

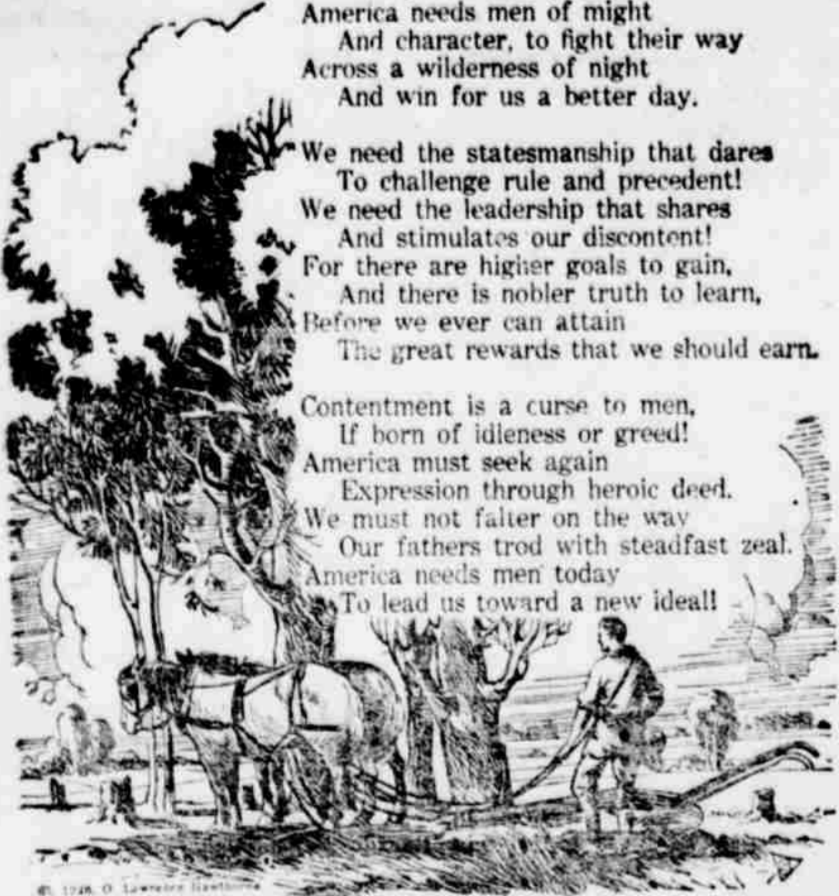
We Must Not Falter Now

by Lawrence Hawthorne

America today needs men
Of courage, and of vision clear.
To bring into our lives again
The spirit of the pioneer.
America needs men of might
And character, to fight their way
Across a wilderness of night
And win for us a better day.

We need the statesmanship that dares
To challenge rule and precedent!
We need the leadership that shares
And stimulates our discontent!
For there are higher goals to gain,
And there is nobler truth to learn,
Before we ever can attain
The great rewards that we should earn.

Contentment is a curse to men,
If born of idleness or greed!
America must seek again
Expression through heroic deed.
We must not falter on the way
Our fathers trod with steadfast zeal.
America needs men today
To lead us toward a new ideal!



South Side Circle Meeting

The Viola Humphrey Circle of the South side met with our leader Mrs. Tom Holland in her beautiful new home, in an all day meeting for the purpose of study and taking examination in our mission book "Baptists in Italy."

The ladies met at eleven o'clock after a few minutes of talk and greetings, the devotional was read and part of the book studied. At 12 o'clock the table was spread with everything good to eat served cafeteria style. The lunch was enjoyed very much also the social chat afterwards.

The kiddies were served around the table in the kitchen and from their merrymaking, we think they also enjoyed their eats.

At 2 o'clock we met in the reception room where our very efficient teacher Mrs. I. N. Alvis finished conducting the lesson after which we took the examination. We enjoyed having our visitors Mrs. Conner and Mrs. Whatley. Circle members present were: Mrs. C. Jones, Mrs. I. N. Alvis, Mrs. Mack Perdue, Mrs. Stovall, Mrs. John Fouts, Mrs. Tom Holland, Mrs. Joe Maples, Mrs. Ed Cass. Children present were Edwin and Bobbie Nell Cass, Joe Maples Jr., Maxine Perdue, Jean Conner.

The Freshman Picnic

Despite the unusually cool weather for this time of the year, the picnic and bathing parties are undaunted and one of these, the freshman class of the High School with their sponsor, Mr. Hardaway and Mrs. J. E. Bernard and Mrs. J. D. Smith as the chaperones, they hied away to Scott's Crossing last Saturday morning and spent the entire day. A big time is reported, special emphasis being placed on the bountiful supply of "eats."

Mrs. Morrison's Advanced Pupils In Recital Thursday Evening May 19

On the evening of May the 19th at the High School Auditorium, the advanced pupils of Mrs. G. H. Morrison will give a Spanish Costume, Piano Recital which promises to be very fine. The public is cordially invited to be present.

Scout Boys Have Outing

Rev. M. L. Baker is the Scout Master and Reynolds Wilson is the Assistant, and they accompanied the Scout Boys to a spot a little way beyond Scott's Crossing last Friday night and enjoyed all of the sport that this kind of an outing affords. The following boys went: Meron L. McDonald,

Rogers Gilstrap, Wallace Sanders, Wallace Kimbrough, Marvin Ghoson, Gilbert Wilson, Albert English Jr. Alvie Chapman, Grady Murchison, Jeff Davis McDonald, David Ratliff, Joe Bryant, with their Scout masters.

Adult Bible Class Extends Invitation

The Adult Bible Class of the First Baptist Church of this city enjoyed a great spiritual feast last Sunday morning during the Sunday school hour. The room was filled to overflowing and despite the crowded condition the occasion was enthusiastic throughout. The members of the class began to assemble soon after 9 o'clock and when the hour for the Bible study arrived they were all in their places.

This class is putting on a membership campaign which is well organized and means business. Every individual who is not attending Sunday school will be given a personal invitation to come and join this or some other class in the Sunday school. When this invitation is given you by any member of this class it means a special invitation of every member of the class and we pray that you will not treat this lightly.

The Sunday school begins at 9:45 each Sunday morning and every one who will come will find a cordial welcome. Don't trump up some excuse why you can not come. But use all the courage and energy you have and meet with us next Sunday morning. Some have said that their clothing was not good enough to wear to Sunday school and church. If you will make one visit to this day you will find that pride, style and things of this

world are not looked upon, and you will find no cause to feel embarrassed. We found out long ago that clothing does not make the man or woman. So do not let any thing stand in the way of your coming to Sunday school and church. Don't let false pride rob you of the joys of serving your Maker. Come you are welcome.
W. M. Free, Teacher.

Slumber Party

Misses Sula Mae Ratliff and Virginia Clark assistant teachers of the Post community delightfully entertained the girls of the Post high school with a slumber party Friday night. A picnic with a real picnic lunch, truck riding and serenading were the diversions of the evening. Those enjoying this hospitality were Misses Montie Singleton, Juanita Adams, Lucile Nanny, Una Vay Adcock, Vera Mae and Velma Lee Owens, Mildred and Helen Husey, Edna Luper and Floy West.

Returns Home From Sanitarium

The 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Goddins of the Post community who has been in the Stamford sanitarium for the past several weeks with pneumonia and an abscess of the lung was removed to his home last Thursday and reported improving nicely.

Organize Sunday School

The people of the Rose community organized a Sunday School last Sunday. Mr. George Pland is Superintendent. Mrs. G. D. Payne Secretary; Mrs. Hes Collins, Mrs. Connie Tidwell, Mr. Elmore Phillips and Mr. Jim Henshaw are teachers. The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

Entertains
Mr. and Mrs. Silos Ward entertained a crowd of friends last Saturday night and everyone reported a fine time. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames Richard Spinks, Elmore Phillips and G. D. Payne, Misses Patsy and Allen Ling, Leria and Lennie Patterson, Irene Collins and Aline and Marcelle Barton. The boys present were Aubrey and Leslie Collins, Bernard Patterson, Herbert Tyson and several other boys whose names the writer didn't know.

Baby Very Ill

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Rose is very ill at this time. The doctors here and at Stamford are unable to decide what the trouble is. We hope the baby will soon be better.

Misses Ordria Gregory and Bill Maxwell of Center Point were shopping here Friday.

Church at Warsaw
There will be church at the school house Sunday morning. Rev. Fuller pastor of the Center church will do the preaching. The body is invited to come. The date.

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MOVIE CALENDAR

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Monday & Tuesday Wednesday

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TEXAS

Wednesday

Carl Laemmle presents *The Ice Flood*
With Kenneth Harlan and Dana. The picture of a sand thrills.

TEXAS

Thursday and Friday
DESERT GOLD

SOCIETY and Club

P. T. A. South Ward Entertains

On last Thursday May 5th at 3:30 p. m. the P. T. A. entertained the patrons of our respective school.

Invitations were mailed to each trustee and about 85 people were present. Each room presented a number as follows: Poor Babe in the woods, Beverlee Gilbert and Lorane Thomas.

Second grade: Smiles, Eria and Vera Cass.

Third Grade: Blue Bonnets, Louise Roberts, Hazel and Mary Williams.

Fourth Grade: A dance in costume. Theda Maples and Kathleen Crawford.

Fifth Grade: Reading. Tribute to Mother, Billie Burt, Reading, Frances English.

Sixth Grade: Reading, Annie Maude Taylor, Laddie O'Laddie, Miss Contere Browning, niece of Miss Wallace Principal of S. W.

To the oldest person present was given a bouquet of peas and red carnations, Mrs. Stovall being the recipient.

Talks were made by Rev. Vaughn and J. M. Crawford, Supt. Neff.

After the program, brick ice cream and angel food cake was served. Roses were used for favors.

The new president Mrs. Poteet occupied the chair and proved her ability in managing this organization.

Resolutions of appreciation of services for all out going officers was read. A call business meeting was announced for Wednesday May 11, at 3:30 p. m.

You are always welcome to our entertainments.

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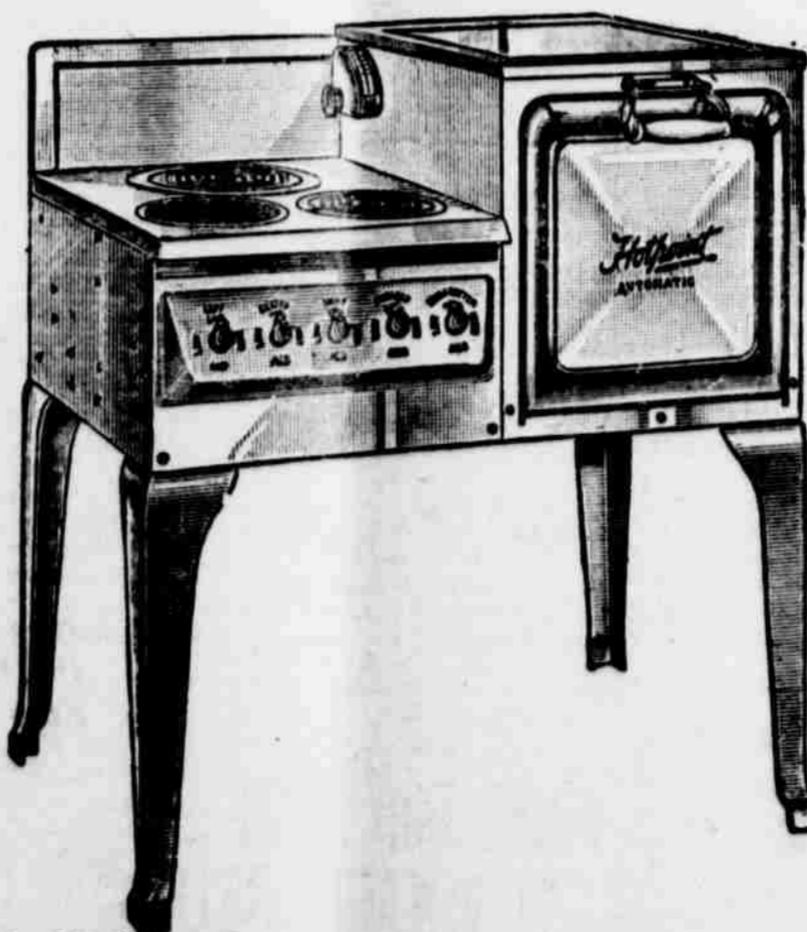
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SOCIETY and Club

Club Surprise Party
 Wednesday afternoon, our club called for a recital "Ensemble" of some of Haskell's best pianists. The reason for the change was the one reason stated to us viz: that we had worked so hard on our study course, that due to a general good time, D. E. Patterson met us as real at the door. Mesdames D. L. Patterson, H. D. Neff, Chorus M. L. Baker and John W. were in line as our gracious hosts. The arrangement of chairs with rugs on floor and flowers arranged made the club room a place to be.

