskell. nd Mses Dora and Ella Ballew and Mrs. Minnie Pritchett have returned from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Clyde.
Have your saddles afod harness

Messrs W. A. Marsh, T. A.
Williams and B. D. English heve Williams and B. D. English have business of Mr. J. L. Means and are conducting the business under the firm name of MarshWilliams Co. See their display card in an other column of the Free Press.
Last Monday the public square was crowded with horses, mules was crowded with horses, mules
and vehickles. There were several spans of young mules offered for sale. In fact this would have been a good market for a mule and horse buyer. The local demand was not as great as the supply.
The Paint of Wall paper Man Who? Norman.
maize. Will pay or four cars of
100 lbs . See Eay per
Mill.
Am in the infriket for broken
Mr, S. C. Whitelow called at ar office Tuesday and subscribed or the Free Press.
G. R. Couch visited several parts in Oklahoma this week on a bus iness mission.
Fire broke out in the Cotton Yard, Wednesday night and three bales were Consumed before it was extingish,
Our abstract books are complete and up-to-dagy Get your
abstracts from (t) Sandefs \& wilson. or goods cheap at AFers' shop, Haskell.
Lubboch Mrs. L. W. Roberts of Lubbock uisited friends and rel-
atives here this wel

Miss Artie Labraire has signed a contract to teach in the Rule high school.
Mrs. W. R. Tandy of Glazier Mrs. W. R. Tandy of Glazz
is visiting Mrs. S. W. Scott. Wood $\$ 1.00$ per cord (American Cord) 7 miles north-edst of Has
42 ENTER̈TiAINMENT.

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Win five oclock Mr w Meadors entertained at 42, comLon Bennett, of Seymour. The cold weather prevailing on the outside was in strong contrast with the genial welcome of the hostess in her cozy and well appointed home. Score cards done in American
Beauty roses were Beauty roses were given each guest and soon all were deeply
engrossed in the interesting game of 42 .
The prize, a lovely cameo vase, was won by Mrs. Long, who graciously presented it to Mrs
Bennett as a reminder pleasant afternoon. A delicious luncheon
served followed the With a hostess accomplished in the art of entertaining, and a charming guest of honor, it is hardly necessary to say that the afternoon was one of pleasure o the following ladies:
Mesdames, Montgomery, Mesdames, Montgomery, East land, Henery Alexander, Cogdill, ery, Marshall Pierson, Will Whitman, MeGregor, S. W. Scott and Tandy, of Glazier.
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Miss Kathleen Wilfong, who has been so proficient in the discharge of her duties as assistant
in the local postoffice, has resigned her position and is attending ed her Texas Christian University at Waco. Miss Wilfong made many friends while in the post office, who have the highest regard for her. By energy. promptness and polite deportment, she has proven herself worthy of the respect of any community, and we predict that she will be an honor both to herself and the institution to which she goes as a student.
Mr. E. A. Chambers has re
painted his store front has reon a new sign. In other words, he has blotted out the past and begun anew.
Mrs. A. W. Burnett of Sey
mour visited
mour visited Mrs. J. W. Meadors


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in ex lasive and handsome patterns. Good tate and skillful workmanship conspicuous is every article.

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The Jeweler

## OFF TO COLLEGE

Haskell has supplied quite 2 number of bright boys and girls to the various institutions of learning, Both this week and resume their duties leaving to ous colleges. We mention the follơwing
The students were distributed as follows:
State University; Lennis Jones Simmons College, Abilene; John Oates.
State Dental College, Dallas; Dr. Clem Guest
Kidd-Key, Sherman; Ivey
Collegiate Institute, Stamford; Emery Menefee.
Texas Christi
Waco; Carl Odell Uniasersity, Frank Baldwin, Press and Misses Tommie Boone, Look, Odell, Mabel Baldwin, Lelia Bryant and Kathleen Wilfong.

## ESTRAYED OR STOLDN.

 One gray mare about fifteen high, branded $K$ on left shouldof Decemhyt. Will pay liberal reward t/ any one bringing her 1t-Pd.Mr. Anton Malek of West, Texas moved here this week. He has rented his farm north of town to Johana Jaura who has
moved from the West.
Wall Paper Now, Stock
Sc to \$1.00 ge SIl.
Norman)
Mr. J. L. Baldwin made a business trip to Dallas and Fort
Elmer Wall is now working in some time.


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 of Cloaks $\$ 1.50$ to 5.00

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Reggio, the Seaport, Wiped Out of Existence By Tidal Wave Caused By the Vast Upheaval of Land.

## BIG STICK SMASHES; ROOSEVELT DEFENDS <br> THE SECRET SERVICE <br> In Message to House President De= clares His Statements in Previous Words to Congress Were Grossly Misunderstood.




