

TRICOUNTY FAIR ATtracts ATTENTION

Haskell County Fair is attracting attention from out of the county. The county has suggested a Tri-County Fair and has been appointed to the matter. One committee has been formed and the work is being done. The Haskell County Fair is the finest ever held in the county and it is hoped that the fair directors back of the Commercial Club of June. Knox County is agricultural, live stock and if they could be induced to form an Association of the three counties of Haskell, Throckmorton and Haskell, a fair that would rival any fair in the state and it seems that nothing is in the way to hinder this fair association. We have a fine building and every facility for a good fair and with the addition of extra live stock and poultry we could accommodate the exhibition all three counties. It is whether or not the Tri-County Association is formed this year will be able to interest the fair in exhibiting this year. Haskell County has the finest fair in the state and it is hoped that the fair directors back of the Commercial Club of June. Knox County is agricultural, live stock and if they could be induced to form an Association of the three counties of Haskell, Throckmorton and Haskell, a fair that would rival any fair in the state and it seems that nothing is in the way to hinder this fair association. We have a fine building and every facility for a good fair and with the addition of extra live stock and poultry we could accommodate the exhibition all three counties. It is whether or not the Tri-County Association is formed this year will be able to interest the fair in exhibiting this year.

COURTNEY HUNT & CO. ANNOUNCE BIG SALE

Courtney Hunt & Co. advertise the opening of their "Hit of the Year" Sale which begins Friday May 27th, in this week's issue. The sale is under the supervision of the New System Sales Co. of Oklahoma City, with Mr. R. B. Duckett, a live wire sales promoter, here to assist in putting on the event. Mr. Hunt states that prices have been greatly reduced, in some cases the price having been cut in half, and invites the many customers of this popular store to take advantage of this saving event.

Interesting News From O'Brien and Neighborhood

On last Friday night May 20th the Senior Class of the O'Brien High School gave a play, "The Bashful Mr. Bobbs" for the benefit of the school. The play was a success and was enjoyed by a large audience.

Sunday May 22nd was a great day for O'Brien Baptists. Bro. Pender, the field man for Buckner Orphan Home brought a wonderful message at the 11 o'clock hour, and at the evening services Bro. Dunlap brought an interesting message on "A Man With a Backbone vs. A Woman With a Jawbone." Four conversions were received Sunday three joining the church by baptism.

On last Tuesday night the High School pupils of O'Brien surprised their teachers, Mr. Moore and Mr. Dawkins with a delightfully planned fruit show. About thirty-five guests were present. A number of games were played, after which ice cream and cake was served to those present.

On last Wednesday night May 18th, the death angel took away the spirit of Grandma McClun, who had been making her home with her son, Alford McClun, three miles west of O'Brien. She came to Texas from Louisiana last summer, expecting to return to that state sometime in June of this year, but had been ill for the past several weeks. The deceased was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church, having been converted when a young woman. Her husband preceded her in death several years ago. The deceased is survived by three children, two sons and a daughter, and several grand children, all of whom have the sympathy of their many friends in this sad hour.

GRAND JURY MAKES REPORT FOR TERM

The Grand Jury convened for the April term of District Court made their final report last Thursday and were discharged by District Judge Bruce W. Bryant. Last week completed the April term of Court, which adjourned until the next regular session in September.

The report of the Grand Jury is given below:

"To the Hon. Bruce W. Bryant, District Judge: We your Grand Jury for the April term of District Court, beg to report that we have been in session 13 days, have examined 275 witnesses, and have returned into court 37 bills of indictment.

"Having completed our investigations we beg at this time to be finally discharged.

A. W. McBeath,
Foreman of Grand Jury."

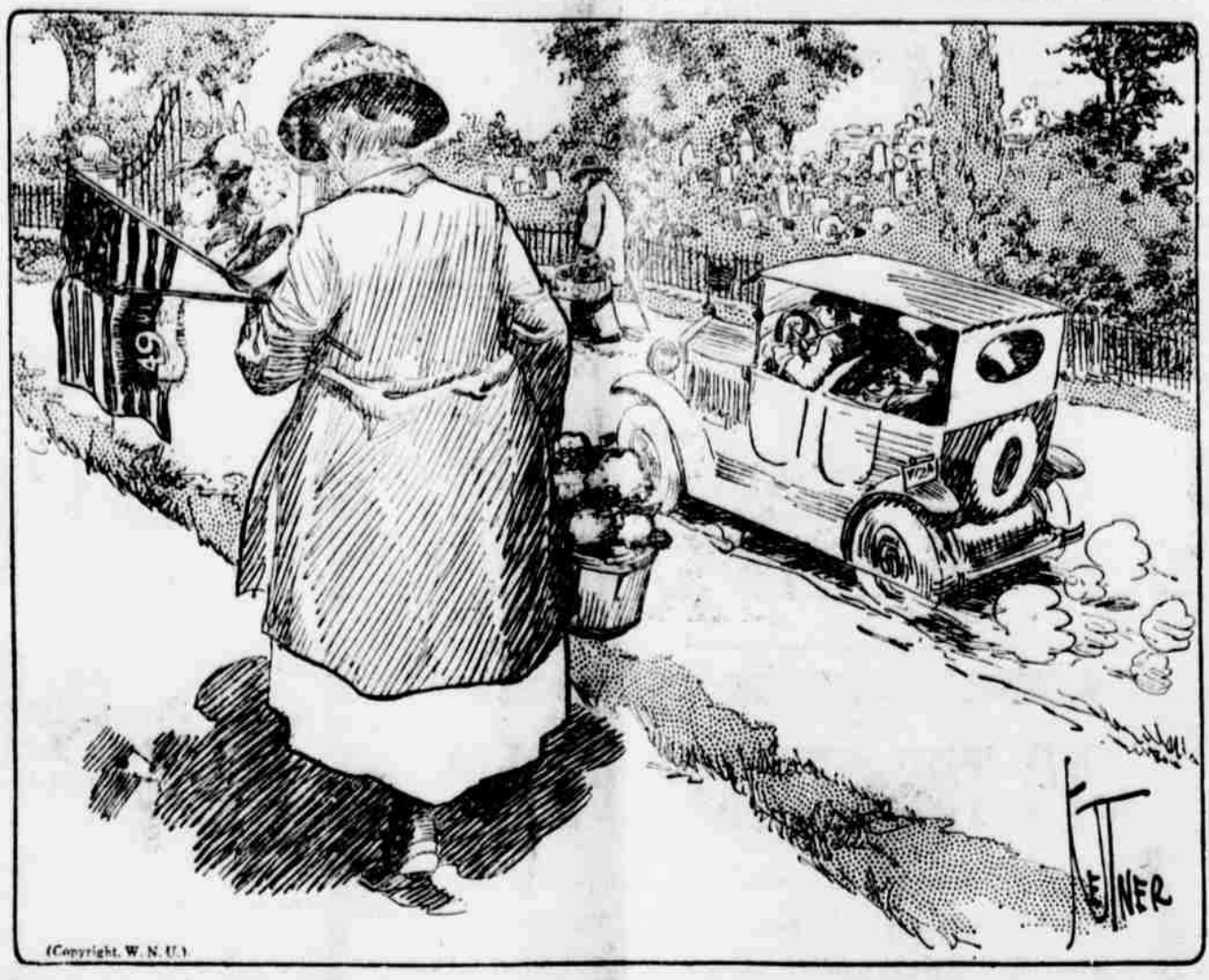
THE BILL CLUB BECOMES OF AGE

If you were christened William, then you doubtless are just plain Bill, and as such eligible to the mystic circle of national scope that came into being in Excelsior Springs Mo. a little more than 21 years ago.

The Bill Club is a fraternal organization. The initiation fee is a dollar bill. All Bills are eligible except bill collectors. Bill Taft, former president and now chief justice of the United States Supreme Court, is among the living members. William Jennings Bryan was a member.

Now that the Bill Club is old enough to vote, its members in Excelsior Springs, which is national headquarters are making elaborate plans to receive and entertain all Bills who visit this celebrated resort during the present year. Bill Sisk, who founded the club, is still president, or "the Big Bill" as the organization recognizes him. Another charter member still living here is W. E. "Bill" Templeton, secretary of the local chamber of commerce. The organization is chartered in the state of Missouri and has published a book of songs, mostly about various Bills.

Memorial Day



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MOTORCYCLE RACE EVENTS ARRANGED

The committee in charge of the Motorcycle Races to be staged on the Fair Park Track July 4th, have completed their program for the races, and entry blanks containing the list of events, prize money and conditions were mailed out this week.

The races as arranged will consist of eight events, including time trials, as follows:

- Event No. 1. Time trials. 2 laps 1.4 miles.
- Event No. 2. 10 Miles. Solo free for all. Positions determined by time trials.
- Event No. 3. 5 Miles. Side car race, free for all. Positions to be drawn for.
- Event No. 4. 5 Miles. Solo free for all. Positions to be drawn for.
- Event No. 5. 5 Miles. Stock machines free for all models of stock machines. Positions to be drawn for.
- Event No. 6. 5 Miles. Solo free for all. Positions to be drawn for.
- Event No. 7. 15 Miles. Solo free for all. Positions to be reverse order from time trials. This is the feature race of all events.
- Event No. 8. 5 Miles. Consolation race for non-winners in other events.

The several racers who have already entered for the race meet have complimented the arrangement of the events stating that some fast driving is guaranteed in carrying out the above program.

NEWS NOTES OF THE MIDWAY COMMUNITY

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ware have been visiting relatives and friends in the Midway community the past week.

On last Friday evening Miss Linnie Adkins entertained a large number of friends with a birthday party.

A large crowd enjoyed the party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Miller Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wright have returned from Lubbock where they moved a month ago.

Hugh Anderson, who is a student in the Texas Tech College at Lubbock, spent last week end with his parents in this community. He returned to Lubbock Sunday evening.

R. I. JOHNSON BUYS TIN SHOP OF PINKERTON BROS.

R. I. Johnson has purchased the tin shop business of Pinkerton Bros., and will have charge of this part of the business in the future, as is announced in his ad in this issue. Mr. Johnson is an experienced tinsmith, and was formerly connected with the Pinkerton Tin Shop. For the past several months he has been living in Tyler, but states that he is back in Haskell to stay. Mr. Johnson states that his machinery and equipment will remain in the same location—at Pinkerton's Plumbing Shop, and he invites his friends and former customers to pay him a visit.

County Chairman of Livestock Dept. Urges Co-operation

T. A. Pinkerton, County Chairman of the Cattle and Stock Department of the Haskell County Fair urges every community to co-operate this year in showing to Fair visitors the high class cattle, horses, mules, hogs and sheep that Haskell County produces. They are in the county by the hundreds and what this department urges this year is that the public will have a chance to view them enmass. Haskell County horses and mules have taken prizes at County and State Fairs and will continue to do so. Good prizes will be given in each division and on two days of the Fair, the entire divisions of teams of horses and mules will be shown before the grandstand just before the automobile races. Assistants to this department have been appointed in a number of towns and community centers and Mr. Pinkerton is personally visiting every school district and town in an effort to interest every one who own cattle, stock, sheep and hogs to get them in good condition by the time the Haskell County Fair opens in October. The catalogue will be out by July the 1st.

SUMMER SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY

A six-week summer school will open at the Haskell High school at eight o'clock, Monday June 6th. The faculty will be composed of the regular faculty.

Standard affiliated work will be done in all subjects, the same type of work and the same amount as that of the regular term. It is possible for a student to earn as much as two units credit. It is advisable, however, for all except the stronger students to register for less than the maximum.

The purpose of the summer school is to afford an opportunity for students to make up work failed in on account of illness or lack of application; to enable students who are compelled to work during the winter to complete their high school education; to help students from the smaller unaffiliated schools in this section to standardize their work so that they may hope to graduate from a standard high school next year; to enable boys and girls to finish high school in less than four years; to give boys and girls who have no regular vacation employment a profitable way to spend their time.