Neff was Master of Ceremony. After a few remarks we were with paper and pencil as our equipment for a visit to Music. The time we had made a tour room trying to decipher what term this article or that scene meant, time was called and Miss Rogers, victor, was presented miniature musical instrument, to the happy family.

A basket was passed and we name of a song, two lines of were supposed to sing, in turn an interesting melody. Mrs. Vaughn, one of our honorary was voted as having made the selection, and was happy to re-musical box.

Following contest was one of the formed in line and as our called a letter of the alphabet to give the name of a composition whose name had not been called and this before the counted ten. Marjorie Rogers again received another prize.

This we were set to forming from the one word "Wagner," and in this contest Mrs. W. W. drawing the lucky straw and awarded some fine Hawaiian in Miss Maybelle Taylor made telegram from the words "Club" and was glad to be in the rapidly growing orchestra room.

We were ordered to fall in line and march around the room turn was to stop at the piano some march until the halt was any who failed to halt in procession had to fall out of line. A Bailey won this last musical contest. It was a surprise to see any member of the club could piano. The real musical was the informal number by the newly organized orchestra directed by Miss Marjorie Rogers.

So much fun and frolic we were met and rest a while. The last a pretty plate of refreshment of brick cream in club colors white, with angel cake. Dainty plates with club flowers on were filled with salted nuts.

There was a lull in the bright conversation, some one, true to child, arose and said, "We candy and our nickle too." I want our splendid program, not only the Harmony Club Haskell is justly proud of her pianists.

Senior Party
 Thursday evening at 8 the Juniors entertained the "Seniors" at the Public Library affair was in the form of a party. Flowers were laid for tables of progressive forty-two. In honor of "these Seniors" was made lovely by num-erous in the Senior colors, white. The lights were rather with twisted green and paper ropes and from beneath shade peered a jolly, green. Vases of simple, white roses artistically placed about the room. At 8 o'clock the guests began to as they entered were greeted receiving line of Junior class of Bonnie Banks, Marjorie Rogers, Pearsey. After all had ar-ry were given a dainty trolley their tables were found.

Available evening was thus spent for forty-two. The refreshments of green and white, brick ice and cake, each plate being ad-orned with a delicate sweet pea. The remarked that the Juniors and delightful entertainers and to enjoy the evening. Being the Seniors took tiny bits decorations for their memory lest they forget? this jolly senior occasion. The Seniors were Jerene Cooner, Marion Agnes Fields, Hazel Flenniken, Conner, Stella Mae Coburn, Shook, Jessie Maud Hays, Joe Ruby Martin, Earline Mask, Katharine Rike, Horace Wadzeck, Lora Sloan, Iola Taylor, Elizabeth Elmore Smith, Haskell Akins and Ernest Wright. Present were Jewel Gentry, William Mary Couch, Annie Amason, Glenn Merchant, Tom Marvin Branch, Eloise Roberts, Marjorie Rogers, Mary

Pearsey, Lucy Martin, Belton Duncan, Fred Ellis, Maurice Crawford, Velma Case, Calvin Whatley, Ted Stuart, Roy Sanders, Lorene Pinkerton, Florence Gregory, Katherine Hickman, Lucille Foote, Leo Duncan, Cecil Bradley, Glenn Marrs, and Joe Spurlock. The faculty members present were Mr. H. D. Neff, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Lebo, Miss Clarine Brannon, Miss Corrine Moore, Mr. L. K. England and Mr. Ray Hardaway, and Mrs. Ed Sprowls.

Mrs. Guy Mays' Missionary Society Entertains Mothers
 On last Monday afternoon at the Methodist church, the children of the Missionary society under Mrs. Guy Mays, rendered a splendid program of their own preparation. A noticeable feature was the ease with which these little folks took their places and gave their parts with fine understanding and true interest. The president, Erma Mask took her chair and opened the meeting by standing and singing, "Have Thy Own Way, Lord," with Anabel Burt at the piano. The director of the program, Wilda Pippin then took charge and the following program rendered: devotional, Erma Mask, mission-ary stories told by Ruby Spurlock, Annie Maud Tylor, Mary Frances Sutherlin, Judith English and Jereen Kinnison, piano solo, Anabel Burt, song, "Somebody Did a Golden Deed," Erma Mask, Wilda Pippin, Lillian Kaigler and Judith English. The president Erma Mask then asked Mrs. Vaughn to dismiss them with prayer after which all were invited into the junior department and a delicious picnic spread was enjoyed by eighteen members of the Women's Missionary Society and thirty of the Junior boys and girls.

Magazine Club Observes May Day
 The most beautiful and elaborate program of the year was given at the Magazine Club Friday afternoon when Mrs. Hill Oates directed the May Day program. She was also hostess and met the members at the door. Misses Maurine Shook and Helen Barron presided at the punch bowl and gave each one a rose. The rooms were lovely with roses and in the center of the assembly room was the May Pole and in one corner the throne chair. Mrs. C. V. Payne gave the life of Robert Herrick, Mrs. Virgil Meadors also took part on the program and Mrs. T. G. Cahill read Tennyson's Fairy Queen. Master Hugh Mack English then told the story of the May customs and the following club children danced around the May pole: Louise Pierson, Geraldine and Jean Conner, Ruby Gerald Sutherland, Janice Rogers, Frances Shook, Marvina and Winona Frances Post, Mary Sue Murchison, Merle Draper, Mrs. Mrs. Wayne Koonce sang "The May

Garden and all these were accompanied by Mrs. Wallace Cox at the piano.
 Miss Ruby Martin robed in white and with garlands of flowers around her acted the part of Miss Spring Time while the following girls sang: Misses Mary Emma Whitaker, Mary Couch, Maurine Shook, Helen Barron, Iola Taylor, Gladys Conner, Virginia Whitman, Martha Lou and Marjorie Rogers, Loreta Sloan, Jerene Cooner and Katharine Rike.

The two little pages Paul Keunstler Jr. and Virgil Meadors Jr. ushered in the May queen and her court, Miss Lois Earnest was queen and the following court were members: Misses Lela Welsh, Eunice Huckabee, Nettie McCollum and Ermine Daugherty, Hugh Mack English crowned the queen with a crown of roses in the name of the Magazine Club.

The following besides those already named were present: Mesdames Courtney Hunt, R. R. English, H. M. Smith, C. V. Payne, John Oates, O. E. Oates, C. M. Conner, C. L. Lewis, N. I. McCollum, R. E. Lee, J. P. Payne, A. C. Pierson, O. E. Patterson, W. M. and W. B. Reid, E. Martin, John A. Lee of Rule, R. J. Reynolds, T. C. Rogers, H. S. Post, E. Sutherland, John Draper, C. D. Long, Marion Shook, Ross Woodall, P. T. Sanders, R. J. Earnest, H. H. Hester of Fort Worth, Bailey Post, Clay Smith, Paul Keunstler.

Hello, Wichita, Haskell's Hero Sponsor Matron of Honor and All
 Promptly on next Monday morning, the Haskell Delegation of over one hundred will start for Wichita Falls in automobile at six o'clock a. m. The costume committee, Mrs. Mammie Barron, Miss Frankie Brooks and Miss Eugenia English have been busy seeing that the Servians are properly garbed when they join the big parade of the Nations in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce parade in Wichita next Monday. Miss Lois Earnest has been elected Haskell Sponsor and Mrs. J. L. Southern has been elected Matron of Honor. They have been informed of the many special courtesies that have been planned for them and besides leading the Haskell delegation in the big parade, they will attend a 11:30 breakfast on Monday morning, the Queen's Ball Monday evening, sit on the platform with Miss Wichita Falls and be introduced to the assembly as the visiting sponsors and maids and matrons of honor; they will also be special guests of the splendid Tea Dansant on Tuesday evening. Their headquarters will be the Kemp Hotel.

The Treasure Hunt
 Perhaps never in the history of the Haskell High School has there been such a "thrilling" affair as the High School graduates as the one sponsored last Friday evening at eight thirty o'clock by Mrs. Hardy Grissom and Mrs. S. R. Rike. The boys and girls of the graduating class were told that a treasure, had been hidden some where within the city limits of Haskell and they were only given vague clues as to where it was. Then in a number of cars the hunt began. Slight clues were given at some Garage in Haskell, they could find the garage, one of the Haskell Parsons could give them some information, one can im-

agine the confusion and fun resulting from questioning all of the garage men and all of the preachers in Haskell by thirty-four boys and girls, before they found the right one. They were then directed to one of the North doors of one of the school buildings in Haskell, thence to a Drug Store, where when the right one was found, told them to go to the city of the dead, where the treasure was hidden. The car driven by Marvin Vaughn proved to be the "sleuth car," and after many wrong tracks, they found the right one first and it led to the Haskell Cemetery, where over the large arch gateway was a "sack of money" 500 pennies in a toe-sack. This unique diversion put the right "pep" into the party and they were in high spirits for the delicious cream and cake in the class colors, served them on the lawn at Mrs. Grissom's home. Following is the personnel of the 1926-27 class of the Haskell High School with Superintendent and Mrs. H. D. Neff, class sponsor, Mrs. Ed. Sprowls; the hostesses, Mrs. Hardy Grissom and Mrs. S. R. Rike and Mr. John Rike; Faye Akins, Stella Mae Coburn, Gladys Conner, Jerene Cooner, Agnes Fields, Hazel Flenniken, Jessie Maud Hays, Mary Sue Hester, Vivian Johnson, Ruby Martin, Earline Mask, Katharine Rike, Maurine Shook, Loreta Sloan, Lonnie Stoker, Iola Taylor, Desie Wolf and James Alvis, Burwell Cox, Marion Felker, Orville Graham, Charles Grissom, Joe Guest, Horace O'Neal, L. D. Ratliff, Lewis Sherman, Lewis Smith, Elmore Smith, Willie Stoker, Haskell Stone, Marvin Vaughn, Mark Wadzeck, Bill Whiteaker and Earnest Wright.

Attend Wedding of Neice
 Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Montgomery attended the marriage of their neice, Miss Eloise Morrison of Graham and Mr. Homer L. Thornton of the same place which took place at the Presbyterian church of that city, May the 3rd. The young couple left immediately for Galveston and other South Texas points before returning to Graham where they will make their future home. Mrs. W. E. Johnson, of Marlin returned to Haskell with Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery for a visit to them and to her sister Mrs. J. S. Rike.

Harmony Club Honors Mrs. H. D. Neff
 On last Wednesday afternoon at the lovely home of Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Cummins, the Harmony Club honored Mrs. H. D. Neff, who has been Chorus Director for the past two years, with a delightful reception. Bowls of beautiful pink and white roses were attractively placed throughout the reception suite. Mrs. George H. Morrison greeted the guests at the door and introduced them to the retiring president, Mrs. D. L. Cummins, who headed the receiving line who in turn presented them to the honoree Mrs. H. D. Neff; next was the new president, Mrs. J. G. Foster, then State Corresponding Secretary of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. W. H. Murchison, and near her stood little Miss Mary Sue Murchison with the card tray. The guests were then invited to register in the guest book, presided over by Mesdames T. A. Pinkerton and Jack Sills and all lingered long enough to hear some of the music, piano, violin and vocal ren-

dered by Mesdames O. E. Patterson, John W. Pace, Wayne Koonce, Virgil Meadows, Harry Stalcup, and Misses Clarene Brannon, Katherine Rike, Marjorie and Martha Lou Rogers and to chat a while with the members of the house party Mesdames Courtney Hunt, B. M. Whiteaker, D. Scott, R. J. Reynolds, Jack Sills, W. C. Williams, J. Bailey, J. F. Morrison, John W. Pace, O. E. Patterson, Wayne Koonce, H. S. Wilson, Harry Stalcup, Vaughn Bailey, Misses Eunice Huckabee, Martha Lou and Marjorie Rogers, Katherine Rike, Aura Lee Tucker and Maybel Taylor. The guests were shown into the dining room by Mrs. C. L. Lewis and Mrs. J. L. Southern where the cake imposed with the club's initials, H. C. and brick cream, echoed the color of the roses, pink and white that were the plate favors, it was here that Mrs. Tom French and Miss Eunice Huckabee presided. The Junior members served during the afternoon and Mesdames H. S. Wilson, Harry Stalcup and Vaughn Bailey bade the guests good bye. The honoree was presented salad forks by the club in token of the esteem in which she is held by the members.

