

# The Haskell Free Press.

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WHOLE NO. 1547

## Do Your Christmas Shopping Now

Only Fifteen More Days to Buy Your Christmas Things

**O**UR Store is brim full of the Xmas spirit. Here you will find many useful gifts for him or for her. Give something worth while---not necessarily expensive, but useful.

### Gifts for Him---

Combination sets of:— Suspenders and Hose Supporters; Suspenders, Hose Supporters and Arm Bands. Hose and Hose Supporters.

A very novel set—a box containing hose and hose supporters. When opened the box forms a nice checker board and contains the men---a nice gift for the boy or his dad.

Hand bag, Suit Case, Overcoat, Rain coat, Macinaw, Bath robe, Silk shirt, Initial linen handkerchief, Plain linen handkerchief, Silk hose, Gloves.

We know what he would like, and will take the time to help you select his gift.

### Gifts for Her---

Feather boas, Silk waists, Crepe de chine waists, Silk under vests in colors, Kid gloves, Silk gloves, Silk hose, Embroidered handkerchiefs, Initial Handkerchiefs, Rain coats, Lace table and dresser scarfs, Luncheon napkins, Table linen, Bath set of two towels and wash cloth, Comforts of silk and satin, Traveling bags and trunks.

We can give you a good idea of what she will appreciate and will be glad to help you select her gift.

## F. G. Alexander & Sons

THE BIG STORE

Haskell, Texas

Dec. 8, 1915

### J. A. COUCH, SR. PASSES TO BEYOND

Death Occurred Sunday Morning,  
With Interment Monday  
Afternoon

J. A. Couch, Sr., died in this city Sunday morning, at the age of 83 years. Mr. Couch had been in feeble health for some time, and the end was not altogether unexpected. While Mr. Couch has not lived in Haskell for a great while, yet he had been a resident of this section for the past ten years, recently removing here from Munday.

The funeral service was held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the First Baptist Church, Rev. Wm. Groom being in charge of the service. Interment occurred in Willow Cemetery immediately thereafter.

John Archibald Couch, Sr., was

born in Bedford County, Tennessee, April 4, 1832. In 1870 he removed to Texas, first settling in Hill County. In 1876 he moved from Hill to Coleman County and for ten years past had been a resident of this section.

Mr. Couch is survived by his widow and ten children, five sons and five daughters, as follows:

G. R. Couch, J. A. Couch, Jr., and R. C. Couch, of this city; E. C. Couch, Knox City; D. R. Couch, Aspermont; Mrs. J. M. Musser, Abilene; Mrs. R. L. Reeves, Munday; Mrs. L. W. Roberts, Ft. Worth; Mrs. Sarah Parker, Rockwall; Mrs. Morrison, Hillsboro.

This splendid wide circle will join with the hour of bereavement.

### Beef Cattle Prices Advancing

Washington, D. C. Dec. 9 —Based on a recent report issued by the Bureau of Crop Estimates, the average price of beef cattle per 100 pounds in Texas is \$5.60, while during the corresponding period in 1914, it was estimated at \$5.50 per hundred pounds.

Although the report does not show the increase of this year's price to be very high over that of 1914, it is thought the bulletin will be optimisticly received by Texas cattlemen.

The dull season and as early indications

### Several Thousand Turkeys Are Sold

The Turkey Growers Association of Haskell County held an interesting meeting in this city last Saturday. At that time it was decided by members of the organization to pool their turkeys and sell in lump. A deal was made whereby M. A. Clifton handled the fowls. On Wednesday something over 4,000 birds were brought in and sold. Mr. Clifton, we understand, shipped 3,000 turkeys to the Overstreet Produce Company, of Wichita Falls.

In addition to the three thousand shipped, a thousand, maybe more, of the birds were sold to independent buyers, some local and some out of town. Wednesday was a busy day around Mr. Clifton's feed store and lot, where the turkeys were weighed and many unloaded. Several hundred were kept in his lots Wednesday night.

### MRS. F. L. PEAVY IS FATALLY SHOT

Small Boy is Alleged to Have Fired  
Shots That Resulted in  
Lady's Death

The most deplorable tragedy in the history of Haskell, perhaps, occurred last Monday afternoon, when the life of Mrs. F. L. Peavy was snuffed out by gunshot wounds. There were no eye-witnesses to the tragedy, other than the boy who is said to have fired the shots. However, before death occurred, Mrs. Peavy made a statement in which she described the manner in which she received the fatal wounds. A neighbor boy was taken into custody following the shooting of the lady. The lad who is alleged to have fired upon

Mrs. Peavy is only thirteen or fourteen years of age, and so far as ascertainable had no motive for the crime with which he is charged.

A particularly pathetic incident of the sad affair is that the deceased lady is deaf and dumb. Notwithstanding this affliction, however, Mrs. Peavy was at all times in a pleasant state of mind, and enjoyed a wide circle of friends. The husband, F. L. Peavy, is a local carpenter. At the time of the shooting Mr. Peavy was engaged in some work at the Haskell Oil Mill.

Mrs. Nola Peavy was born Sept. 17, 1875. Prior to her marriage she was Miss Nola Norman. Besides her husband and one son, she is survived by her mother and several brothers and sisters.

The funeral service was at the Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, interment taking place in Willow Cemetery immediately thereafter.

John Barrymore  
Adventurous

After

Useful and valuable

Dec. 13

"The Dictator" By Richard Harding Davis

Put the Blues on the Blink.

Night First show begins 6:45.  
Second 8:00 Third 9:15

Matinee performance. Prices 10 and 15 cents

House of Happiness

# BUY MERCHANDISE NOT PRICES

**S**OME Goods are not cheap at any price. Others are cheaper at regular price. Take into consideration that the **SERVICE, LOOKS and STYLE** of a piece of goods or garment decides its value.

Our system of buying and selling enables us to give you good values. We mean by good values, new, clean, Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Etc. for less than you can buy the same quality elsewhere. We are here to stay. You may depend on us. If the goods are not to your entire satisfaction, we are ready and willing to make adjustment.

## Only 12 More Shopping Days Until Christmas

We have received box after box of new Christmas goods. Gifts that will be useful; the kind that will be appreciated, and yet, not so expensive.

Among this lot of Christmas goods will be found something for man, woman and child.

### Goods on Sale Must be Closed Out Before January, 1st

Men's and Boys' suits, hats, caps and overcoats must be sold before January first. See our prices on these substantial goods.

50 ladies coats and suits to be sold regardless of price. This is the time of year when we must sell these goods. Take advantage of the wonderful bargains we have to show.

### Two Large Shipments of Ladies Shoes Just Received.

And to reduce this over-stock, we have made **SPECIAL** prices.

Special Purchase of Men's Mackinaws selling at \$3.15, \$3.85, \$5.00 and \$6.50

## GRISSOM'S

The Reliability of a Store Should  
Be Your First Thought

Miss Winnie Gross, one of the Free Press' good correspondents, was in the city Saturday, and called at the office.

H. L. Sherrill of Temple, who owns considerable property in and around Haskell, arrived in the city last Friday night.

Ladies: I can alter and dye your old suit, skirt or coat, and make it like new. Haskell Hat and Dye Works.

## LOCAL NOTES

Miss Velma Meadors arrived from Wichita Falls last Friday night.

