

# The Haskell Free Press

There may be Bigger Towns than HASKELL — But There Are None Better. . . . .

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FORTY-SEVENTH YEAR

## INTEREST, PENALTY WAIVED ON SCHOOL TAXES IF PAID NOW

At a recent meeting of the School Board of the Haskell Independent School District it was decided to accept payment of any delinquent taxes without interest or penalty until January 31, 1932. This decision was reached in an effort to secure sufficient tax money to continue the school for the full term. The Board states that it is absolutely necessary that more taxes be paid if the schools continue to operate.

The following notice was issued by the Board to the tax payers:

**Notice to Tax Payers**

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Haskell Independent School District, it was decided to accept payment of any delinquent taxes without interest or penalty until January 31, 1932. We are urging all who have unpaid school taxes to take advantage of this decision and pay up now. It is absolutely necessary that more taxes be paid if our schools are to continue to operate. We feel that taking this step we are offering every inducement possible and now all upon the patrons and taxpayers to assist us by meeting the proposition with prompt payments.

Sincerely yours,  
Board of Trustees,  
Haskell Ind. School Dist.

## 6-ROOM HOUSE BURNED EARLY SUNDAY MORNING

A six-room frame house located in the north part of town was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin Sunday morning about 4 o'clock. The house was unoccupied, and the flames had spread throughout the structure before being noticed by neighbors and an alarm turned in to the fire department.

The house was the property of J. A. Barnes of Junction, Texas, and until recently had been occupied by Shelly Martin, who moved last week to Strawn, Texas. A small amount of furniture belonging to Mr. Martin and stored in the house was also destroyed in the fire.

Insurance in the amount of \$1,000 was carried on the house, local insurance agents report.

Mesdames Courtney Hunt, Virgil Reynolds, Lola Welsh Bledsoe and Misses Marjorie Whiteker, Hazel and Lelta Robertson attended a meeting of the G. A. P. Club at Abilene last Tuesday evening.

## Mike B. Watson Is Candidate For Re-Election

Mike B. Watson makes his formal announcement this week as a candidate to succeed himself as Tax Assessor of Haskell county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary in July.

It is not necessary for the Free Press to attempt to give Mr. Watson an introduction to the voters of Haskell County as he is probably acquainted with more people in the county than any other man. He has served several years in the office of Assessor and has made the county a good one. He is asking for re-election on the record he has made in the past and assure the voters he will appreciate their vote and influence. In making his announcement Mr. Watson issues the following statement:

"It has been my good fortune and pleasure to have served you for the last several years as your Tax Assessor. By the laws of the State the term which I am now serving will terminate at the close of this year.

If my service has pleased you to the extent that you would like to continue them for another term, I will greatly appreciate your support in the coming primary in July.

"My work is increased this year by the acts of the last legislature which require me as Tax Assessor to take a farm census of Haskell County. This work will require close attention, and I may not be able to see each and every voter, but as far as possible I will try to see you in person.

Very sincerely,  
Mike B. Watson.

## O. L. (Jim) Darden For Re-Election as Com. Prec. No. 4

In our announcement column will be found the name of O. L. (Jim) Darden as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, subject to the action of the Democratic primary in July. Mr. Darden is now serving his first term in this office and has made the precinct and Haskell County a good commissioner. He is asking the voters to give him a second term on the record he has made during the past year. The following statement was issued by Mr. Darden in making his announcement.

"To the Voters of Precinct No. 4, of Haskell County:

"I hereby submit my claims for a second term as your County Commissioner. I want to thank you for the confidence in that you have placed me in this responsible office believing it to be nearer the people and of more importance to them than any office of the county.

"While serving you the past year, I have tried to serve you as I would serve myself, always mindful of your interests, not only the interest of the people of Precinct No. 4, but the people of the county at large, and shall always do so.

"I would be glad that you would investigate my actions while I have served you, and feel sure you will be satisfied with my service.

"I respectfully solicit your vote and influence in the coming Democratic primary in July.

O. L. (Jim) Darden.  
P. S. "I herewith submit for your consideration a comparative statement for the years of 1929 and 1931. According to the Tax Collector and

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## HASKELL LODGE OF ODD FELLOWS INSTALL OFFICERS

Officers for the current term were installed in Haskell Lodge No. 525, I. O. O. F. on Thursday evening, January 14th, at which time the Haskell lodge was host to local members and members of the order from Rule, Stamford, Munday and other towns in this section with an oyster supper. A large number of Odd Fellows were in attendance, and the evening was an enjoyable and profitable one for all. Talks were made by several of those present which were heartily enjoyed.

Officers installed were as follows: Noble Grand—H. B. Smith. Vice Grand—Press Perry. Secretary—Jack Silla. Treasurer—V. A. Brown. Warden—W. E. Welsh. Conductor—E. E. Welsh. Chaplain—J. T. Bynum. Inside Guardian—J. H. Kinney. Outside Guardian—Paul Frierson. R. S. S.—Vaughn Bailey. L. S. S.—H. R. Jones. R. S. N. G.—J. P. Kennedy. L. S. N. G.—F. B. Reynolds. R. S. V. G.—C. W. Shelley. L. S. V. G.—Dennis P. Ratliff.

## New Telephone Directory to be Published Soon

A new Directory, listing all subscribers of the Haskell and Weinst exchanges will be issued in the near future according to Roy Killingsworth, district manager of the Haskell Telephone Company.

All subscribers who contemplate moving, and those who are planning to install telephones soon, are requested to notify Mr. Killingsworth in order that listings may be correct in the new book.

Mr. and Mrs. N. I. McCullum and daughters Misses Nettie and Margaret spent last Sunday in Cleo visiting relatives.

Miss Mary Sue Hester has returned home from Rochester after a fortnight visit with relatives and friends.

## R. J. REYNOLDS GROCERY NOW IN NEW LOCATION

R. J. Reynolds & Son is now located in their new home on the north side of the square. The building has been thoroughly remodeled and new fixtures and display tables installed making this popular grocery concern one of the most attractive homes in all west Texas.

The green color scheme used in the old building has been carried out in the new store, and with the added floor space and new fixtures the attractiveness of the store has been enhanced.

Reynolds & Son have always enjoyed a large patronage from the people of Haskell and Haskell County and the change in location will enable them to serve their patrons better than ever before.

They extend a cordial invitation to the public to visit them in their new home. Friday afternoon and Saturday through the cooperation of the Del Monte Food products representative, they will serve free coffee and cakes to their customers.

## \$30,000 LOSS IN EARLY MORNING FIRE AT HAMLIN

Losses estimated at \$25,000 to \$30,000 were incurred at Hamlin early Saturday when fire of unknown origin destroyed three brick business buildings, two of them occupied.

Originating in the Boyd Chevrolet company structure, the fire swept into the Dock's Motor Repair shop, adjoining, and from there to an unoccupied third building.

Stock and equipment of the Boyd company, valued by W. L. Boyd at \$10,000 and \$3,000 worth of equipment owned by A. H. Humphrey of the Dock's Motor Repair were completely destroyed. Boyd was partially protected by insurance. Property of Humphrey was uninsured.

The building occupied by the Boyd company was owned by B. S. Ferguson, and the other two structures were property of Miss Bessie Rawls. Both Ferguson and Miss Rawls live in Corpus Christi.

The fire was discovered at 2:30 a. m.

## "DRACULA" TO BE SHOWN AT TEXAS, FEBRUARY 1-3

One of the most outstanding pictures of the year will be shown at the Texas on Monday and Tuesday and if you are looking for thrills and unexpected surprises you will not be disappointed in this picture. On Wednesday and Thursday "Compromised" will be shown. A story of unexpected human interest with a star cast headed by Rose Hobart and Ben Lyon.

Buddy night is being started on Wednesday night and regular family night on Thursday night of each week.

## M. M. (Marvin) Cobb For Commissioner of Precinct No. 3

In our announcement column this week will be found the name of M. M. (Marvin) Cobb as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the Democratic primary in July.

Mr. Cobb is a son of the late G. H. Cobb a pioneer resident of Haskell County, coming to this section in 1890, and is well and favorably known throughout the precinct.

He is a strong believer in economy in government and promises if elected to use his influence in cutting the cost of government wherever possible, giving the affairs of the county the same careful attention he would his own personal business. Mr. Cobb states that he realizes that the office of Commissioner is one of the most important within the gift of the people and if they see fit to honor him with this position he will do his very best to so handle the affairs of the office they will never regret their choice for commissioner.

Mr. Cobb expects to make a thorough canvass of the precinct between now and election time and hope to see each and every voter in the precinct. We ask that you give his candidacy due and careful consideration when you go to cast your vote in the primary.

James Yancy of Rochester was a business visitor in Haskell Monday.

## County Basket Ball Tourney to Be Held at O'Brien

The Haskell County Basket Ball tournament for boys will be held at O'Brien Friday and Saturday, Jan. 29-30. The following schools will participate: Rule, Rochester, O'Brien, Sagerton, New Cook, Tanner Point, McConnell and Midway. Play will start at 1:30 p. m. Friday.

