HASKELL, HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS, PRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1928-10 PAGES

FORTIETH YEAR

OLD

FREE PRESS OF 1886 RECORDS MANY INTERESTING EVENTS

This cotton has gone through

Hymenial.

Diligent Deputies.

From the issue of September 4, 188

A. S. Kauffman stands before Judge

his county about the 8 of July, 1886.

rett and Wm. Edge, who is by the way prospective candidate for sheriff

and followed Kauffman across the

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Wedding Bells! From the Issue of October 30, 1

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The home of A. J. Tuck about one

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Marvin Wheatley and

the Baptist Church. The co

man with theft of a horse said to

been stolen from John Casner in

out four days after the horse was

newall county, started in pursuit

From the issue of September 4, 1886.

The largest crowd that ever assembl-

Prom the Issue of March 27, 1886. Haskell City can boast of one of the ast hotels, as fine a courthouse and demonstrated fact that this is a fine cotton country, we expect the farmers will plant heavy of the fleecy staple jail, more enterprising citizens and more pretty girls than any town of its sise in the state. crop next year.

ste Democratic Tie ratio Ticket for 1888. Lieut. Governor—T. B. Wheeler. Attorney Gen.—James S. Hogg. Associate Justice—Reuben R. Gaines. and Com.—R. M. Hall. comptreller—Jno. D. McCall. consurer—Frank Lubbock. apt... Public Instruction—O.

on the large of May 15, 1886 DIED.—On the 7, inst., Leila, infant ties there was a sughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Par ed in the affair. n the 10, inst., Mattie, daughter of and Mrs. G. W. Keyster, aged 8

On the 9, inst., Mrs. B. Edge. On the 11, inst., Bickard, infant son f Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Norris, aged 15

mod condition. There has been a very eavy crop of calves in this county his year, but the prospects for a good rop next year is not very good at

tives running up at least one and on time times that any

From the Issue of August 21, 1886. Mr. Stephen Harvey was in our sanc-tum the 16 inst. and showed us a stalk of cotton which he said was only an average stalk of one acre of cotton grown on his farm in Haskell county specimen shown us was about 3 high and was heavy with fruit.

When we consider the circumstances nder which this cotton grew, we are privinced of the fact that this county at be surpassed by any country in

Mr. Harvey says that when he santed his cotour there was just mough rain to being it up and after it was about eight inches high the brouth set in, and on account of there was no grass the grasshoppers took the cottes and cut it down, but it was and had attained its present might by the time of the rains in June and had attained its present might by the time of the rains in June and he was a larger to the rains in June of the rains in June and he was a larger to the rains in June of the

fusic School at Wills Point last wee the boys made wonderful progress wir studies according to report. ents Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wwe Forty Years of Service in Haskell and

We also thank each and every one who has co **加升5厘升(42) 经9年基础 等过时5厘克拉马**克

FATHER OF MRS. HENRY ALEXANDER DIES IN ILL

Mrs. Henry Alexander received a telegram soon after midnight on Christ-mas night that her father had died in Belvidere, Ill., at 11 o'clock p. m. A telegram several days carlier advised that he had had an attack of heart trouble but seemed to be improving. Mrs. Alexander left on the early morning train for Belvidere. Later teledrouth which sorghum could not stand. Haskell is bound to come to the funeral will be held in Belvidere the front as an agricultural country, at 1 o'clock p. m., Tuesday December

church last Wednesday evening to witness the marriage of Mr. C. D. Long to Miss Addie Rogers and Mr. W. B. Anthony to Miss Mollie Hills. Owing to the high social position of all the parties there was great interest manifested in the affair. three daughters and two sons: Mrs.

As scheduled, the Haskell Booste day evening at the High School Auditorium, and, from compliments gathered about the streets and business

s miles and captured him with the Director McCollum seemed to feel the horse and returned last Friday, with atmosphere, keenly, that prevailed, as he stood before that body of young folks all set for the signal, "PLAY." Each twitch of his hand, snap of his they passed through and the drouth is taken into consideration this is a nice eye, it seemed, meant something to secs of detective work and these gen-demen are deserving of a great deal

Taking up a program suited to or-ganisations several years older than Haskell's, each number was turned to and disposed of as though they had been at it for years. parties being Mr. Tom Merr and one of our society ladies, Miss Mary Kaiser, Brother James officiating.

of training there seems no doubt but that he is as proud of Haskell's Boos-ter Band as Haskell folks are them-

The Pres Press understands another program will be presented in the very stended every one to attend. It is hoped the weather will be more sugges-tive, as to encouraging folks to leave south of town was destroyed by the fireside.

Following the program rendition the band serenaded the Haskell Theatre, and Manager Trammel showed his ap-preciation by inviting the body in to rom the burning building. When they woke the flames had gained such seadway that they were forced to flee ee the show. to the building with only their night tothing on, snatching what garments bey could from the rooms as they ran.

Wichita Valley Changes Schedule Effective Sunday

setive chimney according to Mr. Tuck. In alarm was turned in and the local J. L. Southern, agent at the Wichita Valley station reports a slight change in No. 3 passenger train which now ar-rives from Abilene at 8:50 a. m. going ire department made a run to the fire, although it was out of reach of the sity water mains, but the fire had mined such headway that the chemical north. Sunday morning January partus could not be used to any earlier. No other train is affe Leonard on their regular schedule as in the Vaughan past. Remember this change and don't get left if you expect to ride this train

> Mr. and Mrs. W. C. ad Mrs. P. G. Alexander

Haskell County.

A PROMISE, A PLEDGE AND AN OFFER

Brother of Haskell Man Accidentally Killed at Vernon

News reached here Wednesday morning of the death of Charley Linam, brother of Albert Linam of this city, which occurred at the Humble Oil Loading station one mile east of Vernon about 3 p. m. Tuesday. He was worknig on a large oil tank car with Frank Gilmore, a fellow workman and Linam went inside the tank to do some work and was overcome by the umes of gas and Gilmore was unable to get him out until his life was snuffed out. Albert Linam, his brother ot this city, has gone to Vernon to attend

of cotton was stolen from his farm in Center Point community on Thanksgiving night through a clever piece of detective work located the trailer with evidence to cause two men to be indicted charged with the theft. It is alleged that the men airested have confessed to the theft and have made sworn statements in regard to the theft. It is an interesting story how he located the trailer which had been sold to another party in Abilene and how he worked every clew to the undoing of the men charged with the

HASKELL COUNTY COTTON **CROP EXCEEDS LAST YEAR**

According to a statement sent out by B. Lindsey of Rule of the bureau of Commerce of Washington, Haskell county has a total of 3,811 bales more cotton ginned than in 1924. Below we give the figures of Mr. Lindsey.

There were 48,238 bales of cotton counting round bales as half bales, gin-ned in Haskell County from the crop of 1925 prior to Dec. 13th. 1925, as

DAUGHTER OF HAREELL LADY INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Willis Buchanan daughter of Mrs. W. J. Sowell of this city was serlously injured in an auto accident near her home in Los Angeles California. Although the accident was serrious reports say that she is expected to recover. Mrs. Sowell and two grand children will leave Sunday for Los Angeles and will stay in California until

Barackman Beats Moore of Anson Here Tuesday

Bomar Moore of Anson, much-touted restler of this section, was downed by M. Barackman of Knox City at the wrestling match sponsored by the Elks Club last Tuesday night. In a former match between these two men Moore came off victor, and the odds seemed in his favor, as he outweighed Barack man, but the skill and science exhibit ed by the former lead many to believe wide margin. The first fall was scored by Barackman with a Japanese whirlwind hold, coming after the two men had fought for thirty-three mintes without any apparent advantage sing gained by either. Moore came sack for the secondfall rather dissy and Barackman easily pinned him for

Local fans were well pleased with the atch, the first staged here, and a rgs number of fans were also present om Anson and Knox City. Backers the Anson contender my that a rem match will prove in Moore's farm; and this may be announced for a

e match, as well as the several minaries, was referred by Joe Ack-m, former champion middleweight

ed skill that he had bus was

HASKELL COUNTY AS IT APPEARED **40 YEARS AGO TOLD BY OLD FILES**

Press of June 26, 1896

Haskell County. sandy loam and produces fine crops of small grain.

Until last year, there had been no farming done here and the fertile prairie was given to sheep, horses and cattle.

This county was organized the 13th day of January, 1885, and emigrants began to come. Some of them got here in time to plant oats, corn, millet and surghum. Oats made about 75 bushels per acre, ble Mountain and millet made one ton per acre. We have a school at Haskell with

about 75 pupils enrolled. This county is a level prairie with a few streams of clear water, well supplied with several varieties of the finny

Haskell city is a cozy little village of about 300 inhabitants, situated at the head of a strong branch, that rises on a beautiful inclined plain.

The court house, a fine frame build ing, is situated in the public square and surpassed by any of its western conwould be an ornament to a more pretentious city.

The jail is one of the most secure in the state, and judging from its never having been used since its completion, it has a good effect on the community Our poeple are of the most enterpris ng classes, as within our knowledge, many came here poor, and have be-

Haskell is situated conveniently to the railroad at two points, Abilene and Albany. Abilene is aspiring to the position of a trade center. Albany is very favorably situated and has been getting good trade from this county, but bilene has done the principal lumber

close to Haskell, we have the benefit of petition. Albany is on the nus of the Houston and Texas Central | the county not over \$20,000 for Railway and Abilene Pacfiic Railway.

Haskell is situated on a direct line of the Houston and Texas Central and will get that road as soon as it is in a condition to make an extention.

cents per acre in the last year, and peo- far as it is from railroads. ple wanting homes should buy as soon as they can. We have witnesseed the \$3.50 to \$25 per acre.

The land policy of Texas has retard- county of same name. ed development, but the lease system is proving impracticable and there is some indication that the public land first secured a mail line it was with will be thrown open to actual settlers Albany, but our people became disunencumbered.

This county is a good location for men with small stocks of cattle and that city offered better inducem for a year or two, the weather has been

We invite emigrants to this place and think they can be suited in land. (Prom the files of Nov. 13, 1886.)

