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GRAND JURY RETURNS TEN INDICTMENTS

The Haskell County Grand Jury adjourned Monday afternoon after returning 10 bills of indictment, all on felony charges.

The case of the State vs. Walter Vernon, charged with the murder of W. L. Hills at Rule was continued Monday morning until the next term of court.

The case of the State against Will Laman will be called for trial next Monday morning.

No other cases of importance were tried during the week.

The following is the final report as made by the Grand Jury.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 3, 1918. To Hon. Judge Jno. B. Thomas, District Judge:

We, your Grand Jury, organized as such at the November Term of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, having finished our services for the November term, beg to submit our final report and ask to be discharged from further services.

We have been in session four days, and have made diligent inquiry into all violations of the law. We have examined about forty witnesses, and have returned 10 indictments, all for felony cases.

It seems that the local officers have looked into and attended to such cases as misdemeanors and we have been unable to find any bill of indictment in misdemeanor cases.

We find the jail to be kept in good sanitary condition by the sheriff and others in charge.

From the investigation that we have made, we deem it essential, and would recommend that a competent auditor be appointed by the proper authorities to audit the books of the various officers and the finances of the county.

Many of us having served under your Honor as petit and Grand Jurors, and this being the last time that we will likely serve in such capacity, we wish to take this opportunity in expressing our appreciation to the court, for his faithful services, rendered to Haskell county, in upholding the law of this county and State, and regret to lose your services and assistance as an officer of our District.

We wish to thank the Court, District and County Attorneys, the sheriff's department and the bailiffs, for their efficient services rendered during our deliberations, and now ask that we may be discharged.

W. T. OVERBY,
Foreman of the Grand Jury.

SOLDIERS SURE TO GET CHRISTMAS PACKAGES

A clearing house for Christmas packages has been established at Camp Travis, Texas, in order that home folks who have not the specific address of loved ones in the cantonment may be assured that their gifts will not go astray.

The Camp Publicity Office is the place designated, and all that donors need do in addressing packages is to write plainly the name of the soldier to whom it is going and to add Publicity Office, Camp Travis, Texas. The packages will be delivered straight from the post office and arrangements have been made to handle any number of Christmas parcels.

A complete list of all men in camp will be available, and on receipt of a package the officials in charge will notify the proper person. The Publicity Office is centrally located and easily accessible to any soldier in the camp.

This plan meets with the entire commendation of post office authorities who know from past experience that incompletely addressed mail is nearly always delayed and often miscarried. The Publicity Office, by the same arrangement delivered several hundred parcels last Christmas and got them to the men a season, while any number of packages lay in the post office through the idle tide because they were not properly addressed.

Mrs. J. U. Fields, who has been confined in a hospital in Fort Worth for the past two weeks with pneumonia, is slowly improving today. (Thursday) according to a telegram that has been received by relatives here.

Abdon Holt of Abilene is in the city for a few days.

Prof. B. E. McGlamery returned Sunday night from Mineral Wells.

MAKING THE RED CROSS ONE HUNDRED PER CENT

Reasons why every American in the world should be a member of the American Red Cross were given out Monday by representative St. Louisans who have joined hands in an effort to make membership in the organization there 100 per cent. Some of the reasons are:

When you join you assist the organization to carry out its program to honor every returned soldier and sailor and continue to aid them while in the service.

Membership in the organization indicates that you have helped to win the war.

You assist in restoring devastated France and Belgium. The people look to the Red Cross for aid.

When all Americans join the Red Cross the world will be convinced of the unity of the United States in war and peace.

A failure of the American Red Cross roll call would indicate a lack of appreciation of the great work done by the American soldiers and sailors.

The Red Cross membership roll call will be conducted the week of December 16-23. It has for its object the enlisting of every American in the world as a member.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nolen are suffering from an attack of the influenza this week.

SING-SONG DRAWS GOOD CROWD

The sing song which was given last Thursday evening under the auspices of the Symphony Club was well attended and very much enjoyed by those present.

The program consisted of patriotic songs, and was one of the best programs that has been rendered in the city for some time.

The Symphony Club is to be commended for their work and we hope that they will see fit to give us another "Sing Song" in the near future.

Miss Ila Mae Cox is reported ill this week with the "Flu."

PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSED UNTIL MONDAY, DEC. 30th

Due to sickness among both teachers and pupils, it has been thought best to close the Haskell Public Schools until after the Christmas holidays.

If conditions are favorable, school will reopen Monday, December 30th. At this time we feel sure that we will be able to make up practically all the time lost. Come and get your books Saturday morning.

B. E. McGlamery.

CHRISTMAS SALE ON AT HANCOCK & CO.

On another page in this issue will be found the advertisement of Hancock & Company, announcing their "Extraordinary Christmas Sale". The sale begins Saturday morning, December 7th, and continues until Tuesday, December 24th. The people of Haskell will have the opportunity of saving money on their dry goods purchases as will be seen by some of the items mentioned in their advertisement.

Look up their ad in this issue.

Stevens-Maples

Sunday evening at the home of Judge A. J. Smith, Miss Ruth Stephens and Mr. Carl Maples were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, Judge Smith performing the ceremony.

Miss Stephens is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. C. Stephens of this city, and will make a true helpmate to the man she has honored with her heart and hand. She has a host of friends who wish her happiness in her new home.

The groom is unknown to us, but we are sure that he is worthy of the one he has honored with his name.

The happy couple left Tuesday for Wichita Falls, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McKee left Wednesday night for Los Angeles, Calif., where they were called to the bedside of their daughter, Mrs. Clark Dennington, who is reported to be very ill.

W. E. Adams of Welnert was transacting business in the city Wednesday.

SHE KEPT THEM ON THE JOB



Message of Herbert Hoover to The People of The United States

To be read from all pulpits Sunday, December 1st; and in all schools and before all fraternal and patriotic groups during the week of December 1st.

"Again in full confidence I call upon the American people to set aside Sunday, December 1st, and the week following, for the consideration of America's opportunity for renewed service and sacrifice.

"Last summer, when the military situation was acute, we assured the Inter-Allied Food Conference in London that, whatever the war-food program of the Allies required, we were prepared to meet; that the Conference need not consider whether or not we had the supplies, we were prepared to find them; we pledged ourselves by the voluntary economy of our people to have the reserves in food to supply all necessities. The ending of the war does not release us from the pledge. The same populations must be fed and until another season has passed, they cannot feed themselves.

"The change in the foreign situation necessarily alters the details of our food program, because the freeing of the seas from the submarine menace renders accessible the wheat supplies of India, Australia and the Argentine. The total food demand upon the United States is not diminished, however; on the contrary, it is increased.

"In addition to the supplying of those to whom we are already pledged, we now have the splendid opportunity and obligation of meeting the needs of those millions of people in the hitherto occupied territories who are facing actual starvation. The people of Belgium, Northern France, Serbia, Rumania, Montenegro, Poland, Russia and Armenia rely upon America for immediate aid. We must also participate in the preservation of the newly liberated Nations in Austria; nor can we ignore the effect on the future world developments of a famine condition among those other people, whom we have recently released from our enemies.