The tuition for the entire summer session will be \$10 per subject, payable when registration is made. A number of out-of-town students have already enrolled. No student can afford to let this opportunity pass.

Those desiring to board out of town students should call telephone No. 66.

The Sayles teachers—Mr. and Mrs. McLeroy entertained their pupils with a moonlight social. The pupils had a very nice time. The people of Sayles are fortunate in having these teachers living in their midst.

MOTOR SPEED KING WAS HERE MONDAY

Rural Murray, holder of the world's speed record for motorcycles was in Haskell Monday talking with the Fair directors regarding the coming motorcycle races July 4th. Murray recently set a world record at San Antonio when he made a little better than 114 miles per hour. Murray was pleased with our track and stated that a large list of entrants would be on hand for our races and while he left his entry blank. He states that three other very fast riders will be here that will give him the race of his life, two from San Antonio and another from Oklahoma City. Murray stated that our track was so much better than other tracks in the country that all the good riders in the State would be here for our meeting. The purses we offer will be attractive to all riders and without doubt we will have the best speed contests that have been seen on our track. Work is being done this week on the track, putting it in fine shape. It will be well oiled in time so that we will have no dust whatever. Our patrons have never been bothered with dust as on a number of tracks and the Fair Directors will keep this record by using the necessary oil to make the track perfect.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE VERNON COMMUNITY

This community is in need of a good rain, the grain crop has been badly damaged on account of the dry weather and a good rain is needed to bring up the cotton and feed that is planted.

The Vernon school will close next Friday evening with a program at the school. Everybody has an invitation to attend.

Misses Effie and Erma Calvin will leave next Friday for Denton where they will attend the North Texas Teachers College during the summer term.

Mrs. Jess Clemets entertained in her home last Tuesday evening. The following guests were served refreshments of ice cream and cake: Bert Walton, Red and J. C. Campbell; Fred and Levi Davis, Misses Jesse Johnson, of Rule, Misses Jimmie and Opal Campbell, Nennie Somanatha, Myrtle and Minnie Hardwick, Ethel Evelyn, and Jonnie Calvin, Buddie Calvin, Virgie Tillman, Johnnie Wilder, Misses Ruth and Libbie Davis.

The Vernon community was represented during the past year in the Stamford High School by Miss Erma Calvin who graduated with high honors. Several from the Vernon community attended the graduating exercises Friday evening.

New song books will be purchased for the big revival which will be held here in July. Miss Jesse Johnson and Mrs. Austin were appointed as a committee to see about their purchase.

Singing.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Keefe entertained the Bunker Hill and Vernon people with a singing Sunday night. Every one present enjoyed themselves.

RETURN FROM ELKS STATE CONVENTION

E. Siegel and T. C. Cahill of this city returned Monday night from Houston, where they attended the meeting of the Texas State Elks Association, composed of the Elks lodges of this state. Mr. Siegel, past Exalted Ruler of the local lodge, went as a delegate from Haskell Lodge No. 1158, and Mayor Cahill attended in his capacity as present Exalted Ruler. They state that the convention was the largest ever held in the state, with members and delegates from practically every lodge in the state in attendance.

Arrest Made In Connection With Bank Robbery

The following dispatch is taken from the Abilene Reporter, concerning an arrest made in connection with the robbery of an Ovalo bank several weeks ago:

"The arrest of Aubrey Ray, 22 of Stamford, and his alleged confession clears up the robbery of the Ovalo State Bank, last March 26.

"Arrested in Stamford after clues had been obtained on the whisky raid in Callahan County, Ray immediately admitted his part in the bank robbery and named a man as his companion and fellow participant. Taylor county officers were advised Sunday that the man named was arrested in Durant, Oklahoma, and Sheriff H. T. O'Bar has gone there to claim him.

"Ray said the bank robbery was planned on the spur of the moment as he and his companions, in an automobile were nearing Ovalo. They saw the bank's advertisement on a roadside sign board, and immediately decided to rob it.

"Sunday afternoon Ray accompanied officers to a mountain country east of Ovalo and showed them where he had hid a part of the loot. A bag containing about \$250 in silver was recovered, Aubrey says he spent the rest.

"Ray's confession was made in writing to J. R. Black of Baird, district attorney. He later made a confession to a news reporter.

"Charges of robbery have been filed in the case, officers said. A warrant for Ray's companion's arrest was forwarded to Durant officers."

NEW M'KINNEY BUILDING FINISHED

Contractor D. Scott this week finished the J. C. McKinney building on the south side of the square, the latest addition to Haskell's growing business houses. The building is modern in every respect, and a very beautiful addition to the south side.

The building will be occupied by Martin's Drug Store, the firm being composed of J. W. Martin, druggist of Sagerton and his son, "Mack" Martin of this city, who has been connected with the Oates Drug Store in this city for the past several years. Mr. Martin states that part of the fixtures and stock will be installed next week, but that it will probably be two weeks before the new store can be opened.

Officials Register Births

An means of giving an impetus to the birth registration campaign instituted this month by the state health department, officials and employees of the vital statistics bureau have filed their birth certificates with the department, thereby establishing their legal status as citizens of the state.

The state registrar, Dr. C. E. Durham, and assistant registrar, Mrs. Laura E. Krebs, were first in the department to file their birth records, the certificate of the latter showing that she started her career in life as Laura Etta Foster in the city of Waco, McLennan County, and at a time when the state had no vital statistics law, and no births were reported.

"It is hoped," Dr. J. C. Anderson, state health officer, stated, "that parents throughout the state will emulate the example set by the personnel of the vital statistics bureau, and have their children's births recorded in all instances where this has not already been done.

"The state law requires physicians and midwives to report each birth within five days after occurrence, but in many instances, and more especially in rural districts, is this provision of the law overlooked by those responsible. For this reason, thousands of children are born in the state each year of whom the state has no record, and who later in life may be seriously handicapped by having no proof of their legal existence. Parents who do not know whether their children are registered, can get this information by writing the state health department, giving full name of child, date and place of birth."

FIVE TESTS FOR OIL IN COUNTY

With five oil tests in the county, developments in this section are being closely watched by the oil fraternity. While several of the wells are shut down just at this time, most of the wells have reached a depth that may develop favorable indications, and all the wells are being closely watched. It is reliably stated that several more test wells are in prospect for this section, with one block practically completed at this time.

The Subbie Oil Interests Jeter No. 1 about 8 miles southwest of town, is shut down at a depth of 1200 feet. Operations are to be resumed within a few days, it is stated.

The Kouri Ballard well, 15 miles east of town is drilling at 1700 feet. This well is favorably located, and developments in this test are being awaited with interest.

The Zeigler well, located on the Scott Ranch east of town about 14 miles, has reached a depth of 1300 feet where the 8 inch casing is being set. Rapid progress has been made on this test, and geologists are favorably impressed with its location.

The Blackston well on the Grissom land 4 miles south of town is shut down temporarily at 1600 feet, with drilling to be resumed soon.

The derrick has been completed for the Stewart well on the J. F. Tompkins farm six miles northeast of town, and this well will be spudded in within a short time.

BAPTIST BALL TEAM DEFEATS CHRISTIANS

The first scheduled game in the recently formed Sunday School League in this city was witnessed by an enthusiastic crowd at Fair Park Tuesday afternoon, when the Baptists "Smokers" defeated the "Wolverines" of the First Christian Church in a hectic seven inning encounter. Scores were 13 to 5. The struggle covered a period of two hours and twenty minutes, and was umpired by Mack Martin and Elmer C. Watson, with Jess Barton taking Martin's place during the last inning.

Much interest locally has been aroused in the League, and with the enthusiastic crowd who witnessed the first game, it is expected that good crowds will be in evidence during the rest of the summer. The next game is scheduled for Friday afternoon, between the Methodist team and the Post team. Two games will be played each week, on Tuesdays and Fridays, beginning at five o'clock in the afternoon.

Batteries in Tuesday's game were: Baptists—Hardaway and Marrs. Christians—Banks, Duncan, Bradley. A box score, with the standing of the respective teams will be printed after next week's games.

POST SCHOOL CLOSES WITH GOOD PROGRAM

The closing exercises of the Post School began last Wednesday evening with a program by the pupils of Miss Virginia Clark and Miss Sula Ratliff, which was extra good.

Thursday evening the seventh grade graduating exercises were held. The County Superintendent, Miss Minnie Ellis was present and made a short talk.

The Spanish play presented by the pupils of Miss Clark's Spanish class was extra good. Miss Clark has a wonderful Spanish class for a rural school and the entire community is well pleased with her excellent work in this line. Two Spaniards furnished music between acts. The pupils in the Spanish play are to play at the Tonkawa Hotel in Haskell next week for one of the clubs.

ROSE AND HOWARD SCHOOLS WIN A GAME EACH

Last Friday the Rose and Howard boys played a game of ball on the Rose diamond, which resulted in a score of 3 to 4 in favor of Howard.

Saturday afternoon at Howard, the Rose boys captured the game at Howard by a score of 14 to 21.

A Correction

Several weeks ago a news item was printed in the Free Press concerning the raiding of a filling station north of town, stating that King Perdue was arrested in connection with the raid. We understand that this was a mistake, that Mr. Perdue was not held on any charges. We gladly make this correction.

HERRIN, JR.

INJURED IN AFFRAY

Herrin, Jr. was taken to the Sanitarium last Sunday suffering from severe knife wounds. He is expected to recover.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH

A national conference was held at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, last week.

FUNERAL OF NEPHEW

The funeral of the late Mrs. Ross Woodall of this city was held last week.

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REVIVAL BEGINS AT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

The revival meeting will begin Sunday morning May 29. We are hoping that this meeting will be a blessing to all the churches of the town and to all the people both in town and country around. We extend an invitation to all the churches and to those who are not members. Especially we invite those who will help in the singing, praying or any other way you may see fit, to come and feel at home.

Rev. Old is pastor of the First Methodist Church of McKinney Texas. He has been very successful as a pastor and evangelist. His preaching is plain, sound and interesting. He is a man who is loved by all who know him. Don't miss the first service.

Miss Wiggs is well known here, having been in meetings in Haskell before. Her singing will be a rare treat and all will be delighted with her stay among us.

Services will be at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. The pastor is going to keep an honor roll of all those who do not miss a service during the meeting.

Presbyterian Church

May 29th, 1927
Sunday School will begin at 9.30 a. m., all teachers and pupils are urged to be present on time.

There will be no preaching service. This being the fifth Sunday the pastor will be out of town. There will be services on the first Sunday in June; at which time the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

The Junior Christian Endeavor will meet at five o'clock.

The Senior Christian Endeavor will meet at seven o'clock.

The public is most cordially invited to attend all services at this church.

Birthday Dinner

A crowd of friends gave Edwin Parsons a surprise on his 12th birthday when they gathered at his home early last Saturday morning and spent the day. The guests as well as the honoree certainly enjoyed the day and at the noon hour a bountiful dinner was served by the honoree's mother and Aunt Mrs. W. H. Parsons and Nancy Jeter. Edwin received a number of nice presents and also shared honors with Winifred Piland and Doc Henshaw whose birthdays were close together.

Mrs. G. H. Morrison is spending the week end in Spur visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Morrison and Mrs. C. A. Love.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM BUNKER HILL

Club Organized

The people of Bunker Hill have organized an agriculture club. The officers are: Robert Boedeker, president, Elmer Boedeker, vice-president, Lena Boedeker, Secretary, Rozella Roberts, assistant secretary, Virgie McIntyre, reporter, and Lila Dyson, assistant reporter. M. R. McKenzie is local instructor of the club. This is the first agricultural club we have organized and we are continually working for its betterment.

Meeting of Club

The first meeting of the club at Bunker Hill was Wednesday evening, May 18. Mr. McKenzie was local instructor. The president called the club to order at 8.30. very little club business was seen after, members of three communities being elected. They are: Membership committee, Vernon Wofford, Herman Knipping and Virgie McIntyre, Finance committee, Elmer Boedeker, Robert McIntyre and Rozella Roberts, Program committee, Velma McIntyre, Beatrice O'Keefe and Lena Boedeker. The club adjourned to meet Friday evening, May 27, at 8 o'clock.