Be sure to see the girls in the beautiful cantata, "Crowning of Love," at the Opera House, December 21st.

W. D. Arden of Ennis, was a visitor in the city last week looking after his property holdings here. He made our office a pleasant visit.

The Free Press can now supply you with the highest grade typewriter ribbons, for Underwood and L. C. Smith machines.

N. B. Feagin of Ennis, was a business visitor in the city the last of the week.

For Sale, Cheap—One good incubator and brooder. Mrs. Robt. Robertson. 49-2t

Strayed—One red, medium-sized cow; branded on right hip. Finder please notify this office. 50 1tp

W. E. Anderson of Goree, was a business visitor in the city the last of the week.

For Sale—Registered Poland Chinas. I have several sows and gilts, also pigs, 4 or 5 months old; fine for breeding purposes, at bargain prices. Call and see them 4 1/2 miles south Haskell. 3 rings on Fouts line. G. W. Waldrop,

A good thoroughbred mare for sale right. Call at Hancock's Store

Douglass Van Steenwyk of Stamford, spent Sunday in the city.

Have you seen "Mr. Bob?" No, he won't be here until the night of the home talent play given by the young people of the Baptist Church. Opera House, Dec. 17th 25c, 15c, 10c.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Nolen returned Saturday evening, after a week's visit in Dallas.

Mrs. H. G. McConnell and daughter, Miss Lois, returned Sunday night after a visit in Dallas and Fort Worth. They attended the McCormack Concert while in Fort Worth.

Pull off that long, lean, lanky look. You'll laugh until you are fat if you see "Mr. Bob" in the home talent play, Dec. 17th. 25c, 15c, 10c.

J. M. Veazy and F. E. Gaston motored over to Rotan Saturday afternoon, returning Sunday.

Here, where you get double return for your money! Only 25, 15 10c to see "Mr. Bob," the home talent play, and "An Interrupted Proposal," a farce preceding, Opera House, Friday, Dec. 17th.

Mrs. C. C. Middleton left Wednesday night for Stamford after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cobb.

A good thoroughbred mare for sale. Call at "

Mrs. H. Monday Fort Worth ten

## FARM and RANCH LOANS

We have just secured another Loan Company that makes the **BEST LOANS** ever made in Haskell County, with prepayment privileges. Service the best and quickest. See us before you deal.

Bargains in two houses in town.

### West Texas Loan Company

Robertson & Daugherty, Mgrs. Farmers State Bank Building Haskell, Texas

For Sale—I have about 25 head of stock horses, mares, colts and fillies, for sale cheap, on easy terms. See J. C. Montgomery, on R. C. Matthews farm, 7 miles south of town. 49-1tp

District Judge Thomas and Court Stenographer Chas. Weich went to Anson Friday night, returning Monday morning. District Court recessed over last Saturday.

If you want to exchange or sell your land, list with Sprowles and Co. Office in McConnell Bldg. of

Chas. W. Sammons was over from Stamford the last of the week, demonstrating a new, all-season Hudson car. It was a beauty.

Phone 157 for a sack of cow feed. Monarch Milk Maker. E. A. Chambers.

For quick results on cash deals, list your lands with Henry Johnson.

The flight of Norris Ford from the lumber camp of the Alleghanies to the brilliant cosmopolitan life of the Argentine provides many a striking and effective contracts of locale and scenery in "The Wild Olive," the new production of the Oliver Morosco Photoplay Company. Myrtle Steadman and Forrest Stanley have the leading roles Dick's Theatre, Thursday, Dec. 16

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Montgomery visited in Stamford the latter part of last week.

For Sale—Good, almost new, gentleman's bicycle. Apply to Mrs. H. C. Scott. 50-2t

B. F. Yates, living west of town was in the city the latter part of the week past. He was a pleasant caller at our office.

Strayed—From my place, 4 miles southwest of Rochester, one horse mule, dark brown; 15 hands high, 3 years old; no brand or marks. Lee Ballew, Rochester, Texas 49-2tp

A. G. Fry, who has been sick some time, and who was for a time confined in a sanitarium at Wichita Falls, is now much improved. He was able to be down town during this week.

Insurance, all kinds. I have just what you need and want. Henry Johnson.

A good thoroughbred mare for sale cheap. Hancock & Co.

C. J. Levey of Weinert, was in the city Saturday. He made our office an appreciated call. Mr. Levey was here to attend the organization of the Haskell County Turkey Growers' Association.

List your property with me for quick sales. Henry Johnson.

J. M. Alderson of Anson, spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. Bryson would like a man and wife to board. Bath and lights 50-5tp

Mrs. M. P. Dumas, who had charge of the coffee demonstration at Hunt's last week, left Friday night for Stamford.

Let us Have Those Quilts and Blankets before winter. We make them sweet to sleep under and give them that new fluffy look. Haskell Laundry.

Grover Carothers was over from Rochester Sunday afternoon.

R. A. Knowels of Waco, visited his brother, M. E. Parks, of the city, last week.

## SINCE TAKING PERUNA

I can say my bowels are much more regular. My heart is stronger. My appetite is much better. My throat is much better.



Sam H. Hinchliffe, 20 Myrtle St., Beverly, Mass., taken four bottles of Peruna, and I can say that great deal of good for catarrh of the head and end Peruna to all sufferers with catarrh. I do not think too much praise can be said for

to fluid medicines can now procure Peruna

## Tuesday

World Film Corporation Pre

## "Alias Jimm

ROBERT WARWICKE as "Alias Jimmy

Ladies' and Children's Souvenir Matinee

Prices 10

Dick's Theatre---

Play

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Five Acts

we begin 2:15 and 8:30 (in 6:45, 8, and 9:15

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## Haskell County Property

If you want a home in Haskell or a farm, see us. We have a large list, which includes some rare bargains.

**R. H. Sprowls & Co.**  
Haskell, Texas

Plenty of money to loan, at 6 and 8 per cent.

Sanders & Wilson.

D. Scott was a business visitor at Goree Tuesday.

No better cow feed than Monarch Milk Maker.

E. A. Chambers.

Judge A. J. Smith returned Tuesday morning after a short business trip to Austin.

Let E. L. Northcutt do your hauling. Satisfaction guaranteed.

H. Weinert of Weinert, was a visitor in the city during this week.

Matinee every day at Dick's Theatre from 2:30 to 6 p. m.

Mr. Robt. Branham, who recently received serious injuries in a fall at the oil mill, was able to be out on crutches this week, we are pleased to note.

Try a sack of Milk Maker for your cow. There is no better.

E. A. Chambers.

J. S. Martin left Tuesday night going to Fort Worth on a business mission.

E. L. Northcutt is prepared to do all kinds of hauling. Prompt and satisfactory service.

F. G. Alexander left Tuesday night for Stamford, where he attended District Conference of the M. E. Church.

Everything neat and sanitary at Kinnison's barber shop. Baths only 15c.

Henry Jones returned to his home at Knox City Monday, after a short visit here.

Monarch Milk Maker, composed of molasses, cotton seed meal, and ground and threshed maize heads.

E. A. Chambers.

Misses Amy Belle and Mayme Loe left Tuesday night for a visit at Abilene and Coleman.

Let us give your suit a sanitary cleaning and pressing and make it look like new. Haskell Hat and Dye Works.