## W. T. Sarrels Is Candidate For Re-Election

The name of W. T. Sarrels, Haskell county's capable and efficient Sheriff, will be found in our announcements column this week as a candidate for re-election to this responsible position, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

An introduction on our part for this worthy officer is unnecessary, as he has probably made the acquaintance and enjoys the friendship of a majority of the residents of the county. His administration of the affairs of this responsible office has been that of a capable and fearless official, and he has gained a reputation as an outstanding peace officer of this section.

Mr. Sarrels states that he will try and see as many of the voters of the county as the duties of his office will permit, and solicits their support and influence on the basis of his record in the office in the past. We ask for his candidacy the careful and earnest consideration of every voter in making their selection for this important office.

Mr. Sarrels presents the following statement in connection with his announcement:

"To the People of Haskell County: "In announcing my candidacy for Sheriff, permit me to first thank you for your many favors and kind-

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## Chevrolet Truck Destroyed by Fire Monday Morning

A Chevrolet truck belonging to the Haskell Bakery was destroyed by fire Monday morning about 4 o'clock, causing an early run for members of the fire department.

The truck was parked in front of the home of Clyde Cearley, who is driver of the car on deliveries of the bakery products to adjoining towns.

Origin of the fire is a mystery, as Mr. Cearley had parked it at his home early the evening before, at least eight hours elapsing from the time it was last driven until it was discovered in flames. The truck was wrecked beyond repair by the fire.

## Funeral Services Mrs. Flora Scoby Thurs. Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. Flora Spence Scoby, age 77, were held at the Church of Christ Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev. McMillan of Abilene. Interment was in Willow Cemetery.

Death occurred Wednesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. P. Williams in this city, where Mrs. Scoby had made her home since the death of her husband several years ago. Deceased was born in Ohio, but moved with her family to Texas a number of years ago. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Surviving children are: Mrs. M. P. Williams and Miss Nell Scoby, Haskell; Jess C. Goss, Waco; and Mrs. W. H. Hilton, Floydada.

Active ball-blossers were: Austin Coburn, Wayne Coburn, Charles Rose, Ira Johnson, Jerry Carmichael and Willie Johnson.

Honorary pallbearers: A. C. Roggs, Date Anderson, Jess Wright, Cob Stark, Arthur Bland and S. J. Redwine.

Flower Girls were: Hope Campbell, Lorene Wright, Marjorie Wright, Lois Davis, Blanch Davis and Virginia Williams.

Funeral arrangements were in charge of J. H. Kinney of the Kinney Funeral Home.

Dr. and Mrs. V. B. Crane are proud of their new son who arrived Saturday night, January 23.

James Yancy of Rochester was a business visitor in Haskell Monday.

## MANHATTAN OPENS NEW STORE HERE WITH LARGE STOCK

Carl Pearlman, proprietor of the Manhattan store, which was closed last December and the stock consolidated with his store at Seymour, has returned to Haskell and is opening with a new stock of merchandise in the building formerly occupied by the Manhattan on the west side of the square.

Mr. Pearlman states that while his stock is not complete, he expects to have a full line of new merchandise within a few days. When he removed his stock from Haskell to Seymour during the holidays he had other plans for the present and intended to return to Haskell next fall, but after looking other towns over, he decided that Haskell was a better town and the opportunity greater here than he could find elsewhere, hence the change in his plans and the re-opening of the store here sooner than he expected at the time of his removal last fall.

## GOOD ATTENDANCE AT TUESDAY MEET OF BONEHEAD CLUB

Members of the Bonehead Club held their regular meeting Tuesday at noon at the Club Cafe, with a good attendance and several visitors present. A check-up on the attendance contest now under way carried a tinge of humiliation for J. H. Kinney, whose team suffered a loss of two points, but Bonehead Kinney believes a spurt of speed at the next two meetings will put him 'way in the lead.

Sterling C. Edwards, District Farm Agent; C. C. Jobson, County Agent of Jones county; Frank Locke, president of the Stamford Exchange Club, and Messrs. Bowie and Swenson, Stamford and District Attorney H. P. Grindstaff were guests of the Club for the meeting. Excellent talks were enjoyed from the visitors, and Mr. Locke in his address shed considerable light on the activities last year of County Agent Williams of this city and the Jones County Agent, Mr. Jobson, in their efforts to exterminate the large flocks of ravens common to Jones and Haskell counties.

Next meeting of the Club will be Tuesday Feb. 9th, and President Joe Williams urges every member who possibly can to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith attended the annual Hardware Dealers Convention at San Antonio last week. They visited with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Ragdale while there.

Mr. Ira Hester, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hester, has entered Harding College in Morrilton, Ark.

Hollis Atkinson returned Tuesday night from Palestine, Texas where he supervised the opening of an "M" System Store.

## Luther Highnote Is Candidate For City Marshal

We are authorized this week to announce the candidacy of L. H. (Luther) Highnote for the office of City Marshal, subject to the approval of the voters in the City Election April 5th, and his name will be found in the proper place in our announcement column.

In making his announcement for this responsible office, Mr. Highnote promises to make the voters other than that he will endeavor to the best of his ability to discharge the duties of the office in a fair and impartial manner, satisfactory to the best interests of our city, if the voters see fit to elect him.

Mr. Highnote is well qualified for the office, having had a number of years experience as a peace officer, and is now serving as Deputy Sheriff. He has the reputation of an efficient and courteous official, and is thoroughly familiar with the duties of the office to which he aspires.

He states that he will endeavor to see as many of the voters of Haskell as possible before the election is held and discuss his claims to the office with them in person. In the meantime we ask for his candidacy the due consideration of every voter in making their choice for this responsible office.

## SATURDAY LAST DAY TO REGISTER MOTOR VEHICLES

### J. S. Abarnatha For Commissioner of Precinct No. 1

J. S. Abarnatha makes his announcement this week as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic primary in July.

Mr. Abarnatha has a host of friends throughout the precinct, having served in the capacity of Commissioner a few years ago. He is thoroughly familiar with the duties of a commissioner and will make a good one if elected. In making his formal announcement Mr. Abarnatha issued the following statement regarding his candidacy.

"Because of numerous offers of support, through the solicitation of friends, and because of the experience gained in former years, I now offer myself as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1 of Haskell County subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

"In doing this, I am willing and anxious that my former record as Commissioner be investigated, and promise the people of Precinct No. 1 that all of the good deeds of my former terms of office will be carried into the next term if elected, and the mistakes that I made will be avoided through experience.

"I have watched with interest the affairs of Haskell County during the past year, and believe that I realize its needs and problems as well as anyone and pledge myself if elected to keep first the interest of the Precinct and County as a sacred trust. I believe in and will foster a strict administration of economy

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## ESCAPED PRISONER IS ARRESTED BY ABILENE OFFICERS

W. E. (Druke) Henderson who escaped from the county jail Saturday night Jan. 16 after forcing two other men confined in the jail with him to saw bars of the cells in two, was apprehended by Abilene officers late Thursday evening, and has been returned to the Haskell jail where he awaits transfer to the State Penitentiary under a two year sentence imposed in District Court several weeks ago after he had been convicted of forgery.

Henderson was arrested by W. S. Britton, Abilene detective, at a house occupied by Henderson's wife and her mother in Abilene. He was found hidden in the basement of the house, and after being arrested said that he had only arrived in Abilene a few hours before the officers located him.

Henderson is credited with having escaped from the State Penitentiary at least eight times, and has been involved in three jail breaks according to officers.

## Local Post of Legion to Have "Bean" Supper

The local post of the American Legion will stage an old-fashioned "Bean Supper" Friday night, February 12th, according to plans adopted at the regular meeting held last Friday night in the City Hall. Committees to have charge of the affair were appointed, and it was voted to invite all ex-service men in Haskell county to attend the supper, regardless of whether they are members of the Legion or not.

The supper will be held in the City Hall, and every veteran living in the county is urged to keep the date in mind and attend in order that the occasion may be a real gathering of ex-service men. No charge will be made anyone, the affair being sponsored and financed through the local Post.

Good attendance of members was reported at Friday's meeting, and two new members became affiliated with the Haskell Post.

A warning to motorists to obtain their 1932 motor vehicle registration plates by midnight of January 31 has been issued by L. G. Phares, chief of the state highway patrol, who stated the patrol had been issued strict orders to require compliance with the automobile registration statute.

Word has been received from many of the tax collectors that automobile registrations are coming in slowly and that unless more interest is shown in the immediate future, a large number of the motor vehicle owners will be required to pay the 20 per cent penalty which becomes effective after January 31, Phares said.

Several of the tax collectors have opened branch offices and put on extra help to take care of the rush, but in many instances this help is standing around idle on account of the delay in registering.

"We just want to impress on the public that there will be no extension of time for payment of registration fees in any county and no one has the authority to make any extension," Phares stated. "Our laws require that all motor vehicles operated on the public streets or highways after midnight of January 31 must bear license plates issued for the current year and motorists operating without such plates make themselves subject to arrest."

## ANNUAL ELECTION OF RED CROSS TO BE HELD FEB. 3

The annual meeting and election of officers for the Haskell County Chapter of the American Red Cross will be held in the City Hall in this city at 2 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday, February 3rd. Reports of the work carried on by the Chapter during the past year will be made at this meeting, and all members are urged to attend.

Officers to be elected are Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Committee of five members, and a Home Service Chairman.

Present officers of the Chapter are: H. C. King, chairman; Sam A. Roberts, vice chairman; Hill Oates, secretary; A. C. Pierson, treasurer.