Bunker Hill Boy Graduates

Mr. Henry Knipping of Bunker Hill graduated from the Stamford High school Friday evening.

Work Done on Tennis Court

The men and boys of Bunker Hill met the teacher and boys of the school last Thursday and worked on a tennis court and croquet ground. Lunch was served at noon by the Home economics class. The courts are expected to be used during the summer for amusements.

Cemetery Working

Last Wednesday the people of and near Bunker Hill met at the cemetery and cleaned it up. The ladies arranged a very good lunch for the working men and the men improved the looks of the cemetery very much.

Preaching

Bro. Read of Rochester, associational Missionary of Haskell county will preach at Bunker Hill Friday night, Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night preceding and on the first Sunday in June. You are invited to attend.

Ice Cream Supper

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Boedeker of Bunker Hill entertained a host of immediate friends with an ice cream supper at their home Saturday night. The social was given in honor of Elmer Boedeker's nineteenth birthday. A very enjoyable time was spent by the following: Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Becker and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McIntyre and family, Mrs. G. J. Fourqurean and children, Mrs. Schluter and girls,

Mr. Henry Herman and Albert Knipping, and Mr. Lee Cornelius.
Teachers Entertain

Mr. W. C. McKenzie and Miss Vesta Baker, former teachers of the Bunker Hill school and coaches of the boys and girls basket ball team, entertained the teams with a party Monday evening. The teams and teachers left Mr. Rinns about 8 o'clock enroute for Stamford. The first thing they did was to attend a very interesting motion picture show, after which they visited in a drug store, and after leaving the delicious cream and drinks they went to Stamford Lake No. 3. Here they played many different games. About midnight they returned to the cars and drove home. The following thanking their teachers for such and enjoyable evening: Lena Boedeker, Ruby Fourqurean, Tillie Schluter, Lola O'Keefe, Lucie Brown, Velma and Virgie McIntyre, Robert Boedeker, Elmer Boedeker, Clinton Fourqurean, Herman Knipping, Fred Brown, Tom Chatwell and Robert McIntyre.

Singing Convention

There will be an all day singing convention at Bunker Hill the fifth Sunday of May, being next Sunday. Every one has a cordial invitation to come and bring dinner, if convenient, if not, come and eat with us. Don't forget the date.

Singing

Mr. and Mrs. O'Keefe entertained the Bunker Hill and Vernon people with a singing Sunday night. Every one present enjoyed themselves.

Miss Johnnye Morgan is the guest in Abilene this week of Misses Mary Kimbrough of Simmons U. and Marion Guest of McMurry College.

POISON THE GRASSHOPPERS SAYS COUNTY AGENT

Grasshoppers are making their appearance in destructive numbers in portions of Haskell County and farmers are warned to keep a close watch for this pest and should use poison before any of the crops are destroyed.

The following formula used successfully to combat the grasshoppers for many years is still in use and is recommended very highly.

Wheat Bran (avoid shorts); 25 pounds. White Arsenic (or Paris Green); 1 lb. Amyl Acetate.....1 ounce. Cane Molasses (avoid cane syrup) 2 qts. Thoroughly mix the bran and poison dry. Dilute the molasses and amy acetate with about two gallons of water and thoroughly mix with the bran-arsenic mixture. Add more water and mix, until a thoroughly wet mash has been obtained, yet not sloppy. Sow in pieces not larger than little finger nail, in feeding ground of the grasshopper. Scatter well.

CAUTION: Adhere exactly to directions. W. P. Price, County Agent.

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas in Bankruptcy, Abilene, Texas. In re matter of Earl A. Davis, Bankrupt. No. 1202 in Bankruptcy. Abilene, Texas, 5-16-27.

Office of Referee

To the creditors of Earl A. Davis of Haskell, in the County of Haskell and District aforesaid, a bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1927, the said Earl A.

Davis was duly adjudged bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at my office in the city of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1927, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

D. M. OLDFHAM, Jr.
Referee in Bankruptcy.

Picnic

The pupils and parents of the Rose school hied away to Scotts Ranch last Tuesday night for a moonlight picnic. Supper was carried by the ladies and plenty of lemonade and ice tea to go with the supper. This affair was certainly enjoyed by the older folks as well as the school children.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank the many friends and neighbors for the beautiful floral offerings and other kindnesses extended to us during the sickness and death of our little son, Stanley Artell.
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Rose.

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In fact if you are interested in new equipment for your car we have it—See

J. F. Kennedy Garage
The Red Front. East Side Square.

TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

We extend you a special invitation to visit our Shop when in town, inspect the New Machinery just installed, watch the work go on in making the large Gin Jobs going out each week throughout this territory together with the home work that always receives our Special Attention, large or small. "We can show you better than we can tell you."

JONES & SON

SIEGELS DRY GOODS STORE

EXTRA SPECIAL DRESS SALE

We have been fortunate to secure a large factory close-out of the newest and best styles of the season dresses. Some of the dresses were regular priced as high as \$50.00. We are going to put them on sale for Saturday only in three groups, and if you are interested in purchasing a dress of style and finest material, whether for street or a party or evening, you will find it in these wonderful values we are going to give next Saturday

GROUP NUMBER ONE

REGULAR \$12.50

SATURDAY

\$5.00

GROUP NUMBER TWO

REGULAR \$22.50

SATURDAY

\$10.00

GROUP NUMBER THREE

SOME AS HIGH AS \$50.00

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Remember these are all the newest of the season, no odds or ends or picked over goods. Just new goods just arrived. We paid cash for it and bought it at a cash price. We assure you it will pay to give us the opportunity, to show you the most wonderful selection of dresses we ever had in our store at one time.

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Programa Espanola, Presenting Mrs. G. H. Morrison's Advanced Pupils.

In a most vivid and colorful setting, "A Spanish Patio," a deep, brick-topped well to the rear, wicker chairs, high ventilating windows, the Trovadores Espanoles coming in from the street with their music and dancing, the piano pupils of the advanced class of Mrs. G. H. Morrison gave a very high class program at the Haskell High School last Friday evening at eight o'clock. The scene was atmospheric and beautiful from the opening when the Mexican mozo dusted off the furniture, drew a fresh bucket of water and filled a jar for guests, reaching a high climax when the entire class assembled and Mrs. Carrie Moser played the Pandango Espanola on a guitar, Johnny Banks and Miss Ella D. Koonce danced a Spanish dance, and the Trovadores Espanoles played three numbers; drinks were served from trays. Mr. Kenneth England, in Spanish costume, bright red sombrero, cigarette and all, fluently speaking the Spanish language, added much to the scene; Marion Felker was also in costume, as were all who had any part on the program. The piano numbers themselves reflected much credit on both teacher and pupils. Following are the pupils: Misses Anna Bell Burt, Naomi Poteet, Leta Simmons, Mary Couch, Louise Kaigler, Marjorie Rogers and R. H. Moser. Miss Elaine Mills gave a beautiful interpretation of Rigoletto, one of the numbers played by Marjorie Rogers. Members of the High School Orchestra who composed the Trovadores Espanoles were: Misses Clarence Brannon, Martha Lou Rogers, Jack Hudson, Fred Ellis, Virgil Reynolds, with Marjorie Rogers at the piano and Mrs. Carrie Moser with the guitar.

Mrs. H. D. Neff Presents Piano Pupils in Recital

On last Monday evening with the auditorium of the Haskell High School comfortably filled with interested patrons and friends, Mrs. H. D. Neff presented her piano pupils in recital, interspersed with quite a number of special diversions. The first was a fairy story dramatized by twenty-five children from grammar school age down to kindergarten age. Their costumes, varied and bright-colored, added much to the pageantry. Special characters were: Dorothy (Mary Helen Neff), Queen Mab (Francis Ratliff), Herald (David Ray Neff), Pages (Hugh Mack English and John Guest), Arbutus (Mary Sue Murchison), Innocence (Merle Draper), Flowers and Will o' the Wisp (Maxine Simmons, Mazie Key, Julia Baughman, Helen Marie Davis, Willie Sue

Knights, Alberta Orr, Ava Grindstaff, Ruth Morgan.) The Little Green Elves came in for their share of attention and applause. They were; Paula Mae Walker, Katherine Wair, Mary Lena Tubbs, Winnie Mae Darnell, Elsie Gholson, Helen Mabel Baldwin, Gladys Pouts, Jimmie Grace Looney, Spirit of Dawn, Kathleen Crawford; accompanist, Miss Mary Helen Barron. The next diversion was a catchy spring-time song, "Roses Remind Me," in chorus by Ruby Martin, Lola Taylor, Katherine Rike, Agnes Fields, Mildred Simmons, Vivian Bernard, Pianologue, Katy Did, by Addie Mae Whitaker. The last number was School Day Sweethearts, chorus by the same young ladies who sang the first chorus. All of these specials were accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Neff. Pupils who rendered the high class repertoire of the evening were: Misses Vivian Bernard, Kathleen Crawford, Annie Maud Taylor, Mildred Simmons, Ruby Martin, Eunice Redwine, Agnes Fields, Judith English, Felicia Segel and Katherine Rike.

Baccalaureate Sermon Last Sunday Morning at Christian Church.

Last Sunday was just cloudy and balmy enough to be pleasant and the First Christian Church was crowded to overflowing with relatives and friends of the Haskell High School graduating class, perhaps the largest ever gathered for such an occasion. The choicest of spring flowers and potted ferns outlined the chancel rail around the choir and pulpit and a generous space was taped off in the class colors, white and green for the graduates, and members of their immediate families in the middle tier. The class of thirty-four, equal number of boys and girls, came in in couples, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. O. E. Patterson, and the Harmony Club sang "Brightly Gleams Our Banner." Invocation, Rev. G. R. Forrester; response, choir; scripture reading, Rev. Whatley; "I Was Glad, choir; announcements, Superintendent H. D. Neff; "Lead Us Onward," choir; sermon on "Service" by Rev. W. B. Vaughn, pastor of the Methodist Church; mention was made of the rare opportunity Rev. Vaughn had in speaking to the 1927 class, in addressing his own son, Marvin Vaughn, who is one of the graduates. "Follow the Standard," choir; benediction, Rev. Whatley. Mrs. H. D. Neff was chorus director.

Lovely Announcement Shower for Haskell's Latest Bride-Elect.