Child Culture Club in Last Meeting of Year
 In the last meeting of the season, the Child Culture Club met with Mrs. Paul Keunstler last Wednesday and Mrs. C. Pierson directed the program on "Promises of Life Through What Education Means to Us," with the following ladies discussing the subject: Mrs. Chas. Conner, Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. Hill Oates. After the program Mrs. Keunstler served a delicious plate lunch to her house guest, Mrs. M. W. Johnson of Plainview and members; Mrs. J. B. Post, Henry Smith, Chas. Conner, Ted Alexander, Dennis Ratliff, John Draper, Elam Parish, Hill Oates, Elmer Irwin, Ed. Fouts, A. C. Pierson, Will Kirkpatrick, P. A. Womble, S. A. Roberts, A. H. Wair and Alvie Couch. The children present were: Reynolds Smith, Wyona Frances Post, Merle and Fay Draper, Jean Conner, Beunis Fay and Eva Joe Ratliff, Josephine and Betty Sue Alexander, Paul Roberts, A. H. Wair, Jr., Ethel Reba Couch, Audrey Gail Roberts, Louise Pierson, Mary Lou Johnson.

Miss Maxine Alexander of Stamford was the guest of Haskell relatives last Sunday.

Miss Jerene Cooner Has House Party
 Miss Jerene Cooner of the 1926-27 graduating class invited a number of her class mates to her beautiful country home near O'Brien last week end and they report a most delightful time. They were Misses Katherine Rike, Ruby Martin, Loreta Sloan and Iola Taylor.

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Pleasant Valley School Closed
Friday May 6, brought to a close another term of school at Pleasant Valley. The teachers were Miss Hazel Mitchell, principal and Miss Mable Guess assistant. The school proved to be a success. The homes of both teachers are in this community.

Play a Success
The play "The Dutch Detective," which was played by the school children of Pleasant Valley Friday evening was a success. A large crowd was present, and from the applause the three act comedy must have been enjoyed.

Fishing Trip
Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ashby of the Pleasant Valley community with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones of Weibert Motored to the Kemp Lake Thursday to fish. They returned Friday and reported a nice time and caught all the fish they could use.

Ball Game
The Cottonwood boys base ball team visited the Pleasant Valley school boys for a game of base ball Friday afternoon. The Pleasant Valley boys lost by a few scores. Both teams played well and the game was enjoyed by all.

Midway School Closes
The Midway school closed Friday May 6. This has been a successful term of school with about one hundred pupils enrolled. We hope the next term will be successful also.

Turns Car Over
Mr. Aubrey Collins turned his car over last Saturday night south of the Rose school house. His lights went out and he ran in a deep ditch. Fortunately no one was injured but the car was damaged some.

Installs Cream Separator
Mr. Hammer, of the Howard community has recently purchased him a cream separator. Mr. Hammer is milking three good jersey cows, and he makes a neat sum of money off of his cream at the end of every week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Meredith of Weimar Texas are here for a visit with Mr. Meredith's parents Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bratton. Mr. Meredith is a former Haskell county boy but is now employed by the Houston and Houston Gravel Company.

Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Hader, Mrs. P. Pettis, Mrs. R. R. English have returned from the Holywell at Mineral Wells. Mrs. R. R. Sherrill also attended, but went on to Ft. Worth to visit her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Williams.

Mrs. H. H. Hester of Big Spring is the present guest of her mother, Mrs. R. J. Earnest and other relatives in Haskell and Rule.

Wants

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Lucile Reagan Circle
The Lucile Reagan circle of the Baptist Missionary Society met in regular meeting Monday May 9, in the home of the president, Mrs. D. Scott. After song and prayer Mrs. Scott read for the devotional the 14th chapter of John. At the conclusion of this splendid devotional hour Mrs. R. P. Glenn took charge and directed an interesting lesson on "Veterans of The Cross."

She was assisted by Mesdames Lamkin, Clanton, and Scott. This proved to be one of the best programs the circle has had this year, much interest and enthusiasm was manifest.

The ladies were asked to remain for a social hour with the hostess and delicious refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. B. F. Oliphant, R. L. Bruton, R. W. Clanton, M. A. Clifton, R. P. Glenn, R. E. Reeves, W. P. Edwards, E. S. Christian, B. T. Clift, S. F. Readon, John Lamkin, Chas. Connor, Angy Thompson and Miss Nancy Collingsworth, out of town guests were: Mrs. Joe Rosson of Albany and Mrs. Morgan Johnson of Wyo. The next meeting will be May 23 in the home of Mrs. M. A. Clifton.

A Birthday Party
Miss Rachel Elmore of the Sayles community entertained a host of friends with a birthday party. After a number of games were played, refreshments were served. The guests left at a late hour thanking their hostess for showing them such a nice time.

Entertains
Miss Edna Bass of the Pleasant Valley community gave a birthday party at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Bass for her sister Miss Earline Bass and friend Miss Gladys Kennedy Saturday evening. Quite a large number of young people were present several being visitors from other communities. At a late hour each departed thanking their hostess for such an enjoyable evening.

Entertains
Mr. and Mrs. Hisey of Rose Chapel were host and hostess to a large crowd of young folks last Saturday night. Quite an enjoyable time was had by all present who left declaring Mr. and Mrs. Hisey ideal entertainers.

Gives Party
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tompkins entertained a crowd of young people in their home Saturday night. Everyone reported a nice time.

Rankin Gammill left Wednesday for Austin where he will compete for State Honors in Senior Boy Declamation Contest. He had received a program for the entire meet and it included many features of entertainment. On Thursday evening two hundred and fifty gymnasium girls will portray a number of drills and aesthetic dances, among them being the building of pyramid and Japanese dance with the above number of girls in Japanese costume.

Miss Imogene Scott spent several days last week visiting relatives and friends in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Spears are the proud parents of a baby boy.

Milton Simmons who is a student of Junior A. and M. at Collington was at home this week at the bedside of his sister Martha who is in the Stamford Sanitarium.

Mrs. J. B. Hayward of Eastland is spending the week end with Mrs. T. V. Cahill.

Mr. Paul and Jimmie Swartz of Center Point community attended the singing at Bunzer Hill Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ruby Houston of Cisco was visiting relatives and friends in Center Point and Gauntt communities last week.

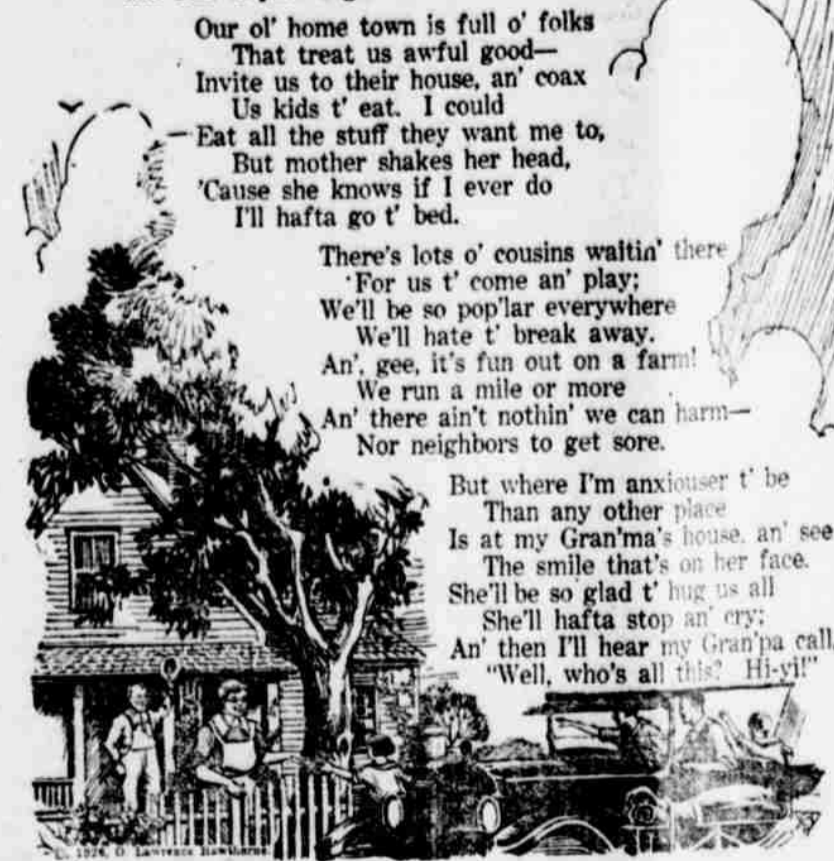
Mrs. W. C. Pippin returned from Wichita Falls Wednesday, where she had been called to the bedside of her brother C. A. Gribble who suffered a nervous break down and contracted pneumonia, he passed away last Friday and was buried in Wichita Falls on Saturday. The Free Press joins a host of friends in extending condolence to Mrs. Pippin in this sad hour.

Mrs. A. E. Hambleton of Burkburnett, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Myers, last week end.

We're Goin' to Gran'ma's!

It won't be long before we go
To Gran'ma's house again;
An' say, I guess you oughter know
We'll have a big time then!
They live way back in Illinois;
That means we'll drive it in
About two days an' then—Oh, boy,
The fun 'll just begin!

by
G. Lawrence Hawthorne



Our ol' home town is full o' folks
That treat us awful good—
Invite us to their house, an' coax
Us kids t' eat. I could
Eat all the stuff they want me to,
But mother shakes her head,
'Cause she knows if I ever do
I'll hafta go t' bed.

There's lots o' cousins waitin' there
'For us t' come an' play;
We'll be so poplar everywhere
We'll hate t' break away.
An', gee, it's fun out on a farm!
We run a mile or more
An' there ain't nothin' we can harm—
Nor neighbors to get sore.

But where I'm anxious t' be
Than any other place
Is at my Gran'ma's house, an' see
The smile that's on her face.
She'll be so glad t' hug us all
She'll hafta stop an' cry;
An' then I'll hear my Gran'pa call,
"Well, who's all this? Hi-yi!"

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ratliff of Cisco, were last week end guests of their parents Judge and Mrs. L. D. Ratliff. This is the first time they have visited in Haskell since their marriage in Cisco a few months ago. Mrs. Ratliff was Miss Sylvia Jones of Cisco.

Mrs. Dennis Ratliff and daughters, Eva Joe and Beuniss Fay, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Golden of Romarton, and her brother and family, Mr. Emmitt Golden of Seymour last week end.

The Sayles and Gauntt baseball team played an interesting game of ball at Haskell, Saturday afternoon, the scores being 7 and 8 in Gauntt's favor.

Mrs. J. G. Foster and son J. G., Jr., and her mother, Mrs. Emmitt Loe of Rochester and A. C. Foster of Rule, have returned from a visit to relatives in Dallas.

Mr. Joe Chapman of the Sayles community who has been in the Stamford Sanitarium several days returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bickley and children of Abilene were last Sunday's guests of Mrs. Bickley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Alexander.

Mr. J. R. Johnson and daughter Mrs. J. T. Stephens of Corsicana are visiting W. E. Johnson and family of the Sayles community.

Mrs. Elgie Harwell of the Sayles community is very sick at the time of this writing. It is hoped she will have a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Robert Morris and Roy Guinn of Breckenridge are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Guinn of the Sayles community.

Sayles has organized a base ball team and after a work out, they will be ready to meet any team in the county.

While playing in a baseball game Mr. Donald Easterland of the Sayles community, fell and broke his leg while running.

The ladies of the Sayles community pounded Mrs. Chatman, whose husband has been confined in the Stamford Sanitarium for some time.

Miss Stella Broughton, who is teaching school at Rochester and her mother Mrs. Broughton of Abilene spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Johnson and family of the Sayles community.

Mrs. N. J. Ivy and son, Horace visited friends in Abilene last week.

Suffered weak, nervous
"I WAS in a very weakened, run-down condition, surely in need of a tonic and builder," says Mrs. J. R. Wrenn, of Abilene, Texas. "I was so weak I had to go to bed, and kept getting weaker."
"I suffered with my back so much. I was very nervous, couldn't rest good at night. I couldn't eat anything—I just wasn't hungry."
"I had read so much of Cardui, I thought best to use it. I took seven or eight bottles, and by the time I had taken them I was stronger than I had been in several years. I can highly recommend Cardui."
Thousands of other women have found that the tonic effects of the purely vegetable ingredients of Cardui were just what they needed to help restore their appetites, to help bring them easily and naturally back to normal health and strength. Its action has been found to be of great benefit in many common female ailments.
Buy it at your druggist's.
CARDUI
For Female Troubles

Miss Dessie Kennedy, student of McMurray, Abilene spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kennedy, and her sister, Miss Ola Bell returned with her for the May Fete, returning to Haskell Tuesday night.

The following delegates from the Haskell Commandry, attended the Grand Commandry of Knights Templar at Fort Worth, the 26-27 and 28 of April. Mr. Will Sherrill, Mr. H. R. Jones and Mr. L. L. Southern. This is the annual assembly at which Haskell always is well attended. Next year's meeting will be held in Houston.

Miss Constance Browning of Canton, niece of Miss Wallace, principal of the South Ward School, is visiting her this week.

Marion Guest, daughter of Dr. O. M. Guest, who is a student in McMurray College, Abilene, was a last week end guest of her father and family.

Mrs. J. U. Fields is unusually busy just now as it is the season for the District Meetings, she spent a few days at home and left again Monday for more district meetings.