In New Location The C. P. Woodson Battery and Radio Shop, formerly located on the southeast corner of the square has moved to the building just across the street from Western Produce Company. In addition to battery, radio and phonograph repair service they now have plenty of room for automobile storage in their new location.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Shugart and children of Lubbock spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kinney.

## H. M. Cooner For Commissioner of Precinct No. 1

In our announcement column will be found the name of H. M. Cooner as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

Mr. Cooner is one of Haskell County's most substantial farmers and has been a citizen of the county and precinct for the past 30 years. He made the race for Commissioner four years ago, receiving a substantial vote over the precinct at that time. He is an advocate of economy in the administration of the county's affairs and promises if elected to devote his entire time to the interest of the County's business and the affairs of Precinct No. 1.

Mr. Cooner expects to make a thorough canvass of the precinct between now and election time in an effort to see each and every voter in the precinct, and present his claims, personally for the office. He is well qualified to fill the position to which he aspires and will make the county a good commissioner if elected. We ask that you give his candidacy your earnest consideration when you go to cast your vote in the July primary. He will appreciate your vote and influence.



# HOT BEDS FOR EARLY GARDENS

College Station—The rapid increase in number of year round gardens on Texas farms the last few years has been made possible by hot beds which permit a small supply of winter vegetables and very early spring gardens, according to J. F. Rosborough, horticulturist in the Extension Service of Texas A. and M. College and the United States Department of Agriculture. Practically ever home demonstration agent in the state has a few "year round garden demonstrations" which have served as examples of what can be accomplished in this line, and which have invariably included hot beds.

These hot beds usually consist of a shallow layer of earth enclosed in a low glass-covered frame heated by fermenting manure placed 18 inches deep under a 2- to 4-inch top soil layer. A properly managed hot bed of 6x12 foot size is large enough for an average farm garden, Mr. Rosborough says. By starting slow-maturing plants, such as tomatoes, cabbage, pepper, and lettuce, in these shelters while the weather is still cold, and transplanting into the garden when warm weather comes, 30 to 50 days may be added to the bearing season.

The hot bed should be located in a sheltered place, he says, prefer-

ably on the south side of some building, and the soil removed from the pit piled up about the wooden frame. Pieces of 2x2 or 2x4, three feet long, should be used as braces onto which is nailed shiplap or other lumber to give a tight wall for the frame. The wall is made 18 inches high on the north and 12 inches on the south, and all walls lined with building paper or newspapers. The sash coverings are made in 6x3 foot sizes with glass, cellophane or muslin cloth used for covering, and fitted snugly into the frame to prevent air leaks.

Fresh horse manure with one-third straw is recommended for heating, and it should be made to heat in piles before placing in the pit where it is thoroughly tramped down as a foundation for a thin layer of equal parts of well rotted manure and loam soil for a seed bed. Seed may be planted broadcast or in rows. Watering should be done mornings and a temperature of 60 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit maintained by raising or lowering the sashes. A small amount of ventilation is always needed except on very cold or very windy days. In extremely cold weather a protective layer of straw should be placed at night on top of the sashes.

## FARM NOTES

By Joe C. Williams, County Agent

### Turkey Talk:

Twenty-six farmers decided that the turkey market was not what they should get for their turkey crop. The price on local markets was seventeen and one-half cents per pound for No. 1 birds and eleven cents for No. 2 turkeys. By pooling one thousand turkeys they were able to get twenty cents per pound for No. 1 and thirteen cents for No. 2 birds.

The total amount received for the crop of one thousand birds in the pool was \$1,379.28, whereas they would have received on the local markets \$1,129.89 or a difference of \$249.39. The leaders are planning on pooling all the turkeys in the county during the coming year. Two hundred and fifty dollars is quite an item this year.

Clay Kimbrough, Jr., sold two hundred dollars worth of turkeys on the past Xmas markets, that cost him less than twenty dollars to get them ready for market, counting everything they ate from the time they were hatched until sold. Clay is keeping fifteen hens and toms to go with them for breeding stock.

Turkey growers in Haskell county will be able to get the services of our poultry specialists during the hatching and growing season. The purpose of these men is to help the growers with their problems that may come up.

If the turkey men want a turkey grading school for two days, before the markets mature near Thanksgiving period, in which farmers will be taught how to select their birds as well as methods of finishing them for markets to get the highest prices for their birds. Baylor county had a turkey grading school and as a result the farmers there received twenty-six cents per pound for their dressed turkeys, which netted them some \$800.00 more than they could have had by selling live turkeys.

It seems that if Baylor county farmers can have such success that surely Haskell county farmers could do equally as well. Several growers have agreed to keep records on the cost of producing their turkeys for next year and the agent would like to have as many as will agree to do the same thing in order that all may have the services of the poultry specialist.

Those growers who are interested in such a proposition should get in touch with the agent.

### WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL

Two hundred years ago next month on February 11, 1732, a son was born to Augustine Washington, a prosperous planter of Wakefield, Westmoreland County, Virginia. This year we are celebrating the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Because the calendar system of the English-speaking world was changed in 1752, by dropping eleven days, we now celebrate the birthday of Washington on February 22 instead of February 11.

But this whole year will be given over to commemorating the "Father of His Country." Everybody who can possibly afford to do so ought to make a visit to the city of Washington and the nearby home of George Washington—Mt. Vernon—as well as to his birthplace farther down the Potomac river, at some time or other during the year. It is our feeling that no true American can really get the spirit of America without visiting our national capital and seeing the historic mementoes of the great leader who made our

nation possible.

The very clothes that Washington wore are on exhibit in the National Museum in Washington. In the great memorial building on Spoor's Hill in Alexandria erected by the Masonic order as a memorial to Washington, may be seen the apron he wore and the gavel he wielded as Master of the Friendship Lodge. In Alexandria still stands the school which he built and for which he left an endowment in his will, while the very streets of the city are a memorial for he was the young surveyor who laid them out. St. John's church, in which he was a vestryman, is open to visitors, who are privileged to sit in the pew which Washington occupied, while back from Mt. Vernon is the little country church at Pohick which he attended in his earlier days. Mt. Vernon itself stands almost as Washington left it, with much of the furniture which he used.

Any time of the year is a good time to visit Washington. The city named for the great revolutionary leader grows more beautiful year by year and easier to get to from any part of the country. Even if you can spare no time or money for any other holiday in 1932, by all means we hope every one of our readers can find a way to pay at least a brief visit to Washington.

### How Many Are a Few?

In somewhat light vein the Christian Science Monitor once asked and discussed the question: "How many are a few?" No conclusion was reached, as there appeared to be no definite authority which might be cited to establish the answer.

Later a correspondent in Newark called attention to the fact that a small Scotch boy had found the answer long ago, according to a story which may be briefly related thus:

The boy was entitled to a "few apples" as a prize for memorizing more verses of his scripture than any other member of his Sunday school class, where upon the teacher gave him three apples. The boy demurred, asserting that he should have eight apples. Pressed for his authority, the lad triumphantly produced it from no less a source than the Holy Writ, quoting Peter, third chapter, 20th verse, which says:

"Few, that is eight souls were saved by water."

His contention being incontrovertible, the boy got his eight apples. And, therefore, if anyone should ask, "a few" means eight.—Ex.

### JACK WHITAKER IS GIVEN PROMOTION BY UTILITIES CO.

Jack Whitaker, for six years district line foreman of the West Texas Utilities company and who has become during his residence of several years here one of Munday's most esteemed citizens, is completing his removal to Truscott this week, where he has been named manager of the Truscott and Benjamin offices of the company. He also will continue as district line foreman.

Mrs. Whitaker and the children will leave for Truscott to make their new home Friday or Saturday.

The regard felt here toward Mr. Whitaker was reflected recently in his election as chief of the Munday fire department. The vacancy created by his departure has not been filled.

While rejoicing at Mr. Whitaker's promotion, citizens of Munday joined in expressing keen regret at his removal from the community. —The Munday Times.

# HASKELL COUNTY'S OWN SAM WEST CLIMBS TO BASEBALL PEAK

The following article was written by Henry P. Edwards, sports writer in Washington D. C. regarding Sam West a Haskell County boy who has made good in the big league. Sam West has many friends in Haskell who will be glad to know what others think of him as a ball player.

A high school baseball manager down in Texas would not let the boy now rated as about the best fielding out-fielder in the American league play in a certain game about 10 years ago. Just to show that high school manager up, Sam West proceeded to make baseball a greater study than he had his books.

West then was living in Rule, Texas. There came a holiday. The town team was scheduled to play one of its rivals while the high school celebrated with a picnic, the feature of which was to be a ball game with Hutto High school. Sam, of course, expected to play one of the outfield positions with the high school nine but the manager of his team had other ideas. He also had some one else to play in Sam's place.

Sam was mad, mad clear through, so mad he left the picnic flat and returned to town and the big ball game. There was a delay. The Rule right fielder was missing. Sam volunteered. Regular Frank Merrivell stuff. The town manager had no one else so the high school kid was sent to right field. He did so well that he was installed as the team's regular right fielder. But that honor and also the joy he secured out of twiddling his fingers at the high school manager every time they met failed to satisfy him. He longed for greater worlds to conquer.