Robt. L. Couch returned to Dallas Tuesday night. He was here to attend the funeral of J. A. Couch, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cogdell left Monday night for a visit in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Musser returned to their Abilene home Tuesday night, after attending the funeral of Mrs. Musser's father, J. A. Couch, Sr.

Notice—For fancy and plain sewing, see or phone Mrs. A. M. Hall at Mrs. M. M. Bryant's residence.

Mrs. J. B. Bailey and son, Vaughn Bailey, left Tuesday night for a visit at Grandview.

Full line climated nursery stock. Pecan trees, 15c up. Send for price list. Clyde Nursery, Clyde, Texas.

R. R. English returned Tuesday night after a short visit to the Amarillo country.

Christmas presents for the old and young. J. D. Jensen

Hat Pins, nail files, grip tags and book marks, at J. D. Jensen.

We have a few friendship links left. We are closing out our links at 20c apiece, and send them to Dallas to be engraved. The work is beautifully done. The Variety Store.

Lost—Little girl's jacket and two school books, second reader and speller. Finder please return to Free Press.

Just received our holiday goods. Come in and see them before you buy. J. D. Jensen.

The original Rogues Gallery of the police department in one of America's largest cities, together with the inner office of the chief of the detective staff, play a big part in the smashing climax of Oliver Morosco Photoplay Company production, "The Wild Olive," Dick's Theatre, Thursday, Dec. 16.

A beautiful line of solid gold watches, chains and fobs. J. D. Jensen.

Lost—Lady's size, 15-jewel, Waltham watch; initial "M" on back of case. Fob, with initial "A." Also trunk key and other small key. Reward for return to Free Press office.

Good baths at Kinnison's barber shop at 15c.

Matinee every day at Dick's Theatre from 2:30 to 6 p. m.

List your land with Sprowls and Co. Office in McConnell Bldg.

When ordering cow feed don't forget that I sell more coal, cheaper coal, and better coal for the money.

There are three links at my store that not been called for. They are engraved as follows: One, "Nov.," one "1915"; one "J.M.U." The parties will please call for them. Mrs. Love, the Variety Store.

Matinee every day at Dick's Theatre from 2:30 to 6 p. m.

Baths are selling for only 15c each at Kinnison's barber shop.

Visit our opening, Dec. 11th. See the four gifts to be given away to the first lady, man, girl and boy. They are in the show window at the Variety Store.

Headquarters for Santa Claus, at J. D. Jensen's.

The Free Press has several scholarships in the Tyler Commercial College at a liberal discount. If you desire a business education it will be to your interest to see us.

A nice line of cut glass, silverware and vanity cases. Prices guaranteed. J. D. Jensen.

Wood Wanted—The Free Press would be glad to take a few loads of wood on subscription.

Stop! Come in and see our beautiful lavaliers—diamond, ruby and cameo. J. D. Jensen.

Have your hats cleaned and reblocked at Haskell Hat and Dye Works.

Be glad for you to visit our store during holidays, whether you buy or not. J. D. Jensen.

A few loads of wood at The Free Press.

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## County School Items of Interest

The teacher of Powell School, Miss Gipson, has a first grade certificate and has had six years of experience in teaching. She has enrolled 23 children and has her work well organized. The trustees, R. Massie, G. H. Smithee, and J. S. Calloway have repaired the schoolhouse and are planning to have a better and longer school.

The teacher of Ballew School, Miss Willie Rich, has taught four years in Haskell County. She has a first grade certificate and is one of the best teachers in the county. She opened school with 21 children and the very best of interest. The trustees, J. C. Holt, S. W. Segoe, and John McGregor, have had the schoolhouse painted and have ordered single desks and a supply of maps for the school. The trustees are to be commended for their efforts in improving the school. The school already has a nice library and no doubt the community will add more library books this year.

Miss Lena Mae Willis, a first grade experienced teacher, has Whitman school in good working condition. Pupils are interested and busy. This school has a good library. The people of the community made up money and bought the library. Miss Willis is a very successful teacher and will give the people of Whitman community a good school. I visited all of the above schools this week and found that each teacher had her work well in hand.

T. C. Williams.

### Ladies, Take Notice

All makes of sewing machines repaired and guaranteed new parts furnished. Widows having not the means, I repair machines free. Forty-four years' experience enables me to guarantee satisfaction. Headquarters, Commercial Hotel, Phone 298. Louis K. Walker. 50-1tp

## "From the Valley of the Missing"

An all-star cast headed by Jane Miller, daughter of the State Treasurer of Missouri and formerly leading woman with the mammoth production of "Life" at the Manhattan Opera House, New York City, is seen in "From the Valley of the Missing" a picture version of Grace Miller White's world-famous novel, made for the Fox Film Corporation, William Fox, president. The picture, which is produced by Frank Powell, calls for artists of unusual ability. Ordinary "motion-picture" actors would have been utterly unable to cope with "From the Valley of the Missing." People of exceptional ability therefore had to be engaged, for the picture deals with almost every conceivable type from rough men and women of the river barges to the governor of the state and the most fashionable society of New York and Washington.

Jane Miller plays Ann Shellington with great charm and distinction and all the great ability she displayed in "Life" performance which was acclaimed by the press of the me-

## Money Saved--Positions Secured

Positions Business is booming in West Texas. New firms are being organized constantly, and the trade of old firms is increasing. Bookkeepers and stenographers are being promoted to higher positions. All of these have made the demand for Draughon-trained students far greater than the supply.

Advantage of Location. Draughon's at Abilene is the only well-known business college in all Central West Texas—a territory as large as many states. Thousands of big firms are nearer this school than any similar college, and these employ many more office assistants than we can qualify. During the last three months we have had ten times as many positions as graduates.

Guarantee. We can, therefore sign a printed contract to secure positions or refund tuition. This tells better than words the confidence we have in our Employment Department.

Equipment. Traveling men and former students of other schools who enroll here from time to time say that this is the best equipped, best arranged, and most modern business college in the Southwest. It is the second largest Draughon College in Texas.

Courses. More merchants and bankers in the Draughon Bookkeeping course than in any other similar course combined. Nineteen-tenths of the shorthand office and reporting work in the United States is done through the principles of shorthand taught here. Consider these if you want THE BEST.

Notes. So long as the demand for our graduates so far exceeds the supply and so long as there is a vacant desk here for you, this ad will be accepted, in lieu of other discounts and rebates as a \$10 cash payment on a full course—railroad fare paid to Abilene. The few remaining vacant desks will be reserved in the order in which enrollments are received. Write today for enrollment blank and full particulars.

**Draughon's Practical Business College**  
Abilene, Texas



Scene from "The Dictator" Dick's Monday

tropolis. Arleen Hackett contributes a wonderfully powerful character study as "Seraggy" the unfortunate woman of the river, the poor forlorn woman whose life is one long tragedy. Miss Hackett starred in "Today" and other big productions and is an actress of an ability which David Belasco, in several of whose greatest productions she has appeared, declares is distinctly out of the ordinary. "Seraggy" is a very important part in the drama and Miss Hackett rises fully to the requirements of the role. The Tobin Twins, Genevieve and George, the cleverest juvenile actors in the country, are cast for Flea and Flunkey the two twins;

about whose identity much of the interest of the play centers.