Haskell county was organised Janable increase in population. Up to the H. L. Koontz Grocer and Hide Dealer; organization there had never been any B. H. Dotson Dry Goods and Grocer-

This year the spring crops were ruined by the drouth but the farmers lept on trying and harvested a heavy crop of millet, sorghum and hay.

as any he ever saw raised.

There has been a heavy sowing wheat this fall and next year will a

do well to come to Haskell before ing elsewhere. (From the files of May 14, 1867)

The following appeared in the issue of May 14, 1867, almost one year later. Haskell county was organized in January 1888. At the time it was or-

The following history of Haskell groves that distinguish this county county appeared in the Haskell Pree from the plains. The ground is covered with a nutricious coat of mesquite grass. The land is of two kinds Haskell county is one of the best sandy loam and black sandy, and is counties in the state. The land is deep, adapted to drouth. The sandy loam is especially adapted to drouth, millet, sorghum and peas, have been raised on this land, without rain from the time of sowing, until gathered. All kinds of vegetables grow fine, and persons who are conversant with the facts say this will be as good a country for fruit as California; as the land is of the same quality, as the rich fruit lands

> The county is traversed by the Double Mountain and Salt Fork of the Brazos; and numerous creeks and branches, that do not go dry at all. There are no large pastures in this county, and as there are no large bodies of land, the title to which is in one individual, the probability is that there never will be any large pastures in this county.

Haskell, the county seat, is situated at the head of Rice Springs branch on a high rolling prairie. For good water and good health it is not to be temporaries. The town plot was surveyed by W. R. Standifer, who was at that time, (in 1884) the only in-habitant within ten miles of the present town of Haskell. It was laid off on the south east corner of the Peter Allen survey, including Rice Springs. It was about a mile square, but sin that time an addition has been made come the proprietors of cozy little on the east making the present plot double its original size.

Sometime in 1884 W. F. Draper and J. L. Baldwin put up a grocery store which was soon followed by that of Wm. Harvey, L. M. Smith and others. until at preesent the square upo which stands the beautiful court house is occupied by numerous busin in all trades and professions.

The public buildings are substantial and ornimental, and were built with an economical outlay; they having cont Brick Jail with best steel furnitu Lime Rock Vault and Clerks office and three substantial bridges. The grow of business and population since 1886 Land in this county has advanced 50 interior town in the west, situated as

Haskell is 45 miles from Albany term inus of the H. & T. C. R. R. 60 miles advance in the price of land in one from Abilene on the T. & P. R. R. county for ten years that went from 30 miles from Anson in Jones county and 30 miles from Throckmorton; is

Our present daily mail connections are with Abilene via Anson. When we satisfied with the trade facilities, and opened up a mail line with Abilene, as horses, sheep have not done so well in the lumber and grain trade. The change of the mail line caused a transfer of business to that city. Among the men who have prosp

in their business since they came here, we mention: Draper and Baldwin, Haskell county was organised January 1885 and at the first election polled about 55 votes, the last election polled about 155 which shows a considered by the forces of the force of the f G. W. Cook planted a crop and found that farming would pay so his example was soon followed by others.

In Dotson Dry Goods and Grocer-ies, W. H. Parsons Jeweler; Attorneys at Law, A. C. Poster, P. P. Morgan, Lomax & Jones, W. A. McDowell, Ed. Willows Lomax & Jones, W. A. McDowell, Ed. Wilfong and Oscar Martin; Last Agents, W. C. Ballard, S. H. Johnson & Co., W. R. Standifer and M. V. Osliush W. M. McCreary Livery and Hotel, Wash Rupe Hotel; J. S. Riddle, Jan Dewees, N. C. Smith, L. B. Agesw, R. B. Miller, B. B. Evans, T. F. Tucher Carpenters and Builders and many

ROSE CHAPEL

(By Lillie Cloer)

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henshaw entertained the young people of this com-munity last Tuesday night with a "42" and play party. Everyone reported a

Miss Callie Cloer spent Thursday night with Miss Gertrude Rose of Fos-

The party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Tyson's last Thursday night was well attended. Everyone reported a nice time Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Rose spent

Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rose of the Foster community. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henshaw and

small boys spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Landess Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rose spent Christ-

mas in the Elmo Phillips home Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Webb and Verner Tyson returned Saturday night from

their vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ray entertained the young people Saturday night with a party. There was a large crowd present and everyone reported a very nice time.

On account of the severe cold weather there was no Sunday School Sunday, but we hope to have a good at tendance next Sunday. Bro. C. B. Stovall spent Christmas

with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stovall. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Miss Taylor, Mrs. Stovall of Wichita and several

children spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stovall. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barton and family returned Sunday from Stephensville where they had been spending the

Christmas holidays. School began again Monday with several new pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick and son Ford and Odell Henshaw returned Monday from Winters and Roby where they have been visiting relatives. J C. Peters returned with them.

NEW MID

(By Mrs. Mary A. Blakeley.) Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ballard of Spur spent Christmas and the week end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Love of Rule visited Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pinkerton Sun-

E. Patterson and family were in Austin last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Mitchell and daughter Jewel were in Abilene Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Jones and family spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Taft near Weinert.

Thomas Bevel, his sister Cora and Vernie Dean Wisenbaker spent Christmas with their uncle, T. J. Bevel near Stamford.

N. C. Stogner of Munday spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Archie and Rayford Porch.

Fred Pinkerton and Miss Ruth Malcom of Weinert were married Saturday

Robert Patterson, who has been on the Plains for some time, has returned Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Martin spent Sun-

day with their daughter, Mrs. John

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newberry spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Walker. Mr. Odie Brown and Miss Tessie Elliott of near Weinert were married Sunday afternoon.

Henry Howard and family spent Christmas with his sister south of

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would feel dizzy, have gas
and sour stomach, also feel a
tightness in my chest. I'd
take a good doze of

Liver Medicine

when I felt that way, and it would relieve me, and I would feel better for days.

"My husband takes it for billousness. He says he has never found its equal. When he has the tired, heavy feeling, he takes Black-Draught night and novning for a few days and he doesn't complain any more.

any more.
"I sure do recommend Theo
ford's Black-Draught."
Your liver is the large
organ in your body. Wh

Mrs. Norton, who has been visiting her son, J. J. Beason, left Wednesday

for her home in Oklahoma Monday.

Robert and Jack Hearne and families spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Riggins spent Christmas with their grandfather, Mr. Raeder at O'Brien. Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bean spent

Christmas day with her father. Mr. and Mrs. Buck Greenwood, and Mrs. Dick Greenwade spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Herring.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Riggins are visiting relatives and friends in Eastland county.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Greenwood are moving to Stamford.

NO. 617.

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to be published once each week for a | corded in Vol. 3, page 222, Minutes of period of twenty days before the return the District Court of Haskell County, day hereof, in a newspaper of general Texas, which will be heard at the next notice:

The State of Texas:

of Samuel Hunter Deceased. S. R. sale should not be made, should they Hunter, Sr. Administrator has filed in choose to do so. the County Court of Haskell County an application for an order to sell the fol- said court on the first day of the next lowing property of the said estate, sit-8.50 acres of land, Lot Five and Share ed the same. "D" and 401.1 acres of land, Lot "Six" share "A" containing in the aggregate 410.30 gores of land as shown in Rob 27th day of November A. D. 1925. ert G. . atson, deceased, estate by com- (Seal) missioners sub-division report duly re-

circulation, which has been continuous term of said Court, commencing the lst. Will Lewis and Miss Audra Beason by and regularly published for a period Monday in January A. D. 1926, the Saturday evening and left for Waco kell County, a copy of the following D. 1926, at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are re-To all persons interested in the estate quired to appear and show why such

> Herein fail not, but have you before term thereof this writ, with your return uated in Haskell County, Texas, to-wit: thereon, showing how you have execut-

> > Given under my hand and the seal of said court at office in Haskell this the **Emory Menefee, Clerk,** County Court, Haskell County Texas.

FRIDAY, JAN. 1st-

"THE KEEPER OF THE BEES"

SATURDAY, JAN. 2nd-"BANDIT'S BABY" with Fred Thompson

MONDAY JAN. 4th-"ZANDER THE GREAT"

TUESDAY, JAN. 5th-"THE GREAT DIVIDE"

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6th-"WAGES FOR WIVES"

THURSDAY, JAN. 7th-"THE ANCIENT MARINERS"

HASKELL THEATRE

THE FARMERS STATE BANK

-EXTENDS-

CONGRATULATIONS

We tender our regards in consideration of the length of service that the Haskell Free Press has rendered to our town and county.

In this connection we point with pride to our own business which has worked for and with the people of Haskell County since 1904. In those times there have been lean years and fat years, and we have made an earnest effort to stick by our friends and patrons in the hardest of times. For this we ask no material returns except the satisfaction of service rendered.

We do solicit your business on the basis of the accomodations that we can and have given our customers.

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Best wishes are extended to the Haskell Free Press on the successful completion of its Fortieth year of service to Haskell and Haskell County. We are pleased to recognize the spirit of service this institution has maintained.

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BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

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The dissemination of news and proper advertising is just as important to a community as adequate financing and insurance. In the former the Free Press is serving you with great zeal and we are prepared to serve you in the latter in a manner that will be pleasant and profitable to our customers.

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Boys and erred to them

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girls;" "To the People of Our Home the best." As the dinner progressed the best Baldwin: Southwestern Univertoastmistress asked each guest to talk lege life," and speeches both clever and humorous, were the result. The following colleges were represented: C. I. A., Simmons U., State University, T. C. U., Baylor College, Baylor Uni-versity, Baylor Medical College, West Bledsoe: McMurry, Abilene, Mattie Texas Tech., A. & M., A. & M. Jr. Washington & Lee University, Missouri State Teachers College, John Tarleton, Kidd Key and Austin College. Mrs. John W. Pace gave some

beautiful piano numbers. Later the young people grouped themselves according to their schools, and depicted some real college stunts. At elevan o'clock, fifteen "rahs!" were given for the hostesses, thus ending a thoroughly delightful evening. The visitors present were Misses Eldona Bowman, Waco: Miss Camille Speer, Temple: Miss Aline Humphries, Seymour; and Mr. Joe Boriff, Springfield, Mo. Misses Beatrice Weinert, Maybelle Taylor, Thelma Williams, Maurine Couch, Thelma Johnnye Morgan, Frances Ferguson, Melba Bledsoe, Galen Robertson, Ber-nice Mask, Mary Ella Pace, Madelin Hunt and Marion Guest. Messrs. John W. Pace, Jr., Frank Kimbrough, Earnest Sanders, Jerome Sanders, Jno. W. Whiteker, Reynolds Wilson, Herman Weinert, Harry Lee, Henry Wilson, Bailey Taylor, John L. McCollum, Kenneth Oates, Walter Murchison, and Walter Glenn. Mr. John Couch, Mr. F. T. Sanders, Fred Jr., Mary Couch Mary Roman Whiteker.