"All these considerations mean that upwards of two hundred million people, in addition to those we are already pledged to serve, are now looking to us in their misery and famine. Our appeal today is, therefore, larger than the former appeal to the "war conscience" of our people. The new appeal is to the "World Conscience" which must be the guiding inspiration of our future program.

"The President of the United States has asked me to take charge, for this Government of this work; to perfect and enlarge the arrangements for food-

stuffs to the population of Belgium and France now being released, and to organize and determine the needs of provision to the liberated people of Southern Europe, to prevent such debacle as has taken place in Russia.

"The determining factor for the success of such an enlarged appeal will be the vivid consciousness in every individual in each community of obligation and opportunity. It is that common recognition of obligation that we now wish to create. Such an intelligent "World Conscience" in the American people must be the main dependence of the stricken countries of the world until normal conditions are once more restored.

"America, by her participation in the war has accomplished her objectives of self-defense and of vindicating the efficiency of a government in which the people, and the people only, are sovereign. She has established the foundations of government by the people throughout the enemy countries, and this is the real bulwark of world peace. We have yet to build on these foundations. No government or nation can stand if its people are starving. We must do our part if the world is not consumed in a flame of anarchy.

"The American people, in this most critical period of their history, have the opportunity to demonstrate not only their ability to assist in establishing peace on earth, but also their consecration by self-denial to the cause of suffering humanity."—Herbert Hoover.

The Magazine Club

The Club met Friday, November 9th with Mrs. Reynolds presiding.

Owing to the "Flu" and the disagreeable weather the attendance was small. After a short business session a very interesting program was rendered.

"Antebellum Fiction", Simms and Kennedy, Director—Mrs. Sherrill.

Review of "The Partisans"—Mrs. Reynolds.

Reading, "The Swamp ox"—Mrs. Whitaker.

John Pendleton Kennedy, author of "Horse Shoe Robinson"—Mrs. Lewis.

Round Table Comparison of Simms with Cooper—Club.

Song, "The Dawn"—Miss Boone.

The Club is sorry to announce the loss of two splendid members, Mrs. T. C. Williams, who has gone to Cisco, and Mrs. Ernest Sutherland, who has gone to Louisiana.

We were glad to have as visitors, an old club member, Mrs. Roy Shook, and also Mrs. J. T. Bailey.

Reporter.

BEN CLIFTON DIES MONDAY, DECEMBER 2nd.

The community was shocked last Monday morning when it was learned that Ben F. Clifton had died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Clifton, in the east part of town. It was known that he was very low with typhoid fever and his chances for recovery were slight for several days, but the entire community was hoping for a change for the better.

The deceased was born January 22, 1891, and had lived in Haskell county practically all his life. He had been at work in Wichita Falls for the past few months and was located there when he was first taken ill. He came home about three weeks ago with the influenza, which soon turned into typhoid fever and he continued to grow worse until the end came Monday morning.

Ben had been a member of the Baptist church for several years, and was a young man that everybody held in the highest esteem. The funeral services were held at the family residence Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. J. H. Edmonds, pastor of the Baptist church at Rule, and an old friend of the family.

Besides his parents, the deceased leaves a wife and one child and several brothers and sisters. The Free Press joins the many friends of the sorrowing family in extending condolence.

MONEY RECEIVED FROM SALE OF ROAD BONDS

The Commissioners' Court received the money Saturday from the sale of the road bonds of Precinct No. 1, which were voted at the election held on October 12.

After all expenses are paid it leaves the precinct a little more than \$142,000 to be expended for road purposes which is now in the bank ready for business.

We understand that a competent engineer has been employed and as soon as he can go over the situation with the Commissioners' Court and the advisory Board, actual construction work will begin.

SOME GOOD PICTURES AT DICK'S THEATRE THIS WEEK

Dick's Theatre, under the management of Richard Nolen, re-opened Monday night with a good picture—"Missing", a novel of love and the Great War, in five reels. This was indeed a good picture, one of the best of its kind ever shown in this city. The action throughout was of the best, and held the interest until the very last picture. "Missing" was shown on both Monday and Tuesday nights.

On Wednesday and Thursday night an Arctcraft picture, "The Lie", featuring Elsie Ferguson, was shown. This was another good picture.

The attendance has not been what it might, on account of the epidemic of influenza. Manager Nolen has more good pictures booked for the future, announcement of which will appear at an early date.

R. C. Montgomery was celebrating the anniversary of the opening of the Farmers Bank in Haskell Tuesday morning. It had been 14 years to a day since the bank opened for business and had been under his management during all this time, enjoying a liberal patronage and growing in the confidence and esteem of Haskell county people. The bank was first opened on December 4, 1904, on the southwest corner of the square.

W. B. Anthony of Austin is in the city this week visiting old friends. Mr. Anthony has many friends here—having served Haskell county as sheriff and Tax Collector for 8 years in the early days, and quit the office without having opposition. Mr. Anthony is now chief of police at Austin, which position he has held for several years.

Joe Maples of Temple has moved to Haskell county and expects to make his future home here.

W. A. Baker of Cooke county is another newcomer to Haskell county. He will farm the coming year on the Tompkins ranch northeast of town.

T. C. Cahill was a business visitor in Rule Monday.

NEW COUNTY OFFICERS SWORN IN MONDAY

Haskell County will be managed during the next two years by almost a new set of officers. With the exception of Sheriff W. C. Allen, Assessor R. J. Paxton, Treasurer Jesse B. Smith and the four County Commissioners, J. M. Ivey, J. C. Lewellen, A. L. Cox and P. C. Patterson, the entire personnel of the county's official family will be changed.

The new County Judge, Jas. P. Kinard, was sworn in by the retiring Judge, A. J. Smith, who administered the oath of office to the rest of the officers.

Emory Menefee will be found in the County Clerk's office as the official keeper of the County records. Miss Pearl Lancaster will act as deputy.

C. D. Long, the new Tax Collector, is on the job in the Collector's office, and from the way he issues the receipts and takes the money, you would think that he was raised up at the game, and we do not intend to leave the impression that he is a spring chicken, either.

County Attorney, J. E. Wilfong looks so natural and so much at home in the County Attorney's office in the northwest corner of the courthouse, second floor, that we are sure that you will have no trouble in recognizing this official, for the benefit of the newcomers however, we wish to state that Mr. Wilfong has served the county in this capacity for more than one-half of the time the county has been organized.

Miss Alice Irby, the new district clerk, was unable to take the oath of office at this time on account of being confined to her home with influenza. However, we hope that she will soon recover. Miss Irby is well known to the majority of the people of Haskell county—having served as deputy county clerk for the past three years.

Mrs. Ed Robertson, the first lady in Haskell county to hold the important office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, has entered upon her duties and is going about the work in a systematic way, that bespeaks for her success.

R. P. Simmons is the new Judge in the Justice Court room of Precinct No. 1. He is now ready for you to bring your troubles to him for settlement—which we are sure will be done in the proper manner.