Clifford Bruce, well-known for his work in the Fox productions of "A Fool There Was" and "The Children of Ghetto" enacts the character of Floyd Vandecar the father of the children; he is ably seconded by Katherine Calhoun as the governor's wife. Lon Cronk, a squatter, falls to the capable Bailey as Everett Brimbecomb and Gladys Peck as his wife and Robert Cummings as Lem Crabbe also do splendid and effective work.

Dick's Theatre, Wednesday Dec. 15th.

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure. The worst cases, no matter of how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

## A New Boot for Women

Just received—our first shipment of the new EMPIRE BOOT. The one featured by all the big city department stores at \$7 to \$12.

A nine inch boot, military lace, white or black laces. Made of Soaped Kid, with white stitching. Fits the arch perfectly—in fact a glove fitting shoe.

Our price \$5.00

**F. G. ALEXANDER & SONS**

THE BIG STORE

Haskell, Texas

Dec. 8-1915

# Best Groceries

When you want a sack of Flour that makes the best of bread or those "melting" biscuits	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want the best Premium hams on the market, well streaked and cured	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want the best grades of coffee, scientifically roasted	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want a good substantial Coffee, a little less in price, A1 in quality	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want the best granulated Sugar, pure and rich	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want a high grade Lard that give the best satisfaction	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want the best of Vegetables in season	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want first-class fresh Meat	<b>We Have It</b>
When you want ANYTHING in the grocery line	<b>We Have It</b>

**POSEY & HUN**

William Fox 66 Presents

Eminent cast of Ladies' souls

**DICK'S**

Monday, Dec. 15, "From the Valley of the Missing" By Grace Miller White

Production, 1,000 People, 500 Great scenes

Afternoon shows begin 2:15 and 3:30  
Night shows begin 6:45; 8; and 9:15

House of Happiness

**The Haskell Free Press**

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" " " .50 Six Mos.

**ADVERTISING RATES:**  
Display advertisements under one-half page 12 1/2 cents per inch per issue.  
One-half page, \$7.00 per issue.  
One page, \$12.00 per issue.  
Two pages, \$20.00 per issue.  
Advertisements on First Page, 15 cents per inch per issue.  
Local readers 5 cents per line per issue.  
Local readers in black face type 10 cents per line per issue.  
Obituaries, Resolutions and Cards of Thanks, 3 cents per line per issue.

HASKELL, TEXAS, Dec. 11, 1915.

Time is getting short for early Christmas advertising.

Have you secured that 1915, latest model poll tax receipt?

No need to go out of Haskell for your Christmas purchases; be loyal! Support home trade.

Yes, the rains of this week were a little disagreeable to be out in. But think of the grain crops ahead!

Some newspapers claim Hank Ford only seeks advertising. If that is the case, he appears to know how to get what he seeks.

If it is true that Man descends from Monkey, we have about arrived at the conclusion that some are provided with round-trip tickets.

At least, Haskell has taken on quite a different aspect at night-time. The street lights are a pleasant reality since Saturday night.

Much comment these days as to W. J. B. failing to accompany the peace party to Europe, he preferring, rather, to meet the delegation later at The Hague. Being a peace advocate and taking chances of being a piece of a peace advocate, are to his mind, perhaps, entirely different matters.

One paper timely remarks that while Ford has his Oscar II, that Texas had her Oscar first. Hank playing second fiddle to Texas, eh?

Headline: "Men Armed With Shot Guns Patrol Dallas Streets to Stop Crime." Which gives us more cause to be thankful that we live in peaceful, healthful West Texas, rather than the M. of T.

According to Wednesday's news dispatches, the main point in President Wilson's annual message was the need for better military preparedness. Wonder how it will set with the Grape Juice exponent?

Talking about a money crop How about Haskell's annual turkey crop? On Wednesday of this week Haskell County farmers received in the neighborhood of ten thousand dollars for the fowls marketed that one day alone.

There are many land deals being made these days. But bear in mind all the land is not being purchased by outside capital; witness that eighteen thousand dollar cash deal last week, wherein a resident of Haskell was the purchaser.

A visit around the stores these days is convincing argument of the very near approach of Christmas. And from a standpoint of prosperity, this will doubtless be the greatest Christmas in the history of Haskell.

Notwithstanding the almost incessant rains throughout Monday, there was a monster crowd in town. Kind of a double attraction, as it were: District Court in session and First Monday. Good trading at local stores was also on the program of the day.

Haskell resident guards Turkey! However, it was not a case of guarding against advances of the allies in the Dardanelles; only a case of guarding a few hundred fowls from possible invasion of night prowlers, said turkeys being kept in a local lot over night Wednesday, awaiting shipment.

**TWO CROPS AND PRICES**

J. A. Taylor of Memphis is the president of the National Ginners' Association. His report issued on Dec. 1 indicated 11,017,000 bales without linters. He says the bales are about 5 per cent lighter than last year, making the crop about 10,910,000 bales of last year's weights. Oil mills report the linters will be about 698,000 bales, compared with 832,000 last year, the bales averaging 34 per cent less than last year, or equal to 651,000 of last year's weights.

Texas ginned to Dec. 1, 2,783,000 bales exclusive of linters. It should be remembered that linters have been in great demand by manufacturers of high explosives. Early in October The Record predicted a 3,000,000-bale crop for Texas and came within 100,000 bales of the total crop without counting the linter product.

There is a short cotton crop. Those who held their cotton realized handsome profits. The crop of 1914 sold for an average of less than 8 cents to the producer. Should it average 19 cents to the producer this year it will mean \$10 to the bale, or a little matter of \$120,000,000 to the farmers of the South.

In 1914 the speculators and spinners said that the production was 2,000,000 bales in excess of the world's demand. In 1915 the crop is 5,000,000 less than in 1914. Then why shouldn't the manufacturers of the world pay a fancy price for the raw material?—Fort Worth Record.

Two Haskell families have been irretrievably saddened as a result of Monday's tragedy. While it is a dark hour of grief for the family of the deceased lady, likewise are the hearts of the parents of the boy who is said to have fired the fatal shots, downcast and saddened. To both these good families our heartfelt sympathy is extended.

If our news columns are slack, blame it on the grand jury. It is the custom of this scribe to ask all friends, and others, whom he meets on the streets, what they know. For two weeks past now, maybe more, the invariable answer has been: "Don't know nothin'—grand jury is in session"

Some mighty good road work has taken place over the county since the inauguration of the Haskell County Chain Gang. This was an advanced step of progress by the Commissioners' Court, from which they have been recipients of many compliments.

All editors should boost for that Newspaper Week, to be holden at the University of Texas, under auspices of the School of Journalism of that institution. While the date remains to be set, it is probable "Newspaper Week" will be either in February or March. Notices have been sent out to "sound" the brethren of the press as to their views of the most suitable time for the occasion. We hope to be there, whenever it may be.

To Drive Out Malaria And Build Up The System Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC. You know what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out malaria, Iron builds up the system. 50 c.

**"FATHER" COUCH**

(An appreciation)  
"Father" Couch as he was affectionally known, was the center of a large circle of admiring friends who will always miss him since "he has crossed the bar."

One did not have to know him long to lose one's heart to him for his noble, tender, unselfish spirit. Many a time the writer enjoyed the sunshine of his company. Modest as he was, he talked little of himself, but he took a very keen interest right up to the last in all newspaper topics, discussing them with much wisdom and insight.

In other years he was a man of much zeal and courage, having a conscience as steady as a needle to the pole, and always achieving something worth while.