One of the sad recalities of the closing of the holiday season is the going in large numbers of our college boys and girls back to their various schools where they will remain until next june. They began leaving last Monday night when Barnest Sanders left for Washington and Lee University, Virginia; and Misses Marjorie Whiteker, Elon Clifton, Johnye Morgan left for Baylor Belton; Misses Mabel Taylor, Maurine Couch and John Wiley Whiteker

Mary Couch, Mary Emma Whiteker, Christine Ballard and the hostesses.

for Baylor University, Waco; and thus nature's shuttle and the closs roads carried all through the week, and will continue to do so until next Sunday Haskell and four of them did not night, the following boys and girls to the school of their choice. A. and M. but home folk and friends remembered College Station: Ryan Pierson, John L. McCollum, Cecil Weaver, Jack Sutherlin. Bailey Taylor and I. D. Killingser: Lubbock Tech. Frances Ferguson, Jerome Sanders, Micheal Watson: Simmons University, Abilene: Bernice Sunday School Party. Town." Miss Marjorie Whiteker, whose Mask and Frank Kimbrough: Texas closing remarks were "It is not the Woman's College, Lena Ethel Hill: buildings staunch and tall, Nor the State University, Austin; John W. breeze with such a zest, But certain Pace Jr., Walter Murchison Jr., Annie men and women, Make the town I love Kate Perguson, Lucy Cummins: T. C. on "The things I like most in my col- sity, Georgetown, Horton Merchant: Arlington, Harry Lee, Walter Glenn: Austin College, Sherman, Henry Wilson: S. M. U. Dallas, Mary Ella Pace:

Bledsoe: McMurry, Abilene,

with forty-five representatives from come home for the Christmas holidays,

were; Gaines Post, Harvard University; Gregor McGregor, Military School worth: C. I. A. Denton: Thelma Wil- Virginia; Marguerite McCollum, Ada liams, Beatrice Weinert, Velma Ham- Okla. and Josie Kimbrough, Baylor bleton, Galen Robertson, Veda Weav. Belton. Aure Voir boys and girls until vacation days bring you back to us.

> On last Monday evening the Intermediate Class of the Midway Sunday School entertained the Senior Class with a nicely planned party at the home of their teachers, Mrs. Steve Leflar. They invited every member of both classes that had attended at any time. Each member brought candy, fruit or nuts and after several interesting games were played this was passed around. A feast was enjoyed by about forty pupils of both classes.

Ross Payne of Fort Worth was here

CONGRATULATIONS

Haskell Free Press, on your Fortieth Birthday, and may your shadow never grow less. The Forty Years of experience and apparent success behind you suggests continued growth and a "Fine Large Boy" some day.

Whether we continue to serve Forty Years, more or less, we hope to continue in the good graces of our patrons and friends as we keep pace with the times, our competitors, and our neighbors, and at the same time, bear in mind, a pleased customer means much to our progress.

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In turn the Haskell National Bank calls your attention to its own work during the past Thirty-Six years. During that time we have extended credit to thousands of farmers in Haskell County, making the development of the county fuller and more complete than it could have been otherwise. We have been rewarded of course, and we are endeavoring to make our institution more worthy of the liberal patronage it has received by giving our customers greater accomodations than ever before.

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Because it brought us many new friends and patrons and because the old ones remained true.

THANKFUL FOR THE NEW YEAR 1926

Because it brings us new opportunities for service to our old friends and patrons and the hope of adding many more new ones. With each of you we hope that 1925 has been a year in which your joys have far outweighed your sorrows and that 1926 will be the best year in every respect that you have ever experienced.

ASKELL TELEPHONE CO.

HASKELL, TEXAS

The Haskell Free Press



Hackell, Texas, Friday Jan. 1, 1926

Press was printed the first week in known to us the first issue of the paper January, 1886, under the ownership of has never come into the possession of H. C. Loenard and W. H. Peckham, but the present owner. It is surprising how according to information Oscar Martin well the files have been preserved. was editor on a salary of \$20.00 per The Free Press in the historic past havmonth. The paper was printed at ing with stood the onslaught of time Throckmorton and brought to Haskell changing events, cyclones and many for distribution by a horseman and other privations which are mentioned when the paper was brought here the in the pages of thesee wonderful files, news for the next week's issue was and remains a true historical record of sent back by the same means of trans- every thing from the first day of its portation. An Army press was used for existence until the present moment. printing the paper at that time. It Each year has been bound separately seems that Oscar Martin became own in book form and are kept in the office er and editor in chief on the first issue for reference of the wonderful past of May in 1886 as his name is found at Every thing worthy of mention which July 9, 1915, with the exception of a are giving in this issue some of the ty Attorney, Judge J. E. Poole and of the incidents told us by those who his post until the end of his life. His wonderful section. life was connected with every advancement and his pen was ever ready to and women here and else where who boost every progressive step and the will be pleased to read again the things columns of the Free Press were open which took place in the early days to every upbiulding cause at all times in Haskell County. And others who during the long years of faithful ser- have learned to love Haskell and Hasvice rendered unselfishly for the best kell county will be glad to learn someinterest of the city of Haskell and the thing of the early history of their home entire county. He was held in the town and county. Hence the effort highest esteem by all. After his death has been put forth to get out this anhis faithful wife continued the paper niversary edition. Our business men until it was sold in 1916 to the present have responded to our request and management. We have searched the have joined heart and hand with us files of the Free Press published in the in the work and we ask that every year of 1886 and we find many inter- body every where read carefully their esting facts recorded there which will message and remember them when you be found in the following pages of this are on the streets of our city by callissue a few additional facts from P. G. ing on them and showing them your Alexander and Frank C. Wilfong who hearty appreciation of their assistance were among the first settlers of this in bringing to you this anniversary

Press which is the 40th aniversary we business men are your friends. feel glad to announce that the Haskell Pree Press is the oldest institution in the city or county that has been oper. AN OLD-FASHIONED ated under the same name. While the present management is not to be num-bered with the old timers, however we took up the work where they left off and it has been a great pleasure to continue under the same name and push forward the plans and policies of of the city and county. The Free Press has always been a medium through which a record of every thing from the labeled. They plan to open for business of the ladies' mother. Mrs. In the ladies of the ladies' mother, Mrs. In the ladies of the ladies' mother, Mrs. In the ladies' moth earliest scettlement to the present day has been kept. Recording the events aglow, stockings filled with surprises in a plain outspoken manner. There is in this office almost an unbroken file friend Santa Claus, a few toys, dolls, of all the issues since March 27, 1886. Only the issue of the first three months are missing.

The paper was established January The first issue of the Haskell Free the 1st. 1886, but from some cause not the mast-head on this date. He con- took place in the city or county during tinued editor and publisher from that these 40 years are to be found among date until his death which occured the pages of these treasured files. We few short intervals when he was Coun- things recorded in these files and some others looked after the paper in his live here and were in the organization absence from the business but he was of the County and were instrumental in soon back on the job and continued at helping to develop the resources of this

There are a number of living men edition of our home paper. Remember

In getting out this issue of the Free that Haskell is your town and the man for the campany, ably assisted by

CHRISTMAS SCENE

To the older folks fond memories of by-gone days are again brought to mind as they pass the windows of the West the former owner to the best interest Texas Utilities Co. The east window is

The old-fashioned fireplace with logs as they took place and giving the facts hanging just as they used to on the in a plain outspoken manner. There is front of the mantle filled by our old and small gifts for the family, the old- Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Alexander and vacation fine. He has been working fashioned one color carpet and nothing else. The never-to-be-forgotten, honestto-goodness Christmas that meant everything to us.

> scene that did not bring back the Irby and children of Haskell. memoriees but held an attraction, and the kiddies, bless their hearts, yelled their delight and had to be dragged away from the window. If you have Mrs. F. L. Caldwell was called home not seen this attraction, by all means two days before Christmas on the acwalk around to the south side of the count of the illness of her father, Rev. square and don't miss this sight.

The west window is dressed in up-todate Christmas style with a lighted

By request these windows will not be days while down here. hanged until after the new year. goes to C. T. Scott, commercial sales- ing relatives and friends.

constructive suggestions from the rest

modeled. They plan to open for busi- mas guests of the ladies' mother, Mrs. ness one day next week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Alexander enjoyled having the following children and tor, spent the holidays with his home families with them during the holidays folks and says he is enjoying his short children, Seymour; Mr. and Mrs. Mat. on the Costal Oyster Survey for the thew Alexander and children of Stam- past several months. ford; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Allen and children of Knox City: Mr. and Mrs. beth Baldwin and Mr. Oscar Oates The old folks stopped, looked and Henry Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Ted smiled, the young folks lingered at a Alexander and baby and Mrs. Ethel of Mr. and Mrs. Mode Collins.

Miss Carrie Bess Culwell, who was visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Van Zandt and in the home of Mr. and S. L. Culwell of Ballinger.

Credit for these attractive windows view were here for the holidays visitill at the home of her daughter Mrs.
goes to C. T. Scott, commercial salesing relatives and friends.

M. E. Park of Meyers community.

H. B. Connor and brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Connor.

Marshall Pierson, State Food Inspec-

Misses Mabel, Fannie Jack and Elizaspent last Sunday in Olney the guests

Mrs. W. H. Russell and grandson Pat Tyson are spending the holidays with her daughter Miss Ethel White of Ploorsville, Texas.