### Joins San Angelo

Rule was too small for him. He ran away from home. He joined the baseball team at San Angelo. San Angelo did not give him enough fame. He left that team and signed with the Roswell, N. M., club of the Pecos Valley league. The spring of 1924 found him finally in organized baseball, playing with Sulphur Springs, East Texas league. That club dropped out and the franchise was transferred to Longview, the town in which he had been born.

Then, Sam began to go up. Birmingham bought him. He was hitting at a terrific gait when Washington purchased him in July. A week later, he was hit in the head by a pitched ball thrown by South-paw Merle Sattlemire, later an American league pitcher. As a result of that accident, he was out of the game the remainder of that year, nearly dying, while he was of little use to Washington the following season because of headaches.

Sam was in only 38 games in that campaign of 1927 but he did not waste the season. Far from it. This Speaker was with Washington that year and West devoted himself to making a study of the fielding of the man who has been touted as the national game's greatest out-fielder when it came to fielding. As a result of that study, Sam West, today, is practically a copy of the great Gray Eagle in the field. In some ways, he may be better than Speaker because he is somewhat fleet of foot. He has Speaker's uncanny system of whirling with the crack of the bat, dashing to the wall with his back to the plate and then turning in exactly the right spot to make the catch.

### Arm Operation

When Joe Engle, the Washington scout, bought West, he told Clark Griffith that West was a terrible

fielder but a potentially great hitter. Then came that terrible blow in the head and Sam, the following season, was a mark for southpaws. In fact, it really was not until 1930 that Sam discovered he could hit left handers. Study and practice turned the trick, and turned it so well he batted .328 in 1930 and .333 in 1931.

Sam's success has come in the face of accidents that would have discouraged many a player but Sam seems to be one of those who refuses to be discouraged. His accident in Birmingham was but the start of a series of mishaps while the latest was a crippling of his throwing arm which forced him to go under the knife after the close of the 1931 season. The operation is said to have eliminated the trouble which means that Sam West may be slated to go even further in stardom in 1932.

### MUNDAY QUINTETT HABS HONORS AT OWN MEET BEATING RULE TEAM

The Munday Mequis won the championship of their own invitation tournament in Monday, Saturday night, defeating Rule, 19 to 12, in the final game.

Munday led 14 to 2 at the end of the first half, and apparently had the game laid away. Rule proceeded, however, to make the third round very interesting. The visitors outscored the Mequis, 7 to 1, in that round, and looked as if they might be on their way to victory.

Then, Munday steadied in the final quarter and increased its lead by one point.

E. Thompson and King of Munday and T. Barbee, the Rule center, were outstanding players in the championship game. Munday won because of its ability to work the ball in with a short, fast passing attack. The defense of both teams was good. Scoring honors were shared by E. Thompson and King of the championship team.

Neither side substituted, but Cure and H. Thompson of Munday were on the verge of being ousted for personal fouls at the termination of hostilities.

Third place in the tournament went to Bomarton, which downed Rochester, 32 to 21 in a playoff. Roby had gained the semi-final round by the defeat of Bomarton, but after losing to Rule, the Lions withdrew, in favor of Bomarton, when the eligibility of one of their players was questioned.

The semi-final scores were: Rule 22, Roby 5. Munday 24, Rochester 17. In the quarter-finals the scores

## COSTIVENESS

CONFINE indoor work—skillful work with the hands that does not include plenty of physical exercise for the body, often results in the bad feeling and unpleasant signs of faulty bowel movement. W. S. Conant, a saddler and harness maker living in Somerset, Ky., says: "I had to take something for costiveness, as I would just get so tired, or have a dull feeling. After I heard of Black-Draught and began taking it, I avoided this trouble. I take it in small doses and it is most satisfactory." 7-1-32

## BLACK-DRAUGHT

were as follows:

- Rule 26, Goree 16.
- Roby 33, Bomarton 25.
- Munday 33, Tanner Paint 18.
- Rochester 19, Truscott 18.

O'Brien won first place in the consolation play by defeating Lone Star 35 to 21. The semi-finals in that division brought the defeat of Woodson, 29 to 11, by O'Brien, and of Allendale, 29 to 15, by Lone Star.

Trophies to the winners of first, second and third places in championship play and of first place in the consolation were presented with trophies at the conclusion of the tourney, by Supt. H. H. Riley of the Munday schools.

Attendance was good throughout the meet and there was only one default among the 18 entries, although several of the teams had to drive over muddy roads to enter the tournament.

The box score of the championship game:

RULE	FG	FT	PF	TP
Chambers, f	1	0	2	2
Bouyea, f	1	1	0	3
T. Barbee, c	2	1	1	5
Edwards, g	1	0	1	2
O. Barbee, g	0	0	2	0
Totals	3	2	6	12

MUNDAY	FG	FT	PF	TP
Rayburn, f	2	0	1	4
E. Thompson, f	2	3	1	7
King, c	3	1	1	7
Cure, g	0	1	3	1
H. Thompson, g	0	0	3	0
Totals	7	5	9	19

### FARM WIVES HAVEN'T LOST FAITH IN POULTRY

Farm flocks of poultry will continue through 1932 to be one of the mainstays of Texas farm wives who are forever having to keep up a steady small flow of cash to pay for groceries, medicine, cloth and incidentals. At least this is what home demonstration authorities in the Extension Service at Texas A. and M. College think. They base the prediction on the basis of returns coming in from home demonstration agents in all parts of Texas showing that the demonstration farm flocks made money last year, and that most farm women are working to improve poultry returns are optimistic.

Surprising reports are coming from a number of counties like Has-

kell showing that the demonstration flocks actually made more money in 1931 than in 1930. With prices ranging from 7 to 22 cents per dozen the demonstrators averaged 6 cents per dozen profit. The profit per hen increased 17 cents over the previous year. Miss Eileen Partlow, home demonstration agent, explains the result by pointing out that low prices forced owners to use home-grown feed, mix their own mash, feed more skim milk and manage very carefully to increase flock production.

An average profit of 50 cents per day was made in 1931 by Mrs. Edgar Zuehl of Guadalupe county from a flock that averaged 181 eggs per bird. She culled her flock down from 605 hens at the first of the year to have 100 when the poultry year ended October 31st. She has found that old hens do not pay and in her report to Miss Blanche Bair, home agent, states that she has 200 vigorous young pullets ready for 1932.

In Detroit a professional sword-swallower nearly choked to death on a toothpick. He ought to use only implements that are kind to his throat.

A lot of fellows will be mentioned for high office this year, even if they have to do the mentioning themselves.

Maybe the League of Nations won't make too much fuss over that Manchurian controversy so long as the Japanese refrain from calling it a war.

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Sincerely yours,  
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# Rural Community News Items

## SAGERTON

have had some more bad weather this week. Some rain, with winds, clouds unsettled with weather.

A number of basketball games were delayed on account of weather.

Mr. R. H. Robertson with G. A. Bert made a business trip to Dallas last Monday.

A. Heathington, Attorney of Sagerton visited his brother and sister here, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Heathington last week.

Heathington and his brother went to Comanche to see their father while he was over here.

Guy Southern from Girard and Mrs. Scott Crabtree and family spent one night and day with us last week.

M. R. Smith is at home again after several months absence, her family is glad to see her.

The Sagerton girls basketball team went to Haskell last Wednesday evening and played the girls of Haskell. The score was 24 to 1 in Haskell's favor.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Russell, Jr. moved this week to Peacock. Russell was the Agent here on the Wichita Valley Railroad and transferred to Peacock as agent. Their friends here wish them success in their new location.

Josie Massia and daughter Florise have moved into the home which was vacated by leaving of Mr. Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Brannan from east town, have moved into town and living in Mrs. Hudson's house.

A. Gibson, Jr. accompanied by sister Virginia went to Okla. Wednesday and was married to B. Ross. These young people here and have a score of friends who wish them much happiness and success in their wedlock.

Mr. R. H. Robertson and G. A. Bert went to Stamford last Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Eavins and family moved into our town. Mr. Eavins is our new agent on the Val-Rail Road. We welcome them to our midst.

Pauls Lutheran Church have their pastor located here now, which makes it so much better for them. G. A. Lambert called on Mrs. H. Robertson last Wednesday evening.

Miss Alyeen Ates, high school teacher spent the week-end with her folks at Roscoe.

Lee Gibson with son Richard of Rochester, were in Sagerton last Friday.

Miss Beulah Mae Summers called on Miss Louise Partain last Saturday evening.

Reuben Lambert with his sister Lois Mae and Whitfield Clark went to Stamford last Saturday.

Last Wednesday night Jan. 20th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Partain, there was a Leap Year Party given in honor of the young people. It being Leap Year the young ladies invited their young men friends. They played many new games and some Leap Year proposals were reported. All enjoyed the party very much and at a late hour the hostess served delicious cake with hot chocolate, after which they soon departed for their homes thanking the hostess for the pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Halcombe and children went to Rule last Saturday evening.

Miss Nora Neal went to Rule Saturday evening along with Mrs. Halcombe, to see her homefolks.

The time of the P. T. A. program has been changed from Friday night January 29, to Thursday night Jan. 28th. Everyone come, you will be missed if you don't.

The many friends of Mrs. L. D. Cox are so glad to learn that she is improving nicely.