The Harmony Club planned and carried out in detail a lovely announcement shower, "42" party for one of their members, Miss Aura Lee Tucker who will become the bride of Kenneth Thornton on June the First. The affair was given at the Magazine Club Library, Friday afternoon May 20th where the rooms were perfumed with the myriads of larkspur and sweet peas in baskets, bowls and vases, carrying out the rainbow color scheme in decoration and menu. Mrs. D. L. Cummins met the guests at the entrance and they handed the gifts that they had brought for the bride-to-be, to Mrs. Vaughn Bailey, Mrs. W. C. Williams,

and Mrs. Harry Staleup. Little Gene Connor as Dan Cupid gave out hand bills, resembling a picture show add, with the announcement, "Love Sick Comedy, with Aura Lee Tucker and Kenneth Thornton, in 'Wedding Bells' Wednesday June 1st." Mrs. C. L. Lewis presided at the punch bowl and served the guests on arriving and all through the afternoon. Composing the receiving line were: Mrs. J. G. Foster, Miss Aura Lee Tucker, Mrs. O. E. Patterson, Mrs. H. D. Neff, Mrs. E. M. Thornton, mother of the groom-to-be, Miss Manley, Miss Eunice Huckabee, Miss Elaine Mills, and Miss Mabel Taylor; Mrs. Tom French presided at the Bride's Book and Mrs. J. L. Southern assisted the guests in finding their places at the tables where quite a number of games of "42" were played. At the close of the games it was found that Mrs. Clyde Grisson had made high score and thus won the honor of escorting the bride-elect to the seat of honor; Mrs. Wayne Koonce then sang and this was followed by Miss Elaine Mills reading "Maud Muller", as she raked from beneath a miniature hay stack many beautiful and useful gifts for the bride-to-be, Miss Aura Lee Tucker, who thanked all present for contributing to her happiness on this memorable occasion. A large white cake embossed with the initials "T. T." was served with brick ice cream to Miss Aura Lee Tucker, Mrs. J. G. Foster, Mrs. H. D. Neff, Mrs. D. L. Cummins, Mrs. C. L. Lewis, Mrs. O. E. Patterson, Mrs. E. M. Thornton, Mrs. J. L. Southern, Mrs. Tom French, Mrs. W. B. Vaughn, Mrs. Scott Green, Jr., Mrs. Bruce W. Bryant, Mrs. R. R. English, Mrs. C. V. Payne, Mrs. J. Bailey, Mrs. John W. Pace, Mrs. Eugene Hunter, Mrs. W. A. Kimbrough, Mrs. H. S. Wilson, Mrs. R. C. Couch, Mrs. M. D. Crow, Mrs. Andrew Shriver, Mrs. Clay Smith, Mrs. Elmer Irwin, Mrs. Owen Potts, Mrs. Courtney Hunt, Mrs. T. A. Pinkerton, Mrs. W. P. Trice, Mrs. Wayne Koonce, Mrs. O. E. Oates, Mrs. Harry Staleup, Mrs. Vaughn Bailey, Mrs. F. T. Sanders, Mrs. W. C. Williams, Misses Minnie Ellis, Mabelle Taylor, Lewis Manley, Elaine Mills, Eunice Huckabee, Grace Martin, Nettie McCollum, Ruth Clough, and Mrs. M. P. Wilson of Rule.

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Luncheon Honoring Charles Brandon Booth.

Last Friday May 20th at the noon hour a luncheon honoring Charles Brandon Booth, who was in Haskell under the auspices of the Magazine Club, was given at the Tonkawa Coffee Shop, when covers for sixty were laid. Mr. O. E. Patterson was toast master. Mrs. Clayborn Payne sang "Texas, My Texas," Rev. G. R. Forrester made a splendid complimentary address on the class of work done by Mr. Booth. Piano Solo, Mrs. John W. Pace, Mr. Patterson then introduced Mrs. J. U. Fields, President of State Federation of Women's Clubs who in turn presented Mr. Booth. Before going into his real subject, "The Big Brotherhood and The Big Sisterhood Movement, Mr. Booth paid a very high and rare compliment to Mrs. J. U. Fields; he stated that since hearing Mrs. Fields in Atlantic City talk of "The Womanhood of Her Native State"

or "Our Texas Women," that he with others had had a strong desire to come to Texas and see not only the women but the entire citizenry of our great state. The special point that Mr. Booth made in this connection and of which the Texas Club Women have reason to be proud was the fact that Mrs. Fields did not take unto herself any credit for achievement or point out anything that she had done but invariably said "Our Texas Women." The guest list includes: Mr. Charles Brandon Booth, New York City, Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Fields, Mr. O. E. Patterson, Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Forrester, Rev. M. L. Baker, Dr. O. M. Guest, Mr. R. C. Montgomery, Miss Minnie Ellis, Mrs. O. E. Oates, Mrs. John Oates, Mrs. J. W. Pace, Mrs. S. R. Rike, Mrs. H. M. Smith, Mr. M. H. Post, Mr. R. V. Robertson, Mrs. H. S. Post, Judge and Mrs. J. G. Foster, Judge and Mrs. W. H. Murchison, Mr. Emory Menefee and guest, and Messers and Mesdames C. V. Payne, A. C. Pierson, Courtney Hunt, R. C. Couch, A. H. Alexander, Wallace Cox, J. L. Southern, R. R. English, John A. Couch, F. T. Sanders, E. Sutherland, J. E. Bernard, C. L. Lewis, N. I. McCollum, W. M. Reid, Virgil Meadors, Clyde Grisson.

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Sayles Teachers Elected
Sayles teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Mc-Leroy have been elected back for the next year, but have not yet accepted the place. This makes the second year for these teachers and we are pleased to say that the school has been a big success. School interest is very good considering this hot weather. We would be pleased to have these teachers again as the people seem to be well pleased.

FOR WORKING PEOPLE
The best of workers get out of order when the liver fails to act. They feel languid, half-sick, "blue" and discouraged and think they are getting lazy. Neglect of these symptoms might result in a sick spell, therefore the sensible course is to take a dose or two of Herbine. It is just the medicine needed to purify the system and restore the vim and ambition of health. Price 60c. Sold by Oates Drug Store.

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SOUTHWEST CORNER SQUARE TONKAWA HOTEL BLDG.
PHONE 378

Methodist Missionary Society
The Methodist Missionary Society met at the Methodist church Monday afternoon May 30, 1927. Mrs. S. R. Rike, president. Methodist Missionary Society program on "What Citizenship" and she will be in charge. Devotional: prayer, Mrs. C. Obedience to God's Law, Mrs. Reynolds; two numbers will be by the Harmony Club: (a) "Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts," Mrs. R. R. Cleaning Up Wrongs, Mrs. Jones; Vocal Solo, Miss Winifred Paris, who will be in charge. This organization mobilizes the women of all of the churches in Haskell to help in every line program to which Haskell is cordially invited. At the conclusion of the program there will be a social at which time the officers will take place.

A Wandering
The many and varied affairs of the many and varied affairs of the party given jointly by Misses Lark and Maye Belle Taylor last night will linger long in the memories of the members of the Haskell High School building. This with their musical instruments the hostesses their sponsor Mrs. H. D. Neff and Mrs. H. D. Neff, clattered into the square singing and giving senior yell, then to Lake where they found a and fortune teller's tent. The fortune teller gave each member a good luck ring in the Seniors. Before breaking camp, inches tied up in many colors cloth was served with a cup of the beverage (punch) from a paper pot. The band soon led for another ride on the Haskell High School building. This reached the trucks turned on the Senior Banner floated on the school and this called for before good-nights were said. The class consists of the following members: Faye Akins, Joe Coburn, Gladys Conner, Agnes Fields, Hazel, Jessie Maud Hays, Mary, Vivian Johnson, Ruby, Katharine Rike, Shook, Lorena Sloan, Lonnie Taylor, Dessie Wolf, James, Marjorie Cox, Marion Felker, Graham, Charles Grisson, Joe, Grace O'Neal, L. D. Ratliff, Wright, Lewis Sherman, Lewis, Willie Stoker, Haskell Stone, Vaughn, Mark Wadzeck, Bill

Brandon Booth Lectures
Audience at Church.
Charles Brandon Booth, son of Booth of Salvation Army returned last Friday evening at Christian Church to a large appreciative audience. This rare as afforded the Haskell County and all out of town guests by the Magazine Club. Attention having been directed to Booth by Mrs. J. U. Fields, State at the Federation of Women's Clubs, who heard Mr. Booth at Atlantic City and at that time was voted one of the best on the entire program, and this noted lecturer to Texas in Haskell, the present administration has achieved a lasting distinction. Mrs. Wayne Koonce sang before Judge W. H. Murrill a tribute not only to the of the evening and his illness but to the Christian Era. Mr. Booth, Judge Murrill drew a word picture, framed in English, comparing kingdoms in the past, who builded quest of weaker nations, the of great wealth, the mobilizing great armies, libraries and all from a purely selfish motive. The intent and purpose of the who came to teach true brotherhood among the sons of men. Mr. spoke on the Boy and Girl problem convinced his audience that thoroughly conversant with his. Those present will always they are just a little better, having heard Charles Brandon

have asked about a Summer for music. I will begin a two school June the 6th and will to have anyone wishing to call at the studio or call 420 Saturday 4th, so that we can begin the following Monday. Mrs. G.

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DOUGLASS SCHOOL CLOSES ON LAST FRIDAY EVENING

The Douglas School closed last Friday evening. A play "The Poor Married Man" was given on Saturday evening. A large crowd attended the play and enjoyed the program. The Douglas school term just closed has been a very successful one.

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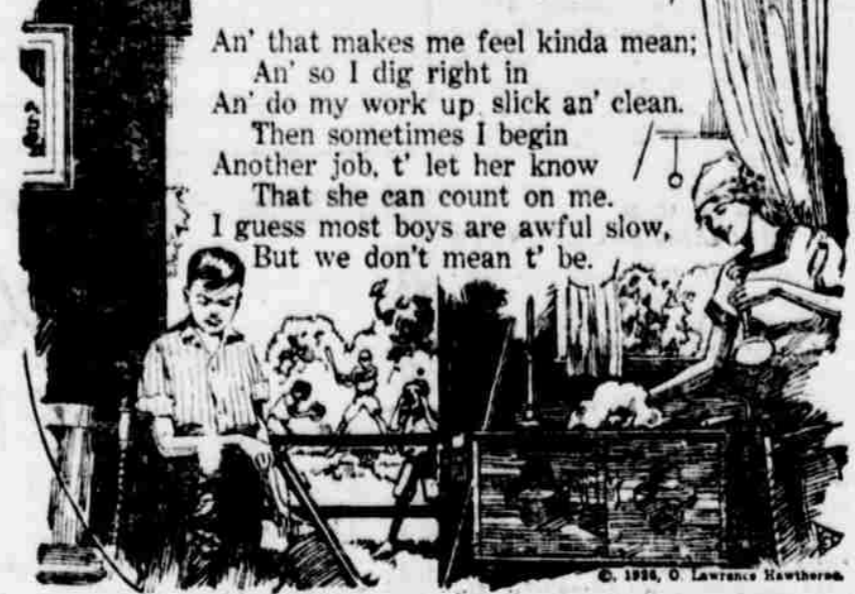
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Of gettin' boys t' work!
I wouldn't jus' exacly say
That I'm a lazy shirk,
But I guess most boys ain't so keen
T' do a lot o' chores,
Aspecially when things 're green,
We like t' be outdoors.

I know my Mother shouldn't do
So many things for me,
Unless I try t' help her, too,
I'm willin' to, but gee,
Buffore I know it, she's begun
T' do my job! She'll say,
"I guess that I can get it done;
You run on out and play!"

An' that makes me feel kinda mean;
An' so I dig right in
An' do my work up slick an' clean.
Then sometimes I begin
Another job, t' let her know
That she can count on me.
I guess most boys are awful slow,
But we don't mean t' be.



Why Swat the Fly

Just why should we not swat the fly when one pesky fly begins depositing eggs the middle of April will according to scientists have 5,698,720,000 descendants by the middle of September. Even if a couple million were to be so delicate as not to survive just think of the ones left. Why not swat the fly when they spread disease especially typhoid and dysentery as well as other diseases. Be prepared to get these summer flies and lessen the chance of so many descendants.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners Court of Haskell County will receive bids on one or more Russell 12 ft. road grader on July 11, 1927. All bidders will be required to furnish a certified check for 2 per cent of their bid.

Jesse G. Foster,
County Judge.

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Haskell County.
Job No. 105 A Highway No. 120
Sealed proposals addressed to the State Highway Engineer of Texas for the improvement of certain highways in Haskell County, will be received at the office of the State Highway Engineer, at Austin, Texas, until 10 o'clock A. M. June 14, 1927, and then publicly opened and read.

Description of Work To Be Done
Work consists of construction of tension of steel bridge, two spans, substructure for same, repair work and bank protection, State Highway No. 120, in Haskell County.
Approximate Quantities

BRIDGE—
Estimated quantities for three new spans, six new piers and straightening two old spans.
Untreated Lumber, 16,59 M. F. B. M.
Structural Steel, 33,000.0 Lbs.
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Reinforcing Steel, 14,424.0 Lbs.
Untreated Timber Piling, 2,100.0 Lin. Feet.
Class A (Dry) Excavation, 300.0 C. Y.
Class B (Wet) Excavation, 240.0 C. Y.
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A certified or cashier's check for 5 percent of the amount bid, made payable without recourse to the order of the State Highway Commission of Texas, must accompany each proposal, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract and

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Proposals may be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked "Bids for the construction of "Bridges" or Bank Protection Work," in Haskell County." Proposals submitted by mail shall be marked as above and enclosed in another envelope addressed to R. A. Thompson, State Highway Engineer, Austin, Texas.