Sam Loe returned Wednesday night from Louisiana, where he has been in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

RULE REVIEW AGAIN BOOSTING WEST TEXAS

After several weeks of suspension, Jesse D. Hall, has cranked up his old reliable Fairbanks-Morse engine, refilled his paste pot, wiped the cobwebs from his sanctum sanctorium, re-ground his editorial shears, kicked the "hell-box" out the back door and has proclaimed to the world and Haskell county that he and his first love—the Rule Review—are there to stay, through thick and thin, up hill and down hill, through adversity and prosperity. He has begun anew to sing the praises of the fertile prairies and of the mollient breezes and pure ozone of the garden spot of the earth—West Texas.

Jesse is carrying a splendid patronage from the business men of that progressive little city, and it stands without question that the people of Rule realize the importance of a newspaper in their town, and are ready to back it up with their patronage. Jesse D. Hall is a prince of a good fellow and one of the best newspaper men in West Texas, and is giving Rule a jam-up good paper, which the town ought to be proud of. Here's hoping Jesse, that the length of your years may be three score and ten, and that you will continue to thunder out thru the years to come, the doctrine of justice and right in all of its truth and simplicity.

John Brock came in Saturday night on a furlough and is visiting homefolks near Haskell. John was one of the first Haskell county boys to answer his country's call and volunteered in the U. S. Navy in April, 1917, and has been on the cruiser Raleigh and made some trips across the seas and visited coast points in Africa and Liberia. His ship is now at Key West, Florida. Haskell County always has a glad hand for the noble boys that have been serving their country.

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Berlin is getting to be very fraternal. There is talk of inviting President Wilson to visit there while he is in Europe.

Just because you are again eating white bread, you shouldn't let up on food conservation.

Secretary McAdoo's resignation takes from President Wilson's official family one of the most able treasury heads in the history of the nation.

If the French people want President Wilson to come to Europe there seems to be no valid reason why he should not heed their call.

The allied armies of occupation are enjoying on honor never before known to victorious armies, that of marching unopposed into the enemy's territory.

Guess McAdoo must have made good as director general of the railroads when some of the railway men offer to go down into their own pockets to get him to stay on the job.

PAYING THE PIPER

Most mortals like to dance in one way or another, actually or figuratively. It has been a sort of inherent weakness of the human race since the days of Adam.

Germany today is facing the day of payment. For Germany gave a dance. For forty years she planned this dance for Europe.

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many's party. And now that it is all over, Germany has to pay the piper. She isn't doing it gracefully.

WILHELM, THE OUTCAST

After a reign of over thirty years as emperor of Germany, Wilhelm II has abdicated, bringing to an end the Hohenzollern dynasty which descended from Count Thasso who built a castle on the Zollern Heights during the 9th century.

And now after over four years of ruthless spilling of blood, his armies defeated in the field and his people rising against him, he has been compelled to lay down the imperial sceptre which has been wielded by a Hohenzollern since the modern German state was moulded from a mass of jealous and conflicting kingdoms and grand duchies.

OUR FUTURE SECURE

With full hearts the American people received the news that the signing of the armistice by the German envoys had brought an end to the awful bloodshed on the fields of France and Belgium.

America entered into the war with the true American spirit, determined to accomplish her purpose of bringing about the downfall of autocracy and militarism once and for all.

many amount virtually to unconditional surrender and forever shackles Germany against a repetition of the maelstrom of bloodshed in which she plunged the world over four years ago.

Right has prevailed again as it always does and knowing that their cause was just the allied nations rejoice all the more over their great victory over oppression and unrighteousness.

KEEP THE HABIT

It is valuable if not especially palatable thing which has been brought forcibly home to us in this war is that we were a nation of wasters.

War came and enforced an era of economy at which we felt compelled to grumble a little, but which we secretly enjoyed and which never hurt us a bit.

Now that peace seems fairly on the way, the problem arises of what we shall do with our new-found habits. Shall we weakly revert to the good old hand-wasting days before the war?

Money which, by the practice of economy in the purchase and use of supplies could be saved for our war expenses, can be saved to buy better clothing, pianos, homes or whatever is the individual heart's desire.

THIS WOMAN SAVED FROM AN OPERATION

By taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, One of Thousands of Such Cases.

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It is just such experiences as that of Mrs. Binzer that has made this famous root and herb remedy a household word from ocean to ocean.

We will pay 5c per pound this week for clean white rag. Haskell Ice and Light Company.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy.

KEPT PLEDGE TO SEND BREAD

American Nation Maintained Allied Loaf Through Self-Denial at Home Table.

AVERTED EUROPEAN DESPAIR

With Military Demands Upon Ocean Shipping Relieved, World is Able to Return to Normal White Wheat Bread.

Since the advent of the latest crop the only limitation upon American exports to Europe has been the shortage of shipping.

The result of increased production and conservation efforts in the United States has been that with the cessation of hostilities we are able to return to a normal wheat diet.

But last year the tale was different. Only by the greatest possible saving and sacrifice were we able to keep a steady stream of wheat and flour moving across the sea.

All of this surplus had left the country early in the fall. By the first of the year we had managed to ship a little more than 50,000,000 bushels by practicing the utmost economy at home.

The response of the American people was 85,000,000 bushels safely delivered overseas between January 1 and July 1.

Thus did America fulfill her pledge that the Allied bread rations could be maintained, and already the American people are demonstrating that, with an awakened war conscience, last year's figures will be bettered.

Our exports since this country entered the war have justified a statement made by the Food Administration shortly after its inception, outlining the principles and policies that would govern the solution of this country's food problems.

Sending to Europe 141,000,000 bushels of wheat from a surplus of apparently nothing was the outstanding exploit of the American food army in the critical year of the war.

GREATEST OPPORTUNITY WOMEN EVER HAD.

It was given to the women of this country to perform the greatest service in the winning of the war vouchsafed to any women in the history of the wars of the world—to feed the warriors and the war sufferers.

FIRST CALL TO FOOD ARMY.

This co-operation and service I ask of all in full confidence that America will render more for flag and freedom than king ridden people surrender at compulsion.—Herbert Hoover, August 10, 1917.

A year ago voluntary food control was a daring adventure in democracy; during the year an established proof of democratic efficiency.

SUGAR SHOWED OUR BACKBONE

American Willingness to Give Up Luxury Demonstrated Nation's War Conscience.

STAND WITH THE ALLIES.

By Reducing Consumption People of the United States Averted a Famine at Home in Spite of Low Supplies.

The fact that the people of the United States were able to reduce by more than one-half million tons their July, August, September and October consumption of sugar proves conclusively that their war conscience was thoroughly awakened.

Our normal consumption of sugar in the four-month period beginning with July has been 400,000 tons per month, a total of 1,600,000 for the quarter year.

In July, when our sugar stringency began to reach its height, consumption was reduced to 260,000 tons. In August only 325,000 tons went into distribution and in September only 270,000 tons. In October the distribution fell to 230,000 tons.

If the general public had failed to observe the injunctions of the Food Administration this country would have been in the throes of a sugar famine before the end of August.

Few accomplishments of the Food Administration will stand forth so predominantly as this reduced consumption of sugar. By it we have been able to bridge over the period of stringency until the new beet and Louisiana cane sugar crops were in sight.