Baby Killed

The little five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thompson of South Bend was instantly killed when Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Taylor and little son Leeland Fain of Wichita Falls over turned miles west of Throck-Christmas tree and electric appliances spent the holidays with Mrs. Taylor's morton Christmas Morning about 3:30 Christmas tree and electric appliances spent the hondays with the honday with the hondays with the hondays with the hondays with the honday with the hondays with the honday with the honday with with relatives and visit Mr. Thomp-Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Maples of Plain- son's mother who was reported very

Miss Elizabeth Baldwin, a senior in The cause of the accident was seport. The car was to r. W. C., Fort Worth, spent the Yule- ed to have been the blowing out of a were bro OLNEY PARTIES BUY

SUMMERINE CONFECTIONERY

A deal was consumated the first of the week whereby the Sunshine Confectionery, located on the east side of the square was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hallmark of Wichita Falls new owners took possession immediate.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Collier are at home driving lost control of the ear and it turned completely over, pinning them all under the car. Mrs. Thompson all under the car. Mrs. Thompson all the car was but though badly injured was first to get out and go for help, when she returned she found the little girl was dead and her husband was seriously injured and unable to get out from under the car.

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CONGRATULATION

Realizing the part a newspaper in helping to promote any good work are glad to add our congratulation others on this the Free Press' 40th R day and extend our best wishes for tinued success during the New Year the future.

W. P TRICE COUNTY AGE



We are Riding the Prices of Groceries In Haskell!

THE FOLLOWING SPECIALS ARE GOOD FOR AND SATURDAY

Bread 16 oz. Loaf, Regular

Wrigleys GumLimit 2 Packages to 2

Soap, Crystal White

AND P. & G. Limit Bars to a Customer

Bacon 1 lb. Box. Limit 3 lbs. to Customer. Price per lb.

Coffee, Peaberry Limit 3 lbs. to a Cus-

What would you be paying for Groceries if there was no "M" store here? We cut the price whether they like it or not. We are here to please the people-to make living be and cheaper. Other stores get angry because we undersell them but we laugh at the anger of our "try be-Competitors."

The above prices good for Friday and Saturday.

Atkeison's

"On the South Side Square"



Store No. 39

"Saves for the People it Serves."

A LONG TIME

And we say Congratulations to The Haskell Free Press on reaching its 40th Birthday-a record equalled by few institutions, in West Texas-which is practically a new country.

The service rendered by this splendid paper is no doubt the answer for its continued growth and prosperity.

We, too, endeavor to render a service to the people by furnishing a stable market for your produce—and with the continued co-operation of the people, this service can and will be improved until Haskell will be known far and near as the best Produce Market in West Texas.

WESTERN PRODUCE COMPANY



WEST TEXAS UTILITIES COMPANY EXTENDS CONGRATULATIONS

We are happy indeed to extend our best wishes to the Haskell Free Press on its Fortieth Birthday Anniversary.

A newspaper, like the Utilities Company, is a public servant and the fact that the Haskell Free Press has stood the test for 40 years is proof sufficient, that it has been of service to the people.

When the Free Press was established 40 years ago, electric service was practically unknown, but to-day it is one of the assets of modern business and domestic life. The Free Press we are glad to say is equipped today throughout with electric machinery and is a user of our service.

West Texas Utilities Company

WE CONGRATULATE YOU— HASKELL FREE PRESS

On your Fortieth Birthday Anniversary, and as you continue along life's pathway, we wish for you everything good that might be in store for you.

THE ONLY SUGGESTION WE HAVE TO OFFER IS-

AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF

ADD FORTY YEARS MORE TO YOUR LIFE

By enjoying that "Smooth Performance" found only in—

DODGE BROTHERS CARS

J. F. KENNEDY DODGE SALES AND SERVICE

THE BOYS PLAY ROLE OF OLD SANTA

What housewife or what family would not stop and grow a little bit excited if the fire trucks from our fire department drew up in front and the fire boys began ot drop off and approach the house?

Well, there were several stops made by the fire truck Christmas Eve, with the Chief and a squad of picked men, included, that jumped off and started towards the house, but not with the hose, but a basket of goodies and eats.

Volunteering to fight fire at a risk of life and limb, volunteering to spread Christmas Cheer to the poor and needy, service without price but—Service with a Smile, prevails with Haskell's Volunteer Piremen.

As the Choral Club sang praises unto Him on High Christmas Eve, several folks appreciating the Volunteer Firemen acting like Old Saint Nicholas gave unto Him a prayer, thanking Him for such men, who felt it just as happy to give as to receive and remembering His words went forth to serve those not so fortunate, as they.

Behind it all is the kindness and Christian spirit that enables the Fire Boys to carry out this plan each year. Those who take pleasure in giving, knowing it is appreciated and knowing it goes to those who need it and where it will cheer a heart and brighten a a home that would otherwise be less cheery and without the Christmas atmosphere it ought to enjoy, along with those more fortunate, are as happy as those made glad.

Thank God for such men, and may they live long and prosper and as they battle for life and property in their work as firemen and Haskell ever remember them for what they are, True Blue Volunteers, whether firemen on duty or playing Santa Claus.

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE OF FARM BUREAU HERE

W. E. Harris, special field represenattive of the Farm Bureau was here this week with District Manager H. A. Davidson. He is working in the interest of better planting seed for the cotton crop. Mr. Harris will urge the members of the Farm Bureau to plant nothing but pure pedigreed seed, so the cotton market can be maintained and a better price paid the members of the Farm Bureau for their cotton next

EW RESIDENCE GOING UP IN NORTH PART OF CITY

J. A. Pratier, local carpenter, reports beginning a new six room residence for Jno. A. Oates which will be when completed a beautiful modern design building situated in the best residential section in the northwestern section of the city.

REPORTED CHRISTMAS

L. T. Banks one of our subscribers of Rochester Route one came in one day last week and renewed for his paper stating that one of his turkeys had stolen her nest and Christmas morning came up with 8 young turkeys. She saved herself from distruction doubtless and in so doing will make the homes of 8 families happy on Thanksgiving or Christmas by furnishing a turkey dinner from her off spring next year. This is a rare occurance for a turkey at this season of the year.

T. R. Havens of Brownwood and family are visiting relatives in the Midway community. Mr. Havens was in the city several days during his stay here. He was a former teacher of Haskell county for a number of years.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Haskell Hotel Company will be held in the Library Building in the City of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m. the third Tuesday in January A. D. 1926. The same being the 19th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said company and the transaction of such other business that may properly come before said meeting.

A. R. Couch, Secretary

POR SALE—Farming tools, harness and feed with a place to rent. See G. W. Piland, Route 3. 1 4tp.

WANTED—To buy P. & O. single row lister planter in good condition. See H. K. Pry. 1 4tp.

LOST—Between Haskell and Anson a small black kit of piano tools for repairing and tuning pianos. Finder please notify J. B. Hicks, 71 Gillis Street, San Angelo Texas, or Haskell Free Press. \$5.00 reward.

FOR SALE-Milch cow fresh in nilk, a good one. See J. H. Free. tfc.

LOST Spare tire and rim size 30x4.4 balloon in town or between Haskell and Throckmorton county line. Reward Notify Free Press. Geo. Darnell. 1tp.

WANTED—Three passengers for california going by way of El Paso and Phoenix, Lesaving from Looney's Con-

A Happy New Year

As we draw to the close of a busy year we feel we should pause to take the time to convey to our great numbers of patrons

THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON

May 1926 be happy and prosperous and may it bring you closer to your goal of success.

We also extend congratulations at this time to the Haskell Free Press on its Fortieth Birthday Anniversary.

HARRISON-SPURLOCK GIN COMPANY

IT IS WITH PLEASURE—

We extend Birthday Greetings to the Haskell Free Press on its Fortieth Birthday. We feel a kindred spirit with the Haskell Free Press because it has always pursued a policy of fairness and cleaness, which are two of the things we hold dear.

We want to serve the entire community to the best of our ability and with this in mind we have installed the most modern machinery obtainable in our plant to laundry the finest wearing apparel for the whole family.

We are not as old as the Free Press but we believe that we, too, have made a success of our business which we attribute to good service and an earnest desire to please.

And on this the beginning of a New Year we take this opportunity of thanking our customers for their business during the past year and assure them that we will appreciate patronage during 1925.

HASKELL LAUNDRY CO.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is here by given, that meet-

ng of the Stockholders of the Haskell

National Bank of Haskell Texas will be

held in the offices of said bank in the

City of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2

o'clock p. m. the second Tuesday in

January, A. D. 1926, the same being the

12th, day of said month, for the pur-

pose of electing a board of directors

for said bank and the transaction of

come before said meeting. 51 4tc.

Stockholders Meeting

ing of the stockholders of the Farmers

State Bank of Haskell Texas, will be

held in the offices of said bank in the

JESSE G. FOSTER

Practice limited to District Court

Land Titles given special attention

Office in County Judge's Office.

FARM LOANS

In the San Antonio Joint Stock

Land Bank. 5 or 33 Year Loans

PINKERTON & KOONCE

Haskell, .

Notice is here by given, that meet-

A. C. Pierson, Cashier.

Texas

FOR OIL MILL PRODUCTS-Cake meal and rucco, phone 62, Haskell Warehouse (Oil Mill) R. H. Davis,

LOST-Man's blue grey, plaid over coat on the Rainer Road between Has kell and Rule about three weeks ago. Finder return to Free Press or notify Mrs. J. F. Purkle Haskell Texas, and receive liberal reward R. J. Allen, Bosque County.

FOR RENT-5 room house, with bath and sleeping porch, water and sewer connecctions, price per month maize. See A F. Neal. \$35. M. H. Hancock.

FOR TRADE-First Class Brick Hotel and furniture, 22 bed rooms, 3 store rooms, office rooms, situated in good town in Central Texas on Santa Fe railroad, on Bankhead highway, price \$35,000.00, will trade for good land in Haskell county or Northwest Texas. Come and see me or write me what you have to trade. P. D. Sanders, Haskell Texas.

FOR SALE-Good flat top desk at a bargain. T. J. Arbuckle, at Jones Cox & Company.

FOR SALE-Two home made quilts. Quilting done. Phone 25.

FOR SALE-My home farm of 208 acres four miles northeast of Haskell, stracts can be made, will accommodate Will sell 80 or 100 acres. Leon Gil-51 3tp.

LOST-Spare tire and rim, size 30x 40, balloon. In town or between Haskell and Throckmorton county line Reward. Notify Free Press.