As a comparatively young man he threw in his lot with a Baptist Church and was soon serving in the highest place of honor offered to a layman—that of a deacon. Faithful and earnest, he helped lift every load and was sorely missed when he left for Texas.

In the Lone Star State he raised a large and most worthy family, all of whom occupy honorable places in the communities and churches with which they are connected. No one knows how much he sacrificed for their education and to further their interests, but who will say he has not been repaid a hundred fold?

As one thinks of their grand old friend, of his sterling character, his kindly and patient disposition his many activities for God and humanity—the words of Phillip Brooks seem peculiarly appropriate: "He was such a man and lived such a life that if all lived as he did, earth would be a paradise"

What a call comes to us of a younger generation to live with such purity and purpose that we too shall leave such a peerless heritage behind us!

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the sorrowing widow and family.

The early Christians were accustomed to bid their dying friends "Goodnight" so sure were they of their awakening on the Resurrection morning, hence these comforting words:

Sleep on, beloved, sleep, and take thy rest;  
Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast;  
We love thee well but Jesus loves best—  
Good-night!

Only "Goodnight" beloved, not "farewell"  
A little while and all His saints shall dwell,  
In hallowed union, indivisible—  
Good-night!

Until we meet again before His throne,  
Clothed in the spotless robe he gives his own  
Until we know even as we are known—  
Good-night!

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**Sheriff Makes Raid**  
Sheriff W. C. Allen Saturday night flushed a crowd of young white men in the vicinity of Rochester who were engaged in gambling. As a result of the raid he brought six young men to the city and lodged them in the county jail

**Laughter Aids Digestion**  
Laughter is one of the most healthful of exertions; it is of great help to digestion. A still more effectual help is a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. If you should be troubled with indigestion give them a trial. They only cost a quarter. For sale by West Side Drug Store.

**Wagon Load of Gamblers**  
Sunday afternoon Sheriff Allen, Deputy Jim Bennett and County Attorney Kline left the city in the sheriff's car on a little scouting expedition. When near Rochester they ran full upon a large bunch of negroes engaged in gambling. Twelve of the blacks were arrested and a large wagon was engaged to bring the prisoners to town. The sheriff and his efficient force of deputies, with the co-operation of the county attorney's department are truly doing all within their power to break up lawlessness of every character. They have been particularly successful as to gambling, a large number of gamblers having recently been arrested.

**Why You Should Use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy**  
Because it has an established reputation won by its good works. Because it is most esteemed by those who have used it for many years, as occasion required, and are best acquainted with its good qualities. Because it loosens and relieves a cold and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Because it does not contain opium or any other narcotic. Because it is within the reach of all. It only costs a quarter. For sale by West Side Drug Store.

**Stock Sale Monday**  
As for the last week's Free Press is an auction sale of in this city Monday by J. S. Mart-ent the McKel-nt at stables, on to be, notwith- a success- o Haskell ay head of at very

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Haskell, - - - Texas.  
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Resident Phone No. 93.

**Crow-Pennel**  
At the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crow, in North Haskell Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, in the presence of a number of intimate friends and relatives, Mr. Wiley Pennel of Stamford, and Miss Effie Crow were united in marriage. The couple entered the parlor to the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Cora Killingsworth. Revs. Wallace pronounced the words that made the couple man and wife. The bride wore a beautiful dress of soft white crepe and lace. The parlor was decorated with ferns. The bride is a most charming young lady, loved by all who know her. She had for some time been one of the efficient operators at the local telephone exchange, in which capacity she was always courteous and kind. The couple will be at home in the future at Stamford.  
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The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the full name on the label for the Quinine of Dr. W. Groom.

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**Thursday**

**The Oliver Morosco Photo-play Co. Presents**

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## You Need a Tonic

There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardul, the woman's tonic. Cardul is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

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## The Woman's Tonic

Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardul is the greatest medicine on earth for women. Before I began to take Cardul, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardul today. Sold by all dealers.

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## Jno. W. Pace Buys Large Farm Tract

One of the largest land deals to be recorded in Haskell lately was that of last week, when Jno. W. Pace became owner of 875 acres of land, a half mile east of Weinert. The land purchased by Mr. Pace is a portion of the J. M. McGregor tract, and is excellent property. This deal, which has been pending for some time, was finally consummated Friday afternoon. The deal was made through Henry Johnson.

The purchase price of the above land was \$18,375, and was a strictly cash transaction. The purchaser, Mr. Pace, is a local druggist, conducting the Rexall Store, north side of the square.

## Owes Her Good Health to Chamberlain's Tablets

"I owe my good health to Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mrs. R. G. Neff, Crookston, Ohio. "Two years ago I was an invalid due to stomach trouble. I took three bottles of these Tablets and have since been in the best of health." For sale by West Side Drug Store.

## "The Wild Olive"

True to its promise to present some of the noted Morosco stage stars, the Oliver Morosco Photoplay Company has assembled a cast of impressive names for its forthcoming release, "The Wild Olive". In addition to Myrtle Stedman and the popular Forrest Stanley in the leading roles, not to mention the distinguished English actor, Herbert Standing, the cast includes Edmund Lowe, Charles Marriott, Mary Ruby, Thomas MacLarnie, James Appleby, all with the exception of Miss Ruby and Mr. Marriott, from the Morosco stage forces. "The Wild Olive" is the most elaborate production the Oliver Morosco Photoplay Company has ever made.

Dick's Theatre, Thursday Dec. 16th.

## HEALTH PAST FIFTY

Careful diet is of utmost importance to men and women past fifty years of age; it keeps up their strength, and the oil-food in Scott's Emulsion has nourishing food, a curative medicine and a sustaining tonic to regulate the functions. It contains the medicinal fats of pure cod liver oil and science proves that they furnish twice as much energy as other foods—then too, it creates pure blood, sharpens the appetite, relieves constipation, strengthens the body and alleviates the ailments due to declining years. Scott's is free from wine, alcohol or harmful drugs. Beware of substitutes.

## Comforting Words

Many a Haskell Household Will Find Them So

To have the pains and aches of a bad back removed—to be entirely free from annoying, dangerous urinary disorders, is enough to make any kidney sufferer grateful. The following advice of one who has suffered will prove comforting words to hundreds of Haskell readers.

Mrs. M. J. Tuten, Haskell, says: "My kidneys never bothered me until I began drinking impure water. I then began to suffer from a dull, dragging ache across my back. I had awful dizzy spells and headaches, in fact, felt miserable in every way. I could hardly do anything. When Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me, I used some. They eased up my back and strengthened my kidneys. Two boxes put me in good shape."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Tuten had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

## To Cure Children's Colds

Keep child dry, clothe comfortable, and give Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey. It is pleasant, soothing, antiseptic, raises phlegm and reduces inflammation. The first dose gives relief, continued treatment with proper care will avoid serious illness or a long cold. Don't let your child suffer. Get a bottle to-day. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c at druggists.

## J. W. Denning Dead

News has reached the city of the death December 1st of J. W. Denning. Mr. Denning was for a number of years a resident of Haskell, being engaged in carpentering. He was well known and survived by children in Texas.