Now the nation is in a position so that if we choose we may return to our normal home use of sugar, and Europe, with the release of ships to go far afield, can maintain its recent restricted rations.

AMERICAN SPIRIT RELIED ON TO WIN.

In the light of succeeding events it is interesting to recall the confidence with which the United States Food Administrator viewed the gloomy outlook in July of 1917, when this country had been in the war for less than four months and the Germans were steadily sending the western front nearer and nearer to Paris.

"Even though the situation in Europe may be gloomy today," he declared in a public statement, "no American who has knowledge of the results already obtained in every direction need have one atom of fear that democracy will not defend itself in these United States."

LOYALTY IN LITTLE THINGS LAST PROOF OF PATRIOTISM

Americans without murmuring cut their sugar allowance from four pounds a month to three and then as long as need be to two pounds for loyalty's sake.

Food Will Win the World.

America earned the gratitude of allied nations during war by sharing food. America under peace may win the world's good will by saving to share.



DEMOCRACY VS. AUTOCRACY.

"There is no royal road to food conservation. We can only accomplish this by the voluntary action of our whole people, each element in proportion to its needs. It is a matter of equality of burden."

Clyde F. Elkins

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W. F. Burt, Carrier Star Route from Haskell to Rochester. PACKAGES and PASSENGERS CARRIED. Leaves Haskell 9:40 a. m. Arrives Rochester 11:30 a. m. Leaves Rochester 12:30 p. m. Arrives Haskell 2 p. m. YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED.

JOE BAILEY

We have experienced a week of cold, snowy weather, which has been very disagreeable to everything except the wheat.

Bob Davis of Spur spent from Monday until Thursday with G. L. Hanson and family.

On account of the influenza raging the school at this place has been suspended for an indefinite time.

W. B. Pennell and W. T. Overby are out on a wolf chase this week.

Miss Opie Middleton, our teacher, returned to her home at Haskell Sunday, where she will remain until the Flu subsides.

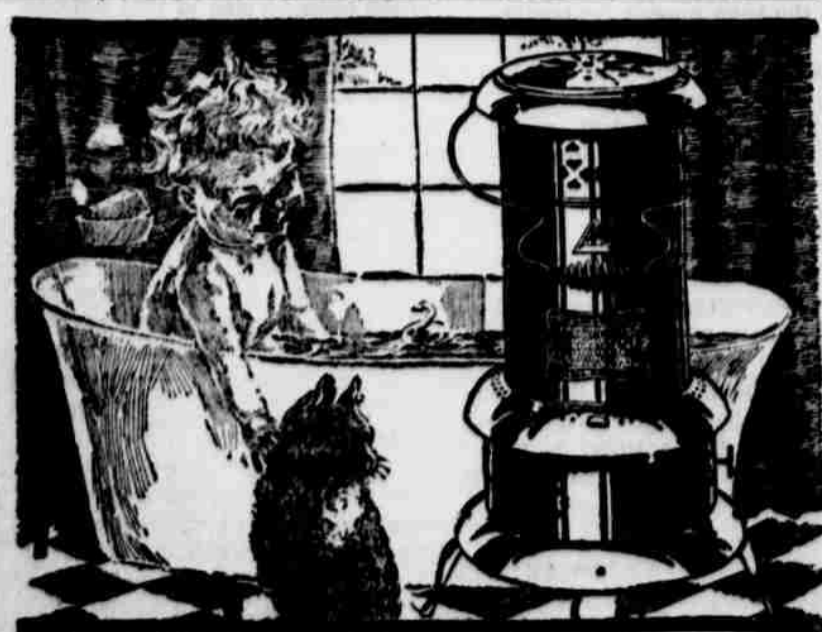
Misses Carrie and Pearl Coleman left Sunday for Littlefield, Texas, where they will spend the winter.

Quite a number of the farmers have taken advantage of the cold weather and have killed hogs.

A. J. Lewis went to Stamford Saturday. We wonder if he found the roads very muddy?

Misses Nell Shelton, Earle and Essie Hanson, Flossie and Opie Pinkley, Dolphus, Charlie and Delbert Pinkley, Sanford Shelton, Earnest, and Hubert Wells have the "Flu" at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Miller of Stamford spent Sunday with Roy Overby and wife. Brown Eyes.



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Unloading Charges.....	\$.40
My profit, which includes war tax and shortage	\$1.60

\$9.90 Sale price

I can recommend this coal highly, and will be glad to supply you. I also ask you to remember that I am the one who kept you from freezing last winter when it was hard to get. Respectfully,

F. T. SANDERS

THE FARMER MUST HAVE RUGGED HEALTH

Many Break Downs and Failures Due to Exposure and Hard Work

Catarrh in Some of Its Many Forms Claims Thousands



Every farm family has its medicine cabinet and in almost every one will be found a bottle of Dr. Hartman's World Famous Peruna. For coughs, colds and catarrh it is invaluable. Its use is indicated in all cases of catarrhal inflammation and congestion whether of respiratory organs, stomach, bowels or other organs of the body.

Mr. W. J. Temple of 300 Lincoln Ave., Delaware, Ohio, suffered for years with inflammation of the mucous linings of the stomach and bowels. According to his own story he did not eat a meal for five years without distress. He says: "I am a farmer and must be exposed to all kinds of weather. After years of suffering, a druggist recommended Peruna. I took all together five bottles and am a well man. Formerly, I could not do a day's work. Now, farm work does not fatigue me in the least. Peruna is the best medicine and tonic on the market. Time only strengthens my admiration for it, especially for catarrh and colds."

Peruna is sold everywhere. You may buy it in either liquid or tablet form. Ask for Dr. Hartman's Well Known Peruna Tonic and if you are seeking health take nothing else. Insist upon Peruna. If you are sick and suffering, write The Peruna Company, Dept. 77, Columbus, Ohio, for Dr. Hartman's Health Book. The book is free and may help you. Ask your dealer for a Peruna Almanac.

PLEASANT VIEW

We are having some cool weather at this writing.

W. T. Ford and Walter Dye of this place have returned from Burk Burnett Mr. and Mrs. Latamer of the Ferris Ranch spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Love.

Mrs. W. T. Ford and Mrs. J. I. Price were in Munday Saturday.

Miss Caton and Mrs. Jones were shopping in Wehnert Saturday.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. W. I. Sargent is still very ill.

Muriel Lowe is on the sick list.

The singing given by Mr. Ashby Sunday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Our school is progressing nicely.

The snow we had last week was very nice and will do the grain a great deal of good.

Reporter.

For Weak Women

In use for over 40 years! Thousands of voluntary letters from women, telling of the good Cardui has done them. This is the best proof of the value of Cardui. It proves that Cardui is a good medicine for women.

There are no harmful or habit-forming drugs in Cardui. It is composed only of mild, medicinal ingredients, with no bad after-effects.

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The Woman's Tonic

You can rely on Cardui. Surely it will do for you what it has done for so many thousands of other women! It should help. "I was taken sick, seemed to be . . ." writes Mrs. Mary E. Vest, of Madison Heights, Va. "I got down so weak, could hardly walk . . . just staggered around. . . I read of Cardui, and after taking one bottle, or before taking quite all, I felt much better. I took 3 or 4 bottles at that time, and was able to do my work. I take it in the spring when run-down. I had no appetite, and I commenced eating. It is the best tonic I ever saw." Try Cardui.