FOR SALE-480 acres land 4 miles west of Haskell, 140 acres in cultivation good 4 room house, new barn, cistern and tanks. Price \$10.00 per acre. Call er write me for full information. P. D. Sanders, Haskell Texas.

WOOD FOR SALE- Cord Wood any length, will deliver to any part of the city. Call Phone 273. J. H. Free tf

FOR SALE-10 good work mules: one mare; two milch cows; sixteen tons of maize; 200 bushels cotton seed; one two-row cultivator; one single row cultivator; one single row planter; 2 harrows. Will rent 480 acres of land with two sets of improvements. 280 acres in cultivation. This will go with sale of farming tools. Mack Cooke, Goree, Texas, Route 2.

PLAINVIEW COUNTRY-Improved quarter sections \$2,000 cash, long easy terms on balance; un-improved quarters, \$1,000 cash, \$1 per acre per year, cheap interest; have a good well improved section ready to give possession now, will take in \$7,500 good clear trade on this; also have a raw section well located will take in \$5000 good trade. I own and control these proper ties. Write me in care of The First National Bank, Plainview, Texas. E. I. Morehead. 47-7tp

FOR SALE-White kitchen cabinet, practically new; electric cooking stove; one Hot Blast heater, one bachelor heater; small dresser. See Mrs. J. G. Foster or phone 286.

FOR SALE-Modern cottage close in Has five rooms and bath furnished through out. Can be bought worth the money. For information see W. M. Free at Free Press.

FOR SALE-One five room house and lot in Haskell. For further information apply at the Haskell Mill & Grain Co. Elevator.

IF YOU HAVEN'T-Read my ad

FOR SALE-Rhode Island Red Roos ters, good young stock from Everheart strain. Prices \$2.50 and \$3.50. One and one-fourth mile east of Foster school house. J. C. Halliburton, Rule

FOR RENT-My rooms will eady for rent January 1st. Mrs. T.

FOR SALE-Teams Tools and Feed Reasonable. 14 miles north of town on Knox City road. H. R. Loe. 50 2tp.

FOR SALE-7 foot tandem disc in good condition. Also some bundled

WE REPRESENT the best loan in America. A favorable loan at 6 per cent. No stock to buy. See Leflar &

FOR SALE-R. I. Red Roosters They are red to the skin, large bone and big husky fellows. Price from \$1.50 to \$2.50. A. J. Josselet, Route 3.

FOR SALE-Business lot on same block of new hotel. 35x140. A good business location or a good buy for speculation. Fice right. For information see W. M. Free.

ABSTRACTS

We will make you first class abtracts of land titles on the day we get your order or as soon as the abyou as soon as possible. fe. SANDERS & WILSON

NOTICE- have changed the price of sweet milk from 10 cents to 15 cents per quart. I cannot sell longer and feed my cattle at 10 cents per quart. Milk from now on is 15 cents per quart. Will deliver. J. F. Pinkerton, Phone 105 or 143.

FOR SALE-Two fine Jersey cows. fresh in milk. J. M. Woodson.

CAR LOAD OF MULES A car load of mules will be here next Saturday. These mules are tip top work mules, will run from 15 1-2 to 16 hands high, in good condition. Every mule guaranteed as represented. Can be seen at the home of H. O. Case 1 mile north and one mile west of Court

FOR SALE-Choice lots with East fronts in the Northern part of the city See J. R. Fouts.

> P. D. SANDERS LAND LAWYER.

Perfects land titles. Loans meney on farms and ranches and bandles Beal Botate. HASKELL, TEXAS.

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PLANT TREES NOW Best season in ground in ten years. No communities and few homes have

enough home-grown fruit. Peaches, Plums, Pears, Figs, Nectar-ines, Pecans, Jujubes, Berries and other fruits.

We have new sure-bearing varieties and the old standards.

Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs, Roses Hardy Climate-proof Native Shrubs and other ornamentals.

Plans for properly planting Home Grounds sent by mail. Write for instructions.

Catalog free. We pay express. Satisfaction guaranteed. Information gladly given.

F. T. RAMSEY & SON

Austin, Texas

Since 1875

WOOD FOR SALE- Cord Wood any length, will deliver to any part of the city. Call Phone 273. J. H. Pree tf guests for the Christmas holidays. Mr.

FOR SALE-Piano in excellent conlition. Will sell worth the money. Mrs. I. W. Kirkpatrick.

FOR SALE-200 acres, 185 in cultivation; all good level land. On mail Okla, Herman Weinert of Galveston route and highway, 14 mile to a good Medical School, Galveston, Miss Bea-3-teacher school, 3 1-2 miles west of trice Weinert of C. I. A. Denton, and Knox City. A bargain. Will trade for J. A. Bennett and daughter of Cleveland, Okla. a smaller place or some real good city property. Good improvements and running water. Can give possession. . H. McGee.

FOR SALE-Some good young mules, from three to five years old. J. Grand, Howard community.

Card of Thanks.

We take this means in thanking our many friends, together with the doctors and nurses of Stamford, Haskell and such other business that may properly Fort Worth for their kindness during the illness and death of our daughter and sister. Also for the beautiful floral offerings. May God's richest blessings be with you all.

> Clyde Bland. Jesse Bland. Claude Bland.

O. B. Norman and family of the First National Bank of Rotan were here Saturday on business and visiting his mother and other friends and rela-

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wall formerly of Rule, but now of Hamlin, spent the holidays with relatives and friends! here. Mr. Wall is in the gent's furnishing business and has been very prosperous in business since going to Hamlin several years ago.

Mrs. J. A. McKee of this city has been sick for the past week, but we trust that she will soon recover.

\$65 per \$1000 loan paid annually will retire the loan in 34 a total of \$2242.50.

Capital Stock \$50,000.00 W H. McCANDLESS, Secretary-Treasurer.

Has Pamily Rounion at Weinert. Mr. and Mrs. H. Weinert had as their and Mrs. Carl J. Jones of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Claud H. Parr and children of Rendhaven, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Weinert and son, also Mr. and Mrs. Richcome before said meeting. ard Weinert and daughter of Weinert, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Fox of Tulsa.

Stockholders Meeting Notice is here by given, that meet-

City of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 ing of the stockholders of the Weinart o'clock p. m. the second Tuesday in State Bank of Weinert Texas will be January, A. D. 1926, the same being the held in the offices of said bank in the 12th, day of said month, for the pur- City of Weinert, State of Texas, at 2 pose of electing a board of directors o'clock p. m. the second Wednesday in for said bank and the transaction of January, A. D. 1926, the same being the such other business that may properly 13th, day of said month for the pur-51 4tc. pose of electing a board of directors J. B. Post, Cashier for said bank and the transaction of such other business that may properly

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51 4tc. come before said meeting G. R. Couch, Jr., Cashier.

To Whom It May Con Chevrolet Co., intend to dissolve partnership and incorporate under name of the Bell-Moore Chevrole Incorporated, 30 days after this

FORTIETH BIRTHDAY THE **ANNIVERSARY**

Of the Haskell Free Press is a tribute to its success in the field of service. This is not our birthday, nor are we as old as the Free Press, but we do feel that our business is successful.

This we contribute to our loyal friends, combined with our earnest desire to please our customers. We try to make every transaction in such a way that you will be pleased and will come back again.

Our line of Hardware and Implements consist of the well-known standard lines and we will appreciate an opportunity to serve you during 1926.

HARDWARE AND IMPLEMENTS

GREETINGS PIONEER FRIEND

\$1,000,000 To Lend Through the Rule

Natoinal Farm Loan Association

By comparison we find a saving in favor of the Federal Land Bank Loan of \$1518.50 or the \$1,000.00 borrowed. NO TROUBLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

The Rule National Farm Loan Association

This firm which has been in business in Haskell for a number of years extends greetings to the Haskell Free Press at the end of its fortieth year of service in this community.

We recognize the value of conservativeness and long standing of a business to a community and we believe that an institution of forty years standing is indeed a record to be justly proud, and we take pleasure in extending our congratulations.

While this store is one of the young-4st business establishments in the city we have enjoyed a splendid patronage during the past years and we trust that. this the beginning of a New Year we will be favored with a larger business and our institution will continue to grow and prosper until we too, may be able to celebrate our Fortieth birthday in the distant future.

You will find our stock complete with quality merchandise, and our entire sales force ready to serve you.

FOUTS & MITCHELL

CUNCERN EXTENDS CONGRATULATIONS

On its birthday we extend congratulations to our fellow builder, The Haskell Free Press. We recognize that the Newspaper is a builder in the community just as the lumber company although in a different sense.

During our 20 years of service in Haskell County it has been our pleasure to have the Free Press work with us. We have been furnishing building material in Haskell since the days when there were but few residences and business houses in the town. We are somewhat proud of the part we have had in the development of this section.

We consider this company a home concern of Haskell, for we have worked for years in building this county, and we have Haskell Capital invested.

This company has worked earnestly and constantly for the up-building of the community. We are prepared to continue this work, and on this basis your business is solicited.

R. B. SPENCER & COMPANY

LUMBER.

Jno. A. Couch, Mgr.

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parents, Mr. and Mrs. ing the holidays. Williamson of Weaver

at Rule Friday. and family of Altus

ell and family of Wichita n visiting J. H. Bland ys called here by the illof his daughter Tena.

aptist Church sool at 9:45. t 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. 's meet at 6 p. m. Monday afternoon at

make new resolutions come to another mile-journey through this st is gone and should be face the future with a n God and a brave conr fellow-men. A race is day morning the pastor on, The Old and The New

ning there will be a spec program. The pastor will few minutes on, Influence

year right by going to Sunday School somewhere

W. H. Albertson.

C. Henshaw who is making with her daughter, Mrs. Misses Lillie and Callie Closs prepare the feast kinlidsETAOINN ham, all kinds of cakes and everything that goes with a

er and family, Mr. and Mrs. and family, Mr. and Mrs.

Monday Horace Ivy into a barb wire fence by the was riding and was seriously right leg. He is now able rith the aid of crutches but his him a great deal but we

lad to know that her hand will



The community Christmas tree Midway on last Wednesday night was a success with a very nice attendance, and a beautiful tree with lots of nice presents. A good program was rendered and beautiful scripture lesson and stories by Bro. Abbott of Rule, williamson of Weaver which everybody enjoyed very much.