Mrs. R. H. Horine stopped over here Friday on her way back from Dallas. Mr. Horine came Saturday night from Lorenzo to meet Mrs. Horine here, and spent a while here with her old friends. They are leaving Sunday evening for their home at Lorenzo.

Bro. Irvin filled his appointment here at the M. E. Church Sunday morning and night. There was a very good crowd considering the cold weather.

Petree's mother, Mrs. D. S. Ketron of Haskell Monday.

E. A. Gypson made a business trip to Fort Worth Wednesday.

John Kuenstler and family of Sayles visited Roy Overton and family Sunday.

T. J. Brimberry and family of Plainview visited her parents H. C. Adams and family, Sunday.

Buster Cox and wife of Weaver visited the latter's parents J. W. Nanny and family Saturday.

Otho Nanny spent Friday night with Horace Ivy of McConnell.

Horace Ivy of McConnell attended Sunday School at the Methodist Church here Sunday morning.

Josephine Gardner and Vada Cole visited the former's mother Mrs. Gardner of Stamford, Saturday.

Tom Hartsfield and wife who worked on the plains this fall have returned to their home in this community.

H. L. Terrei and family visited the former's parents who live at Curry Chapel, last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Brooks visited Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Matthews and family of Weinert, Thursday.

George Weaver of Howard visited S. R. Brooks and family Wednesday.

## POST

Arvin Herrin and wife visited E. A. Irvin and wife of Stamford Tuesday night.

The Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday in the club room. Several ladies were present.

Mrs. D. S. Ketron and daughter, Lula visited in the homes of W. D. Ketron and H. C. Adams Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bosse entertained a few friends with "84" Wednesday night.

E. B. Petree and family also Mrs. Howel of Galveston visited Mrs.

noon with Mrs. C. D. Morgan of Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rice and children, Mrs. William Pritchett, son and daughter, and little Miss Mildred Green spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Turman.

## Foster

We are still having some damp weather at this writing. We are looking forward for some pretty days.

Miss Lois Nevils spent Saturday night with her parents of Millsap, Texas.

Misses Dorothy and Winnie Best spent Sunday with Beulah and Reba Jenkins.

Mr. I. H. Harrell visited J. W. Hewitt Sunday.

Miss Beulah Pearl Faulkner spent Monday night with Tommy Faye Westmorland.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Blant visited Mr. and Mrs. Baylor Perdue of near Haskell, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Clara Medford spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Singleton and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. John

## Rochester

Truett Alvis of Overton spent last week here visiting relatives and friends.

Ben Charley Chapman visited friends in Rochester last Sunday.

Miss Katie McGuire of Weinert was a visitor in Rochester this week.

Mrs. Chester Speck and daughter Edith were Knox City visitors last Saturday.

Miss Mattie Ruth Riddle spent last week-end with Miss Edith Speck of this place.

Misses Lucile Corley, Ruth Howell Estell Hancock and Lois Standfield attended a housewarming at the home of Miss Lucille's sister, Mrs. Fred Capps of Haskell last week-end. The girls had a delightful time.

Mr. Press Murphy and family attended his brother's funeral in Abilene last Tuesday.

The Zone meeting at Goree was attended last Tuesday Jan. 19th by Mrs. J. N. Turner, Allen Bell, James A. Greer, Ed Howard, Geo. Fuller, J. M. Bell, M. R. Pike, J. N. Turner and Rev. M. R. Pike, all of the local Methodist Church. They report a wonderful meeting. The next meeting will be with the Munday church.

Mark Emerson and W. M. Turner killed a hog last week which weighed 925 lbs.

Mrs. C. W. Banner was shopping in Rochester Saturday.

Last Monday was trades day in Rochester. There was a large crowd in the city and our merchants did a nice business.

## FLAT TOP

August Stremmel and Albert Stremmel made a business trip to Aspermont and Old Glory, Wednesday of last week.

A dance was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sykora and sons Wednesday evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kutack and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. John Puskusky and family of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. August Stremmel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Kainer and son, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stremmel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kainer and children, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hagerman and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Toney Letz and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Ender and son, Misses Leona, Mamie and Ella Teichelman, Messrs Jimmie Muehlstein, Fred Teichelman, Frankie Muehlstein and Otto Baumbach. Refreshments were served. The affair was in honor of Mr. Sykora's birthday.

Miss Frances Peach left Tuesday for San Angelo where she will be employed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Schaake and son, Lee Roy of Stamford, Mrs. August Ender and Mrs. August Stremmel and children, Annie and Herbert visited Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Thane and son, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. August Ender spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Holla, at Rule, Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. August Stremmel and family were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Coetz and sons at Old Glory, Sunday afternoon.

August Stremmel and Albert Stremmel, made a business trip to Old Glory, Tuesday.

Frank Kainer of Stamford, was in the community, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Ramm and Martin Schonstedt spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Navert, Jr. and sons.

Herman Navert, Sr. and Edwin Navert of Plainview were in the

community, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stremmel and family motored to Haskell, Thursday.

## HOWARD

The health of this community isn't very good at this writing.

Preaching at the Baptist church was well attended Sunday morning and night.

This community has been visited with more rain.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thane and children of Old Glory, visited Mrs. Thane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Medford, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McClantie and children of Jud visited relatives in this community part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvin Medford and baby of Stamford visited Mr. and Mrs. John Nanny and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Blant visited Mr. and Mrs. Baylor Perdue of near Haskell, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Clara Medford spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Singleton and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. John

Watson Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslia Medford and baby of Weaver spent Saturday night with Mrs. Emma Medford and children.

We are very sorry to have Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Grand move from our community. We wish them success in their new home.

## MIDWAY

Mrs. W. Lees is staying with her daughter, Mrs. West at Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. Hansford Harris Thursday.


Mrs. Doc Sellars called on Mrs. J. B. Harris Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Brown spent Sunday in Haskell with Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Herren.

Ewell Lusk called on H. Gibson Thursday morning.

Correct this sentence: "In an effort to overcome present economic conditions, congressmen will not play politics during the present session."

A lit-up driver is a mighty poor substitute for headlights.



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<b>MORTON'S Smoke Salt</b> 10 Pound Can	<b>79c</b>
<b>APPLES, Solid Pack, Gallon</b>	<b>47c</b>
<b>PRUNES, Solid Pack, Gallon</b>	<b>45c</b>
<b>BEANS, Large White, 5 Pounds</b>	<b>19c</b>
<b>APRICOTS, Veribest, No. 1 Can</b>	<b>12c</b>
<b>COFFEE</b> W.P. OR SANTA FE TRAIL Fresh Ground, Pound	<b>21c</b>
<b>MATCHES</b> TWO BOXES For	<b>5c</b>
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# Society

## Mrs. T. C. Cahill Entertains Harmony Club.

Members of the Harmony Club were the guests of the president, Mrs. T. C. Cahill yesterday afternoon when she entertained with a "42" party at the library. Cut flowers and potted lilies gave color to the rooms and the Valentine motif was carried out in tallies and plate favors.

Guests were met at the door by the hostess and Mrs. Vaughn Bailey. After a number of games, refreshment plates were served to Mesdames O. E. Patterson, B. M. Whiteker, George Herrin, C. L. Lewis, H. R. Whitley, J. W. Pace, D. L. Cummins, John Ellis, Carl Ar buckle, Jack Sills; Misses Velma Hambleton, Eunice Huckabee, Marjorie and Mary E. Whiteker.

## Birthday Party.

Last Friday night the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Montgomery was the scene of a very attractive party when Mrs. Montgomery was hostess to a number of Mr. Montgomery's special friends and neighbors in honor of his birthday.

Following a number of games of 54 the hostess placed a large candle lighted birthday cake before the honoree and after making a wish and the blowing out of all the candles at one blow, Miss Kathryn Rike took charge of the cake and with ice cream and nuts served the guests. At a late hour the guests departed wishing Mr. Montgomery many happy returns of the day.

## Luncheon Club.

Mrs. F. L. Daugherty served as hostess to members of the Luncheon Club at their regular monthly meeting last Thursday in her home. Being the regular custom each member prepared a covered dish and all combined at 12 o'clock a delicious lunch was enjoyed by the following:

Mesdames O. E. Patterson, Sam Roberts, W. M. Reid, Jno. Couch, Demmitt Hughes, R. C. Couch, Mrs. Brock, R. J. Paxton, Jim Bailey, R. J. Reynolds, A. C. Pierson, H. S. Wilson and the hostess.

Games of "81" were played during the afternoon.

## Mrs. O. E. Patterson Hostess To Golf Widows.

Mrs. O. E. Patterson was hostess to members of the Golf Widows Club last Tuesday afternoon in her home.

After the usual games of "42" the hostess served a lovely salad plate to the following members and guests:

Mesdames Courtney Hunt, Leo Southern, R. C. Couch, Jno. W. Pace, J. E. Robertson, A. C. Pierson, F. L. Daugherty, C. M. Conner, D. L. Cummins, E. Martin, S. A. Roberts, Wallace Cox, J. A. Jones, H. S. Wilson, P. T. Sanders, C. L. Lewis, T. C. Cahill, D. H. Persons, R. E. Sherrill, W. M. Reid, B. M. Whiteker, S. R. Rike.

## The Magazine Club.

The Magazine Club met Friday afternoon Jan. 22 at the home of Mrs. J. U. Fields who entertained in honor of the president, Mrs. R. C. Couch.