Dr. J. D. Smith is in Austin this week attending the State Dental Association Convention.

Mrs. G. B. Jeter of the Sayles community is visiting Miss Stella Clanton of Rochester.

TO ALL HOLDERS OF SECOND LIBERTY LOAN
NOTICE OF REDEMPTION
All outstanding Second Liberty Loan bonds of 1927-28 (Series 4 1/2%) and all outstanding Second Liberty Loan bonds of 1927-28 (Series 4 1/2%) are called for redemption on November 15, 1927, pursuant to the terms of their issue. Interest on Second 4 1/2% and Second 4 1/2% will be paid redemption date, November 15, 1927. Holders of Second 4 1/2% and 4 1/2% will be entitled to have their bonds redeemed and paid as per the above on November 15, 1927. Such holders may, in advance of November 15, 1927, offer the privilege of exchanging part of their bonds for other bonds bearing obligations of the United States which they desire to avail themselves of the exchange privilege, if and when they so desire, by notifying the information regarding the exchange privilege is received.
Further information may be obtained from any Federal Reserve Bank or from the Commissioner of the Debt, Treasury Department, Washington, May 9, 1927.
A. W. MELLON
Secretary of the Treasury

NOTICE
MR. FARMER
Bring us your broken plow parts and tools. We weld and pair any kind of metal. Work absolutely guaranteed.
THE PRICES ARE RIGHT
Haskell Boiler & Welding Works

EFFECTIVE NOW
W. M. Mask's Meat Market will be open on Sunday mornings until 9 o'clock.

Opening
Personally—we need no introduction. Most of this community know us and are acquainted with our experiences in the merchandising field here in Haskell.
This store location too, is familiar ground to all of you. Its convenience as a shopping center has long been realized for just that reason, we have taken this space to establish our "service station" in the dry goods line.
It will take more space than we have here to tell you, all this new store will contain and we, therefore, INVITE YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS to come in and visit us.
We have just returned from our buying trip from St. Louis, and our goods are new. We realize that our stock is small, yet all of our goods are new, and our stock is well assorted, and we feel like we can offer you good goods for less money.
We are expecting a shipment of Dresses, Friday, for the girls graduation.
Mays Dry Goods Co.
Hancock Building

We'll Buy Your Old Casings
Friday and Saturday only we will allow you
\$1.00 Each
For your old casings, on the purchase price of any new tire and tube in our stock. Makes no difference what condition the casing is in—it's worth a dollar here!
We handle Diamond and Dayton Tires and Tubes—the best made—and they are priced to fit any pocketbook no matter whether rich or poor; old or young.
Get all your old casings together, and bring them in Friday and Saturday while we offer this deal.
Cities Service Gasoline and Oil
Wholesale and Retail
FOUTS & DOTSON
"Everything for the Automobile"

H. J. R. No. 32. An amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by Article 60, Section 60, Article 60, to provide that the Legislature may fix the compensation of county officers by salaries and fees, commissions and perquisites, providing for the payment of expenses incurred by the Legislature of the State of Texas: 1. That the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding another section to be known as Section 60, Article 16, to read as follows: To-wit: Section 60. The Legislature may fix the compensation for certain district county officers, to-wit: District Attorney, County Judge, County Clerk, County Tax Assessor, County Tax Collector, by fixing their salaries, and fixing their duties, and fixing their fees, commissions and perquisites as now provided by law.

sooner." If it shall appear from a return of said election that a majority of the votes cast have been cast in favor of said amendment, it shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas. Sec. 3: The Governor shall issue his proclamation calling said election and have the same published and said election held in accordance with this resolution and the Constitution and laws of this State; and return shall be made and the votes canvassed and counted as provided by law; and if said amendment is adopted by the required vote of the qualified electors of this State the Governor shall issue his proclamation as required by law. Sec. 4: The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury to pay for publication of the proclamation calling said election and any expense of the State in submitting said amendment and holding said election. Approved March 29, 1927. (A Correct Copy) JANE Y. McCALLUM, Secretary of State.

H. J. R. No. 25. Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas amending Article VIII by the insertion of Section 1a therein, authorizing the Legislature to provide for the separation of the objects of taxation for State purposes and for the support of the counties, districts and political subdivisions of the State and Counties, and authorizing the Legislature to provide for the levy of an ad valorem tax or other form of tax for State purposes only and for local purposes, only; authorizing the Legislature to provide for the classification of objects of taxation and providing that rates shall be equal on the same class of property, and fixing limitations upon taxation. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: Section 1. That Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by inserting therein Section 1a, as follows: Section 1a. The Legislature may separate the objects of taxation for State purposes from the objects of taxation for the support of the counties, districts and political subdivisions of the State and Counties; and may provide for the levy of an ad valorem tax, or other form of tax, on certain classes of taxable property, or other objects, for State purposes only (including school purposes); or upon certain classes of property, or other objects, for county or local purposes only (including school purposes). In no event shall the rate of such taxes exceed the sum of the limits of such taxes fixed by this Constitution for State, county and other local purposes. The Legislature may provide for the classification of objects of taxation. Taxation shall be equal and uniform. Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State of Texas, at an election to be held the first Monday in August, A. D. 1927, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon the following: For the amendment to Article 8, inserting Section 1a, providing for changing the taxation system so that the State may derive its income, in whole or in part, from other sources than the ad valorem tax. Against the amendment to Article 8, inserting Section 1a, providing for changing the taxation system so that the State may derive its income, in whole or in part, from other sources than the ad valorem tax. Sec. 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation ordering an election to determine whether or not the proposed constitutional amendment set forth herein shall be adopted, and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. And the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated to defray expenses of printing said proclamation and of holding said election. Approved March 11, 1927. (A Correct Copy) JANE Y. McCALLUM, Secretary of State.

H. J. R. No. 33. An amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas relating to the amount of compensation of officers, the compensation and expenses of said officers as provided by law, and fixing the compensation of the Governor, providing that said amendment be effective on and after January 1, 1929, and not sooner. Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: Section 1. That Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding a new section to be known as Section 30a, to read as follows: Section 30a. The Legislature may fix the compensation of county officers, by salaries and fees, commissions and perquisites, providing for the payment of expenses incurred by the Legislature of the State of Texas: 1. That the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding another section to be known as Section 30a, to read as follows: To-wit: Section 30a. The Legislature may fix the compensation for certain district county officers, to-wit: District Attorney, County Judge, County Clerk, County Tax Assessor, County Tax Collector, by fixing their salaries, and fixing their duties, and fixing their fees, commissions and perquisites as now provided by law.

SECTION 1. That Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas be amended so as to read as follows: SECTION 2 (of Article V): The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of five Justices shall be necessary to the decision of a case. No person shall be eligible to the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court unless he, at the time of his election or appointment, a citizen of the United States and of this State, and unless he shall have attained the age of thirty years and shall have been a licensed lawyer for seven years and, during that time, shall have been a practicing lawyer or judge of a court of record, or such practicing lawyer and judge together. Said Chief Justice and Associate Justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State, at a general election, and shall hold their offices six years, or until their successors are elected and qualify, and shall receive such compensation as may be provided by law. In case of a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor shall fill the vacancy until the next general election for State officers, and at such general election the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by election by the qualified voters of the State. The Judges of the Supreme Court who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms of office under the present Constitution and until their successors are elected and qualify. When this amendment takes effect, the Governor shall immediately appoint six additional Associate Justices of the Supreme Court for terms of office so that the terms of two of such appointed Associate Justices shall expire with the term of office of each of the present members of the Supreme Court, and, upon the qualification of such new Justices, the Commission of Appeals of the State of Texas shall terminate. Section 3 (of Article V): The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction only, except as herein specified, which shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State. Its appellate jurisdiction shall extend to questions of law arising in the cases in the Courts of Civil Appeals in which the Judges of any Court of Civil Appeals may disagree or where the several courts of civil appeals may hold differently on the same question of law, or where a statute of the State is held void, and to questions of law arising in such other cases of which the Courts of Civil Appeals have appellate jurisdiction as may be prescribed by law; provided, that the Legislature may authorize direct appeals from the County and District Courts in any case where a statute of the State has been declared void. The Supreme Court and the Judges thereof shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus as may be prescribed by law; and, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, the said Court and the Judges thereof may issue writs of mandamus, procedendo, certiorari, and such other writs as may be necessary to enforce its jurisdiction. The Legislature may confer original jurisdiction on the Supreme Court to issue writs of quo warranto and mandamus in such cases as may be specified except as against the Governor of the State. The Supreme Court shall also have power, upon affidavit or otherwise, as by the Court may be determined, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be necessary to the proper exercise of its jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall be open at all times and shall sit at the State Capital for the transaction of business at such times as may be designated by the Court. The present statutes defining the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court not in conflict herewith shall continue in effect until repealed or altered by the Legislature. The Supreme Court shall appoint a Clerk, who shall give bond in such manner as is now or may hereafter be required by law, and he may hold his office for four years and shall be subject to removal by said Court for good cause entered of record on the minutes of said Court, and who shall receive such compensation as may be prescribed by law. Section 4 (of Article V): The Court of Criminal Appeals shall consist of three Judges provided that the Legislature may increase the number to five, and a majority of the Judges shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of a majority of the Judges shall be necessary to the decision of any case. Said Judges shall have the same qualifications and receive the same salaries as the Judges of the Supreme Court. They shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State, at a general election, and shall hold their offices for a term of six years. The Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms of office under the present Constitution and laws. Section 5 (of Article V): The Court of Criminal Appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction co-extensive with the limits of the State in all criminal cases of whatever grade, with such exceptions and under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, and the Legislature may confer original jurisdiction upon it to issue writs of mandamus, procedendo and certiorari in criminal cases. The Court of Criminal Appeals and the Judges thereof shall have the power to issue the writ of habeas corpus and, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, issue such writs as may be necessary to enforce its own jurisdiction. The Court of Criminal Appeals shall have the power, upon affidavit or otherwise, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be designated by it. 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SECTION 1. That Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas be amended so as to read as follows: SECTION 2 (of Article V): The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of five Justices shall be necessary to the decision of a case. No person shall be eligible to the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court unless he, at the time of his election or appointment, a citizen of the United States and of this State, and unless he shall have attained the age of thirty years and shall have been a licensed lawyer for seven years and, during that time, shall have been a practicing lawyer or judge of a court of record, or such practicing lawyer and judge together. 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When this amendment takes effect, the Governor shall immediately appoint six additional Associate Justices of the Supreme Court for terms of office so that the terms of two of such appointed Associate Justices shall expire with the term of office of each of the present members of the Supreme Court, and, upon the qualification of such new Justices, the Commission of Appeals of the State of Texas shall terminate. Section 3 (of Article V): The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction only, except as herein specified, which shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State. 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The Legislature may confer original jurisdiction on the Supreme Court to issue writs of quo warranto and mandamus in such cases as may be specified except as against the Governor of the State. The Supreme Court shall also have power, upon affidavit or otherwise, as by the Court may be determined, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be necessary to the proper exercise of its jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall be open at all times and shall sit at the State Capital for the transaction of business at such times as may be designated by the Court. The present statutes defining the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court not in conflict herewith shall continue in effect until repealed or altered by the Legislature. The Supreme Court shall appoint a Clerk, who shall give bond in such manner as is now or may hereafter be required by law, and he may hold his office for four years and shall be subject to removal by said Court for good cause entered of record on the minutes of said Court, and who shall receive such compensation as may be prescribed by law. Section 4 (of Article V): The Court of Criminal Appeals shall consist of three Judges provided that the Legislature may increase the number to five, and a majority of the Judges shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of a majority of the Judges shall be necessary to the decision of any case. Said Judges shall have the same qualifications and receive the same salaries as the Judges of the Supreme Court. They shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State, at a general election, and shall hold their offices for a term of six years. 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H. J. R. No. 24. Proposing an amendment of Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas for the purpose of providing a more efficient judicial system. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: SECTION 1. That Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to read as follows: SECTION 2 (of Article V): The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of five Justices shall be necessary to the decision of a case. 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The Court of Criminal Appeals shall have the power, upon affidavit or otherwise, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be designated by it. Said Court shall appoint a clerk, who shall give bond in such manner as is now or may hereafter be required by law, and he shall hold his office for four years, and may hereafter be required by law, and if said amendment is adopted by the required vote of the qualified electors of this State, the Governor shall issue his proclamation as required by law. Sec. 4: The sum of twelve thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury to pay for publication of the proclamation calling said election and any expense of the State in submitting said amendment and holding said election. Approved March 10, 1927. (A Correct Copy) JANE Y. McCALLUM, Secretary of State.