The community thanks Bro. Abbott for his splendid talks and presence.

> Mr and Mrs. T. A. Williams had for their guests during the holidays their children and their families: Eugene and wife from Dallas, who is traveling salesman for the J. W. Crowdus Drug Company: Jimmie and wife, who is city salesman for the Nash Hardware Co. of Fort Worth; R. E. (Peck) and wife, who is with the Continental Supply Company of Breckenridge, and Miss Thelma who is at home from college. They have enjoyed a family re-union during the holidays, and the joys will be long remembered by the entire family.

Perry C. Patterson, who has lived west of town the past year has moved to Elbert in Throckmorton county and has asked us to change his Free Press to his new address.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Grissom and Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Grissom and children and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Grissom spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Ear-nest Grissom and family in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Hunt and daughter Madeline spent Christmas Day the guests of Mrs. Hunt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Comegys and sister, Mrs. R. O. Anderson of Merkle.

Miss Aline Humphrey of Seymour was the last week end guest of Miss Maurine Couch and was present at the lovely dinner party tendered the col-lege boys and girls, Saturday night at the Magazine Club Library.

Mrs. R. J. Earnest had the pleasure of having all of her children with her on Christmas day; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Murry and little daughter Virginia, of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hester of Seymour; Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Cole and children and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Earnest and children of Rule, and Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Sanders and sons and Miss Lois Earnest of Haskell.

During the month of January we will send the Haskell Free Press one full year and the Wichita Daily Times until October 15. 1926 for the low price of

towns, besides giving their readers the benefit of the Associated Press service. A good daily paper for the coming year will be almost a necessity.

as new subscribers. The sooner you send in your subscription the more papers you will receive.

The Times is one of our leading dailies and is growing all the time. During 1925 they published 7876 pages in the regular editions. They have specification. It stimulates and Regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

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Haskell, Texas.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM **COURTNEY HUNT & COMPANY**

On this, the 40th anniversary of the founding of The Haskell Free Press we extend best wishes and take this opportunity to call your attention to the large volume of business enjoyed by us during the past years.

Only firms which render service, stay over a period of years. This store has arrived at its present size because of the care that has been taken with each and every sale, to the end that the customer must be satisfied.

You can rest assured that we intend to keep the standard of our merchandise at the present high mark, as we have found that it pays. We have the stock to supply your every need in the dry goods line and will appreciate an opportunity to serve you during the New Year.

COURTNEY HUNT & COMPANY

"HASKELL'S PROGRESSIVE STORE"

Congratulations

We are glad to express our cordial greetings to the Haskell Free Press on its 40th birthday.

For Thirty-Three Years the Robertson Store has served the people of Haskell and surrounding country and we are indeed proud of the many warm friends and customers this firm enjoys, many of whom have been with us from the beginning.

This store handles nothing but standard well known brands of merchandise and we attribute our growth and success to the fact that we always give the customer value received for every dollar spent with us.

Like the Free Press we are still here because we believe in Haskell and Haskell County people and trust that we may continue to enjoy the pleasant relationship that now exists throughout the entire trade territory.

R. V. ROBERTSON COMPANY

FORTY YEARS OLD TODAY— THAT'S FINE!

Here's hoping you live to see forty years and more, Old Free Press, in the years that are sure to come.

Our age, comes under the head of "Our Business." We are as old as we are and that's Old Enough -to know our line of business and know the best lines to present our friends and patrons.

If it's Hardware and Furniture you need, we have it, as well as side lines of value and standard worthy of your inspection.

M'NEILL & SMITH HARDWARE CO.

"IF IT'S WORTH HAVING—WE HAVE IT

Of interest to a wide circle of friends over the state was a wedding which was solemnized in a lovely manner Christmas morning at 9 o'clock, when Miss Betty Lee Castles became the

"Poem" by Fibch and Miss Margaret Wright of Anson, cousin of the bride, playing the accompaniment. Dan A Party. Castles, brother of the bride, sang "I Love You Truly," and as the last note companying him, changed the music to herald the coming of the wedding parcouples from the hall into the living leaving all reported a nice time. They were Misses Ruth Chambers, Abilene; Mari Ellen Walker of Bailey-Regland Wedding. Austin, sister of the groom; Amalyn Gorman, Abilene, and Bess Wright of best man, Mr. Port Bloodworth. The happy life. ceremony was read by Dr. J. W. Hunt, president of McMurry College. During the ceremony the pianist played softly, MacDowell's, "To a Wild Rose." The bride was gowned in an atmosphere georgette with accessories in harmonizing tones and carried a bouquet of pink rosebuds, heath and bridal The attendants wore afternoon dresses and corsages of roses and violets. The bride's gifts to her attendants were bar pins. The bride is a former student of Simmons Univer-

Mr. R. R. English Dinner Host to English Motor Co. Employes.

their friends in Columbus, Texas.

sity and has also specialized in expres-

sion, having studied at Boulder and in

Boston and has established for herself

quite a reputation as a gifted reader. Miss Castles taught expression in the

Haskell High School for two years.

Mr. Walker is the son of the late H. S.

engaged in the ranching business near

Austin, Houston and other Texas cities

Mr. and Mrs. Walker will be at home to

Mrs. R. R. English very graciously prepared and served a complete turkey Tatum of Weinert. dinner with all acecssories from cock tail to after dinner cigars last Sunday at 12:30 o'clock to the employes of tor Company, including Mr. R. R. English, The The English decoration and place cards and a fine teacherage to enjoy the hospitality of fellowship was enjoyed by these co- a dinner tendered them by Mr. and Mr. English was presented Mrs. Covey. with an everlast set, consisting of pen. Everyone partook very heartily of cil and fountain pen by the following the bountiful repast set before them. who also enjoyed the dinner party: especially Mr. Trimmier, who claimed Mesars. Claud and Chock Thomas, C. to be convalescing from a recent acci-B. Braye, Johnnie Roberds, Bert Trice, dent and had no appetite. W. E. Kirkpatrick, Roy Shook, Jim In the afternoon many topics of gen-Shriver, M. G. Kelley, Owen Howard, eral interest of the school were discus-William Williamson, Chas. Parsons, sed. And before the day was over, Hut Pittman and J. H. Pickett.

Christmas Tree for

Mrs. Charles Conner, realizing that hristmas festivities are for children. Boyce-Smart. and knowing that although there would e a number of Christmas trees at the various churches, she knew some little folks who would not get to go to any of these because they had the tree in her home with all of the tinsel dressing and invited these little "shutins" to the tree. Santa Claus came to this tree first before going to the big tree at the Baptist Church. Mrs. Ed bride of Mr. Henry Tanner Walker of Fouts told a beautiful Christmas story Columbus, Texas, at the home of the before the gifts of the tree and fruit, bride's mother, Mrs. Sallie Castles on candy and nuts were given to Fred Hickory street, Abilene. A prigram of Gholson, Janice Rogers, Gladys and nuptial music was beautifully given Frances Fouts, Vazel Foot, Montie preceeding the ceremony, with Miss Reid, Aneta Joe and Jack Simmons, Ruth Lasley, violinst, rendering Ethel Couch and Jeraldine and Jean

Mr. Felix Frierson gave a party Sat urday night for the young people of died away, Miss Wright who was ac the Midway community. He gave it for some of the boys and girls who the Mendelssohn's Wedding March to are planning to move to other communities. A large crowd was present, ty. The bride's attendants entered in several games were played, and when

Mr. Howard Bailey and Miss Renna Anson and Clara Peyton, Abilene. Then Bell Regland were united in marriage came the bride with her uncle, Judge Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Dec. J. E. Robinson of Anson: before the 20th. Miss Regland is a step-daughter improvised altar in the living room of J. E. Place of near Rule. Their they were met by the groom and his many friends wish them a long and

Mrs. Landess Entertains.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Landess of the Howard community, entertained a few of their friends with an informal party at their home Thursday evening December 17th.

Playing "42" was the chief form of amusement. After all had enjoyed a round of games, refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Gilleland, Mr. and Mrs. Prince and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Covey.

Weinert M. E. Ladies Entertain.

The women of the Weinert Methodist Church were entertained at the Parsonage Monday Dec. 20, with a social The hostess, Mrs. Pickens, direct-Walker of Columbus, pioneer cattleman ed a very interesting Bible lesson. Re- | E. Owen. of that section. He is a former student freshments were served during the soof A. and M. College and is at present cial hour to about a dozen ladies.

Columbus. After a honeymoon trip to Entertain With Turkey Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Monke of Weinert entertained with a turkey dinner in their home Christmas day. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Siddens, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Albright and Miss Bill Jones and son Roy and Rev. and Mrs. beginning. Foster had the advantage

Howard Trustees Given Dinner.

On Sunday December 20th, the trustees of the Howard school and ery pleasing with Christmas their wives gathered at the Howard

the trustees and teachers felt closer

drawn together, and better prepared for the continuance of their work together for the remainder of the year.

popular Ward Boyce, he of the lan-Whooping Cough", she prepared a the office of the West Texas Utilities the best little weekly papers in this Co., was married Wednesday Dec. 23. The young lady in the case is or was, Miss Minta Smart, a very popular cently Electra.

The happy couple will be back in Haskell about the first of the year and timer who has followed the cow trails will be in temporary quarters until a and lived on a farm it is news of true permanent location can be secured.

The following is taken from the Record News of Wichita Falls: "Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Minta Smart, of Electra

to Ward Boyce of Haskell, the ceremony being read by the Rev. Frank ing "canned" articles, as is often ap-Richardson, presiding elder of the Methodist church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rathke, 1612 Grant street at 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morn-

"The house was decorated for the occasion in Christmas motifs and greenery, and out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Darden Edgar of Electra. Other intimate friends present included Miss King of this city.

"Miss Smart is popular in Electra where she was a teacher of expression, and Mr. Boyce is connected with the West Texas Utilities Company at Has-

"Following a trip to Abilene and Gustine, where relatives of both young people live, Mr. and Mrs. Boyce will be at every success possible for it, and for home in Haskell."

Program for P. T. A. at Midway Friday and the Free Press grow perhaps,

Night. The Parent-Teachers Associatoin will give the following program at Midway Friday night January 1, 1926.