The subject of the study was "The Contribution of Pisa" with Mrs. R. C. Couch directing the program. The roll call on Pisa was interesting and enlightening. Mrs. Ada Rike spoke on "The Revival of Sculpture in Pisa" and Mrs. J. U. Fields added color and charm to "Picturesque Pisa" as she told of seeing and enjoying this fair city.

## Jr. G. A. Girls.

The Jr. G. A. Girls met last Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at the Baptist church with 12 members and the sponsors Mrs. R. L. Burton and Miss Lucy P. Pool. Our meeting was very interesting, we entered in a contest choosing sides and lets try to come and do our part to help.

Next Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock we are having our social at Mrs. Burton's house and every member is invited and promised lots of fun, so don't miss it.

# DRACULA!

## League News.

Dear Lil:  
I'm just bubbling over with news. Say, I just wish you could be here one Sunday night for a League Meeting. We are having a contest between our departments and the one that wins is going to be honored with a Valentine party. Maybe you think the Leagues aren't in a whirl and buzz! So far the Second Department is ahead. The Fourth Department has charge of the program next Sunday and have a splendid program planned. There will be a special surprise and the leaguers certainly are on the spot

when there is to be a surprise.

On to Jayton! was the cry at League Sunday night. We haven't had a district meeting in a long time and we're all for it strong. Besides that our President, Wilda, is to have part on the program and we must all go to see that she doesn't misrepresent us. We will all return from Jayton Sunday in time to be at League at Six Thirty. We will be expecting fifty to be there rain or shine. We want at least twenty leaguers to go to Jayton. Mrs. Gordon has charge of the ways to go.

Leaguely yours,  
Lib.

## Midway H. D. Club.

The Midway H. D. Club met Jan. 19th in regular session with fifteen members present and three new members. Mrs. Roy Brock, Mrs. Coburn and Stella Mae Coburn.

Chairman, Mrs. Frierson, appointed her committees for the year:

Council Member - Mrs. Theodore Perdue.  
Program Committee - Mrs. Anderson, Chairman.  
Membership Committee - Mrs. C. O. Scott, Chairman.  
Finance Committee - Mrs. C. V. Oats, Chairman.  
Sick Committee - Mrs. Baker, Chairman.  
Parliamentarian - Mrs. Anderson.  
Librarian - Mrs. Roy Brock.  
Plans were made for a social, Thursday night, Jan. 21, to entertain our teachers, but on the account of the rain, it was impossible to have it, but will at an early date.

# DRACULA!

## JUD SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

Maudie and Rubin Lawson have moved near Old Glory. We are sorry that they will not be with us the rest of the year.

Melvin Fannin is back in school now after an absence of several days due to illness.

Ruth Epley of this community has recently entered school.

The following chapel program was given this week by the pupils of the intermediate room with Alvine York as chairman:

Text - Travis Cogburn.  
Songs - Led by Miss Server.  
"Star Spangled Banner" - Virginia Hutchens.

"Evangeline" - Ralph Smith.  
Reading - Esty Tucker.  
Jokes - Onamae Teague.  
"Rules of Conduct" - Roy Jones.  
"Foreign Land" - Oella Ivey.  
"Little by Little" - Doris Hallmark.

Jokes - Joe Mathis.  
The high school pupils will have charge of the program next week.

## LONE STAR

We had some more rain last week. We have one of the best prospects for a good crop year we have ever had.

Mr. and Mrs. Revell King spent Saturday night and Sunday with her father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Link Lansford of Munday.

Mr. G. T. Floyd and family of the Sunset community visited Mr. W. A. Floyd and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Morrow visited Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Morrow near Munday, Wednesday.

The following families have moved into the community Mr. Henry Grimes and family, Mr. W. C. Lain and family, Mr. Jeff Huckabee and family and Mr. Clabourne and family off of the Sunset community.

Mr. J. F. Reddell and family have moved over in the Sunset community.

## MITCHELL

We are still having disagreeable weather. We are hoping it will get better.

Health does very well in the community considering bad colds.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carver and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Melton, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. McQueriry enjoyed a 42 party in the home of Solon Lee, Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Casey, Mr. Joe Williams, all of Hutto visited in the home of Mrs. J. W. Carver, Saturday night.

Mrs. Charlie Collier of Cliff visited Mrs. Jess Brothers last week.

Miss Inez Carver visited in the home of Mrs. Carl Casey the past week-end.

Mr. Martin Teague of the Judd community was in our community, Saturday.

Gloria Swanson married her newest husband twice just to make sure of him. Wonder if that will require a double divorce later.

Lwell Thomas fell of an old gray mare that won a popularity contest through the efforts of some practical jokers. That was a horse on the sponsors of the contest.

## Fairies and Howling Babies

By LEETE STONE

ONE early morning a window near the top of the tall Wabash building was pushed open and a very pretty, very tired face gazed out.

She looked down on the red tiled roof of the building next door, a pygmy edifice, masterful but twenty stories. Alice was tired of keeping books, tired of office routine, tired of the scrambling, shoving, brutal subway jam morning and evening, tired of returning to a dreary two-room flat night after night.

Where would it all end? In a balance at the bank, perhaps, that would save her, some day, from an Old Ladies' home, where the inmates knitted and crocheted.

True, there was the handsome rugged young office manager, Sidney Jevons, courteous to all the girls, and so it sometimes seemed to Alice, especially considerate of her; but then, he wasn't looking for a hard-working office girl. Gossip attired Jevons with the treasurer's daughter, whose sole-wrapped figure was a familiar sight on this the executive floor.

No, men today did not wish women to love them, mused Alice, eyeing a fleet of wheeling pigeons animated specks against the sky; they wanted women of independent influence and position, whose social and financial prestige would add their business clime. Her mind passed back to doll days and the childish game of Three Wishes. All three of Alice's wishes were for a real baby to-croon to and play with—a baby that cried! Well, that was that!

Sighing, Alice raised a slim hand to close the window and saw Tommy on the red-tiled roof below. Tommy was in distress. Tommy was howling.

A girl of ten or so was hanging long clothes on a line stretched from chimney to chimney on the roof, and five youngsters of assorted sizes and sexes were being admonished severely by the ten-year-old mother not to go near the wet sheets and dirty linen. All the while woe Tommy howled.

Suddenly a bulging and capacious female issued from the roof door and deposited a resounding slap on Tommy's round, red cheek.

Alice wanted to sit right down with Tommy next her heart and cry with him. Her sense of loneliness and heart hunger, her frayed nerves, and the peripatetic presence of spring in the air all added their quota to her feelings.

"Anyway," Alice whispered, shutting the window, "I'll make that baby forget that slap—somehow."

One later, warmer day, when the window stayed open, Alice heard childish voices again floating in from the roof below. She listened.

"But didn't I tell you I don't want a Teddy Bear? I want a dolly—a squeazy dolly—I want a—"

"You're a boy, ain't you, Tommy? You ought to be ashamed to want a dolly. I want a dolly. I'm a girl! You ought to want a Teddy Bear. I ain't goin' to play Wishes with you no more, Tommy."

Next day Alice watched and listened for the janitor's children on the red-tiled roof below her window. At last!

"No, Tommy, they ain't no such thing as fairies. You're silly! Come on, let's play! Shut your eyes and make three wishes. I got something in my hand behind my back. Listen, now! Don't go wishin' for no dollies."

"Tiddy," Tommy promptly shrieked, and little mother poked a huge marshmallow between the russy lips.

"I want a dolly—I want a dolly—I want a doll—" the baby insisted, as his mastication permitted.

The psychological moment had arrived for Alice. Leaning far out of her window she took fair aim. Pop, fell something square on Tommy's fat legs. And pop! Another something fell right in little mother's lap.

Little mother jumped up and searched the heavens high above and all sides with wide, ecstatic eyes. Cloudless skies, and the brick walls of a familiar building were all she saw. No sign of fairy, magic carpet, witch or goblin. But in her craviny little arms a beautiful doll. And in Tommy's arms, short, pudgy and wonderstruck, a "squeazy" doll.

Neither of the children could be told that these were painted toys from the shelf of a shop. No, indeed! These were real dollies to be loved, caressed and talked to, put to bed and taken up, kissed, scolded and adored. Fairies were real! They were the glorious creators of the game of "Shut Your Eyes and Make Three Wishes!"

"What in the world are you looking at so intently, Miss Arno?" said Sidney Jevons, the handsome office manager, coming to Alice's side as she stood, a little back from the window, looking down.

"The two happiest children in New York," Alice quietly replied. "They believe in fairies—good fairies. You see."

"Yes," broke in Sidney Jevons, looking gently, steadily, and words deep into Alice's lovely coal-black eyes. "I saw! I saw many things. And I believe in you."

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Jevons named their first baby Tommy, instead of following the time-honored Jevons custom of calling the first son after the first son. They fostered his early faith in fairies and encouraged him to howl.

## Our Burdens

Life gives us quite enough to carry, but generally speaking, life's burdens are fairly well fitted to the back that carries them.—Woman's Home Companion.

## FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible School 9:45 a. m.  
Morning Worship and Lord's Supper, 11:00 a. m.