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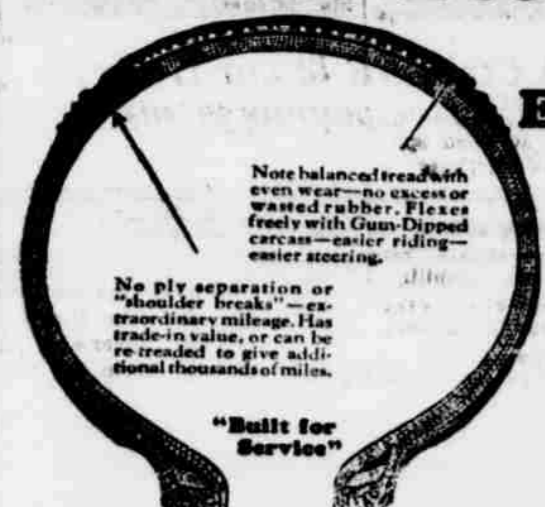
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"Not yet. Lefever and the wagon boys are holdin' both the barns, but if the wind comes up, they won't save 'em. There ain't enough left of your big ball on the hill to roast a chestnut, John."

Tracy half sprang from the cot. He poured a torrent of wrath on the Vigilantes and the gamblers, with incidental shots at the fate that had kidnapped him away from where he could stand in defense against any and all comers, of his own.

Selwood waited, without an interruption, for the fury of the storm to abate. Old David stopped only when physically exhausted. "Now," he panted, looking malevolently at Selwood, "I hope you're satisfied. You've played your game, ain't you? Sent everything we've got on the hill up in smoke. And I can turn out, when I get up with a pack of cards and start all over again. I ain't but sixty years old! Why don't you say something?" he demanded violently.

Selwood, turning toward his partner, rested his elbow on the rock ledge above the fireplace, took from his lips the cigar he had lighted, and spoke deliberately. "I'll have a lot to say, I'm afraid, Dave—more than I want to say to a man half sick, but it's got to be said, whether I like it or you like it or not."

"I want you to remember, Dave, first of all—the hell is, or was, mine—all mine. I took over your interest yesterday afternoon in Sleepy Cat, and turned over to you my interest in the Thief River mine. It was a trade fair to you and fair to me; you said I was giving half a dozen times what I was getting—I wasn't; but I was giving you a square deal, and you said it was a square deal, and I know it was."

Tracy tried to interrupt; Selwood patiently but firmly protested. "I gave you your say, Dave. I waited for all your cards; I want a chance to face mine now—and," he added, with a touch that Tracy had rarely heard in his voice, "I'm going to have it."

"You've tried hard to make a good gambler out of me, Dave—and the only reason you couldn't do it is because it never was in me. When my own blood kicked me out, you took the place of my father—"

"Shut up!" "But, Dave, I wasn't out to travel the lines you laid for me. You said it tonight—I knew it yesterday."

"So yesterday I closed my game, Dave. I'm done. Yesterday I traded you out of the place on the hill. I gave you a half interest in the best quartz vein along Thief River. Ben Wentworth, a man as square as you are, is your partner. You'll never know need while the pay ore lasts and there's enough in sight to keep you twenty-five years. Besides, I'm able to work awhile myself yet. So I don't see why you should wear yourself out, raving about the place on the hill being burnt. I owned the place, Dave; it's gone up in smoke and it's your fault, for Dave, I'm telling you now and telling the boys here, I smashed the big lamp on the floor tonight and fired the hall myself."

Selwood was perhaps better prepared for what followed than his companions, who listened stupefied. It was a moment before Tracy could frame words; then he launched at Selwood a further torrent of abuse.

"Perhaps I played you a low trick as you say, Dave; perhaps I didn't. Anyway, I meant to cut that string and that was my way of cutting it. I've done you no wrong—if anybody is loser, I am."

"You say you're done with me for good and all. That's pretty hard to take from you, Dave—it's hard because I owe you so much and you owe me just next to nothing. But whatever you say or whatever you feel, I can't ever honestly say I'm done with you; you're the only partner I ever had and you can't ever change my feelings toward you. You've said a few things tonight I wish you hadn't said—but most of what you've said was coming to me, and I wouldn't ask you to take a thing back."

Before Tracy could reply, Scott started to leave the room; Pardaloe would have pushed his huge bulk after him, but Selwood stepped between them and the door. McAlpin tried to shut Tracy off. Selwood silenced him. "There's nothing to be said here that you all ought not to hear," he insisted. "I want you to hear it."

"No!" burst out McAlpin, stepping hurriedly over to where Tracy lay, and talking angrily at him. "I won't hear a word of it—not another word," he shouted in profane excitement. "I'm here on life and death—away with your jarring and listen to me. If the place wasn't burnt by you, John, it'd been burnt a dozen times since. The gamblers is after you, John—after you and after this fool man Tracy. And he wants to go back to Sleepy Cat! They'll burn him with his bed under him. They don't want no dead men in Sleepy Cat!" he shouted at Tracy. "John!" McAlpin, wild with anxious haste, whirled on Selwood. "Carpy told me to ride the desert till I'd find you. Tell him, he says, 'they're drivin' us—and they'll shoot or burn up every man-jack of us if we don't get help—and no more said. If you find John,' says Carpy, 'he'll understand.'"

McAlpin stopped, out of breath. A stillness broken by the wailing scream of distant coyotes followed his words.

In the silence Selwood stood, his eyes on McAlpin, pondering his words. Of all men in Sleepy Cat that might have sent such a message to Selwood, Carpy was the one whose call he could not ignore. Who had taken care of him when he lay sick? When

money could not buy skilled nursing—when the ignorance of even well-meaning friends might have been fatal to him? Who but Carpy? Carpy was calling him. With the tables turned on the blundering Vigilantes, this never-failing friend—always giving himself unstintingly, recklessly, to the service of others, the man who never asked whether one needing help was worthy or unworthy—who never said pay, or asked for a fee—the man who was his own worst enemy—needed help. Selwood to those about him was gruffly silent; but in his heart he said: "He shall have it!"

And one more question was gnawing like remorse at his heart. Where was Christie Fyler in all this deadly clash?

He shot a question at McAlpin. "Where is Fyler? Where is his daughter?"

"I don't know, John—nobody knows, Carpy's been tryin' all night to get track of 'em—if anybody knows where Christie is, it's Cliff Starbuck."

The name cut Selwood like a knife. "Starbuck!" he echoed, biting off the word, in rage. "Starbuck!" he repeated, as if to feed his wrath. "And Carpy gave me his word no harm should come to her."

McAlpin put up a hand. "Don't blame him—not for what he couldn't do, the night. I'm hit myself!"—McAlpin held up his forehead—"but nobody here seems to care a rap about that—where I got hit or how I got hit. But Carpy is a wounded man and his back's to the wall!"

Selwood seemed hardly to heed the interruption. "Starbuck!" he repeated, in lower but not less deadly tone. The fingers of the hand resting on his hip insensibly drew together. He seemed as he stood to shrink for a moment within himself. Then he started from his lethargy and, looking up, turned his eyes slowly from one to the other of his companions and back to McAlpin. "I can't pass up a call from Carpy," he said, speaking to all. "I wouldn't if I could; and I couldn't if I would. And it looks now," he added, "as if Starbuck and I have a score to settle. I hope not; but if it's got to be settled, the sooner the better."

Selwood made his arrangements with decision. Taking what ammunition he could scrape together, he would ride, he said, to Sleepy Cat. McAlpin was to ride with him to reconnoiter the situation when they had reached town. Pardaloe, opened and chafed under his mask of quiet, listened intently but without approval. Selwood was talking to Tracy; when he turned from the cot, Pardaloe was waiting for him.

"John," he said, taking Selwood aside and speaking in an undertone. "If you was askin' me to head for Thief River same time 'a' you're headin' for Sleepy Cat, then don't ask me."

"What do you mean?"

"I mean," submitted the big fellow, "when you're headin' for Sleepy Cat, I'm headin' likewise. I ain't easy in my own mind, not a bit, since what the Scotsman says about a girl I'm not namin'—no matter who she is. But she's worth a whole wagon-load of old buffalo bones like Dave's—not meaning no disrespect to nobody, whatsoever, at all."

"If that's the way you feel, Bill, what about me?" demanded Selwood, almost angrily. "I'm here to look out for Christie Fyler."

"That's just it, John," persisted Pardaloe, placatingly. "And to look out for Christie Fyler, now, single-handed, you know what you're up against—same as I know," snorted Pardaloe, "same as everybody here knows. That's why I say to 'a'—I'll with Thief River and Tracy; I'm trillin' you."

"But this is my fight, not yours."

"I'm makin' it mine, John."

"Stop talking, you old tub. If they can dig a grave up there big enough to hold you, I can edge into one corner of it, but, Bill"—Selwood raised one hand, simply—who rides with me tonight ought not to care much about coming back!"

Pardaloe was chewing slowly, but with the steadiness of fate. "Nothin' particular, as I know of, John, callin' me anywhere back."

"Come along, Bill!"

A further parley was held; Tracy at last pleaded to be taken back to

Alpin should follow in the wagon with Tracy.

While Tracy's cot was hastily set back in the wagon and the horses were being got up, Selwood took the ammunition out from under the seat—a slender store, but, like a shower, a life-saver in a drought—and appositioned it into three parcels among Pardaloe, Scott, and himself.

It lacked but little of daybreak when the three men reached the river again, fording the stream, the horsemen secreted their horses in the undergrowth below the river bank, and climbed up the nearest gulch to the flats, that were being laid out for a railroad yard. Spreading out again, the three men circled this open space singly and without observation, and came together on higher ground, where they could reconnoiter the town.

The fires that had lighted the sky earlier in the night had died down—chiefly for lack of material for the flames. An important part of Sleepy Cat lay in ruins, though the extent of the destruction was hidden in the darkness. One quarter of the straggling settlement had escaped the torch and the Vigilantes and the reprisals of the outlaws—this was the corner embracing the stage barns, Carpy's hotel, and the new railroad station.

From the hill where they had halted, Selwood and his companions, recovering their horses, made their way under such cover as they could singly, to the stage barns.

Lefever met them, Selwood asked for the news. Lefever pointed to a pile of smoking ruins down the hill. "Some of them river rats have burned the bunk-house on us, John," said Lefever. "That's the way they keep their promises!"

"McAlpin told me nothing of that," exclaimed Selwood, looking angrily down the hill.

"Didn't know it was on fire when he started," returned Lefever. "But I'm telling you the teamsters are rarin' to go. They're only waiting for you."

"Just hold 'em till I get some bearings," was all Selwood replied.

Bull Page took the steaming horses back to their stalls, and Scott was sent out to scout. Lefever told Selwood and Pardaloe what more he could of the situation; Starbuck, who had been missing for a time at the outset, had taken the gamblers' fight in hand at a moment when the Vigilantes were driving 'all before them, turned the tables on the clean-up men, and now held the survivors of their disorganized force at bay in the unfinished railroad station. Starbuck had sent word by messenger that he would give them an hour to get out of the station and out of the town—coupled with the threat that if they didn't move they would be burned out by daylight. Starbuck's men, Lefever added, held the only building left in the River Quarter, where most of the burning had been—Bunt's Bartoe's place down next the river; it had escaped the flames. In the upper town Carpy's hotel, which had been gutted, the gamblers had spared. He knew nothing about Christie.