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## MELVILLE'S COMEDIANS REMAINED THIS WEEK

Company Has Had Splendid Run Here and Have Made Many Friends—Good Bills

Heralded in advance as "That Classy Tent Show," we will say without any fear of contradiction that the slogan is well-applied. We have reference to Melville's Comedians, of course; it is a "classy" show in every sense of the word. Opening in Haskell last Thursday evening, practically unannounced, you might say, the company enjoyed a splendid run of business for the last three evenings of the past week. They carried an ad in the Free Press, but the paper is out so late in the week that the show had been going on for one or more performance before the paper reached subscribers.

Many good bills have been put on by this splendid company during their stay, and they have "made good" with local theatre-goers in every sense of the word. While the company came here ostensibly for an engagement of only three nights, yet they were induced to stay over for this week. The show has enjoyed splendid patronage at every performance, Monday night not even excepted. While it was quite rainy and bad Monday evening, yet there was a full tent of play-lovers out to witness the company's offering for that night.

One of the big hits of the Melville company is the splendid list of vaudeville features put on between acts. And the music, too, would be hard to beat. The band is splendid, also the orchestra. Indeed, we would like to take the stars of the company and give them individual mention, but to do would require too much space, as there are so many people in the cast, and they are all stars; it is an all-star company.

Members of the company during their stay here have formed many acquaintances, and each acquaintance can safely be called a friend. We understand the Melville players go from here to Seymour. We wish them well wherever they may go, and believe we speak the sentiments of a large portion of Haskell's citizenship when we add, that we look forward with keen pleasure to a return date.

## How to Cure Colds

Avoid exposure and drafts. Eat right. Take Dr. King's New Discovery. It is prepared from Pine Tar, healing balsams and mild laxatives. Dr. King's New Discovery kills and expels cold germs, soothes the irritated throat and allays inflammation. It heals the mucous membrane. Search as you will, you cannot find a better cough and cold remedy. Its use 5 years is a guarantee of 2 ion.

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## BUFORD YEAGER IS ADJUDGED DELINQUENT

Youth Alleged to Have Shot Mrs. Peavy, Goes to Gatesville Training School.

The case of Buford Yeager, charged with being a delinquent and who is alleged to have fired the shots that resulted in the death of Mrs. F. L. Peavy last Monday afternoon, went to trial before District Judge Thomas, sitting as Special Juvenile Judge, Thursday morning. The county judge is designated as Juvenile Judge, but in this instance Judge Smith disqualified by reason of relationship to Mrs. Peavy.

A number of witnesses were placed on the stand in regard to the case, the lad himself being placed on the stand. When questioned by the court the boy admitted that he fired the shots. The law provides that for crimes or misdemeanors committed by youths under the age of 17 years that their cases must be tried in Juvenile Court, and a State institution is maintained at Gatesville for the confinement of offenders coming under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts.

In the case of Buford Yeager, the charge of delinquency was sustained and he is to serve an indeterminate sentence in the State Juvenile Training School at Gatesville. The youth in this case, it is said will be 15 years of age in January next. Therefore, he will be confined most likely for a little over six years, or until he reaches his majority.

Many pathetic scenes occurred in the court room during the trial of the boy. At the time when relative and friends of the deceased lady were testifying there were few dry eyes in the court room. Especially was this so when the son and husband of Mrs. Peavy took the stand.

In commenting upon the case following the testimony of the various witnesses, Judge Thomas characterized it as one of the most horrible tragedies in which he has ever been called upon to sit as judge. He stated that any reason for such a terrible occurrence was entirely beyond his comprehension.

## For Rheumatism

As soon as an attack of Rheumatism begins apply Sloan's Liniment. Don't waste time and suffer unnecessary agony. A few drops of Sloan's Liniment on the affected parts is all you need. The pain goes at once.

A grateful sufferer writes:—"I was suffering for three weeks with Chronic Rheumatism and Stiff Neck, although I tried many many medicines, they failed, and I was under the care of a doctor. Fortunately I heard of Sloan's Liniment and after using it three or four days am up and well. I am employed in the biggest department store in S. F. where they employ from six to eight hundred hands, and they will surely hear all about Sloan's Liniment"—H. B. Smith, San Francisco, Cal.—Jan. 1915. At all druggists. 2

## Bear This in Mind

"I consider Chamberlain's Cough Remedy by far the best medicine in the market for colds and croup," says Mrs. Albert Blosser, Lima, Ohio. Many others are of the same opinion. For sale by West Side Drug Store.

## "I HAVE A GREAT WORK IN HAND" CICERO

Each and every part of humanity has a great work in hand—their own destiny. Often four eyes are better than two in tracing the river of success to its source, and can trace the successful river of their lives to small beginnings started in the right direction.

The bank is a persistent reminder of the necessity that lies on everyone to systematically and safely deposit their earnings, and we invite your account.

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## A Good Residence

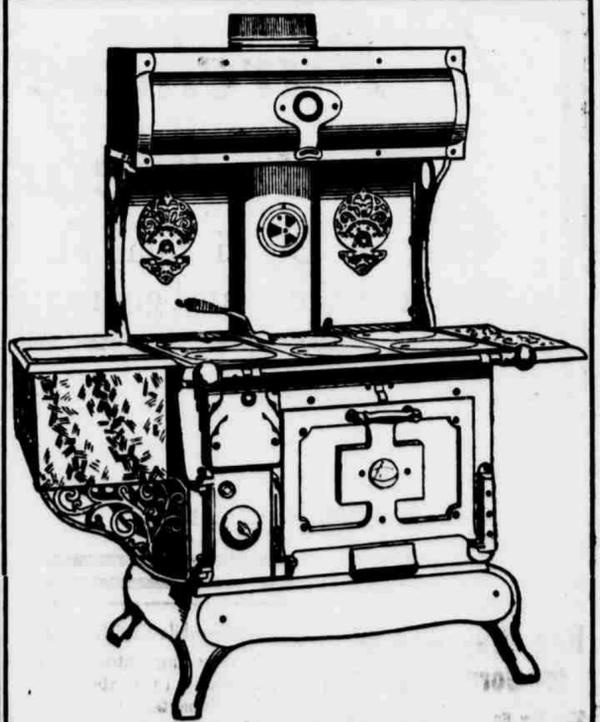
Located in North Haskell, good six room house, well, storm house and barn, at \$2250.00 with a very small cash payment and good long time on balance. Would consider to trade for farm land. This is for quick action only. West Texas Loan Co.

## Leaves For Stephenville

Haskell, Texas, Nov. 4, 1915. I leave for home today and leave my land in the hands of R. H. Sprows & Co., and Henry Johnson. Parties wanting a cheap home, call on them. Wm Oglesby. 45-8tp

## Rev. Irl R. Hick's 1916 Almanac

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks 1916 Almanac is by far the finest, largest and best ever before printed. The Hicks storm and weather forecasts for 1915 again have proven their truth and value, and this splendid Almanac for 1916 should find its way straight into every home and office in America. The Rev. Irl R. Hicks Magazine, Word and Works, and his unique Almanac should always go together, both for only one dollar a year. The Almanac alone is 35c, prepaid. Send to Word and Works Publishing Company, 3401 Franklin Ave., St. Louis Mo.



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Dec. 17

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Night shows begin 6:45; 8 and 9:15

# Another BIG BANKRUPT STOCK Another Lucky Strike

We have just purchased another Big Bankrupt stock of Dry goods and groceries at Tuscola, Texas. We have shipped this Stock to Haskell. It will be opened ready for business Sat. Dec. 12.