Topic-Children Leisure Hours. Outdoor Leisure Hour Occupations of Children as Observed-Mr. Edwards. What I Do, When I Can Do As I Please-Girl; boy. How Much and What Kind of Sup-

ervision is Needed for Children Leisure Time-A. A. Heathington. Danger of Wrong Kind of Companionship-Mrs. Felix Frierson. What a School Can Do Toward

Helping With Companionship-Mr. F.

Where Are the Children After Dark and How Can They be Willingly Kept at Home? -Open Discussion.

Howard vs. Foster.

The Howard girls met the Foster girls on the Haskell High School court Thursday afternoon, Dec. 17th, for their first game of the season. Howard and Foster are old rivals so

Burt of Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. the game was hotly contested from the in size and also by having won two games already, but the Howard girls made up for, and overbalanced that advantage, by their pluck and team work. The final score stood 16 to 18 in favor of Howard, the winning score being made in the last minute of the game.

Both teams were supported by good number from each community, and many of the visiting teachers enoyed fthe game. The sportsmanship exhibited by the members of both teams and the spectators is to be highly commended.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tableta.) R stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30a.

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

To Editor Free Press:

May I present "Plowers for the Living" as the little articles on this sub-Haskell was shocked, not by an ject suggest; original writer unknown, earthquake but by the news that the I believe, and express to you my pleasure in noting how the Free Press has guid eyes, the attractive personality, developed or improved in the years the friend of everybody that enters gone by, and now seems to be one of sction of Texas?

I enjoy the rural reports of happenings and the visits of your Mr. Free, young lady of Abilene and more re- as he visits over the county each week, and meets the folk in the forks of the creek. It is simple news but to an old value from my point of view, of course.

The Building Haskell articles are also decidedly original and touch local conditions and seem to be up to now, suggesting they are prepared by a member of your force, rather than beplied in such cases where special writers are not employed.

Having resided in and around Haskell and this county for many years I enjoy the Free Press for the new things it presents and the advancement it predicts and the example it sets, in clean articles, no driving, self convincing self-styled official editorials and because it is trying to publish a clean, newsy newspaper each week wor-

thy of the community it represents. Might I add, your readers ought to fully appreciate this, and I feel sure they do, and in the new year soon to be with us, many of them I have seen come and go, I am wishing for you and yours, of course the Free Press also, you, as well, and that I might be spared some time, as yet, to watch Haskell some day become a big daily and be the leading publication in this section of West Texas, the state and the section every West Texan loves and is proud to be from, any time, anywhere.

Cordially yours, Old Subscriber.

Mrs. C. R. Peters of Midlothian is a ortnight's guest of Mrs. W. J. Sowell.

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T. J. JOHNSTON

On Depot Street next door to Western Union.

J. P. Brown and family who spent the holidays with his brother, Virgil Okla., were here for the holidays which A. Brown, returned to their home at Nolanville Monday morning.

J. A. Peyton and family of Altus, Okla., were here for the holidays which they spent with relatives and friends with Mrs. Bolin's parents, Mr. and in the Sayles community.

F. L. Dangherty.

ENGLISH MOTOR COMPANY CONGRATULATIONS

It is with pleasure that we accept the opportunity of joining the many friends and readers of the Haskell Free Press in extending congratulations on its Fortieth Birthday Anniversary



FORD -

When the Freee Press was established 40 years ago the Motor Industry was unknown, but today it is the largest industry in the world. In this connection we might also add that the majority of the Haskell Free Press readers are owners of motor cars today and more than 75 per cent of them prefer



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We are now offering the newest in Spring Millinery. Every hat direct from the country's best makers, every one full of the Spring-time appeal.

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We offer an unusual assortment of late Winter Hats at Exactly HALF PRICE. This a chance for the thrifty to buy a new hat at a real saving.

> Grissom's "The Store With the Goods"

THE NEWEST STORE EXTENDS CONGRATULATIONS

To the Haskell Free Press on reaching its 40th year. We are only a few days old, but we hope that we will prosper as the Free Press, and in the distant years, we too will be able to celebrate our Fortieth Birthday.

The reception that has been given us since our opening day by the good people of this section has been very gratifying indeed-In fact we are so well pleased with our business here that we will convert our Munday store into an "M" System as soon as we are able to get our fixtures from the manufacturers.

Our system of doing business-No Clerks-No Bookkeepers-Delivery Expense, or lost accounts, enables us to pass this saving on to our customers.



Virgie McIntyre) ted again Monday. to do some work now. Baker our intermediate ck this week and her sister Baker is teaching here in

a of a baby born Sunday rs. E. J. Boedeker and

Nierdieck and family

owd attended the Christ program here Wednesday Irs. Jim Reece and daughd Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Chatlly spent Christmas Day Mrs. Northcutt.

irs. Fred Knipling and fan and Mrs. Frank Boedeker took dinner with Mr. and Knipling Christmas Day. Caudle and daughter visithere during Christmas.

who ate dinner at the home Christmas Day Mrs. E. E. Campbell Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hill Arvilla, all of Wichita also Misses Rozella and Anne Midgley and Molly

and Lucy Chatwell of spent Christmas Day

our community. We are eat success here at Bun-

Roberts, while crossing Wednesday, fell from a and sprained his ankle.

rs. E. J. Boedeker and supper with Mr. and Mrs. ad family of Sagerton Sat-

d the party given at the Sunday and Sunday night. arlie Putman Thursday yone enjoyed themselves

Mrs. Clinton McMillian and erton spent a few min-I. P. McIntyre home Friday

Neirdieck of near Sagerton night with Miss Lens

ristmas dinner with Mrs. Mrs. J. F. Hill and little villa, who spent Christmas where they will visit more latives before returning to at Wichita Falls.

Mrs. G. J. Pourqurean took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. t of the Plainview commun-

at this place Friday night 5th. Everyone is invited to bring material for that

the Free Press correspond now at the beginning of and send in our letter every

By Velma Frierson.)

have been having some weather for the Christmas ut this morning seems to be

Mrs. Tom Havens of Brownspending the holidays with ns parents and brothers, the

nche Frierson is also spend McBurnett of Corpus visiting her daughter, Mrs

day, having all his children dren present, besides ial friends, there being thirty with a real Xmas dinner

frs. Will Whitman gave a or their friends on last Fri-

Mrs. Tom Baker spent sevwith their sister in Abilene

Wright and family spent avs visiting relatives and East Texas

WEINERT

Mrs. Arthur L. Pox of Tuls ests of Mr. and Mrs. Hill

ennett and daughter Bur r. and Mrs. N. I. McCollum

McClaren during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hughes spent
Christmas with Mrs. Fiughes' parents,
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gould in Stamford. G. D. Miller of San Antonio and Walter of Sherman were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Miller.

PLEASANT VIEW

(By Veda Edwards)

This ends the Christmas holidays, so every one will be ready to start breakng land as soon as it is warm enough. Everyone enjoyed the Christmas tree. Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bland, Raymond Mr. A. D. Irick acted at Santa Claus. Mr. Pird Edwards left Monday for Abilene where he will attend Draugh-on's Business College. His father, Bob Bdwards went with him to help him find a boarding place. We wish him great success with his school work.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan and sons Barney and Bruce and daughter Erma Sue of Paducah spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends of this community, returning home Monday.

The party at the home of Mr. R. L. Gaines Friday night was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Liles of Curry Chapel spent Christmas day with Bob Edwards.

Messrs. Chaster Strickland and Tom Gaines who are attending high school Mrs. Charlie Putman of at Haskell are at home spending the holidays with home folks.

Misses Eunice and Veda Edwards, M. L. Raynes, Barney Ryan, Almo Sarthem over here, and hope gent and Pird Edwards spent Xmas Eve with Inez Brittain.

A large crowd took supper with Mr. and Mrs. Raynes Christmas day. W. O. Sargent, who has been at Wichita Falls with his daughter who has been in the sanitarium, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lowe made a fly ing trip to Wichita Falls Friday. Bro. Pickens, our new pastor, preached Saturday night, but on account of bad weather had to call off services

W. H. M. Society of Weinert Elects Officers

At a recent meeting of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church the following officers were elected: President-Mrs. H. Weinert. Vice President-Mrs. W. B. Gregory. Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. C. A.

Recording Secretary-Mrs. Cousins. Treasurer-Mrs. Preston Weinert. Local Treasurer-Mrs. Fred Reid. Supt. Young People--Mrs. J .D. Mil-

Supt. Children-Mrs. Bowman. Supt. Publicity and Study-Mrs.

Supt. Supply-Mrs. W. W. Ashby. Agent Voice-Mrs. W. J. Medley.

Last Tuesday night Mr. and Mrs. John Ivy were surprised by a number of young people meeting at their house to give them a surprise as well as a farewell party. Several tables were arranged for 42 and at a late hour Mrs. Ivy passed fruit to the guests leaving who were: Misses Francis Chapman, Oleta Bland, Oneta and Johnnie Ivy,

Social Service-Mrs. Edgar Thurman and Bob Melton and Ottic ohnson

Car Overturas

Last Tuesday evening, Mr. Amor Patterson, en route to his home at Old Glory overturned his Ford coupe below the home of C. E. Bland near Sayles. The steering rods broke loose, causing the accident. The coupe was very seriously damaged, but luckily Amos got out without serious injury.

Dale Starnes of Wichita Palls was here for the holidays which he spent with relatives and old friends.

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NOW IS THE TIME TO CULL YOUR FOWLS FOR THE SPRING LAYING. WE WILL PAY YOU THE FOLLOWING PRICES FOR CHICKENS THE REST OF THIS WEEK INCLUDING SATURDAY JAN. and AT HASKELL.

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FRYE	8, 2 lb.
FRYE	8, 2 to 21/2
ROOST	128
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NOTICE TO MILK CUSTOMERS

Beginning Jan. 1, 1926, we are forced to adopt the plan of leaving milk for our customers only where the empty bottle is st out ready for our delivery-man each day. If your milk is stolen or bottle is broken, please telephone us.

> J. M. WOODSON. F. D. C. MIDDLETON. MR. CATES.