All Druggists

Citation on Application for Letters of Administration

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Haskell County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To all persons interested in the Estate of W. L. Hills, Deceased, will take notice that Mrs. Lula B. Hills has filed in the County Court of Haskell County, an application for Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said W. L. Hills, Deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in January, A. D. 1919, the same being the 6th day of January, A. D. 1919 at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1918:

R. B. ENGLISH, Clerk County Court, Haskell County, Texas.

Miss June Smith is confined to her home this week with an attack of the "Flu."

The Strong Withstand the Winter Cold Better Than the Weak. You must have Health, Strength and Endurance to fight Colds, Grip and Influenza.

When your blood is not in a healthy condition and does not circulate properly, your system is unable to withstand the Winter cold.

GROVE'S TASTELESS CASH TONIC Fortifies the System Against Colds, Grip and Influenza by Purifying and Enriching the Blood.

It contains the well-known tonic properties of Quinine and Iron in a form acceptable to the most delicate stomach, and is pleasant to take. You can soon feel its strengthening, invigorating effect. See.

TEXAS PHYSICIAN DECLARES TANLAC IS WITHOUT EQUAL

Says It's Best Reconstructive Tonic To Be Had For Building Up Influenza Patients.

The following letter from Dr. J. W. Sandlin one of the most prominent physicians of Southern Texas, was recently received at the Tanlac office and gives indisputable evidence as to the value of Tanlac as a reconstruction tonic for persons who are recuperating from the after effects of Spanish Influenza. His letter follows:

Humole, Texas, Nov. 5, 1918.

"Dear Sir: Just a few lines in reference to Tanlac. I have found your preparation to be a wonderful reconstructive tonic, and in my opinion it has no equal in its line. I have found it to be the best tonic to be had to build up my patients who have Spanish Influenza. I have treated within the past month about fourteen hundred cases, and have never been able to get sufficient Tanlac to supply our people.

"Yours very truly,

(Signed) Dr. J. W. Sandlin."

Dr. Sandlin not only enjoys a very large practice as a physician, but he is also a man of wide influence and ranks as a leading citizen of the enterprising little city of Humole, Texas.

As a practicing physician of sixteen years' experience Dr. Sandlin was quick to recognize the superior tonic properties of Tanlac over other remedies and unhesitatingly and voluntarily gave Tanlac his unqualified indorsement."

Tanlac is sold in Haskell by Reids' Drug Store.

Notice!

The following list of names are persons who have failed to submit Questionnaires to the Haskell County Local Board as is required of each person who had reached his 18th birthday on or before Sept. 12th, 1918, and who had not reached his 37th birthday prior to that date.

Chas. Wilkerson Robertson, Haskell, Texas.

Edward Lucas Huntsman, Rochester, Texas.

Emmet Louis Mathis, Sagerton, Tex.

James Dempsey McMillan, Sagerton, Texas.

Roy Gable McNeill, Haskell, Texas.

William Preston Curtis, Rule, Texas.

Claude Caldwell, Knox City, Texas.

James Henry Brewer, Stamford, Texas.

Clyde Allen Boyles, Haskell, Texas.

Wilson Martin Abbott, Rule, Texas.

Claude Liney Ashley, Rule, Texas.

Henry Corson Cross, Rule, Texas.

Stanley Seaborn Dozier, O'Brien, Texas.

Charlie Roy Day, O'Brien, Texas.

Ralph Bernard Goodwin, Haskell, Texas.

Acie Landers, Rochester, Texas.

Author Monta McCarty, Rule, Texas.

Floyd Albert Norman, Rule, Texas.

Gilbert P. Proctor, Sagerton, Texas.

Floyd M. Rogers, Haskell, Texas.

A. V. Stanfield, O'Brien, Texas.

Allen Thomas Tucker, Haskell, Texas.

The first seven names appearing on the above list have already been reported to the police authorities and to the State Adjutant General as delinquents and the remainder will be reported on the 9th day of this month unless questionnaires are received from them between this and that date. Any person knowing any of the above parties who may chance to read this article will do the Local Board and the party whose



Makes Such Light, Tasty Biscuits

Just let mother call, "Biscuits for Breakfast!" We're sure there's a treat that can't be beat in store for us — light, tender biscuits — toasty brown and all puffed up with goodness! For mother is sure of her baking powder — Calumet. She never disappoints us because



CALUMET BAKING POWDER

never disappoints her. It's dependable. Results always the same—the best. Try it.

Calumet contains only such ingredients as have been approved officially by the U.S. Food Authorities.

You Save When You Buy It. You Save When You Use It.

HIGHEST QUALITY AWARDS

FLAT TOP

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Vernon and Gordon Wilson have returned home from Burk Burnett where they have been for several weeks.

Mrs. Dobbins is visiting her son at Spur.

Mrs. Greenwood and Miss Ocie Green are spending a few days with home folks.

Mr. Wilson is moving close to Stamford. We regret to lose these good people, but wish them success.

Several in this community are having spare ribs and sausage to eat.

Mrs. Burrow was in Sagerton on business Monday.

A. T. Grisham of Capron spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Beene.

We are still rejoicing because the war is over. The Hun knew it was time for them to surrender when they saw the boys in khaki coming. I believe that the Lord was with President Wilson in everything he undertook to do.

Tulip.

name appears in the list a favor by calling the parties' attention to this article.

Mrs. Geo. Scales spent several days in Abilene this week visiting relatives and friends.

Misses Gladys and Lucille Taylor spent several days last week with Anson friends, returning Sunday morning.

Dr. L. F. Taylor was confined to his bed for several days this week with a severe case of la grippe.

E. H. Wall, manager of the Fields & Hunt's Store at Rule, was transacting business in the city Monday.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

DIAMOND BRAND PILLS in RED and GOLD metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. TAKE NO OTHER. Buy of your Druggist and ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for twenty-five years regarded as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS. TIME TESTED EVERYWHERE WORTH TRYING.

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I have a customer who wants to buy 1000 acres of first class farms in 100 acre tracts and over at bargain prices for cash. If you want to sell your land, see or write me.

F. D. SANDERS, Haskell, Texas.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if PAIN EXTINGUISHER fails to cure hemorrhoids, itching, burning or prostrating Piles. Guaranteed without causing Pains, and you can get relief sleep after the first application. Price 50c.

Federal Land Loans

It may seem odd, and most people will question it, but the facts show that a farmer, in borrowing from the Federal Land Bank, is actually paying but three and six-tenths per cent interest, though the note reads a rate of five and a half. How does this come about?

He borrows \$1,000. The length of time is thirty four and a half years. The rate is five and a half per cent. Each year, in addition to interest payments he pays one per cent, or \$10 on the face of the loan in the time he pays as principal only \$345, yet the loan is paid off in full. What has become of the rest of the principal?