## We Made One LUCKY STRIKE

We made one lucky strike when we bought this stock. We bought a Seven Thousand dollar stock of dry goods, clothing, shoes and groceries at a very low price. This is a good, clean stock, every dollars worth of goods was bought in 1915. We bought this stock cheap and will consolidate it with our big bankrupt stock now located in the McConnell building. Consolidating these two big bankrupt stocks gives us by far the largest stock of dry goods in Haskell County. This gives us two Big Complete Stocks in one building. We can supply your wants in dry goods.

## We Have Had a Phenominal Sale

Never another sale like it in Haskell. We have not had a dull day, every day has been a busy day. But the big sale has just begun. Our stock is bigger and better in every way than when we first opened. Not having our new stock in at the time of writing this ad, we will not be in position to quote anything extra in price to those quoted in our big circular, but prices quoted in our Big Circular will still be good throughout our sale, and many more bargains not quoted in our Big Circular will be offered from day to day throughout our sale. We urge every family in Haskell to attend this big Two-in-One Bankrupt Sale. Positively this is the greatest bargain feat ever offered the people of Haskell County. Nothing like it ever before. Others may attempt to put on a sale, but no such bargains will be offered as we are offering.

## A Purchase at our Big 2-in-1 Bankrupt Sale Means a Real Saving in Dollars

See our Big Circular for Prices and come to this sale expecting still greater bargains. We have them and guarantee you that you will not be disappointed.

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The Big Surprise for Corn Owners. It's Sure, Simple, Safe, Quick.

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she put on "Gets-It," the corn was sure to go. Mary, like thousands of others, used to be a heroine, suffering martyrdom, using painful bandages, irritating salves, sticky tape, toe-harnesses, blood-bringing razors and scissors! She says now there's no sense in it. Use "Gets-It," applied in 3 seconds. Easy, simple, new way—just painless common sense! Millions are doing it. Never fails. You can wear smaller shoes now. You don't have to limp around any more, or walk on the side of your shoes to try to get away from your corns! You know for sure before you use "Gets-It" that the corn or callus is going away. For corns, calluses, warts and bunions. "Gets-It" is sold by all druggists. See a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago.

For Sale by all Dealers

Subscribe for the Free Press.

### Automobile Registrations

The following autos have been registered with the county-clerk's department since last week's report:

No. 317—Felix Frierson, Haskell, Ford.  
No. 318—Date Anderson, Haskell, Ford.  
No. 319—S. W. Treat, Haskell

and. J. J. Sully, Rule

### Marriage Licenses

The following permits to wed have been issued from the office of the county clerk since last report:

Charlie Washington and Miss Lula May Kidd.  
James W. Pennell and Effie Crow.

J. K. Betts and Miss Fannie Hunt.  
J. T. Sanders and Miss Mary Proctor.

Chas. Davis and Mary Roberts

### Notice Cotton Raisers

We will run our gin only Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week.

Farmers Gin Company.

### Join the Yeomen!

For the BEST and cheapest Life Insurance, with Accident clause added

C. W. RAMEY,

District Manager

### Judge Smith at Austin

Special to Free Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 7—Among the recent visitors in the State Capital from Haskell County was County Judge A. J. Smith. Judge Smith was in the Comptroller's Department in connection with some bond issues for Haskell County.

### Colds Need Attention

Internal throat and chest troubles produce inflammation, irritation, swelling or soreness and less checked at once, are likely to lead to serious trouble. At Kim's time Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar loosens the phlegm and the germs which have taken the throat or nose. It is and healing. Pine honey is soothing—both possess excellent medicinal qualities for fighting cold germs. 25c at all druggists.

## HIGH GRADE SELF-PLAYER PIANO FOR SALE



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### Club and Church Items

#### B. W. M. Workers

We were providentially hindered from meeting in regular session on Monday of this week, but will meet next week for the usual Bible study. It was suggested that we take up our Hills question books again. Let everyone remember the clipping bee and Japanese bazaar, Friday and Saturday, the 10th and 11th, to be held at Jones, Cox & Co., store. This will be the place to get lovely Christmas presents, and at the same time help on the building fund for the new church. We will appreciate your help in every way. Reporter.

#### Baptist Church Announcements

9:45—Sunday School. The Berean Class for young men will also meet at the church for the winter, Prof. Hutto, Leader. Smiles, handshakes and cheery greetings for all the fellows!  
11:00—Divine worship. Let your motto be, "Early in the morning my songs shall rise to Thee."  
4:30—B. Y. P. U. Great debate

to which all, especially young people, are invited. "Resolved that the world is getting better morally and spiritually"—Affirmative, J.R. Hutto, Negative, W. B. Murphy, Miss Minadel Davis.

7:15—Great Gospel Service, fourth of monthly series, "How to be Happy, tho Married" Delightful music. Come early, follow the crowds.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church have put in a special booking of the Opera House for Friday, Dec. 17th, when they will give the most humorous and fascinating play entitled, "Mr. Bob," preceded by a rare farce, "The Interrupted Proposal." Proceeds will go towards our new church.

Be sure fun, laugh superb!

Magazine 3, with the Mrs. Rey Rosta de Berj

Reading and interpretation: Cyrano de Bergerac—Mrs. Cogdell. Round Table Discussion. Hostess—Mrs. Post.

Everyone in town is urged to come to the club rooms Saturday evening, December 11th, and see our selections of Xmas decorations, etc.

Reporter.

#### Presbyterian Services

Rev. J. F. Floyd will preach in Haskell next Sunday. Subject for 11 a. m., "The Restoration of the Jews." All are most cordially invited to attend.

### LIV-VER-LAX

All the Effectiveness, Not the Calomel.

### Many Feature Bills at Dick's Theatre

Judging from the list of bookings for Dick's Theatre next week, Manager Nolen has about made his show an all-feature one at all times. For some time past practically all the bills have been feature productions. During this week some notable pro-plays have occurred. However, a glance over the ads for Dick's Theatre in this week's Free Press will convince anyone that next week's offerings will include some of the best bills ever shown in the city.

Monday's production will be "The Dictator," in which appears John Barrymore, a celebrated player, to great advantage.

Tuesday's offering will be "Alias Jimmie Valentine." This is a well-known production and has enjoyed phenomenal success wherever exhibited. In this production Robert Warwick appears in the title role.

Wednesday the William Fox Film Corporation presents an eminent cast of Broadway stars in "From the Valley of the Missing." This play is from the pen of Grace Miller White.

Thursday's bill will be one of the truly big offerings of the season. On this date the Oliver Morosco Photoplay Company presents "The Wild Olive." Myrtle Steadman and Forrest Stanley are seen to great advantage in this production.

Friday's offering will be Lew Fields, in "Old Dutch," supported by an all-star cast. This was a noted Broadway comedy, one that enjoyed a tremendous run.

Another Fox production is billed for Saturday night, where-in appears the royal actress, Bettie Nansen. The title is "The Celebrated Scandal."

#### Notice

I have sold my entire stock of paints and wall paper to Mr. Louis Marr, who in the future will conduct the business. I desire to here express sincere appreciation to my friends and customers for liberal patronage in the past, and wish to bespeak for my successor a continuance of same.