Pardaloe had been dispatched to the station with the ammunition. He came back with a long face, but a long face was nothing new for Pardaloe. Carpy, wounded, was there treating the wounded, who lay on the floor in the freight room. There was only a pretense of a guard, kept about the building; within it, disgruntled Vigilantes nursed their grievances, railing chiefly at one another; and in one corner, with nobody to command, owing to lack of ammunition, Old General Roper, though hit, was maintaining headquarters, with neither head, as Pardaloe tartly put it, nor quarters. The only thing that prevented the refugees from running away was the fear of getting shot if they put their noses outside.

Selwood felt he must first of all see and learn what he could from Carpy. Directing his few companions to stick together and telling Lefever to throw out a stronger guard about the barn, Selwood started for the station.

By skirting the river bank and working from one to another of the breaks in the bank, he reached the rear door of the station without drawing any fire either from its defenders or its besiegers. He pushed open the door and entered the hall without being opposed or observed. A glance was enough to reveal to Selwood's unsympathetic scrutiny the complete demoralization of the Vigilante element. It was almost by accident that Alf Cole, the bandaged but still fighting blacksmith, saw Selwood and, running toward him, greeted him with a shout that drew attention to the long-hopped-for arrival of the tacturn gambler. As men, wounded and unwounded, crowded about him, he eyed the scar-faced, blinding blacksmith, coldly, paying no attention whatever to his effusive welcome.

"You running this thing, Abe?"

"Running it!" echoed Abe hoarsely. "I was running it—nobody's running it. They wouldn't do a thing I told 'em to do," declared Cole, with a plentiful sprinkling of profanity; "now they're cornered, jus' as I told 'em they'd be if they didn't obey orders, and there's about as much fight in 'em now as there is in a bunch of jack-rabbits!"

Selwood, ignoring impatient interpleaders that raised their voices, some abusing the blacksmith and some one another, looked about the two rooms. The figure that instantly arrested his attention was that of Carpy, his head swathed in a wild-looking bandage, moving about among his wounded, who, filling one corner, lay on the floor in various attitudes of prostration, anger, and disgust.

Selwood, silencing those closest, spoke to Cole. "I sent what cartridges

I could rake up, Abe; it's all I know of this side of Medicine Bend, outside what Starbuck's got. So I'd advise you not to pass any of 'em out to the jack-rabbits; put 'em in the hands of men that will use 'em."

"The teamsters, your men, are standing up," blurted out Abe. "They stopped 'em from rushing us an hour ago. But they ain't got six rounds apiece left. Starbuck will come back."

Selwood's glance had wandered. "Hello, Doc," he said as he saw Carpy edging his way toward him.

Carpy, wounded and infuriated, was grateful but grim. Selwood reached for the bloody hand stretched out. He listened with patient attention to the wrought-up surgeon, who tried to explain the wreck of their plans, though with an expression in his eyes that indicated his mind wandered.

Looking over the shoulders of those around him, Selwood saw the covered spirit of the Vigilantes. One exception attracted his attention; one man appeared profoundly indifferent to the fortunes of the night. In a comfortable chair in the farthest corner of the second room, his bald head in a huge fur cap well pulled down, and his hands clasped in his lap, sat the queer pioneer trader of Sleepy Cat and of the mountain country—old man Van Tassel. Everything he had in the world had but just gone up in the smoke of Fort street, but the tragedy had apparently failed to shake his spirit. Composed and collected he struck Selwood as an odd contrast to the welter of wrangling, confusion, and cowardice about him. The gambler silently laughed.

He turned his eyes on Cole. "Well," he said in response to many words from several mouths, "you've made a mess of it. They've got you cornered. Where are the bums that liked you hanging out? Does anybody know?"

He was assured that Bartoe's place was the only building that had escaped the flames in the River Quarter.

"That's where they are, then," was Selwood's comment.

"What are you going to do?" sputtered Cole.

"I'll take what men I've got with me at the barn and go after 'em."

"Wouldn't it be better to fight 'em here, John?" asked Cole.

"You're licked here," retorted Selwood. "If Starbuck stuck his head in the door most of these fellows would jump into the river. Get back to your wounded"—he took Carpy's arm—"looks to me, they're about all the fighting blood you've got left here."

As he spoke, he drew the surgeon apart. "You know the reason I'm in this mess, Doc," he said sternly and without wasting words. "Where is Christie Fyler?"

Carpy, controlling his excitement, caught Selwood's arm in his hand. "That's why I wanted you, quick as you could get here. So help me God, I don't know where the girl is, John. I only wish I did. This evening she and her father took supper at the hotel. I warned Christie privately to stay close—I couldn't trust Fyler with anything, Starbuck," said Carpy with a curse, "was prancing around ner and had the gall to try to stay to supper with 'em. I knowed Christie would stick close and would be, all right, but I never figured on us getting drove like this. When I seen what was coming I run up to the hotel and told all hands to light out for the depot. I run to Christie's room myself and told her what was up, and to make for the depot."

"Why didn't you bring her there yourself?" demanded Selwood.

"She wouldn't leave without her father," protested Carpy, defending himself. "And the dashed old mule wouldn't budge—I couldn't take her from him—she wouldn't go."

"So you left her there!"

"What else could I do?"

"Knock him on the head and drag her here, yourself," said Selwood savagely. He made no effort to restrain himself, and his words fell like whip lashes. "You knew her danger," he thundered; "she didn't! So you left her there!" exclaimed the gambler, sardonic in his wrath. "A fine mess you've made of it!"

"John," protested Carpy. "I'll go over there this minute with you, myself—"

"Stay where you are. What was the number of her room?"

"Twelve, at the top of the front stairs, John. I don't want you to go off mad this way. I did what I could—I tell you she wouldn't leave her father."

Selwood paused only to make a brief amend for his outbreak and to promise to return; he told Carpy he was going to look for Christie at the hotel—though in his heart he had no hope of finding her there.

On a table close at hand, where the doctor had set his instrument-case and dressing, stood a lighted pocket-lantern. Selwood, picking it up, closed the slide, put it out, and slipped it into his coat pocket.

"Hey!" exclaimed Carpy, "don't take that!"

"I may need it," said Selwood.

Walking toward the door with Selwood, Carpy pointed to one of the wounded men on the floor near where they were passing. He lay on his back, with his eyes closed, and his stertorous breathing was noticeable. "There's the old general," he said. "hit pretty bad, too; want to speak to him?"

"No," blurted out Selwood.

"He may die," observed Carpy critically.

Selwood was brutally resentful. "He won't need me to help him," was all he said. And flinging open the back door, he took one look out into the hall, slammed the door behind

him, and slipped out into the night.

On the town side of the station he could hear sporadic firing, answered at intervals by the fringes of guards defending the railroad building. He met no opposition on the way to the hotel. It was far enough out of the line of fighting to have been overlooked. He scouted about the building for a minute and entered through a side door which he found unlocked, opening into the dining-room. Without risking a fight, he felt his way across to the hall, picking up a wood-bottomed chair as he did so, and pausing at intervals to listen for sound. He could hear nothing anywhere, and walking up the front stairs without much attempt to avoid the inevitable creaking of the treads, he felt along the wall for the door of room number twelve. Laying his hand after a moment on the knob, he tried it. The door was unlocked. Without opening it, he knocked softly. There was no response. He listened intently for some of breathing, but could hear none. He then set the chair in front of the closed door, lifted from his coat pocket the dark lantern, lighted it, set it facing the door on the chair, pulled back the slide of the lantern's eye, drew his revolver, and, standing to one side, threw the door quickly open; if a shot were to come from within, the lantern should draw it.

But no shot was hurled at him, no response of any sort was made to the rude intrusion; the silence was almost ghostly. Selwood picked the lantern up from the chair, threw its light rays from side to side of the

room, and, crossing the threshold with unabated caution, looked about him.

The bed had not been disturbed. Selwood lighted a lamp. One of Christie's familiar straw hats lay on the bureau. Beside it he saw a pair of gloves that he took up in his hand, felt of, and looked at. The simple tatter articles of a frontier girl, the brush and comb and lesser feminine accessories, together with a black leather belt and a handkerchief, lay at hand.

Everything gave mute evidence that the defenseless owner had been spirited away, or had fled without a moment's warning.

To find himself standing thus surrounded by her most intimate belongings—belongings so familiar, some of them, to his observant eyes that in looking at them he was stirred to a frenzy at the thought of danger coming to her—was too much.

Without allowing himself to linger a moment where sweetness seemed still to exhale from her former presence, Selwood jerked the counterpane from under the frightened cat, and dumped into it, man-fashion, Christie's belongings. He then emptied the bureau drawers, caught up and tied the counterpane corners into a sling, and, catching the bundle up on one arm, hastened down the stairs and rejoined his men at the barn.

CHAPTER XIII

Barbanet is Persuaded.

Selwood got back without further incident, and deposited his queer-looking bundle with care inside a cupboard in the harness-room. Scott had returned and had covered the River Quarter, unmolested. His report confirmed all information that Bunt's Bartoe's place had not been burned, and, Scott added, was now noisy with Starbuck's following, who, passing in and out, were celebrating their victory.

"Is Starbuck there?" asked Pardaloe.

It was a question Scott could not answer.

Selwood's mind worked as he listened. "I've got to know for sure where Starbuck is," he said, his eyes moving from face to face of those listening about him. "Where's Bull Page?" he asked after a moment's thought. "Get him here quick."

Facing Selwood within a moment and alone with him in the office, the dilapidated but amiable Bull looked as surprised in being summoned at such a moment by the boss as the other men were.

Selwood spoke to him kindly and without haste, and asked an odd question: "Bull, you haven't done the world very much good in your eventual lifetime, have you?"

Poor Bull, greatly taken aback,

countered with a sickly smile. "Well—I hope I ain't done nobody a whole lot of harm—have I, John?" he asked in his quavering, throaty tones.

"Not to anybody except yourself, Bull, if the truth be told," replied Selwood evenly. "Not half as much harm as I've done, Bull, by a long shot. But tonight there's a chance for both of us to do something for somebody. You've seen that young girl whose father lent the mock-auction store down street, one of the stores that were burnt tonight?"

Bull nodded. "I seen her, John."

"Somewhere in this row she's got lost. I'm afraid she's fallen into bad hands. You never can tell like this, but I think you know a right like this."

"Wouldn't want no winnin' folks of mine mixed up in it."

"Then listen," continued Selwood. "I've seen you many times drunk, Bull, trying to make me think you were sober."

Bull nodded as if confessing to the indictment.

"Tonight I want you sober, trying to make everybody else think you're drunk."

Bull saw a flash of humor in the suggestion. "That," he returned, his chin pushed well down into his throat, "ain't goin' to be so awful hard, John, I don't think."

"There's one feature you may not like. But you're entitled, fair and square, to know it now. We may one of us or both of us, get killed."

"Willing to go where you go, John," he replied simply.

Selwood showed his own surprise at the unassuming assent by a longer breath than usual. "John Barbanet, spotted a man when he got you, Bull," he observed, regarding him gravely.

Bull's smile had long been in rags, but it shone brave through the tatters of his scamy face. He said nothing.

Selwood believed that if any man at the barn could get into Bartoe's that night alive, it would be Bull Page. Bull, though junior at Selwood's place, left his wages impartially at the various dives along the river front. He thus enjoyed a certain standing in the lower town as well as the upper, and he moved without prejudice among the different factions of the town.

"I don't want to ask you to do anything I wouldn't do myself—if I could," said Selwood, explaining to Bull what he meant to attempt. "But you can get through doors barred against me and against any stranger—and with you to guarantee a stranger, I might make it. Anyway, Bull, if you're game well try; and they won't get us both without some kind of a hearing."

Pardaloe and McAlpin were called in. "If you'll hold your men together here a while," said Selwood to Lefever, "we'll know exactly what we are going to do. In say, ten minutes, John, bring all of them that want to fight down to Bartoe's, and maybe they can be accommodated. I'm taking Bull Page with me, and suppose you and Scott come along, Bull," he added to Pardaloe. "If we don't all of us get back, some of us might."