Put it another way. During the life of the loan, he will have paid, principal and interest, \$2,242.50. Deduct from this the amount of the principal \$1,000 and he has paid during the time only \$1,242.50 as interest for thirty four and a half years on \$1,000. Dividing this it appears that the interest rate he has paid is three and six-tenths per cent per year. Yet he thought he was paying five and one half per cent. Yet these are the facts and figures. They can be verified by anybody, and the Federal Land Bank is ready to loan millions and millions, and is doing it on these terms.

Don't let anyone mislead you about these Federal Loans...The United States Government planned them for your benefit and recommends them to you...Do you ask more?

LOANS CLOSED IN TWO TO FOUR WEEKS THROUGH THE RULE NATIONAL FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION OF RULE, TEXAS.

W. H. McCANDLESS, Sec'y.-Treas. MEMBER FEDERAL LAND BANK, HOUSTON, TEXAS.

HANCOCK'S EXTRAORDINARY CHRISTMAS SALE

**Begins on Saturday, December 7th at 8 O'clock
and Closes on Tuesday, December 24th**

Every one knows that we positively will not allow a misleading statement to appear in our advertising. We do not claim this to be the greatest, biggest and best sale ever held. We do claim to save you money on each and every purchase made during this Extraordinary Sale.

SAVE ON YOUR CHRISTMAS PURCHASES

This sale will offer a wonderful opportunity to economical shoppers. A complete stock of new and dependable merchandise at prices that will please you.



Many Special bargains will be offered the people of Haskell and surrounding territory during this Christmas Sale.

Come Mingle With The Merry Throng. We Save Other People Money-- Why Not You

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SHOE DEPARTMENT

Worth Hats For Men

"WHITE HOUSE SHOES"
THE FOOT HOME OF THE NATION

MAXINE SHOES FOR LADIES

Our Regular \$12.50 values, now **\$10.25**

Our Regular \$10.00 Values, now **9.00**

Our Regular \$8.50 Values, now **7.50**

We are closing out our

HALF PRICE.

Our Regular \$15.00 Values, to close out	\$7.50
Our Regular \$12.50 Values, to close out	6.25
Our Regular \$10.00 Values, to close out	5.00
Our Regular \$ 8.00 Values, to close out	4.00
Our Regular \$ 7.50 Values, to close out	3.75
Our Regular \$ 6.00 Values, to close out	3.00

LADIES COAT SUITS, 33 1-3 OFF

Our Regular \$25.00 Values, now	\$16.67
Our Regular \$27.50 Values, now	18.35
Our Regular \$30.00 Values, now	19.95
Our Regular \$32.50 Values, now	21.65
Our Regular \$35.00 Values, now	23.35
Our Regular \$42.50 Values, now	28.35
Our Regular \$45.00 Values, now	30.00

CHRISTMAS SALE OF LADIES COATS
All Ladies Coats during this sale will be specially priced at a 33 1-3 per cent discount.

Our Regular \$25.00 Quality, now	\$16.69
Our Regular \$35.00 Quality, now	23.35
Our Regular \$42.50 Quality, now	28.35
Our Regular \$50.00 Quality, now	33.35

XMAS SALE OF LADIES BLOUSES

Our Regular \$12.50 Quality, now	\$9.48
Our Regular \$10.00 Quality, now	7.48
Our Regular \$ 8.50 Quality, now	6.38
Our Regular \$ 7.50 Quality, now	5.68
Our Regular \$ 6.50 Quality, now	4.88
Our Regular \$ 5.00 Quality, now	3.75
Our Regular \$ 3.50 Quality, now	2.65

LADIES AND CHILDRENS HOSIERY

Our Regular \$2.00 Silk Hose, now	\$1.75
Our Regular \$1.50 Silk Hose, now	1.35
Our Regular \$1.00 Silk Hose, now	.75
Our Regular 75c Lisle Hose, now	.55
Our Regular 50c Lisle Hose, now	.40
Our Regular 40c Lisle Hose, now	.35
Our Regular 35c Lisle Hose, now	.30c
Our Regular 25c Lisle Hose, now	.20

Xmas Sale of Fancy and Solid Outing
Our 35c Quality to close out at.....28c
This Outing is the Best Quality.

We are figuring on making some changes in our Shoe Department for the coming season. Therefore, we are going to give our customers the opportunity of saving some money on their shoes during this Extraordinary Christmas Sale. Now is your time to make your dollars count. We have a complete line of the White House Shoes for men, Maxine Shoes for ladies and the Buster Brown School Shoes for boys and girls. Come early as our stock will not last very long at these special reductions.

WHITE HOUSE SHOES FOR MEN

Our Regular \$8.50 Values, now	\$7.65
Our Regular \$7.50 Values, now	6.75
Our Regular \$6.50 Values, now	5.85
Our Regular \$5.00 Values, now	4.50
Our Regular \$4.00 Values, now	3.60
Our Regular \$3.50 Values, now	3.15
Our Regular \$2.50 Values, now	2.25

CHRISTMAS SALE OF GINGHAMS

Our Regular 25c Quality, to close out at	17 1/2c
Our Regular 35c Quality, to close out at	29 1/2c

HOPE DOMESTIC
Well worth 35c per yard. During this Sale we are making a special price of 28c per yard. (Not Over 10 Yards to a Customer.)

COTTON FLANNEL

Our Regular 25c Quality, now	21c
Our Regular 35c Quality, now	27 1/2c

Only 10 Yards to a Customer.

SHEETING

Our Regular 9-4 Bleached Sheeting, worth 75c, now	59c
Our Regular 10-4 Bleached Sheeting, worth 85c, now	68c
Our Regular 9-4 Brown Sheeting, worth 65c, now	55c

One Lot of Men's Khaki odd coats. Regular \$4.00 values, to close out quickly at.....\$2.95

One Lot of Men's orduroy Coats. Regular \$10.00 values, to close out quickly at.....\$8.50

Our Men's \$2.50 Sweaters, now	\$1.95
Our Men's \$5.00 Sweaters, now	\$3.75

Colors, Red and Gray, Good Sizes.
Now is the Time to Buy Your Blankets
Our Regular \$3.50 Grade, now.....\$2.95
Our Regular \$4.00 Grade, now.....3.45

Buster Brown Shoes for Boys and Girls

Our Regular \$5.00 Values, now	\$4.50
Our Regular \$4.00 Values, now	3.60
Our Regular \$3.50 Values, now	3.15
Our Regular \$3.00 Values, now	2.70
Our Regular \$2.50 Values, now	2.25
Our Regular \$2.00 Values, now	1.80
Our Regular \$1.75 Values, now	1.58
Our Regular \$1.50 Values, now	1.35
Our Regular \$1.25 Values, now	1.15
Our Regular \$1.00 Values, now	.80
Our Regular 75c values, now	.60
Our Regular 50c Values, now	.40

One Basket of Ladies Shoes. Small sizes. Vici, Patent Leather and Gun Metal. Worth \$3.00 to \$4.50. Your choice for.....\$2.50

DRESS GOODS

Our Regular \$2.00 Quality Serge, now	\$1.75
Our Regular \$1.50 Quality Serge, now	1.25
Our Regular \$1.25 Quality Serge, now	.95
Our Regular \$1.00 Quality Serge, now	.75
Our Regular 85c Quality Serge, now	.65
Our Regular 75c Quality Serge, now	.50
Our Regular \$2.00 Quality Georgette, now	1.75
Our Regular \$1.75 Quality Crepe de Chine, now	1.38
Our Regular \$1.25 Quality Silk Poplin	.98
Our Regular \$1.75 Quality Taffeta, now	1.58
Our Regular Quality \$2.00 Satins, now	1.75

We have a full range of colors in Serges, Georgette, Crepe de Chines and Silks. You can save money at these prices during our Xmas Sale. **Better Come Early in Order to Get Selections.**

KNIT CAPS

We have a nice assortment of Ladies and Children's Toboggans and Tams that we are closing out at special prices. These would make nice Christmas presents.