Notwithstanding the fact that last Sunday was the coldest of the season, there was the largest turn out for several months. This demonstrates that the weather is no excuse for not attending the services of the Church. May the good work continue.

At the worship period next Sunday there will be presented "The Seeker of the Way." This little drama will be interesting and inspirational. You are cordially invited to be present.

## Classified Ads

**BABY CHICKS**—All leading breeds from 4c to 7c. Custom Hatching \$1.75 per tray. Stamford Hatchery & Poultry Farm, Stamford, Texas. Leaders in price and quality. Write for description or come.

**BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK**—Eggs for hatching 25c each; fine utility stock. Will have 100 baby chicks, Feb. 8, for sale. W. W. Johnson, Haskell, Texas, Route 1.4c

**NOTICE!**  
The Home Makers Club will meet at the south ward school building next Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 3:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present if possible.

It would be fine if the school teachers in some cities could get their money as easy as the boot-legger.

## Official Statement of Financial Condition of the HASKELL BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

at Haskell, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1931, published in the Haskell Free Press, a newspaper printed and published at Haskell, State of Texas, on the 28th day of January, 1932.

**ASSETS**  
Real Estate Loans to Members \$10,140.00  
Stock Loans 995.00  
Due from Banks 572.73  
Cash 220.47

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** \$11,928.20  
Installment Stock \$ 6,425.97  
Fully Paid Stock 4,900.00  
Legal Reserve 30.26  
Undivided Profits 571.97

**TOTAL** \$11,928.20

**STATE OF TEXAS,**  
County of Haskell,  
We, R. C. Montgomery as President, and V. W. Meadors as Secretary of said Association, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

R. C. Montgomery, President  
V. W. Meadors, Secretary  
Correct—Attest:  
D. L. Cummins,  
Jno. A. Couch,  
Sam A. Roberts,  
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of January, A. D. 1932.  
(Seal) T. C. Cahill,  
Notary Public, Haskell Co., Texas.

## Political Announcements

The Free Press is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary on July 23, 1932.

**For District Attorney 39th Judicial District:**  
H. F. Grindstaff.

**For District Clerk:**  
Lois Earnest.

**For County Judge:**  
Chas. M. Conner.

**For County Attorney:**  
B. C. (Ben Charlie) Chapman.

**For Tax Collector:**  
Ed F. Fouts.

**For Tax Assessor:**  
Mike B. Watson.

**For Sheriff:**  
W. T. Sarrels.

**For County Clerk:**  
Jason W. Smith.

**For County Treasurer:**  
J. E. Walling.

**For Commissioner of Precinct No. 1:**  
G. F. Mullino,  
H. M. Conner,  
J. S. Abarnatha.

**For Commissioner of Precinct No. 2:**  
G. A. McKinster,  
T. M. (Tom) Mapes,  
H. Weinert.

**For Commissioner Prec. 3:**  
John Earles,  
M. M. (Marvin) Cobb.

**For Commissioner Precinct No. 4:**  
O. L. (Jim) Darden.

**For Public Weigher, Prec. No. 2:**  
M. F. Medley.

## CITY ELECTION

To be held Tuesday, April 5th.

**For City Marshal:**  
A. L. (Arthur) Bland,  
Frank B. Reynolds,  
W. E. Welsh,  
L. H. (Luther) Highnote.

**For City Secretary:**  
R. H. (Rufus) Banks,  
Marvin H. Hancock,  
D. H. Perrin.

## Funeral Services Held Friday for Rule Citizen

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist church in Rule Saturday afternoon for W. M. Hinton, pioneer of Rule, who dropped dead at his home in that city Friday morning about 8 o'clock. Deceased was 69 years old and had made his home in Rule for the past 25 years. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Cochran. He is survived by a wife and the following children: Julian Hinton of Rochester, Mrs. Stella McClesky, Mrs. Hazel Miles, Mrs. Beatrice Wyatt, Mrs. Velma Bittick and Miss Beulah Hinton. All the children were present for the funeral services. Burial was in Rule cemetery.

The farmers are said to be split over the question of relief. But they haven't had a great deal of relief to split.

## WE HAVE MOVED

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Baby Chicks of several breeds for sale. Now booking orders for chicks. Our chick prices this year are the cheapest ever offered. \$5—\$10 per hundred.

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SPUDS 10 lbs. 19c  
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BANANAS lb. 5c  
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OATS Pkg. 21c  
PREMIUM IN EVERY PACKAGE

CHOICE  
APRICOTS 4 lbs. . . . 45c  
EAT WITH YOUR FRESH MEATS

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CORN No. 2 can . . . . 10c

Sugar 25 lbs. 1.25

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BAKING POWDER, lb. 23c  
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THOSE GOOD  
SALAD WAFERS, 2 lbs. 25c

NO. 2 1/2 CAN  
APRICOTS can 15c  
FINE FOR PRESERVES OR TABLE

RED AND WHITE  
MINCE MEAT Pkg. 10c  
MAKE A MINCE PIE

LUNCH MEATS lb. . . 21c  
FINE FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES

SUGAR CURED  
BACON Pound . . . . 15c

DRY SALT  
JOWLS Pound . . . . 7c  
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We could quote you hundreds of prices in this advertisement—but what's the use. The prices below will tell the story—the more you buy at this bankrupt sale the more you save.

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**CHILDREN'S SHOES**

One lot of Children's school Shoes. All good styles. Broken sizes, values to \$3.50. The Pair—

**\$1.59**

**BROWN DOMESTIC**

39 inches wide, good grade, the yard—

**7½c**

**HOUSE SHOES**

A few pair in odd sizes, but a good buy at—

**59c**

**LOOK**

**MEN'S WORK PANTS**

One lot of Men's Work Pants in broken sizes. Values to \$2.50. The pair—

**59c**

**Take ACTION! it's a FACT!**

**CANVAS GLOVES**

THE PAIR

**4½c**

**MEN'S SUITS**

With 2 pair pants. New patterns. Values to \$30.00.

**\$13.95**

**MEN'S CAPS**

Values to \$3.50.

**98c**

**PRINTS**

2000 yards Prints in new Spring patterns. 36 inches wide, fast colors. The yard

**9½c 12½c 15c**

**MEN'S HATS**

Mallory Line, values to \$8.75.

**\$2.95**

**Men's Work Shoes**

One lot Men's Work Shoes. Broken sizes.

**98c**

**Children's Gowns**

Outing material. Good values.

**39c**

**LADIES and MISSES WINTER COATS**

**\$3.95**

Come early and stay late. The stock will not last long, as the slaughter in prices will appeal to the thrifty shoppers of this section. Remember the place and come expecting real bargains.

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### ONLY TWO DAYS LEFT

Only two more days are left in which to procure your poll tax receipt, that will give you a ringside seat in the coming political circus. Those who fail to secure the necessary ticket, before 12 o'clock Saturday night January 30th will find themselves on the outside looking in on one of the biggest events that has been staged in a decade. This year we will elect city officials, school trustees, county, state and national officials.

\$1.75 looks like a lot of money at this time, but the voter will get his money's worth this year. Some people have the idea that they cannot pay their poll tax without paying their property tax—this is not the case—you can pay your poll tax and leave your property tax, until a more convenient time. If you are unable to come to the collectors of office mail your check not later than Saturday for the amount with the necessary information and the poll tax receipt will be issued as of January 30th, and you will be all set for the big show.

### WHY WAIT ON EUROPE?

It is no doubt true that the economic situation in Europe has an important effect on conditions in the United States, but the idea that this country can not get back to something approaching normal prosperity until Europe is rehabilitated seems to us like putting the cart before the horse.

It has been generally agreed that only about 10 per cent of our products are ordinarily sold in the world markets. Suppose all of that 10 per cent of foreign trade were cut off. We would still have a demand for 90 per cent of our output and even 90 per cent prosperity would be very welcome just now.

We have not that 90 per cent demand at present, because we have been worrying so much about Europe that it seems we are afraid to go forward ourselves, as we might do if the element of fear were eliminated.

If every American factory could command the capital to go to work on even a 75 per cent basis immediately, the wages thereby earned by those at present unemployed would greatly add to the nation's buying power, and the stimulating effect of this would extend to every element of our national life.

The new manufacturing finance corporation to be organized with governmental support may aid in starting business and industry on the upgrade again, but it will also take greater confidence and courage on the part of the people at large to place us on the high road to economic recovery. And it would be just as well, in the meantime, to think more about America and less about Europe.

### RECIPE FOR LONG LIFE

It is customary to interview aged persons of prominence on their birthdays, and an inevitable question put to them is, "What is your secret of long life?" This was asked of John E. Andrus, multimillionaire manufacturer of Yonkers, N. Y., on his 88th birthday, and he replied:

"My recipe for long life and happiness is a clear conscience, simple diet, plenty of sleep, ample work and playing the game straight with everybody. Fifty persons out of every hundred do not give their health a thought. Too many persons overload their stomachs."

There isn't anything strange or hard to understand about that, still it just about sums up all that can be said on the subject. In keeping well, as in most other things, there is no lack of knowledge of what to do—the difficulty lies in doing it.

### RAIN AND DROUTH

The saying, attributed to the late Dwight Morrow, that he who takes credit for the rain must assume responsibility for the drouth, has peculiar application to the position of the Republican party this year. Under a mistaken policy, that party assumed to be the guardian angel of prosperity and arrogated to itself the credit for the good times enjoyed under the administration of two of its recent presidents. Now that the times are not so propitious they must bear the responsibility whether deserved or not, for the people will not listen to any alibi.