H. J. R. No. 24. Proposing an amendment of Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas for the purpose of providing a more efficient judicial system. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: SECTION 1. That Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to read as follows: SECTION 2 (of Article V): The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of five Justices shall be necessary to the decision of a case. No person shall be eligible to the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court unless he, at the time of his election or appointment, a citizen of the United States and of this State, and unless he shall have attained the age of thirty years and shall have been a licensed lawyer for seven years and, during that time, shall have been a practicing lawyer or judge of a court of record, or such practicing lawyer and judge together. Said Chief Justice and Associate Justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State, at a general election, and shall hold their offices six years, or until their successors are elected and qualify, and shall receive such compensation as may be provided by law. In case of a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor shall fill the vacancy until the next general election for State officers, and at such general election the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by election by the qualified voters of the State. The Judges of the Supreme Court who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms of office under the present Constitution and until their successors are elected and qualify. When this amendment takes effect, the Governor shall immediately appoint six additional Associate Justices of the Supreme Court for terms of office so that the terms of two of such appointed Associate Justices shall expire with the term of office of each of the present members of the Supreme Court, and, upon the qualification of such new Justices, the Commission of Appeals of the State of Texas shall terminate. Section 3 (of Article V): The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction only, except as herein specified, which shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State. Its appellate jurisdiction shall extend to questions of law arising in the cases in the Courts of Civil Appeals in which the Judges of any Court of Civil Appeals may disagree or where the several courts of civil appeals may hold differently on the same question of law, or where a statute of the State is held void, and to questions of law arising in such other cases of which the Courts of Civil Appeals have appellate jurisdiction as may be prescribed by law; provided, that the Legislature may authorize direct appeals from the County and District Courts in any case where a statute of the State has been declared void. The Supreme Court and the Judges thereof shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus as may be prescribed by law; and, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, the said Court and the Judges thereof may issue writs of mandamus, procedendo, certiorari, and such other writs as may be necessary to enforce its jurisdiction. The Legislature may confer original jurisdiction on the Supreme Court to issue writs of quo warranto and mandamus in such cases as may be specified except as against the Governor of the State. The Supreme Court shall also have power, upon affidavit or otherwise, as by the Court may be determined, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be necessary to the proper exercise of its jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall be open at all times and shall sit at the State Capital for the transaction of business at such times as may be designated by the Court. 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have the qualifications as herein prescribed for Justices of the Supreme Court, provided that the aggregate number of Judges of all of the Courts of Civil Appeals shall never at one time exceed thirty-six. Each of the existing Courts of Civil Appeals shall continue until otherwise provided by law. The Courts of Civil Appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction co-extensive with the limits of their respective districts, which shall extend to all civil cases of which the District Courts or County Courts have original or appellate jurisdiction, under such restrictions and regulations as may be prescribed by law; provided, that the decisions of said Courts shall be conclusive on all questions of fact brought before them on appeal or error. Said Courts of Civil Appeals shall hold their sessions at such places as may be designated by the Legislature and at such times as may be prescribed by law. Said Justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of their respective Districts, at a general election, for a term of six years, and shall receive such compensation as may be provided by law. Said Court shall have such other jurisdiction, original and appellate, as may be prescribed by law. Each Court of Civil Appeals shall appoint a Clerk in the same manner as the Clerk of the Supreme Court, which Clerk shall receive such compensation as may be provided by law. The Judges of the Courts of Civil Appeals who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or appointment. Section 7 (of Article V): The State shall be divided into as many Judicial Districts as may now or hereafter be provided by law, which may be increased or diminished by law. For each district there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof, at a general election, a Judge, who shall be a citizen of the United States and of this State, who shall have been a licensed lawyer for four years next preceding his election, and during that time shall have been a practicing lawyer or Judge of a Court of record or such practicing lawyer and judge together, who shall have resided in the District in which he was elected for two years next preceding his election, who shall reside in this District during his term of office, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, and shall receive for his services such compensation as may be prescribed by law. He shall hold the regular terms of his Court at the County seat of each County in his district at least twice in each year, in such manner as may be prescribed by law. The Legislature shall have power, by general or special laws, to authorize the holding of special terms of the court or the holding of more than two terms in any County for the dispatch of business. The Legislature shall also provide for the holding of District Courts when the Judge thereof is absent or is, from any cause, disabled or disqualified from presiding. The Supreme Court or the Chief Justice thereof may assign any District Judge to any District in the State other than that for which he was elected, with all the powers of a regular District Judge of the District to which he is assigned, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Legislature, or by the Supreme Court in the absence of such regulations enacted by the Legislature. The District Judges who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or appointment. Sec. 2: Said proposed amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of this State, qualified to vote on constitutional amendments at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1927, which each voter opposing said amendment shall scratch off of the ballot with pen or pencil the following words printed thereon: "For the amendment to the State Constitution amending Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas for the purpose of providing a more efficient judicial system." and each voter favoring said amendment shall scratch off of the ballot with pen or pencil the following words printed thereon: "Against the amendment to the State Constitution amending Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas for the purpose of providing a more efficient judicial system."

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"Then," said Selwood defiantly, "the ball's mine and the mine's yours. Is it a go?" "Why, if you want it that way, yes—it is." "All right. That's settled. Carpy" continued Selwood, "thinks this place is getting too noisy for you, Dave. All these squatters coming in, and the clutter they make. He says you'd do better out under the pines a few miles up the river, and I've got things arranged to get you up there today. The weather's settled now, and I've got time to move you—what do you say we start today?" "I know where I'm comfortable, better than Carpy does. I'll stay here." Selwood, with patience, continued to dwell on the advantages of country life. But the old soldier resisted all blandishments, and in the end his patience gave out. "Look here, John," he exclaimed with a snap of disgust, "you're beating round the bush, like these crooked Sleepy Cat lawyers. I know what's going on. If I am fat on my back, The Vigilantes are ready to move. Where did you get the idea I was afraid of Vigilantes?" Selwood shrugged his shoulders. "Where did you get the idea I thought you were?" "Well, you're trying to ship me out of town—you and Carpy. Now, John, I'm not going—that's that—not for all the Vigilantes in the Rocky mountains."

As Tracy uttered his declaration, Bill Pardaloe, like a huge camel, stuck his head within the tent. Selwood, paying no further attention to the intruder, vainly tried in low tones to persuade Tracy it would be sheer folly to remain where he was. He reminded Tracy of his helpless condition and of what his obstinacy might mean; he begged him to consider his own feelings. If there were none of his own to move him, the old gambler proved adamant to every consideration, and not only that, he grew more and more set against all proposals. "John," he exclaimed, raising like a grizzly at bay, "are you running, too?" "You know very well, Dave, there's a heap of difference between a wall man's running and a wounded man's being carried out of the way of a fight."

"You going to stay?" "There's no reason why I shouldn't." "And fight?" "Nobody will mess me if I do fight." "If you stay, there's just one answer—you get killed," said Tracy. "Dash you, I know you better than you know yourself. Now, John, listen. The old man, gray, grizzled, gnarled, hollow-eyed, big stern, his iron-gray hair falling in a great mat over his wrinkled forehead, sat bolt upright on his cot. He tore open the breast of the coarse shirt he wore—his only upper garment—and pointed to an American flag, tattooed over his heart.

Selwood sat with the eyes of youth silently fixed on his country's emblem. Bill Pardaloe stepped closer in, craned his neck forward, pulled off his tattered hat to get still closer, and peered dumbly at the tattooed breast. Tracy spoke to Selwood, "John, I don't say I've never done anything to disgrace it," he went on, "but I fought for that old flag high three year. I tramped down the Peninsula with McClellan, and double-quick back again; I stood, best I could, against Pickett at Gettysburg, with George Meade; I went up against the Bloody Angle in the Wilderness with Grant. It don't mean a continental to a lot of folks nowadays, but it means something to me yet. Does anything you've ever seen me do, John, look to you as if I'd run from a blamed parcel of Vigilante crooks? I'll admit I'm no saint, I'm no preacher—"

"You're preaching right now, Dave." "Then, d—n it, let me preach—but the worst I've ever done was to invite a man to back his luck against mine. I've played crooked with crooks, I'll admit it, but no honest man can say I've ever stacked a deck against him—I took my chances, same as he took his."

"Now, a parcel of Vigilantes threaten to hang me—I left the best of me if you'd hold me. I left the best of my life in health and strength down on the Jim river for this old flag—that's why I can't put up a man's fight today." He bared his right breast. There was a gap in it in which you could lay a hen's egg. "A Johnny Reb shell took that lung, John—" He tore open, with ferocious, the shirt sleeve of his left arm—"a mite ball splintered that arm, John—you know it's no good. It wasn't that fight with Frank Sanger that did for me. I was done for in the Wilderness and came out with no health to earn a living, and here I am—and not sorry for it. Well, they can hang me. But I'll be done after I'm dead. And then," he muttered with satisfaction, "the blamed skunks have got to hang the old flag with me. I tell you again, I don't say I've never done nothing to disgrace it. I don't say I'm proud of winding up as a gambler. But things is as they is. And if this is my last stand—why, it's all right."

He reached his hand out toward the tent pole. "Give me my gun, Bill. With Selwood sitting in silence, Pardaloe lifted from the nail on which it hung by the scabbard an old Colt's army revolver. Tracy took it almost affectionately. "Leave this with me," he said, falling back on his frowsy pillow. "Bring me a couple dozen cartridges—that'll be all I need."

Selwood smiled. "More'n you'll need, Dave," he said quite undisturbed. Selwood continued to smile; not mirthfully—seriously, rather. He just studied the muzzling old gladiator's half toothless, laid low after many a stout fight—stiffened in front, frayed in nerve, grasping the old gun with a shaking hand, so unfeeling he could with difficulty hold up his head, and with only the gray eyes flashing at his enemies—it was not a cheerful picture! No home to die in; no woman to tender with his pain or patient with his intractability; no child's kiss to close the weary day—just a human derelict, cast by the storm and wave of civilization on its outermost shore—such was Dave Tracy.

"What you looking at me that way for, John?" demanded the old gambler peevishly. "Nothing, Dave, nothing—just thinking. I'll be back again." He rose as he spoke. Pardaloe peered—as if in farewell—at Tracy and pushed his way outside. "See here," exclaimed Tracy, detaining Selwood, "you 'n' me's been partners, ain't you? You say you're stayin'. You talk about my getting killed—how do you suppose I'd feel if you got killed?" Selwood laughed lightly. "It's what's comin' to both of us, I guess, Dave."

"Carry me up the hill to the ball, you and Pardaloe; I'll stay and you go. I'd a blamed sight better be defending the ball than you. I'm no boss to anybody on earth—"

"Neither am I, Dave." "What about the girl that brings me soup two and three times a week? What's she bringing it to me for? What did she bring me an apple for yesterday? Because she thinks a lot of me—or you?" Selwood winced. "Because she's kind-hearted," he said fretfully. "Don't talk nonsense." But he was red in the face.

Tracy followed up sharply. "It's you, Selwood—not me—you. I don't have to be told what a girl's thinking when she'll set right there where you're settin' now, and listen as long as I'll talk about you."

Selwood shrugged his shoulders. "You're wasting your breath to talk about me." He lunged out of the tent in no very pleasant frame of mind. The valley, the river, and the flats were in shadow when Selwood stepped outside. Turning up street, his eyes fell on the hill, where the front windows of the big gambling house burned in the glow of the sunset. Busy with his thoughts, he reached the barn, spoke to Scott, who stood in the doorway, directed him to bring Pardaloe with him as soon as it was dark, and, making sure that all ordered was in readiness, Selwood walked on up the hill.

CHAPTER XI. The River Bridge. It was two hours yet to opening time. He unlocked the front door of the hall, crossed the room to his office, unlocked the door, entered, locked it behind him, sat down at his desk, unlocked it, and pulled open a drawer in which he kept his stock of ammunition. Besides the boxes of cartridges and cleaning implements there were in it two cartridge belts and two Colt's revolvers. There was still daylight enough for his purpose, and Selwood, taking first his own gun and in turn the two guns in the drawer, began the task of taking down, cleaning, and assembling the three.

It gave him plenty of time to think. Warning had come—his defiance had answered it—at least, for John Selwood. He had been told what to expect; he had said how he should meet it; there remained only the question of how far twelve cartridges loaded into two guns expressly for this occasion would carry him after the opening shot.

It was too much to hope that he should live to fire them all, and he fell to speculating on how many loaded cartridges would be found in the two guns when they picked him up. It enraged him to think of being cornered by Vigilantes; and escape now was so easy—and always there was Christie in the background of his thinking. But his word had been passed—whether foolishly or not, was beside the question. He had told the "real estate boomers" where they would find him.

In the street he heard a hooting of hoofs and a chorus of whooping yells from horsemen heading down-town on a drunken spree. Carpy's words came back to him: "It's Saturday night. All the Calabassas horse-thieves ride into town for a spree. They'll all get in. But they won't many get out."

He did not know the men—he only knew that in their company a skeleton horseman, astride a skeleton steed, galloped noiselessly ahead; that death that night would slink, an invisible guest, in with these men as they lined up at the bar; unbidden, would sit that night with them at their tables and stake their evil lives against the caprice of frontier fate—as, indeed, he had already, for that night, staked John Selwood's.