Our Regular \$2.50 Values, now	\$2.25
Our Regular \$2.00 Values, now	1.75
Our Regular \$1.50 Values, now	1.35
Our Regular \$1.25 Values, now	.95
Our Regular \$1.00 Values, now	.85
Our Regular 75c Values, now	.55
Our Regular 50c Values, now	.40

One Lot of Men's Sweaters, our regular \$1.50 values, now.....\$1.25

Men's \$1.50 Union Suits to close out at... \$1.35
Men's \$2.00 heavy ribbed Union Suits... \$1.85

priced hat on the market
for only.....**\$3.00**
WELL WORTH \$5.00
WORTH HATS FOR MEN

— 6121 —
Our Famous All Wool, Guaranteed Blue Serge Suits for Men, in Slims, Stouts and Regular. Also the Judgment Model for Young Men, at.....\$35.00

MEN'S HEAVY WINTER CAPS

Our Regular \$1.50 Values, now	\$1.35
Our Regular \$1.25 Values, now	.95
Our Regular \$1.00 Values, now	.85
Our Regular 75c Values, now	.58
Our Regular 50c Values, now	.39

MEN'S NECKTIES ALWAYS APPRECIATED

Our Regular \$1.50 Values, now	\$1.35
Our Regular \$1.00 Values, now	.75
Our Regular 50c Values, now	.40

MEN'S SILK HOSE
Our Regular 75c Values, in Black, White, and Navy Special, Priced at.....65c

WOOL SHIRTS

Our Regular \$1.50 Quality, now	\$1.35
Our Regular \$2.50 Quality, now	1.95
Our Regular \$3.50 Quality, now	2.95

SUIT CASES

Our Regular \$2.50 Values, now	\$1.95
Our Regular \$3.50 Values, now	2.95
Our Regular \$5.00 Values, now	3.75
Our Regular \$6.50 Values, now	4.95

MEN'S MACKINAWs
33 1-3 Per Cent Off

Our Regular \$10.00 Values now	\$6.69
Our Regular \$12.50 Values, now	\$8.35

The object of this Extraordinary Christmas Sale is to convert everything possible into cash, therefore we can not make any charge tickets and would appreciate you not asking us to violate this rule. For we simply cannot do it at the concession made. Our stock is heavy and must reduce same by January 1st. Now don't wait until last days of sale. Try to be one among the first and you will receive better service and come nearer finding just exactly what you want at prices which will please you.

YOURS FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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WHEN UNCLE SAM

asked for lower food prices he wasn't looking our way. We have always been noted for low prices. Just compare this list—

100 lb. Roll Soap, per bar	5c
100 lb. packages T. T. Coffee	\$1.00
100 lb. Walnuts and Almonds, per pound	40c
100 lb. dozen cans best Hominy	\$1.30
100 lb. Potatoes, per pound	3c
100 lb. P. G. White Laundry Soap, 10c bars	\$1.00
100 lb. Crackers, 2 boxes for	35c
100 lb. Tucker's Lard, large bucket	\$2.40
100 lb. Prince Albert Tobacco	25c
100 lb. Beans, per pound	4 1/2c
100 lb. pound can Pork & Beans	10c

The High Quality of our groceries and reasonable prices makes this store the favorite with every thrifty housewife.

R. J. REYNOLDS

North side Square :-: Haskell, Texas

Interesting Letter From Cole Menefee

October 24th.

My Menefee, Haskell, Texas, Oklahoma Territory. I have also been quite a while in the dream world and as hopeless, but it has come so far as France is concerned. I stood in the shadow of the tower; gazed into the placid of the Seine and planted my shoes on the Champs-Elysees. I have viewed the many beautiful in the Loire River valley gazed upon many castles, that to crumble and fall, hang-diffs or crowning the peaks on the side of the valley of the I have felt the warmth-giving my face as I looked out a Mediterranean toward Algeria visited the most celebrated resort in the world. Monte

Spot and I, after getting all we could together, left our location on October 5th and to Paris the same evening. The Paris are crowded to over-

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WIFE, HUSBAND,

Father, Mother, Grandpa or Grandma would be delighted to have a new pair of eye glasses for Christmas. Possibly the old ones are about worn out or they are not suiting their eyes now. They simply must read or work, or do both. Don't let them ruin their eyes—get them a new pair of glasses. Glasses suit the eyes only two or three years, then they should be changed. The accommodation weakens annually. If it did not, normal eyes would never need glasses at any age.

"Oh! Why when I got my glasses I was told they would do me 10 years," says one. Another says: "Twenty years," and still another says: "The rest of my life." Well, that's crooked salesmanship—deception pure and simple.

A man with ability, experience and reputation only should be trusted to fit you with glasses.

Careful Examination. Proper Correction. Best Lenses, Any Style or Kind of Frames or Mountings.

A. F. Woods, Optical Specialist

and historic places to visit that one could spend quite a while there and always find something attractive. Of course some of the interesting places are closed to the public now and some of the works of art are covered with sand bags, yet there is more than enough to keep one going all the time.

About the only thing that failed to impress me as much as I thought it would was the Camps-Elyses, which as you know is supposed to be one of the finest, if not the finest, streets in the world. The main reason, though, that causes one to think the street is not what it really is, is the fact that it is probably three hundred feet wide and is not jammed like most large city streets are. Now, I don't mean to say that this street is not perfectly lovely, for it is as it has some wonderful buildings on either side and the trees and flowers gives an American the impression of a street of fine residences. On this street will be found the Grand and Petit Palaces, but we were not allowed to visit them. Just a short distance from these two palaces is the Alexandre Bridge and it has some wonderful pieces of art on it.

Some of the most interesting places we visited in Paris were the Opera, the Arc de Triomphe, La Madelline, the Louvre, Jardin des Tuilleries, the Bastille, Du Trocadero, the Invalides, Place de la Republique and Notre Dame. Of course we visited quite a few other places, but I cannot remember them all and it would make my letter too long to go into much detail.

Notre Dame is very interesting and it has some very beautiful stained glass windows. There is some glass that has been placed in recent times and one can see quite a difference in it and that placed there long ago. They told us that the art of coloring glass such as we saw in that church has been lost. The architecture of the church is marvelous and one can't help but have a funny feeling as he stands in the massive building and looks upon the ancient things. There are pillars of stone inside the church that are something like ninety feet high. The inside of the church represents a cross and our rough army shoes made a rather harsh sound as we walked on the stone floors.