"What are you going to do?" asked Lefever.

"I'm going down to Bartoe's to look around."

Scott, with the quickest instinct of his listeners, looked at the gambler with a skeptical smile. "You're not going inside?"

"I am, if I can make it," returned Selwood. He began to unbutton his coat. "And I'll borrow your hat and coat and boots if you're willing, Bob," he added. As he spoke he took a cap of McAlpin's hanging on a nearby hook and stuffed it into his trousers pocket.

Scott began to take off his coat. Lefever sat partly on the table, with one leg swinging over the edge. He slipped uneasily from his perch and stood before Selwood.

"John," he asked, "what are you actually going to do? You don't honestly mean you are going to try to go into Bunt's place tonight?"

"Why not?"

Lefever eyed him with indignation and contempt. "You're looking to quit, sure."

Selwood was already in Scott's rig. "Nothing is sure, John," he retorted amiably. "When my time comes, it comes."

"As McAlpin would say, you're talking like a blamed fool, John," rejoined Lefever.

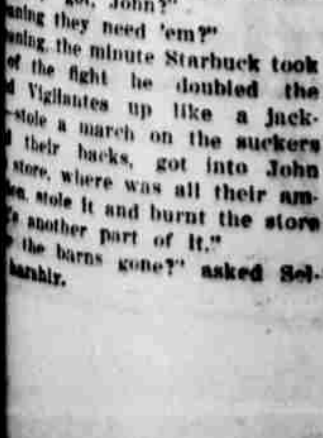
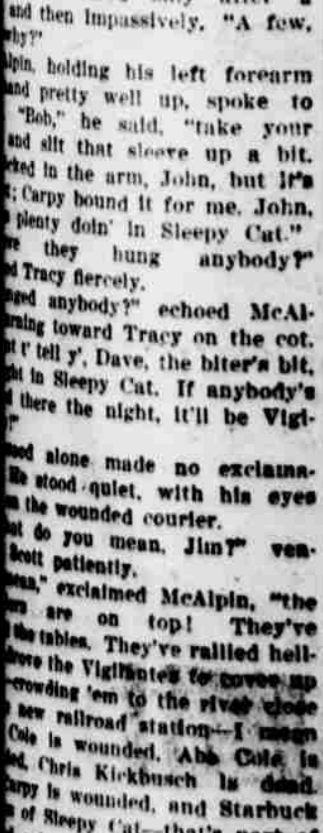
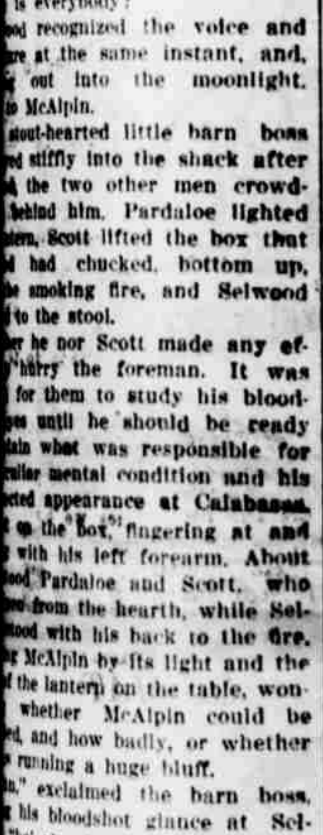
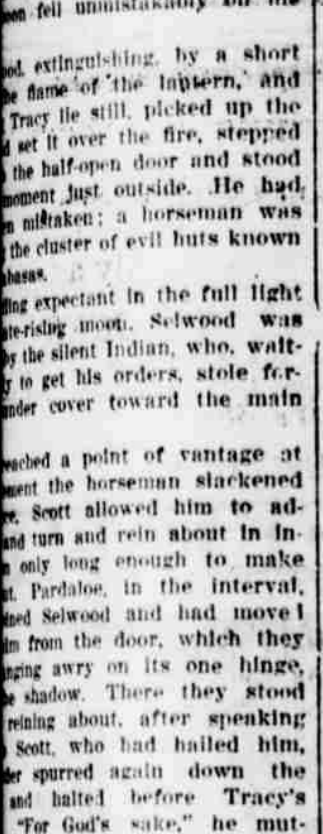
Pardaloe grunted. "I'd say you're talking like one yourself, John Lefever. If I didn't owe you sixty dollars, that is," he mumbled. "If you think you can make Selwood change his mind by talking to him, if you're ready," he snapped at Selwood, looking around for his trusty shotgun, "let's go."

Selwood led the way out of the harness-room through the office and down the dark gangway to the back door of the barn. Lefever, still persisting in protest and caution, fastened the door behind the four men.

Separating as they left the barn, Pardaloe and Scott, and Selwood and Bull Page—a definite rendezvous named—worked their way down-town. Surprised at the lull in the fighting, they could only surmise that the Vigilantes were still at bay, with the gamblers still celebrating their victory.

The men stationed outside to guard Bartoe's place, the remaining resort on the river front, offered little impediment to a reasonably close approach. But Selwood, on one side, worked his way between the guards and the building, only to find that some one had sensibly drawn every window curtain and where there were shutters had closed every shutter.

(Continued next week.)



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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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NOTICE—Bledsoe's Swimming Pool is now open to the public. Suits and towels will not be furnished. Children will be looked after. All Sunday school classes will be given half price

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FOR SALE—Good second-hand Ford Truck will sell at a bargain. T. J. Sims. tlc

BALED WHEAT FOR SALE—At my place one and one-half miles south of old oil mill. Price 40c per bale at the baler. C. W. Bledsoe.

WANTED—Second hand wind mill, must be in good condition and priced right, see or write Joe W. Davis, Haskell Route 1. 2tp

FOR SALE—Russell Big Boll Cotton Seed, made bale to the acre last year, and has extra long staple, which brought a 1c premium. \$100 per bushel. J. W. Gammill, 2 1/2 miles north-west of town.

FRED R. WHITAKER SECOND HAND STORE—North of Laundry will buy and sell all kinds of second hand furniture, will do repair work, all work guaranteed. C. S. Owens Mgr. tfp

Come to see me. We buy all the cream we can get. Swift & Co. makes the price, but we will give best test the Babcock tester will give. Bring me your cream and eggs. M. A. Clifton.

POST DEFEATS GAUNT IN A SLOW GAME

The baseball game at the Midway Filling Station Friday afternoon was enjoyed by a large crowd. The teams playing were Gaunt and Post. The scores were 16 to 11 in favor of Post. This is the third game played by these teams. Gaunt won both of the others by several scores. These two teams are of the best Rural teams in this precinct.

Rose School Closes

School closed at Rose Thursday after one of the most successful terms known at that place. Mr. Herman Thompson, Misses Vera Walker and Johnny Morgan taught this term. Quite an interesting program was rendered by the pupils especially the negro drill and also the poppy and sleepy time drills. There were also exercises held for the six grammar school graduates. Mr. Clyde Foote of the Howard School gave the address to these youngsters. Marcelle Barton with an average of 94 was Valedictorian and Lennie Patterson and Alline Barton tied for Salutatorian with an average of 91.

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Along the Way

Dignity, like a banana skin, is mighty hard to stand on.

Another paradox is that a blunt man is sometimes quite sharp.

Pride in ancestry seems foolish in anyone except our own descendants.

A returned missionary says that China can settle her own troubles. Personally we're quite willing for her to do so.

Women are said to have but little inventive genius, but we'll bet one of them invented alimony.

If it is to handle future traffic, it looks like the old Mississippi will have to be double-tracked.

An exchange reminds us that the word "questionably" contains all the vowels, which it unquestionably does.

It is said that the color of diamonds can be changed with radium, but for obvious reasons we have been unable to verify this.

Henry Judd Gray says he hopes that the day will come when people will crowd into churches like they jammed into the court room during his trial. That's too much to expect unless the preachers make their sermons more raucy.

The Chinese are fighting over their political differences, but they seem united in their hate of foreigners.

As a rule you can put it down that "flaming youth" carries very little fire insurance.

The difference is that in the old days the murderer didn't consider his trial one of vindication.

Dr. Vizetelly declares that the average person uses only one-tenth of his brains, which is a good example of false economy.

The film comedian sometimes finds it harder to evade the tax collector than to dodge a custard pie.

The notion that women are hard to please is refuted by a look at some of the men they pick.

Physicians declare that President Coolidge has perfect feet, so how can he be expected to refrain from running? Unless they get cold.

A scientist says that 40,000 germs are transmitted by a kiss. Give 40,000. take 40,000—It's a 50-50 proposition.

Primitive man was a roamer, but civilization has enabled him to roam much farther—on wheels.

The Royal Academy refused to hang a portrait of George Bernard Shaw, but probably the directors would have been quite willing to hang the original.

One of the mysteries of present day is how the Chinese got the reputation of being a philosophic and peace loving people.

A test showed that the modern girl can dress in 45 minutes which is just about as long as it took her mother to put a bar pin in her jabot.

Nicholas Murray Butler writes a sentence of 1,743 words in a college report, and a newspaper head writer is expected to tell the biggest story on earth in 22 letters.

A defendant in a criminal trial amused himself by playing solitaire while the jury was out. Solitaire is a nice game to know in case the judge sends you up.

Man is an awful liar. When he sinks a long put he modestly ascribes it to luck when down in his heart he knows it's because he's a good golfer.

TONK CREEK SCHOOL CLOSSES SUCCESSFUL TERM

Tonk Creek school closed the 1926-27 term of school last Friday evening with a splendid program. The past year has been a very successful year for the school.

Walter Beasley in Sanitarium
Walter Beasley of Sweet Home was carried to the Stamford Sanitarium last week where he was operated on for appendicitis. It is reported that he was in a very serious condition at the time but is now much improved.

Pender Day at Sweet Home
May 15th was Pender Day at Sweet Home Church. Bro. Pender preached in the morning and dinner was served on the grounds. At the afternoon services a neat sum was subscribed for Buckner's Orphan's home.

W. M. U. Social
On last Monday afternoon Mrs. Charlie Tribbey of the Sweet Home community entertained the Baptist W. M. U. Society in her home, after the business hour. Refreshments were served to about 20 members.

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 of 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:

124 acres out of section 138, Block No. 45, Certificate No. 281973, II & 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.

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

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

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Sims are visiting their daughter and son in Wichita Falls and Chillicothe this week.

Arthur Edwards
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PLAINVIEW SCHOOL CLOSURES WITH PROGRAM

The Plainview school closed last Friday with an interesting program at night. Mr. Barb, principal of the school made a talk on education. The 1926-27 term is considered one of the most successful terms in the history of the school. The seventh grade graduates were Louise Overby and Clyde Sandlin. The school was taught by George Free of the Pleasant Valley community who underwent an operation in Stamford Sanitarium for appendicitis has returned home and is reported to be getting along nicely.

Musical Recital
Mrs. B. C. Burrow will present her pupils in a musical recital at the Stamford High School Auditorium Friday evening at 7:30. Everyone is invited to attend. The recital will consist of violin and piano numbers. There will be no admission charge.

Entertains With Party
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hurst entertained a host of friends among the young people at their home last Saturday evening. A number of games were played during the evening and the merry crowd departed at a late hour, thanking the host and hostess for the wonderful time they had enjoyed.

Personals
Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Frizell on May 18th, a boy. The youngster weighed 9 1/2 pounds and will be known as James Horton Frizell.

Misses Wreatha and Faye Moody of the Plainview community visited relatives in Haskell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Overstreet of Waco, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hanson last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Montgomery and

daughter, Beryl, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Montgomery and sister, Edith Meryl, and William Welch of Haskell all spent Monday fishing on Scotts Ranch. Several fish were caught and a good time was had by all.

Mr. Fred Phillips left for Fort Worth Monday morning where he will go to work at once. Mrs. Phillips will follow in a few days.