He picked up, last of his job, the cartridge belt. It was too dark to see, but it was easy to feel with the fingers of one hand for the cartridges in the box, while in the other he held the belt and felt for the empty spaces to slip the brass slugs into place. And with the thrift of Robinson Crusoe, he emptied a handful of cartridges into his trousers pocket, rose, buckled the belt about his waist. As he did this, he heard a loud knock at the outer door. It startled him; then he remembered that he had told Scott to bring Pardaloe to him as soon as it was dark.

He walked to the front door; the two men were there. Bob Scott bared his tobacco-stained teeth as he smiled his report to Selwood. "They've put men on all the roads out of town except the upper river road. I guess the idea is to stop all the birds that try to fly the coop tonight. And they figured no one from Calabassas would be leaving town till pretty late, anyway." Selwood asked whether the team and horses were ready. Pardaloe had come straight from the barn. His eyes, set rather harder than usual with the prospects of the night, appeared closer, if possible, together, and glowed with a deeper light; while if suspicion could more completely characterize his manner, it seemed now heightened, in view of coming events. "They're hitted, John," he said darkly, "chewin' their bits in two and tearin' up the planks right now in the gangway."

"I suppose you know," said Selwood, addressing both men, "I'm going to take Dave Tracy out of town. He's my partner

Wants

Flowers for the sweet girl graduates. Crawford, florist. 2tc.

ABSTRACTS

We will make you first class abstracts of land titles on the day we get your order or as soon as the abstracts can be made, will accommodate you as soon as possible. SANDERS & WILSON

FOR SALE—The following implements; two row planter, two row cultivator and godevil, located one mile northeast of town. W. W. Johnson, Jr.

SEWING WANTED—At Davis Economy Store. Mrs. J. G. Maples. ttc.

FOR RENT—1 three room furnished apartment and 1 two room furnished apartment. Mrs. J. C. Holt, Haskell, Texas. ttc.

Bring your harness troubles to us we will solve them. Electric Shoe and Top Shop. ttc.

EGGS FOR HATCHING—Buff Wyandotte eggs from prize-winning champion pullets, \$1.50 per setting of 15 at the house. (Champion pen and champion pullets at the Haskell County Fair. W. Applegate, Haskell, Texas. ttc.

FOR SALE—First Year Kasch Cotton Seed, \$1.00 per bushel. W. M. Wheeler, Route 1, 2 miles east on Throckmorton road. 4tp.

FURNITURE—Bought, sold and repaired. We buy and sell second-hand furniture, and repair all kinds of furniture. Call at our store and let us figure with you on anything in our line. All repair work is guaranteed, and prices reasonable. The New Cash Store, east of square on Depot street. B. P. Davis, Prop. ttc.

NEW SECOND-HAND STORE—We have opened a second-hand store and solicit your business in this line and guarantee satisfaction in every instance. Mr. C. S. Owens will do all repair work. Fred R. Whitaker, Prop. 4c

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms Mrs. M. M. Bryant, Telephone 280. ttc.

FOR SALE—Cheap, Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet and Paraffin Oil Stove in good condition. Phone 264. ttc.

Choice residence lot, east front, near North Ward school. Good vineyard and orchard, with water piped over property. Cement walk and curb. Size 60x140 feet. Priced at \$650 for a short time only. See me at once. Harry Wheeler. ttc.

FOR RENT—2 unfurnished rooms, bath, close in. Lights, water and telephone furnished. See Bray at Ford Garage. 2tp.

FOR RENT—5 room house 3 1/2 blocks northwest of square. See Virgil Meadors. 2tc.

We buy 300 gal. cream a day. We pay the best price and give the best test. Bring it to us at Mask's store on Wednesdays and Saturdays. O. L. Reeves. 1tp.

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KASCH COTTON SEED—For Sale, also some Half and Half, both priced at \$1.00 per bushel, near Foster school house. Geo. Best. 6p.

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WANTED—To buy yearling bull, either Durham or Hereford. Carl Fischer, Route A, Haskell. 3tp.

FOR SALE—One picnic refrigerator, perfect with ice container, priced reasonable. Apply this office.

PIGS FOR SALE—I have twenty-five head of pigs ready for sale. J. D. Hughes, Haskell, Texas. 2tp.

FED COLONEL—This William Vahnke, Pathleader boar of Florida, Iowa, heads my herd of Registered Colonels. He is a wonderful boar and his get is showing up fine. I have for sale young breeding stock, bred gilts, open gilts and boars. Write for description or better still drive over to my farm 3 miles north east of Throckmorton and see them. Phone 12 L. A. Howsley, Throckmorton, Texas. 3tc.

Barn Fires

As warm weather comes on the usual run of barn fires occur. The number of these fires seems unusually large this year. Our attention has been called to as many as six large barn fires within the State during one week of the past month. Doubtless there were many others. As the season advances there will be more of them. This is a heavy and useless waste. Some of these fires are caused by matches and other careless practices; but most of them are caused by spontaneous combustion. Baled hay that is put up green or with moisture in it, or hay that may have gotten wet from a leak in the barn roof, is likely to develop spontaneous combustion. In any case when

there is enough moisture in hay, straw or other similar vegetable products to cause rot, mildew or mold heat is generated. This fact is known to all farmers who have torn an old stack of rotting hay or alfalfa and found it hot on the inside of the stack. If this heat is confined and the decay continues ignition will result. This decaying spot may be small and on the inside of a bale of hay far down under the stack of bales; but as soon as there is ignition the hay will likely burst into a flame. This is more likely to occur in a well filled barn than in one only partly filled.

To avoid this danger of spontaneous combustion ventilation should always be provided when putting hay away in the barn. Some bales may contain moisture or there may be a leak in the barn roof which will wet some of the hay.

In storing the hay in the barn poles, fence posts, rails, or other similar timbers should be laid on the floor to keep the hay off the floor and provide air space beneath the hay. Spaces should also be left between at least every other stack of bales providing an opening from the open space at the bottom up through the hay and out of the top of the hay. This will allow the air to circulate under and through the hay and heat generated by decaying or molding hay will pass off without danger to igniting the hay.

This precaution in storing hay in the barn will cause but little expense or trouble and should be taken. Rotting or molding hay in a stack in the open is not so likely to develop spontaneous combustion as that stored in the barn. G. N. Holton, State Fire Marshal.

BRIEF NEWS FROM WEST TEXAS TOWNS

Lamesa—An association to foster expansion, betterment, and advertisement of Highway No. 83 between Fort Worth and El Paso, the "short line" was formed at a meeting of some 250 delegates and visitors of towns on this route here recently. The name of the association is to be conferred by a directorate of 15 selected during the session. The information of the Highway Association marks a monumental step in the Lamesa country.

San Antonio—Traffic experts of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce are at work on the analysis of the recent decision handed down by the Interstate Commerce Commission with reference to what is known as the Common Point Freight Case. Should the official ruling be considered of sufficient importance by West Texas officials, a report of the order in full will be made at the annual convention to be held in Wichita Falls, May 16 and 17, and the convention will be asked to make such action as is necessary for requirements.

Canyon—Randall County's \$250,000 saving bond issue has been sold and the county has been granted state and federal aid by the State Highway Commission to the amount of two-thirds the cost of paving between Canyon and Amarillo. The exact route of the highway is to be chosen at once and work will begin at the earliest possible moment.

Sweetwater—The Board of City Development and city officials have already established their offices in the new \$200,000 Municipal Building of Sweetwater which is a combination auditorium already completed, while construction is still under way on the former portion of the structure.

Goldthwaite—Improvements have been made in Hotel Saylor here recently among which was re-stocking exterior of the building.

Cross Plains—Excavation work on

the foundation for two new school buildings has been completed here and construction work proper is underway. The grade and high school structures costing over \$80,000, will be ready for occupancy this fall.

Odessa—Due to increased business at the local post office, considerable expansion is being made in the Odessa quarters. Second class recognition is expected before the first of the year.

Carlsbad N. M.—The east side of Canyon Street here has recently been changed completely in appearance with new buildings, remodelings, and improvements distributed along the main business block.

Quanah—Quanah will be 1928 host to the Green Belt-Lower Panhandle District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, it was decided at the 1927 meet held at Childress May 3.

Dimmitt—Joe Hastings of this place has established a new implement firm in Hereford. The plant will go under the name of Hastings and Harmon Company of Hereford, and will be housed in a modern brick building 50x140 feet.

"Flaming Forest"

One of the best red-blooded pictures of the year! This is an apt description of Cosmopolitan's "The Flaming Forest" which will open at the Texas Theatre on Friday for two days run.

Like all stories based on the works of James Oliver Curwood, "The Flaming Forest" is replete with thrillingly dangerous situations and gradually works up to a gripping climax, that will bring any audience to the edge of the seats.

The story is interpreted by an all-star cast with Antonio Moreno and Renee Adoree in the leading roles of Sergeant Carrigan of the Northwest Mounted Police and Jeanne-Marie, beautiful daughter of the proprietor of a trading post in the great wilderness of the Northwest.

The picture was filmed by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and directed by Reginald Baker who gave to the screen such a successful box office picture as "The White Desert!"

For next week we have Corrine Griffith in Synopating Sue, on Monday and Tuesday. For Wednesday and Thursday we are offering for your approval, "The Ice Flood" one of the best productions ever offered to the motion picture loving public.

Do your part in helping the Red Cross carry on its relief work among the flood victims. It's a worthy cause.

We import eleven million dollars worth of Chinese tung oil every year and still we can't speak the language.

Enjoys Dinner at Home

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Frierson enjoyed having all of their children except one to spend Mother's Day with them. They all enjoyed a big dinner at home together.

Notice of Auction Sale By Warehousemen

Notice is hereby given that R. A. Hays and Floyd Howell, composing the firm of Hays and Howell, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the warehouse of Hays, Howell and Fields, in Haskell, Texas on Saturday, May 14, 1927, between 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. the following furniture and fixtures as the property of Calvin J. Henson for drayage and storage charges due by him thereon, amounting to \$48 and expenses of this notice to wit: 1 office table, 7 office chairs, 2 filing cabinets, 17 law books, and 1 office desk. 2tc.

Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Haskell. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable 78th District Court of Wichita County, on the 20th day of April 1927, by Eunice Jackson, Clerk of said 78th District Court for the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Nine and 75/100 (\$359.75) Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Empire Mortgage Company, a corporation in a certain cause in said Court No. 19 499-B and styled Empire Mortgage Company vs. E. E. Cockrell et al, placed in my hands for service, I, J. C. Turnbow as Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas did, on the 4th day of May 1927, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Haskell County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

121 acres out of section 138 Block No. 45, Certificate No. 281973, H. & T. C. R. R. Company survey, being the same tract of land conveyed and described in a certain deed of trust executed by E. E. Cockrell et al, dated February 1, 1926, recorded in volume 24, page 316, deed of trust records of Haskell County, Texas, to which record reference is hereby made for a more complete description of said tract of land, and levied upon as the property of E. E. Cockrell and Margaret L. Cockrell, and that on the first Tuesday in June A. D. 1927, the same being the 7th day of this month at the Court House door, of Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said judgment and order of sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said E. E. Cockrell and Margaret L. Cockrell.

And in compliance with law, I give notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Haskell Free Press, a newspaper published in Haskell, County, Texas.

Witness my hand, this 4th day of May 1927.

J. C. Turnbow, Sheriff, Haskell, County, Texas

Notice by Guardian of Application For Mineral Lease of Real Estate of Ward Guardianship of Tom Ashburn, et al, Minors, No. 355.

In the County Court of Haskell County, Texas. Notice is hereby given that I, J. B. Ashburn, guardian of the person and estate of Joe Ashburn, a minor, have this day filed my application in the

above entitled and numbered cause for an order of the County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, authorizing me as guardian of the person and estate of said minor, to make a mineral lease upon such terms as the court may direct, upon the following described real estate belonging to the estate of said ward:

An undivided 1/4th interest in and to all of Lot 38 and part of Lot 39 Leagues 3 and 4, McLennan County School Lands known as Abstract No. 367 more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at S. E. corner of said Lot No. 38, being also the N. E. corner of Lot No. 33, said League 3 and 4;

Thence West with S. B. L. of said Lot No. 38, to S. E. corner J. R. Higgins land, being S. E. corner Lot No. 37, said Leagues 3 and 4;

Thence North 0 deg. 38 min. west at 1315 feet a 2 inch iron pipe on S. bank of Leon River in all 1317 feet to center of Channel of Leon River;

Thence South 67 deg. and 24 min. East 369.3 feet with center of channel of Leon River to E. B. L. of Lot No. 42, and W. B. L. of Lot No. 38;

Thence North 18 deg. 38 min. East to S. W. corner of Lot No. 42, said Leagues 3 and 4;

Thence East with N. B. L. of Lot No. 38, and S. B. L. of Lot No. 42, to the Northeast corner of said Lot No. 38, Leagues 3 and 4, McLennan County School Lands;

Thence South 990 feet to the S. W. corner Hazard Land;

Thence East with S. B. L. of said Hazard Land 1164 feet to S. E. corner of same on W. B. L. of Lot No. 40, said Leagues 3 and 4;

Thence South with E. B. L. of said Lot No. 39, and W. B. L. of Lot No. 40, said Leagues 3 and 4, to the center of the Leon River;

Thence up center of Leon River to the E. B. L. of Lot No. 38 said point being the N. W. corner of Lot No. 32, said Leagues 3 and 4, McLennan County School Lands;

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of said Lot No. 38, said Leagues 3 and 4, McLennan County School Lands, to the place of beginning, and containing 178 acres more or less.