After spending our two days and nights in Paris we went to the Gare de Lyon and took the train for Lyon. We had quite an experience getting on the train and this is the way it came about: When soldiers are traveling from one point in France to another they are not supposed to stop off at places longer than it takes to get a train out, but we figured that we could not see what we desired to in a few hours and luck favored us in getting the two days. When we reached Paris we failed to see the M. P.'s and were not checked in and we were rather bothered as to what kind of a story we should tell when it came time to check out, but again luck played us a good turn. When we reached the station we were about to pass the exit for French Permissonaires when we saw an opportunity to go through without having to check out with the M. P.'s, but the train was locked and we saw an M. P. not so far away, so we decided to go through a window and did so, thereby securing a good seat for the first time and I slept very soundly most of the night.

We reached Lyon about eight o'clock in the morning and at once went to the Y. M. C. A. for breakfast, but the "Y" at Lyon is very small and they only had chocolate and sandwiches and we were very hungry. We spent the day

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Have arrived and will be on display in a few days. Our stock will consist of something useful and popular for every member of the family.

Visit our store before buying your Christmas purchases. We can please you.

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looking around this old city and saw many places of interest. For instance, we saw the place where they daily feed thousands of pigeons and the pigeons are very tame and will eat from the hand. This was interesting to me as I remember seeing a picture of this scene when I was quite a kid. We went up on the observation tower where we could see the entire city and the surrounding hills. We could see where the Rhone flows into the Rhone and could follow the winding Rhone with our eyes far up towards the mountains Mont Blanc could be seen from this observation tower and the white mountains in the distance are very beautiful.

The following morning we checked out with the M. P.'s and left on the same train we arrived on the morning before and we followed the Rhone River nearly all the way to Marseille. This valley is so beautiful and ever changing that one loses that desire to sleep which so often is the case. The river, a part of it at least, has been changed from its original channel and made to run on a higher level than originally, which makes it easy to irrigate the valley. The most interesting thing about this valley, however, is the many old castles, towers, etc. One sees peak after peak covered with a mass of masonry, with the usual old castle, that you have seen pictured so often; towering above the mass. Quite often one will see an old town entirely walled with the buildings inside so close and crowded that it reminds one of our modern Chinatown.

We reached Marseille at six in the afternoon and had our first look at the Mediterranean. Marseille is a very beautiful city, but there is every specimen of humanity in the world there. One can stand on the most important street and see the riff-raff of the world go by. There are Spanish, Italians, Portuguese, Algerians, Moroccans, Egyptians, Arabs, Serbs, Greeks, Hindus, Chinese, Japanese, English, Americans, Canadians, Australians, and in fact, from every kind and point on the globe is represented and one hears so many different languages spoken and sees so many costumes that one is apt to get the idea of a flock of birds of different plumage each trying to drown the others chatter with his own. Just before entering Marseille there is a tunnel eight miles long and as the train had no lights we were in the blackest night for some time I have ever seen. Spot says that one cannot enter a French town without going through a tunnel and he is not far wrong.

We left Marseille at about five o'clock in the afternoon and reached Nice at three the next morning. We secured a nice room and immediately went to bed and didn't get up the following morning until late. You see we were taking advantage of the fact that we did not have to stand reville. Gordon and I occupied the same room and what do you think we did when we awoke in the morning? Well sir, we ordered breakfast sent up, placed a pillow at our backs and ate just as regular people do. When I looked over at Gordon sitting in his bed across the room eating breakfast and thought of the many times I had seen him in the "chow line" with messkit in hand I just had to laugh, and he said: "You fool, what are you laughing at?", when he had the same idea of me and we just had to haw haw.

Nice is about all that one could desire in the way of a beauty spot as it is very clean and the climate is so mild that flowers are everywhere. The whole place is covered with palms and other semi-tropical plants. There one, will find figs, lemons, olives, dates, oranges and other varieties of fruits adapted to semi-tropical climates growing in abundance. Mountains hem the city in on the north, west and east and the Mediterranean on the south. The people are hospitable and altogether it is a nice place for an American soldier

to be. We went from Nice to Monte Carlo on the trainway and this is the most wonderful trip I ever made. The car line hugs the coastline all the way and at times one seems to hang on the mountain side and looks into the blue waters below. The whole distance is probably fifteen or twenty miles but there are numerous tunnels, canyons and other bits of scenery that are just simply great.

We visited the Casino at Monte Carlo which, as you know, is the world's most celebrated gambling resort. Of course we were not permitted to visit the place during the business hours, but we were allowed to view all the different gambling devices and I must confess that there are quite a few that I did not understand and I imagine that I wouldn't win much coin at some of the games. The gaming boards and devices, however, did not interest me half so much as the beauty of the place for each of the different rooms are perfect pieces of art. The entire walls and ceilings are covered with paintings by famous Italian artists and the room named for the artist and I want to tell you that some of the work is marvelous. The main auditorium of the building is the swellest place I have ever seen as the whole ceiling is carved and illuminated with thousands of lights. I can't half describe the beauty of the place as my descriptive powers are too limited. We also visited the Prince's Palace and sat on the throne until the keeper chased us out. The palace is surrounded by numerous guns, but they are of an ancient type.

From Monte Carlo we went up into Italy, but the guard wouldn't let us go far, just enough to say that we had been there. We were permitted to send post cards from there bearing Italian stamps and I presume that you received one and maybe gathered the impression that I was having a great time over that country.

After returning to Nice we again took the train for Marseille where we spent the night, taking the train again the next morning for the return trip. We came back by way of Montpellier, Cette, Carcassonne, Toulouse, Bordeaux and some other places. You probably call to mind the famous old towers of Carcassonne. The old city of Carcassonne sets on the side of a hill some distance from the new city and it is completely surrounded by a high stone wall. Of course we did not stop and visit it, but it seems to be deserted at this time.

After all, my brother, it matters not what other places you have visited and what other things you have seen you will make no mistake by visiting southern France for it is truly one of the world's beauty spots and it makes one feel better to stand on the old road that Napoleon built when he invaded that country and look down into the indigo blue of the Mediterranean. I love just such scenery as that as it always makes me think of better things

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I like to stand in the shadow of the mountains and look out across the sea for it brings a spell over me as nothing else can.

Well, our trip has been made and we are back in camp once more, but I am about to take another trip and one that is more important to me as I have at last succeeded in getting transferred to the infantry and am leaving tomorrow for somewhere nearer the front. Of course I have to go as a "Buck" but that doesn't worry me one bit as I am not hunting promotions. Neither am I going because I am in bad with my officers but it is at my own request. You know there is very little to do here now in my line and I feel like that I am practically worthless and you know at times like these one doesn't care to have that feeling, and then too, if that little eighteen year old kid brother of ours can "carry on" up there, surey I, big husky that I am, can do the same.

You will hear from me again soon, but in the meantime continue to address me here as my mail will be forwarded and it will probably be some time before I get located as I am now just a casual you know, without an organization.

With all best wishes and lots of love, I am,

Your brother,
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