W. P. Whitman.

#### Card of Thanks

We take this method of thanking our many friends for the many kind deeds done for us during the loss of our beloved wife, mother, and sister. Heaven will be the home for these big, whole-hearted, sympathetic friends.

Time will never blot out the kind deeds done and the words of sympathy spoken to our bleeding hearts. We trust we will in some measure be able to repay our dear friends.

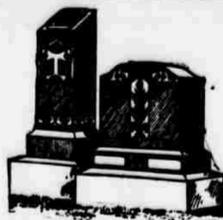
F. L. Peavy, Jimmie Peavy, T. D. Fuller, Mrs. Ola Nichols.

#### Corn Mill

ams & Hammond have just installed a corn mill and chopper. Located opposite Chambers' Feed 49-2t

#### Grand Jury Adjourns

The adjournment of the grand jury occurred Thursday afternoon, and that body turned in their report. It has been a busy session this time for the jury, much work being accomplished. Forty-six true bills of indictment were returned, eight cases and twenty-six warrants. Where par-don was granted, those indictments were promptly disposed of. Session of Dis-



### High Class Memorials in Marble and Granite

I am now representing the National Marble Mills, Atlanta, Georgia, and will be glad to call on you at your convenience, should you be interested in any size or style memorial.

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### Texas Tomatoes Worth \$1.70 Bushel

Washington, D. C. Dec. 9—Thirty cents per bushel is the increase in price made on tomatoes in Texas this year as compared with the 1914 estimate, according to the Bureau of Crop Estimates.

The 1915 price per bushel for Texas tomatoes is given at \$1.70 and during the same time last year they were shown at \$1.40 per bushel.

There are only three states which have shown a larger gain this year in price per bushel than is shown in Texas.

The report shows the average price of tomatoes for 1915 in the United States at 67.9 per cent per bushel.

#### It's Too Important, Don't Wait Till After Christmas

Our students are with us from many different states and they do not go home for the holidays owing to the great distance, therefore, we have no vacation and new students may enroll any day and do splendid work, right through the holidays. The advantage of enrolling now instead of January 1st, the sooner you enter, the sooner you will be thru' and holding a good position. Second, you get the advantage of selecting a better boarding place before the big January crowd gets in. Our school is like a big bank or mercantile establishment, it runs thru-out the year, we are always well organized and ready for new business, rendering the same service at all times. Practically every student gets individual instruction he is not held back by slow students, or crowded too fast by bright ones; he goes just as fast as his ability will permit. Should he happen to be slow or backward in his work, he is not embarrassed by others knowing how he is getting along, for under this individual method of instruction, they have no way of finding out. With our methods of individual instruction, and our own copyrighted systems, we are demonstrating to young people that it is useless to attend a commercial school teaching other systems and requiring from seven to ten months to finish the course, if they ever finish, when they can finish with us in half the time at half the cost and be more efficient, get a better salaried position and more rapid promotion because of their thorough and extensive training. It is our practical methods, our personal attention and our modern systems that enable us to accomplish so much in so short a time. In short we know exactly what the business office demands, and we teach that and teach it accurately and thoroughly.

Our literary subjects, which are given free with our courses, are woven into the main course in such a practical way that they are mastered in half the time required by the old methods, and are thoroughly understood from practical application. We guarantee a better course in less time, at a less expense and a better job with a better salary than any other school and it is evident that we have been securing these results or we could not in the past few years built up a school with an annual enrollment of more than 2000, and have drawn patronage from 39 states and several foreign countries.

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Make this a happy Christmas for those about you by buying them useful as well as beautiful Christmas presents here, at our sale prices. You can find useful and appropriate presents for every member of the family, as well as friends, at our store, and ALL at a VERY SUBSTANTIAL SAVING in price by buying now before our sale expires. You owe it to yourself and family to come now and take advantage of these prices, as our sale closes December 15th, you will only have a few more days to shop at these money saving prices. Come, buy your Christmas presents and leave them with us, we have plenty of room to keep them for you until you want to take them home or send them away. We are ready to serve you to the very best advantage. So come here now and make your shopping a pleasure instead of a burden.

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### Ladies and Children

WE are going to give you a valuable and useful souvenir at every Matinee performance from now until Christmas.

Matinee every day. First show begins 2:15. Second show 3:30.

Notice our announcements elsewhere in this issue.

### Dick's Theatre

### "Snake George" Gets Two-Year Sentence

George Henderson, alias "Snake George," was convicted of manslaughter by a jury in District Court Monday. His punishment was assessed at two years in the penitentiary. He stood charged by indictment with murder. George was sentenced Thursday morning. The crime with which "Snake George" was charged was the fatal shooting on the night of October 27th of Arthur Moore, both parties to the affair being negroes.

During the latter part of last week and up to Friday morning of this week many other cases have been cleared from the docket. In the case of George Henderson, defendant applied for suspended sentence, which was not allowed.

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### Little Girl Makes Stage Hit

Elsewhere in this issue occurs a write-up of the Melville's Comedians Company. However, in that write-up no mention appears of Little Miss Maxine Brockhahn. This demure little miss, being only three years of age, was one of the big hits of the week with the theatre-goers when she appeared for the first time in Haskell in the cast of that company. Her work was exceptionally clever, especially so in a specialty in which she appeared just preceding the last act of the play. This charming child is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brockhahn, of the cast of Melville's Comedians.

### Jewelry and Cut Glass

New, up-to-date jewelry and cut glass, at remarkably low prices.

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Our goods are of well-known quality; we do not offer goods for sale that are sent out on consignment. When you buy jewelry here you get the benefit of our fifteen years' experience in this business.

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### Negro Shot at Rule

A negro, suffering from severe gunshot wounds, was brought to the city late Sunday night from Rule. It is said that he was shot by other negroes. According to our information, an officer of Rule had gone out to ar-

rest some negroes, and the negro who was wounded is said to have grabbed the officer and shouted to some other negroes to shoot; that he had the man. However, the bullets that are believed to have been intended for the officer, struck the negro.



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### Advertised Letters

List of letters remaining unclaimed at the Haskell, Texas, postoffice for the week ending Dec. 4. Advertised Dec. 6, 1915.

Boss Andrews.  
Mrs. Bettie Aston.  
C. H. Brooks.  
Sam Harris.  
Miss Mollie McCurdy.  
W. F. Mouldin.  
J. J. Peacock.  
Bud Reed.  
Jim Roach.  
W. T. Roberts.  
Isaac Sherrod.  
Robert Smith.  
Vernon Smith.  
Mrs. Mary D. Tarver.  
Bud Williams.  
Margie Wilson.

### Wm. Wells Moves To New Quarters

The Wm. Wells Furniture Store is now domiciled in handsome new quarters. The move was made during this week. Mr. Wells now occupies the large Callahan building on the east side of the square, and it is an ideal location and building for his business.

Mr. Wells has recently made heavy purchases of new furniture, and he now has one of the most complete, best appointed furniture stores in West Texas. The store prior to the move was also located on the east side, but the new building gives him a better location, as well as more room, and he is now better prepared to display his pretty line of furniture to advantage.

We congratulate Mr. Wells upon his "spreading-out" move, and predict and wish for him the highest tree of success.

month, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for said bank, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.  
50-51 R. C. Couch, Cashier.

### Saturday

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The Great Stage Success by Jose Echegary. The Spanish Shakespeare

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"scandal"

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