Said application will be heard by the County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, at the Court House in the City of Haskell, Texas, on the 14th day of May, 1927.

J. B. Ashburn, Guardian of the Person and Estate of Joe Ashburn, a Minor.

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given to all property owners and to all interested parties that at the First Called Session of the Fortieth Legislature of the State of Texas, to be convened in the City of Austin, Texas, on the 9th day of May, A. D. 1927, there will be introduced a bill in respect to Road District No. 7 of Haskell County, Texas, and the substance of such proposed law is as follows:

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"I WAS in a very weakened, run-down condition, surely in need of a tonic and builder," says Mrs. J. R. Wrenn, of Anna, Texas. "I was so weak I had to go to bed, and kept getting weaker."

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low: An Act to create Road District No. 7 in Haskell County, Texas, and to issue and sell Bonds therefor, and providing for the payment by the Annual Levy, and collection of general ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in said road district, and declared emergency.

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BLUE BONNETS

Bluebonnets are blooming in West Texas. Out across the smiling prairies, up the hill slopes and into the valleys, against the green mantle of fresh Spring grasses is spread a magic carpet. Royal purple of wild verbena; crimson and gold of Indian Heads; pale yellow of the buttercups; jet and orange fire of Black-eyed Suzans; lavender of the flowering thistles—a land gone mad with color and perfume.

Springtime is like that in West Texas.

But Springtime passes and the wild flowers fade. Old Dame Nature, for all her Spring madness, is a serious minded lady. And soon she will have doffed her Easter finery for her work-a-day clothes and turned her attention to the less spectacular if more useful business of raising cotton and ripening grain.

Springtime passes and the flowers fade—but not all the flowers. Here and there, where careful hands pluck out the weeds and tend the soil and carry the water, new blossoms will burst to perfume summer days.

In West Texas whenever you find a building that houses the working tools of this company you will find a flower garden. A soft green lawn, a leafy tree, a clinging vine, a climbing rose, a bed of blazing canna lilies—these things will not enhance the value of electric service that our lines bring to answer the touch of your finger on the switch. But they will add to the beauty of this West Texas of our and to your joy in living therein.

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OF COMMISSIONER
JOSEPH C. ELDRIDGE
the Wild Tribes in 1848,
Authority of President Houston

Article III

... returned to the council. At 4 o'clock not a word was said in that council. All sat in waiting the voice of Pay hayuco. This voice was heard, but reported to the doomed men. Other voices were heard, and other those of the Delaware. A confusion seemed to prevail. The voices were heard. Bee said: "See the setting sun, old man! It is the last we shall ever see." At the same instant another voice sprang to his feet, a pistol in hand, when "dear old" Accotahurst into the tent and threw into the arms of Eldridge. Torrey thought the old Sparrow to redeem his pledge, and then, but in a moment realizing his convulsive action was the uncontrollable joy. The next the Delaware rushed in exclaiming "Saved! Saved!" "Oh! God! never forget that moment! To the white man and the red man, and made evident that day in earnest; not a word spoken; and to the earth—brothers in and brothers in the holy element which caused each in his thank God for deliverance." (See to his children.)

... this ordeal had been passed, and by a period of almost heavenly the interpreters, now fully led to Eldridge, explained that at solemn silence of four hours, he had eloquently espoused the mercy and the sanctity of the flag borne by the messengers of his appeal was, perhaps as powerful as ever fell from the an untutored son of the forest. conclusion, amid much confusion of the hum of excited voices, he vote per capita and was sun by a small majority. The sun at the same moment, reflecting joy upon the western horizon, among the saved a solemn and deeply grateful sense of the and benediction of the King of our Father in Heaven.

... darkness came the stentorian of Pay hayuco was successively in the four quarters of the town, denoting words of command. The denoting words of the interpreter demanded of the interpreter to know what he was saying. He answered: "He is telling you are under his protection, and at the peril of their lives, he A hundred warriors were then in a circle around the tent, and rained till next morning. No was allowed to enter the circle. In the morning came they were invited to the council when Captain Eldridge delivered the message of friendship from President Houston, and in them to accompany him in and the council at Bird's Fort; but on the 11th of August, the day the date heretofore fixed for the face, and a new date would be promptly on their arrival, or runners were sent in advance. Presents were then distributed and were awaited.

... their arrival the little Comanche had been given up. He still retained some of his mother tongue since released into barbarism. Capt. Eldridge tendered to the little Maria a beautiful Indian neatly dressed, who knew no but English. A scene followed brought tears to the eyes not the white men but also of the child. The child, horrified, clung and imploringly to Capt. Eldridge. A full account of this heart-rending scene will be given in another following this one.

... years afterwards she was occasionally heard from, still bearing the and from still bearing the little Maria, acting as interpreter at councils.

... telling this last scene they were delegates to the proposed council. Pay hayuco favored the measure, as overruled by the majority. An hour after this announcement (August 11, 1848) our friends and started on their long journey fully five hundred miles a trackless wilderness. I pass some exciting incidents occurring moment of their departure by a newly arrived party of Delaware, having no connection with Eldridge, and a portion of the Comanche, in regard to a Choctaw negro bought from Comanches by the Delaware. It was dreaded by our as a new danger, but was set about bludgeoned by the payment ransom to the avaricious Delaware.

... but remarkable incident and in the, our friends arrived again principal Wichita village (at or present Fort Sill) and were kindly received. The day fixed treaty having passed, Eldridge and the President would be disappointed and impatient; so, after consultation it was agreed that Torrey,

with Jim Shaw, John Connor and the other Indians still with them, should return on the route they had gone out, gathering up the tribes mentioned in this narrative and conduct them to Bird's Fort; while Eldridge, Bee and their most trusted Deleware hunter, with Jim Second Eye as guide, would proceed directly to the fort. Thus they separated each party on its mission, and to Eldridge and Bee it was a perilous one. The story will follow them.

On the second day at three p. m. they halted in a pretty grove, on a beautiful stream, to cook their last food, a little Wichita green corn. This enraged Second Eye who seized the hunter's gun, and galloped away, leaving them only holster pistols. The Deleware hunter was a stranger in the country and could only communicate by signs. For three days we kept a bee line for Warren's trading house on Red River, as safer than going direct to Bird's Fort, guided only by the information he had casually picked up from his brothers on the trip, for neither of the white men knew the country. On the third day they entered the Cross Timbers where briars and brush retarded their progress and camped near night on a pretty creek. The Deleware climbed a high tree and began making joyful gesticulations. Descending he indicated that Eldridge should accompany him, leaving Bee in camp. He did so and they were gone two or three hours, but finally returned with a good supply of fresh corn bread, a grateful feast for men who had been without food for three days and nights. The camp visited proved to be that of a party of men cutting hay for Fort Arbuckle on the Wichita, who cooked and gave them the bread and other provisions, with directions how to find the trading house and the information that they could reach it the next day. With full stomachs they slept soundly; started early in the morning and at about 2 p. m. rode up to Warren's trading house. The first man seen was Jim Second Eye, the treacherous scoundrel who had left them at the mercy of any straggling party of hostile or thieving savages. Bee hastened forward with extended hand, exclaiming: "How are you Joe? How are you, Ham? Glad to see you!"

The always courteous Eldridge, usually gentle and never given to profane language, sprang from his horse and showered upon him such a torrent of denunciative epithets as to exhaust himself; then recovering, presented himself and Mr. Bee to Mr. Warren, with an explanatory apology for his violent language, justified as he thought towards the base wretch to whom it was addressed. Quite a crowd of Indians and a few white men were present. Mr. Warren received and entertained them most kindly. They never more beheld Jim Second Eye.

After a rest of two days Eldridge and Bee with their faithful Deleware, left for Bird's Fort, and without special incident arrived there about the middle of September, to be welcomed by the commissioners, Messrs. George W. Terrell and E. H. Tarrant, who had given them up as lost. The President had remained at the Fort for a month when charging and greatly disappointed, he had left for the seat of government.

Capt. Eldridge, anxious to report to

the President, tarried not at the Fort, but with Bee and the still faithful Deleware, continued on. On the way Bee was seized with chills and fever of violent type, inasmuch that at Fort Milan, Eldridge left him and hurried on. Mr. Bee finally reached the hospitable house of his friend Colonel Josiah Crosby, seven miles above Washington, and there remained until in the winter, before recovering his health. Capt. Eldridge, after some delay, met and reported to the President, but was not received with the cordiality he thought due his services. Jim Shaw and John Connor had preceded him and misstated various matters to the prejudice of Eldridge, and to the amazement of many who knew his great merit and his tried fidelity to President Houston, he was dismissed from office. Very soon, however, the old hero became convinced of his error, had Eldridge appointed chief clerk of the State Department under Anson Jones, and immediately after annexation in 1846, secured his appointment by President Polk as Postmaster in the United States Navy, a position he held until his death in his long-time home in Brooklyn, New York in 1881. Excepting the incident referred to—deeply lamented by mutual friends—the friendship between him and President Houston, from their first acquaintance in 1837, remained steadfast while both lived. Indeed, Capt. Eldridge named a son for him—his two sons being Charles and Houston Eldridge.

On the 28th day of September, 1848, a few days after Eldridge and Bee left, a treaty was concluded by Messrs. Tarrant and Terrell with the following tribes: Tehuacanos, Keecheis, Wacos, Gaddos, Annadarcos, Ionies, Rotushes, Delewares, and thirty isolated "free-keepers." The Wichitas and Towlashes were deterred from coming by the lies of some of the Creeks. Estecayuatulba, principal chief of the Chickasaws, signed the treaty merely for its effect on the wild tribes. Leonard Williams and Luis Sanchez, of Nacogdoches, were present and aided in collecting the tribes, who failed to assemble on the 10th of August, because of the non-return of Eldridge and his party. Roasting Ear, S. Lewis, and McCullough, Deleware chiefs, were present at the signing and rendered service in favor of the treaty.

The most powerful chief in the council, to whom the wild tribes looked as leader, was Kekichokroqua, the head of the Tehuacanos, who at first refused to treat with any one but the President, but finally yielded, after understanding the powers of the commissioners. A line of demarcation was agreed upon between the whites and Indians, along which at intervals trading posts were to be established. Three points for such locations indicate the line chosen; one at the junction of the West and Clear Forks of the Trinity; one at the Comanche Peak; and one at the old San Saba Mission.

The John Connor of this city was a chief of the Delewares, and gave much attention to his people. He was also a scout, guide and interpreter for the Texans, and for his valuable services to Texas, the Texas Legislature granted him a third of a league of land with the obligation that it should never be sold, that his heirs might get the benefit of the land. He did, however, later sell his land certificate to a man named Barnard, who located the land in Haskell county. Connor's heirs later claimed the land and sued for it. The land, however, was given to Barnard's heirs. The location of this land in Haskell county, connects our county with this noted Deleware scout, and hence this story.

We hope that Mr. Ford had some accidents insurance to tide him over until he can get back on the job.

The first days of May will be known as "National Egg Week" when every self-respecting hen will be expected to shell out.

The Butler-Borah debate on prohibition has only put some of the old arguments in a little plainer English.

A Pittsburger was found unconscious from fumes from his still when police raided his place. It might have been worse if he had drunk some of the stuff.

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MORRISON STUDIO RECITAL AND MARRIAGE OF THE BIRDS FRIDAY EVENING 8 O'CLOCK

Next Friday evening at eight o'clock at the auditorium of the Haskell High School Mrs. G. H. Morrison of the Morrison Studio, will present a number of her high school and intermediate piano pupils in a very interesting program, assisted by the South Ward P. T. A. in an original marriage of the King and Queen Birds, princess daughter to the most widely known Prince Bird of the forest at the time when Miss Butterfly first found that she had wings and could fly, by Mrs. C. M. Kaigler, in pageant form, with Mrs. Wallace Cox at the piano and Mrs. Virgil Meadows, violin. The Humming Bird Choir will furnish the song number, beside the bridal party, the Bride and Groom's parents, uncle and aunt Tumble bug, and out of town guests, Dr. Jay Bird and Miss Peacock will be in attendance. The timid little cotton tail rabbits will arrive at the wedding too late, but will have a dance of their own. The best news is always last, Master Henry Alexander of Stamford, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Alexander will give two violin numbers. For the benefit of those who have never heard this little master artist, he is known in his home town as being nothing short of a wonder, having played the violin unusually well since he was seven years old. Everybody in Haskell has a cordial invitation to come as there will be no admission fee, and see for your selves what the Morrison Studio and the South Ward pupils can do in the way of entertaining. And remember you will leave feeling that having heard Henry Alexander play the violin was well worth the effort of attending. Friday evening at 8 o'clock at High School auditorium.