OUR MOST HEARTY GOOD WISHES

AND CORDIAL GREETINGS. ARE EXTENDED TO THE HASKELL FREE PRESS ON ITS FORTIETH BIRTHDAY.

We are not forty years in business, but here's hoping we can continue to enjoy the confidence of our patrons and friends, for some time to come, and forty years from now, look back to the delightful associatins we have known in Haskell.

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A PROSPEROUS NEW

Wherever you are today we extend best wishes to those who have had so large a part in the upbuilding of our business and also to those we hope to serve in the future. 1925 was a good year and we look forward to 1926 as one that gives greater promise.

Our program calls for a better service, a larger business and greater values than we have ever been able to give before. We trust that we may again be favored with your valued patronage.

WE ARE ALSO HAPPY—

To extend our congratulations to the Haskell Free Press on its 40th Birthday Anniversary. May it grow and prosper during the years to come as it has in the past.

"The Home of Marechal Neil Flour"

Pioneers In Service

We halt our daily labors to extend a friendly hand in congratulations to our friend and brother pioneer, the Haskell Free Press on its Fortieth Birthday.

Pioneers in all lines of industry and businsss pave the way and make it easier for later ones to follow. We were among the first business institutions now in existence to open in Haskell and since that time have pursued a policy of service and good will. We have for 20 years served the people of Haskell and Haskell County, with a constant effort to satisfy your needs fully, fairly and courteously.

We invite you to visit us when in need of anything in the Hardware and Furniture lines—we will be glad to serve you.

JONES, COX & COMPANY

MASKELL COUNTRY AS IT

(Continued from first page)

like a Diadapper, someone is always under the water, but pops up again in due time after the billows caused by the stone has subsided, and floats with majestic defiance, confident of its ability to steer clear of all obstruction, and stem any ordinary storm in the journalistic field without fear of straining

PIONEER STORIES

but is by several years the oldest liv- one spring. ing inhabitant. Little was known of Rice Springs Changed to Haskell City Haskell county prior to 1879 when he first landed here. He was preceded by his brother Bob Wilfong by a year or on the information that a man named more who had secured work at one of Haskell had camped here long before the ranches west of Haskell and had a fellow by the name of Rice had regone back to North Carolina his old ported finding the spring. When the home for a visit and on his return citizens met to name the city and the Frank Wilfong his brother came with

fong and Rice Springs as it was then the county today. called was a watering and camping F. G. Alexander Tells of Early Days place for both whites and Indians cept a part of one year he spent in Kaufman County. In stating how they arrived here. Mr. Wilfong said they wagon the remainder of the way coming through the Indian Territory which with their guns several nights to keep their team from being stolen.

Only Three Ranches Recalled Mr. Wilfong could only recall three ranches in operation at that time, the Horse Shoe Ranch on Plat Top Mountain, the Cal-Bar Ranch of Salt Fork and the LIL Ranch near Double Mountain and very few if any houses were and the development. known in any section of Haskell county by Mr. Willong.

First Woman Buried. The first woman buried in the county took place soon after the arrival of Alexander was in the cattle business Mr. Wilfong and sleeps in an unmarked when he first came to Haskell but later grave on the west side of Tonk Creek closed out his cattle business and enabove the crossing near the Tonk Creek tered the mercantile field and has con-School. Her death was caused by the tinued incessently since his first openrelaps of the measles. During her ill- ing. ness a doctor was called from Ft. Griffin which was 60 miles from the ranch outy one other woman known to Mr. vice was from Albany once to twice a

Wilfong at that time and she was APPEARED & TEARS AGO brought there from more than ten miles to prepare the body for burial.

First School House Built Here According to Mr. Wilfong the first school house was built in the city throwing stones at it, but it just dives some time in 1885 near where the south ward building now stands. He is not positive that this date is correct but the location he can vouch for.

Tolls of First Horse Owned

Mr. Wilfong stated that the first horse he ever owned in the county be paid for in meat at old Fort Griffin giving \$100 worth of meat for the horse Some fellow from the north plains put 1,200 hogs on the range near Tonk Creek west of Rule and gave he and his brother Bob half the hogs to look OF FARLY LIFE after them. It was some of the proceeds of these hogs that he traded for his horse and he had no saddle and rode the prairies looking after the hogs According to Frank C. Wilfong who on an old piece of quilt. He says he is not the oldest man in the county remembers marking more than 700 pigs

According to the old timers Rice Springs was changed to Haskell City county when the information was made known that the man Haskell had been They arrived at Rice Springs which here in advance of Rice the name of is a few hundred feet below the old Haskell City and County was formucity well October the 18, 1879, and ate lated. This information was given by their noon meal on the banks of the F. C. Wilfong, who was first to marry, Spring. There were no houses in Has- voted first ticket, sat on the first Jury kell at that time according to Mr. Wil- and is the oldest living inhabitant of

Mr. F. G. Alexander came here in They proceeded on to the ranch where 1884. At that time Haskell county was his brother Bob had been employed attached to Throckmorton County for and he has been a citizen of this sec- Judicial purposes. Very few houses tion continiously since that date ex- had been built in the city when he came here. He remembers that the largest house was a two story structure near where the oil mill now stands and came from North Carolina to Hot W. R. Standifer lived in this building. Springs Arkansas by rail and there From that time on one building after they bought a team and wagon for a another went up until the city began to little money and made the journey by put on the appearance of real progressiveness and continued to grow steadily, business houses soon were installed. according to Mr. Wilfong was wild and It was thought that W. F. Draper and wooly. They had to remain on guard J. L. Baldwin opened the first business house in the city. Mr. Alexander reports A. C. Foster who now lives in Dallas as the first county clerk of the county after the organization of the county in 1885 and it was he who transscribed the records from Throckmorton County to Haskell and was a great factor in the organization of the county

Oldest Commercial Institution

P. G. Alexander & Sons is the oldest commercial institution in the city doing business under the same name. Mr.

Mail Service Was From Albany According to Mr. Alexander and the where the woman was sick. There was reports in the Free Press the mail ser-

week in the eearly days and was just a little uncertain on delivery at any given time. Some Buildings Standing that were

Built before the County's Organisation One building is standing near the Holiness church which was erected by Mr. Alexander before 1885 and some other buildings are still intact that can be pointed out by the old timers that have weathered the long period of years and are still inhabited.

Court House and Jail Built After Organization of County

A man by the name of Miller was the contractor for the court house which was built soon after the organization of the county. According to old timers. This building is used as the Haskell Hotel today and the old jail down on the branch which was often referred to as the most secure jail in the west is still standing. The County Clerk's office was the little Stone building north of the Square occupied by R. F. Pitman's Garage which was moved from the square to the present site

1886 a Dry Year.

The worst drouth in the history of West Texas prevailed during the year of 1886 according to reports in the Free Press and the old timers who lived here at that time and the following article from Anson in the Free Press of June the 12, 1886 discribes the situation in Jones county at that time. but conditions in parts of Haskell county never became to grave.

Anson, Texas, June 12, 1886. This whole section of country is assuming a very serious outlook. No rain has fallen for weeks, and unless there is fall of water with in a few days all sorts of crops will be a complete failure. The grass is all dead and the stock watering places are as dry as a bone.

Married In 1886 A. C. Foster and Miss Dora Lee of Belknap, Texas were married May the 4th 1886. Judge and Mrs. Foster now live in Dallas, but he lived in Haskell county a number of years and served in many public capacities.

RESOLUTIONS FROM THE VISITING TEACHERS

We the members of the Consolidated Teachers Institute, assembled in Haskell, realizing that we are closing a profitable and enjoyable week, wish to express appreciation to the success of our meeting.

Therefore be it resolved: That we consider the Couty Superintendents worthy of commendation for planning and carrying out a well-

arranged program That we thank the Haskell Superintendent and his faculty and the Haskell School Board for the use of a wellheated building and for their numer-

ous effective efforts for our conference. That we remember the musicians

and all those who have entertained us in general assembly.

tion of Tuesday evening and in their homes have given us hearty welcome. That we praise the Special Lectur- tle form was laid to rest. The little ers and the Faculty of the week for one passed away Tuesday night at 8 their earnest work which has resulted p. m. after a brief illness at the home in giving us knowledge and inspiratof its grandparents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. tion to return to our schools as better

Reespectfully Submitted. Committee on Resolutions. Baby Dies

The funeral of Geraldine, the l'ttle three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs That we voice our gratitude to the Roy Wallace of Munday was held at citizens of Haskell, who in the recepthe Haskell cemetery at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by Elder W. W. Starnes of this city after which her lit-

> Daniels east of town. The sympathy of the people of Haskell go out to the bereaved loved ones in their dark hour of sorrow.

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While but a little more than one-third of The Free Press' age we feel sure that the Free Press has been happy to serve the community as it has, these 40 years, and alike, we have been very happy, indeed, to have been of service to our patrons these fifteen years

in Haskell and Haskell trade territory.

Like the Free Press we are going to continue to serve and try to deserve a continuation of that patronage and pleasant association accorded us in the past.

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ORTY years is a long time for a business I institution to continue its operations and we are pleased at this time to congratulate The Haskell Free Press on having reached its Fortieth birthday. It is indeed an enviable record and we are happy to extend our very best wishes on this Anniversary occasion and wish for you continued success and many returns of the oc-

IT would seem that a great pleasure were taken from us if we were not permitted to express our appreciation for the earnest work The Haskell Free Press has done in these forty years. It has taken a stand in all matters of right and for the advancement of Haskell and contributed much toward making Haskell a better place in which to live. of him only and the file

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TITE remember well the first issue of The Haskell Free Press. It was not such a wonderful sheet at the time, and it contained little news, if any, that was not already known to the few people of Haskell, however, it was welcomed as a new institution for Haskell and eagerly read. Few at that time thought it could survive and grow for forty years, for it surely was a frail little printing plant, but it has grown steadily during these forty years until now, few, if any, weekly newspapers in Texas rival it. 30 H

EST we forget, it seems fitting to pay a tribute to the former editors of The Haskell Free Press, Oscar Martin and J. E Poole, who have long passed to the reward awaiting honorable, upright Christian Citizens. These former Editors worked faith fully in Haskell and had a part in all the undertakings of this community and did much toward shaping the good will and esteem accorded The Haskell Free Press today. STREET OF

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