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mother of Dallas are visiting Ashby and family. They report crops and plenty of rain around

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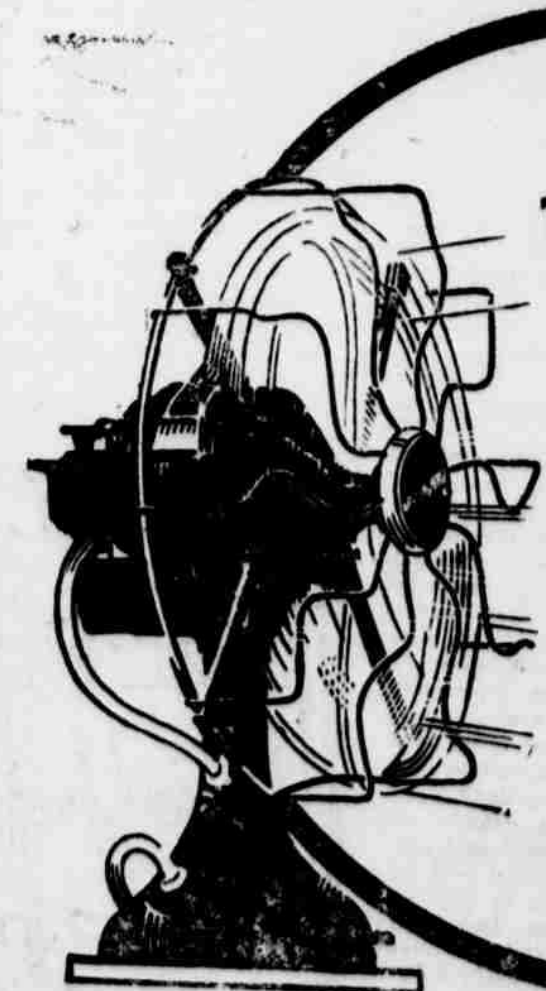
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Pioneer Stories

By R. E. Sherrill

Fitzhugh Lee's Hand-to-Hand With An Indian Warrior.

1855 near one of the U. S. posts on the Texas front, with Jack Hayes as the only white man. Fitzhugh Lee was then a young man of cavalry of the United States Army, afterwards distinguished as General of Cavalry in the Confederate Army, and still later as Governor of Virginia. He was a nephew of R. E. Lee, and a son of Com. Smith Lee of the U. S. Navy. Hayes, then a lieutenant, and Lee on the occasion referred to, coming through a forest when they met a large and robust warrior and mounted on horseback, as the Indian discovered them, a stentorian warwhoop and fell through the timber, pursued by Lee and Hayes. The chase continued for a considerable distance, first on the bank of the creek, then on a hill finally, owing to thick brush, the Indian was forced to abandon his pursuit and seek concealment, in doing so he leaped down the creek bank which was about ten feet deep. The pursuers dismounted, Lee passed one side the creek and Hayes the other. In a little while Hayes saw Lee drop down by the Indian, and he dropped to the ground, as the Indian was near at hand. He had done so when the savage leaped from behind a rock not over ten feet distance, and with a wild yell, Lee and a life and death struggle began. The Indian was much stronger of the two and soon had Lee down. The former had a lance, bow and arrow on his back. Lee had a pistol and carbine, but the first onset the lance and carbine were dropped. Lee being rose to his feet, tightly clenched his antagonist, but was again to the ground. His pistol fell beyond the reach of either. When they rolled over and each other. Lee with his left hand seized the Indian's throat and tried to suffocate him, but his was seized by the savage and reeled. Lee continued his efforts, again rolled over each other, and Lee found himself on top and the Indian's choking operation; but at an instant discovered that they rolled within reach of his pistol, which, unseen by the Indian, he held it near the ground and fired, the ball passing through the Indian's chest. The savage then made a powerful effort to turn Lee and get possession of his pistol. In the language of Capt. Hayes, "Each man fought with superhuman strength, and each knew that it was a battle unto death." All this time, and it was a few minutes, Capt. Hayes had seen the struggle and hastened to reach the spot of his friend, for he dare not fire immediately at them, lest he would kill Lee, but he was delayed by the bluff in crossing the creek. "But," says he, "just as I reached he fired again and the ball struck through the Indian's heart, killing him. Lee then rose and said to me, 'That was a close call Fitz. He said, 'Yes, I thought I was gone.' I asked him how in the world he managed to turn the heavy Indian. In his own peculiar way, he replied: 'I tell you what saved me, Jack. When I was a boy at school in Virginia I learned a little wrestling that the boys called black heel, and the thought struck me when he had me down, that if I could get my Virginia back heel on him I could get him. I tried it and I got

his grandfather, Light Horse Harry Lee, a glorious memory, but erecting another monument to the fact that since Richard Lee, first of the name in America, came to the colony of Virginia, as Secretary to Sir William Beverley, in 1641, no Lee has ever left a strain on his name or proved untrue to his country.

POST AND MCCONNELL ORGANIZE BALL CLUB

Monday night the Post and McConnell baseball team met at Post and organized a ball team. They have entered the race with the Sunday Schools of Haskell for the Loving Cup which will be awarded the winning team. The ball players have to attend Sunday School three Sundays of each month. The team for Post is lined up as follows: Elmer Watson, manager; Roy Overton, captain; J. D. Jones, assistant captain; Billy C. Austin, catcher; Louie Keunstler, first baseman; Fred Phillips, second base; J. D. Jones, 3rd base; Jim Miller, pitcher; Roy Overton, pitcher; Ray Overton, left field; Cody West, right fielder; Eugene Overton, center field; Chris Jones, short stop. The first game will be played with the M. E. Church team at Haskell Friday afternoon.

LOCAL NEWS FROM SAYLES COMMUNITY

It will probably be of interest to the many friends of Roy Guinn, who has been connected with the Morris System Grocery Co., of Breckenridge for the past several months, to learn that he has been transferred to Pampa to take charge of the store there. Roy has lived in Haskell county the greater part of his life and he has many friends here who wish to congratulate him on his success as a business man. Thurman Melton, who has been attending Abilene High School since September, spent the last week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Melton. Thurman is staying with his sister, Miss Mary Jane Melton who is connected with the post office there, and is working his way through school. He will graduate with the June class. He has been handicapped in the past by having always attended a rural school and we feel that it is an asset to any community to have such a young man as he, who has the grit and nerve to work his way to success. He plans to enter college or university after his graduation from high school.

NOTICE TO CONARACTORS FOR STATE ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION.

Letting No. 192 Haskell County. Job No. 105-A. Highway No. 120. Sealed proposals addressed to the State Highway Engineer of Texas for the improvement of certain highways in Haskell County, will be received at the office of the State Highway Engineer, at Austin, Texas, until 10 o'clock A. M. June 14, 1927, and then publicly opened and read.

NEWS ITEMS FROM THE ROBERTS COMMUNITY

Mrs. Leon Lain of this community is reported on the sick list this week. A number of the young people of this community attended the singing at Haskell last Sunday. A number of the Roberts people are planning to attend the singing which will be held at Curry Chapel on the fourth Sunday in June.

LOCAL NEWS OF THE VONTRASS COMMUNITY

Rev. Pickens of Weinert, preached an interesting sermon here last Sunday afternoon at 2:30. A good size crowd was out to hear him. Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Clothes of the Irby community entertained the young people with a candy breaking Friday evening.

LOCAL NEWS OF THE VONTRASS COMMUNITY

Mr. and Mrs. Arlos Weaver of the Vontrass community entertained the young people as well as the old, with a party last Saturday night. Several interesting games were played after which refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

DOUGLASS SCHOOL CLOSING ON LAST FRIDAY EVENING

The Douglas School closed last Friday evening. A play "The Poor Married Man" was given on Saturday evening. A large crowd attended the play and enjoyed the program. The Douglas school term just closed has been a very successful one.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners Court of Haskell County will receive bids on one or more Russell 12 ft. road grader on July 11, 1927. All bidders will be required to furnish a certified check for 2 per cent of their bid.

Why Swat the Fly

Just why should we not swat the fly when one pesky fly begins depositing eggs the middle of April will according to scientists have 5,598,720,000 descendants by the middle of September. Even if a couple million were to be so delicate as not to survive just think of the ones left. Why not swat the fly when they spread disease especially typhoid and dysentery as well as other diseases. Be prepared to get these summer flies and lessen the chance of so many descendants.

Dr. W. W. Fowler of Dallas, Texas will be in Rule Tuesday, June 7th for the purpose of doing Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat work. He will come prepared to fit glasses for those who desire them. Dr. Fowler will be found at the Rock Hotel. Itp.

WEST SIDE SINGERS MEET AT HASKELL

The West Side Singing convention met at the First Baptist Church in this city last Sunday afternoon and a splendid program was arranged. The house was filled to overflowing and besides the excellent class singing many special songs were rendered. A number of visiting singers from Throckmorton and other places were present and took an active part in the program. The special features of the singing was a solo by Mrs. Stalcup, Quartett and duett arranged by Prof. Sam Martin and Zack McWhorter, quartett by I. V. Marris, also quartett arranged by Manley Branch. The afternoon was spent in continuous enjoyment to those present. The convention will meet with Jud the fourth Sunday in June with the Jud annual all day singing which has been the custom for many years. And the fourth Sunday in July it will meet with Curry Chapel in the afternoon. Remember the dates Fourth Sunday in June at Jud for all day and the fourth Sunday in July at Curry Chapel for the afternoon beginning at 2:30 p. m.

BRIDGE

Estimated quantities for three new spans, six new piers and straightening two old spans. Untreated Lumber, 16,530 M. F. B. M. Structural Steel, 33,000.0 Lbs. Class A Concrete, 199.8 C. Y. Reinforcing Steel, 14,424.0 Lbs. Untreated Timber Piling, 2,100.0 Lin. Feet. Class A (Dry) Excavation, 300.0 C. Y. Class B (Wet) Excavation, 210.0 C. Y. Straightening Old Truss Spans, 2 Each.

BANK PROTECTION WORK

(A) Units including bolts and necessary clips, wire lacing, anchor, cables, and connecting cables and all material required for installing same according to plans and specifications f. o. b. Rule, Texas. Alternate Bids will be received. (B) Installing Bank Protection work.

Detailed plans and specifications of the work may be seen for examination and information may be obtained at office of D. M. Packett, Division Engineer, at Wichita Falls, Texas, and at the office of the State Highway Department, State Office Building, Austin, Texas.

A certified, or cashier's check for 5 percent of the amount bid, made payable without recourse to the order of the State Highway Commission of Texas, must accompany each proposal, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract and make bond in accordance with requirements of the specifications. The right is reserved by the party of the first part to reject any and all proposals or to waive all technicalities.

Proposals may be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked "Bids for the construction of 'Bridges' or Bank Protection Work," in Haskell County." Proposals submitted by mail shall be marked as above and enclosed in another envelope addressed to R. A. Thompson, State Highway Engineer, Austin, Texas.

All bids received will be retained by the Department and will not be returned to the bidders. Conditional bids will not be considered.

Ball Game

The Howard Baseball team came to Rose last Friday and defeated that team 4 to 3. The Rose team then went to Howard Saturday evening and Rose won the game 21 to 14. The Howard team will come to Rose Saturday to play the third game.

Surprise Party

The young folks of the Rose community surprised Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Phillips last Wednesday night when they drove to the house and told them that they had come to the party. How- ever Mr. and Mrs. Phillips proved to be good sports and gave a great entertainment without any preparation.

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- Ice Cream and Cake

To Reserve Table, Phone No. 2.

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At The Baptist Church

9:45 a. m. Sunday School. There were 374 in attendance last Sunday. We would like very much to have 400 next Sunday. If you are not attending some church at the present, we welcome you to our services. We need you and you need us.
11 a. m. preaching subject: "How God Deals With His People Sin." We do not know of any one that lives a perfect life. The question arises: What happens to us when we sin? This will be scripturally answered Sunday morning.
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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, of the 30th 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, T. 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:

124 acres out of section 138, Block No. 45, Certificate No. 281073, 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.

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

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

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