Mother's Day Program

A large crowd gathered at Pinkerton Sunday morning where they enjoyed a "Mother's Day" program. Several readings were given by the small children which was fine and afterwards the pastor preached them a good sermon about Mothers Day. We have Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and preaching on 1st and 3rd Sunday's at 11 o'clock in the morning and evening services at 8 o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend services here.

Mother's Day Observed

A large crowd attended the Mothers' day services which were held at Curry Chapel Sunday morning. Rev. Arnold delivered a great sermon, several special songs were sung. As each one arrived they were met at the door and a rose pinned on them.

Church and Sunday School

Presbyterian Church
Sunday School begins each Sunday at 9:45 a. m. The teachers and pupils are urged to be present on time.
Church services are conducted each First and Third Sunday by the Pastor, at eleven o'clock in the morning and eight o'clock in the evening.
The Junior Christian Endeavor meets each Sunday at 5 p. m. The Senior Christian Endeavor meets at 7 p. m.
The public is most cordially invited to attend all services at this church.

At The Baptist Church

9:45 a. m. Sunday School. For the first two Sundays in May the attendance is larger than our average during April. We have three Sundays left in this month. Let's increase our attendance by a large number.
11:00 a. m. Preaching; subject, The Doctrine of Sanctification.
7:00 p. m. All B. Y. P. U.'s Meet.
8:00 p. m. Preaching; subject, The Difference Between the Saved and the Unsaved

Calls Pastor

Rev. Mason of Howard was called to preach at Rose. He held services Sunday and Sunday night. We are hoping for a revival of interest in the church now.

Sunday School Organized

A Sunday School has been recently organized at Pleasant Valley and there was quite a large crowd out Sunday as this was their first time to meet. It is said that there were fifty-two present. We are glad to learn of this and we hope that this Sunday school will continue to grow.

Christian Endeavor Program

Topic: How to Become a Leader.
Leader: Joe Thomas.
Song Service.
Sentence Prayers.
"Scripture" Reading with comments—Mary Pearsey.
Leader's Talk.
Some Qualities that a Christian Leader should have—Mary Sue Hester.
Poor Boys Who Become Famous—Myron L. McDonald.
Violin Solo—Miss Brannom.
Christ's Teachings on How to Become a Leader—Ollie Prazier.
Miss Mary Frances Donnel will talk on Mountain work in Kentucky.
Business.
Mitzpah.

Patrons Day
Patrons day at Rose last Friday was a gala day. At the early morning hours the parents began to gather at the school and listen to the pupils recite their lessons. At noon the ladies spread a bountiful lunch and the teachers furnished lemonade to the crowd. At 10 o'clock the pupils rendered a short program after which the married men and boys indulged in a base ball game and the men were very severely defeated.
Following is the program rendered.
Reading, Little Molly Whisper—Inez Earls.
I have a little Prisoner—Grace Rose.
I am not very large—Sam Henshaw.
Playlet, The Train Leaves in Ten Minutes—3 pupils.
Reading, I am a Little Fisherman—Elmer Spinks.
Miss Dorothy Entertains the Minister—Ruby Hisey.
The Chinese Mule—Olen Bonner.

Entertains With Party

A large crowd attended the party given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Flanrip of Curry Chapel. The guests departed at a late hour expressing many thanks for the nice time they had.

Services at Baptist Church

There will be all day services and dinner on the ground at the Howard Baptist Church the third Sunday of this month, May 15th. Every one is invited to come and bring dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Long of Wichita Falls were guests of his mother, Mrs. C. D. Long, and other relatives last Sunday.

Why He Succeeded

Honored politically and professionally, during his lifetime, Dr. R. V. Pierce, whose picture appears here, made a success few have equalled. His pure herbal remedies which have stood the test for many years are still among the "best sellers." Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a stomach alterative which makes the blood richer. It clears the skin, beautifies it, pimples and eruptions vanish quickly. This Discovery of Dr. Pierce's puts you in fine condition. All dealers have it in liquid or tablets.
Send 10 cents for trial pkg. of tablets to Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., and write for free advice.



Undergoes Operation
Miss Martha Simmons daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simmons of the Post community underwent an operation in the Stamford sanitarium last Thursday for appendicitis. She has many friends who will be glad to learn that she is improving nicely.
R. P. Montgomery, President of the Farmers State Bank, accompanied by Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. E. H. Morrison of Graham is attending the State Banking convention in El Paso this week.

Black Cloer
Mr. John Black and Miss Callie Lee Cloer were united in marriage at the home of the bride last Sunday. Rev. C. Jones of Haskell performed the ceremony. Miss Cloer is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cloer and groom is in business at Abilene. They have many friends who wish for them a life of happiness.
We call for and deliver all shoe work amounting to 50c. Phone 333. Electric Shoe and Top Shop. ttc.

Called to Bedside of Sister
Mr. Clyde Foote, principal of the Howard school was called to the bedside of his sister last Monday evening at Abilene. We haven't heard at present how she was getting along but we hope she is getting along fine.
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For service and quality call 333. Electric Shoe and Top Shop. ttc.

NOTHING LIKE IT ON THE MARKET
The new treatment for torn ligaments, wounds, sores or lacerations that is such wonderful work in Haskell is the Borozone liquid and powder combination treatment. The liquid Borozone is a powerful antiseptic that prevents wound of all poisons and infections while the Borozone powder is a healer. There is nothing like it for speed, safety and efficiency. (Liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 60c. Sold by Oates Drug Store.

For the Fisherman!



See Our Complete Display

Come here for outfitting for your fishing trip, where you'll find the most complete stock of tackles, rods, reels, di-jacks, lures, hooks, baits, minnow seines, etc., to be found in this section.

No matter what your needs you can find them here—and every item reasonably priced.

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Money to Loan on Farms and Ranches

By the Bankers Life Company at 6 1/2 per cent interest, interest payable once a year. Loans are made for ten years, and give you the privilege of paying as much as one fifth of the principal at the end of any year, and you can pay the loan during the first five years if you desire. You execute only one deed of trust, you pay no commissions, or other expenses, except the Abstract fees and recording fees. You get all the money you borrow. If you want a new loan to renew an old loan, it will pay you to see or write me. I know the loan business, and can please you and save you money.

P. D. SANDERS
Haskell, Texas.

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I take pleasure in announcing to the people of Haskell that I am now engaged in the plumbing and electrical wiring business, with headquarters at McNeill & Smith Hardware Store. Am equipped to do all kinds of plumbing installation and repair work, as well as electrical wiring and solicit your business in this line. Reasonable prices. All work strictly cash.

H. J. HAMBLETON

Telephones 145 and 337.

Sale Begins May 13—FOUTS & MITCHELL Announce Their—Ten Smashing Days! SPRING INVITATION SALE!

This is an invitation to SAVE! Don't disregard it!—The Store is overflowing with bright, clean, desirable items needed in every home this season of year. Check your needs on this circular and bring it with you. Throughout the store extremely low prices prevail—A host of special bargains have been prepared that should be especially inviting to those who demand MOST for every dollar spent.

Every Item In Our Store Offered at Bargain Prices. Here Are Only a Few:

- MEN'S FINE DRESS SOCKS**
Full mercerized cotton—made full seamless, genuine rib top, double sole. Colors black, brown and tan. Regular 29c a pair value.
2 Pairs 39c
- Mens Brand Cloth Shirts \$1.09
- Mens Dress Shirts 98c
- Mens Dress Pants \$3.25 to \$6.75
- Mens Fancy Silk Sox 39c
- Mens Overalls 98c
- TURKISH TOWELS**
13x26, best bleach, fast color combination red and gold striped borders, selvedge one side, hem other, hemmed ends. An extraordinary value at so low a price.
2 FOR 19c
- 2 QUART GLASS PITCHER**
49c
- 18x18x25 Inch Clothes Hamper**
Closely woven splint, colored center, heavy rims hinged lid, reinforced wood bottom. You can't duplicate this fine value elsewhere at
89c
- Accurate, Reliable Alarm Clock**
30 hour brass movement, sliding shut off concealed loud alarm. Large Arabic numerals on dial, very easy to read. The best clock you ever saw for
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- ICE TEA GLASSES**
Thin blown crystal, optic pattern, star bottom, medium weight iced teas. Compare these with others selling at a much higher price. You will find this a special value.
6 For 49c
- GOBLETS**
6 For 98c

- EXTRA SPECIALS**
- 36 in. Percale, big assortment of new patterns, yd. 17 1/2c
- Bleached Domestic, per yard 10c
- Brown Domestic, per yard 9c
- 32 inch Prints 19c
- Ladies Silk Rollins Hosiery 49c to 1.95
- Ladies Silk Step-Ins. \$1.49 to \$1.69
- Combination Set, Silk Step-Ins and Brassiere \$2.89
- Ladies Non-clinging Silk Slip, \$5.50 values \$3.89
- Rayon Slips, dainty assortment of colors \$1.49
- Brassieres and Corsets, all new merchandise, Bargain Prices.
- Famous Betty Joyce House Dresses \$1.79
- Rayon, solid colors, per yard 39c
- Ladies Fancy Lined Hat Boxes, only \$3.89
- Kiddies Wash Suits, sizes 2 to 6 \$1.79 to \$2.79
- Mens Ladies, Misses and Childrens Shoes at Bargain Prices.
- Childrens Coveralls, Khaki Jeans, size 3 to 8.
- Pocket Knife Free with each pair.
- 18x36 INCH FLOOR MAT**
Smooth varnished finish, newest patterns in Dutch tile and allover effects. Compare these great values with the best offered anywhere else. You will then know this is truly a spectacular offer at
19c
- CLAW HAMMER**
49c
- 10 1-2 INCH STEEL FRY PAN**
19c
- CHICK FOUNT**
Made of good quality sheet steel, has a baked on blue enamel finish, specially priced at
9c

SAVING PRICES

- WORK SOCKS**
Brown mixed cotton, good weight, spliced heel and patent toe. Remarkable value.
2 Pairs 19c
- BOW TIES**
Popular narrow stripe and block check patterns. 3 in bow, double loop, adjustable elastic band. Rayon and cotton.
25c
- BOYS' FANCY HALF HOSE**
Medium weight, seamless, spliced heel and toe, rib top, several dandy colors including blue, brown and camel with white stripes, sizes 7 1/2 to 9 1/2, per pair
25c
- MEN'S ATHLETIC UNION SUITS**
Checked nainsook, regular ut, 5 button front, knitted elastic insert back, buttoned flap, closed crotch. Has a taped neck, hem armholes, a special value at
39c
- Women's Linen Handkerchiefs**
3 For 39c
- CURTAIN MARQUISSETTE**
35 inches wide, new plaid patterns—fast colors blue and rose dots and border on ecru ground—makes up very beautifully. Regular 20c value. Yard
15c
- BASEBALL**
9 inch, 5 ounce horseshoe covered ball with 1 ounce rubber center, yarn wound. Guaranteed full 9 innings. Never before sold at this price.
49c
- FIELDERS' GLOVE**
98c

- MOP HOLDER**
Improved stamped steel head with heavy coil spring that holds mop securely. Each furnished complete with wood handle, 48 inches long.
19c
- CEDAR POLISH**
A high grade oil, full size 20 ounce bottle
25c
- WOMEN'S RAYON HOSE**
24 inch boot, fine firm knit, 260 needle—mercerized welt, heel and toe—high spliced heel and double sole. A truly unusual hosiery value. Lustrous beauty combined with good wearing qualities. Choice of some of the season's most popular colors. Regular 79c value.
39c
- VACUUM BOTTLE**
Pint size, keeps liquids hot or cold. Equal to the best in efficiency and dependability. Patent spring shock absorber greatly reduces chance of breakage. Brown enamel finish jacket, aluminum cup and shoulder.
89c
- 1 Gallon Thermos Jugs, for picnics and touring
- Box Paper and Envelopes to Match**
Choice assortment of popular colors including white, 3 different finishes. To be had with plain and decorated edges in gold and colors. Per box
29c
- SCISSORS SPECIAL**
Your Choice of four sizes from 6 to 9 inches long, either straight or slightly bent styles, both nickel plated and black japanned handles. Your choice
25c
- PLATES, CUPS AND SAUCERS**
7 inch Plates 6 for 90c
Cups and Saucers 6 for \$1.00

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