It is a tough thing sometimes to swallow one's own medicine, but the cup once held to Democratic lips must now be drained by the Republicans who have little taste for it.

### BACK TO THE GOOD OLD DAYS, EH?

Every day we hear someone talk about "the good old days." Back when we traveled to town in a buggy with a horse pulling us along at a slow rate of speed; back when most of us burned logs in a fireplace, and only paid \$1.50 per cord for wood or back in the days before that era those who lived in the western part hunted the prairies and follow the cattle for fuel.

Yes, even so far back when as a kid if we were so lucky as to get hold of a nickel we termed ourselves rich—and were! And we can recall many other ways of living that have been laid aside for modern things.

Would you, honestly folks, rather return to that than to live as you do today, even if the depression might have you down for a time? We hardly think so, and moreover, we do not think that time will come when we will be forced to it.

This modern era as we term it is but the thought of man to improve living conditions.—Chillicothe Valley News.

### THE HITCH HIKERS

No one in his right mind would flag a train and ask the conductor to provide him with a free ride, but thousands of men, boys, women and girls roam the highways, accepting free transportation. Never before in the history of the automobile has there been such a great number of hitch hikers. The majority of them are law-abiding and appreciative of a ride, but small minority of criminals makes the practice of giving lifts to strangers a dangerous one. As a result the safe way for the carner to protect himself and his family is to ignore the signals from the seeking a ride.

## Fair and Milder



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### TAX REFORM

We are now in one of those critical periods when the people begin to study and consider causes and remedies. At present the thoughtful citizens are seriously considering the high cost of government, and rightly they should; too long have they delayed this matter. No matter where you go, you meet serious minded men who invariably approach you on the subject of government and taxation, whatever may be the cause and solution advanced, they are unanimous on one point, economize in government and reduce taxes.

One thing should be understood and that is, there can be no reduction in taxes under present conditions, that is the present system of government.

It seems that most of the criticism is directed toward our national government when it should be directed toward our state, county and local affairs. We have cast a critical eye toward the national stables when in fact the real Algean stables are blockading our front doors. For every dollar Haskell county citizens have paid into the federal treasury has been returned multiplied many times with compound interest. First stop criticizing long enough to study the situation. For the year 1927 there were only 78 federal income tax reports made in the county and that under the \$1,000 and \$2,000 exemption. Under the present law and conditions there will hardly be over 25. So eager were the people to get in the federal soup line that they plastered a million dollar mortgage on the county and practically doubled taxation. This was done fully understood by the people that every dollar had to be raised by taxation from some source. So why criticize now?

That there are needs of revision of our tax systems can not be denied. When our present constitution was adopted real estate was practically the only property subject to taxation and the advalorem tax was fair and just. But conditions now are different to the extent that equity and justice demand a change. As far as real estate is concerned the present system is confiscatory. It is caged behind prison bars while other property is furnished every avenue of escape possible. Such conditions make changes imperative.

Now the question arises can the Legislature meet the situation. I doubt it seriously, for the following reasons.

The membership is composed principally of young and inexperienced men; most members are politically ambitious; influenced by representatives of special interests; and hampered by time. In view of the above facts my judgment is there should be a constitutional convention for the express purpose of studying and framing new tax laws; laws that would be fair and equitable to all. No representative of a special interest should be allowed to be a member of the convention. All lobbyists should be kept away. No member should be allowed to hold office thereafter. Let the constitution be their contribution to the people and a monument to their patriotism.

As I view the matter the following changes should be made:

1. Abolish the advalorem tax and enact a fair, equitable, enforceable income tax law. Make it so strict

- that the income of no able-bodied person can escape the payment, water tight and loop-hole proof.
- 2. Abolish the poll tax and let the tax receipt for the past year be the privilege of the ballot box.
- 3. Abolish the fee system entirely and place all officials on a salary. All fees now collected go into the general fund.
- 4. Abolish jail sentences and substitute the whipping post thereof. Eliminating a heavy expense and sending the jail bird elsewhere.
- 5. Summons all witnesses by registered mail and save mileage fees.
- 6. Reduce the membership of the Senate to about 21 and the House to about 65.
- 7. Consolidate the departments under as few heads as possible so there will be no duplication of work.
- 8. Declare a holiday on bond issues and make home-ownership the qualification in voting in bond elections.
- 9. Consolidate counties and eliminate about 50 per cent of what is now paid county officials. Why could not Haskell, Throckmorton, Knox and Stonewall counties be consolidated into one? Let that county be a Judicial District. Abolish the offices of County Judge and Attorney. All court cases could be handled by the new District Court. It could have a continuous session. There is no sensible or reasonable argument against this proposition.

fec, a drivers tax and a gas tax, all in addition to the bond mortgage tax voted against your homestead over your protest in order that you might have the privilege of using the paved road. If the farm is to be taxed and held as collateral while the bond lien is paid, the owner of the farm should have the right to the highway to his best advantage in getting his products to market. He should have the right to make contracts with any person or company on whatever terms agreed between the parties in order to get his products to seaports. The question is shall the farms be taxed to build a system of highways to be used for pleasure only or shall they be roads of commerce?

A Haskell County Tax Payer

Radio aided in the arrest of 10,000 criminals in a year. A lot of people in the studios ought to have been included in the roundup.

All except five per cent of our population over 10 years of age can read and write. And all except 95 per cent can spell.

An astrologer has predicted that a United States senator will lose his mental balance during 1932. That's our idea of playing safe with predicting.

Eight tons of peanuts have been stolen from a Georgia warehouse. It may be only a co-incidence that the peanut politicians are becoming more active.

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# Haskell County History

As Revealed by the Files of the Free Press 20, 30 and 40 years ago.

**Thirty Years Ago Today—1902.**  
The following were announced as candidates for office in the Free Press thirty years ago:

For District Judge, H. R. Jones, or County Treasurer, R. D. C. Stephens, A. G. Jones; for County Judge, H. S. Wilson; for County and District Clerk, J. M. Johnson.

Mr. Williams of Waxahachie is visiting his uncle Capt. J. S. Williams of this city.

Miss Darnel of St. Jo is here visiting the family of her uncle, C. D. Grissom.

Messrs. G. R. Couch and Lee-Piercy went to Aspermont to attend the directors and stockholders meeting of the First National Bank of that city.

Messrs. R. B. Fields, C. D. Long, E. F. Springer, A. C. Foster and Judge P. D. Sanders attended the Masonic Lodge at Stamford Wednesday night to assist in the installations.

A. B. Neal and family arrived here this week and will make their home in town.

**Twenty Years Ago Today—1912.**  
Will Marr has purchased a stock of drugs in Haskell and will move here at once. Will Marr is one of the old landmarks of Stonewall.

W. H. Parsons and Miss Mary Rachel Piland were married in this city Wednesday.

P. P. Does of Denver, Colorado is in the city this week and arranging to erect a two story building on the lot owned by himself and R. E. Callahan on the east side of the square.

Fred L. Cogan who is one of the contractors of the Bunkley oil well arrived in the city Friday. Mr. Cogan said that all the drilling machinery had been shipped and that they would be drilling inside of two weeks.

C. D. Grissom having sold his interest in the business of C. D. Grissom & Son to his son Hardy Grissom has retired and the business will now be conducted by Mr. Hardy Grissom.

C. R. Peters of Weinert was in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reynolds of Weinert were visiting in this city the first of the week.

B. A. Barnes of Arlington was in the city this week looking after his interests here.

Bud Smith of Hawley was in the city Thursday. Mr. Smith was at one time a citizen of Haskell.

K. B. Fields and son G. B. Fields made a business trip to Throckmorton the early part of the week.

A. C. Hinkle of Vontress was a business visitor here Monday.

Messrs. V. J. Josselott and George Turnbow of Josselott were in town Tuesday.

W. K. Whitman of Roswell, N. M., arrived Monday night in answer to a call to the bedside of his father W. P. Whitman who has had an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hill of Crowell are visiting Mr. Hill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hill of this city.

W. E. Spencer has a letter from his mother giving an account of the death of John Smith at Marlin with meningitis a few days ago. The young man lived here with his father's family until about a year ago and clerked for F. G. Alexander & Sons.

L. L. Chamberlain and brother of Hubbard City arrived in Haskell last week. Mr. Chamberlain's family and also his father S. B. Chamberlain and family will arrive soon and will make Haskell county their future home.

Mrs. R. C. Montgomery honored her husband's birthday Tuesday by entertaining with a six o'clock dinner for him and his fellow elders of the Presbyterian Church and their minister.

**THE ISSUES OF TODAY**  
(Radio Address of Marvin Jones Delivered Over NBC Network)

Our government has passed through the formative period. Its foundations were properly laid. The past at least is secure.

But the present and future hold the things that are real moments to those who are living today. It is fitting and proper that we should study the lessons of the past, and that we should profit by the experience of those who have gone before.

But with these lights before us, we must meet present day problems. This is the strangest time in American history. With only six per cent of the world's population and one-twentieth of her geographical area, we produce one-half of the world's finest steel, sixty per cent of her cotton, sixty per cent of her telephones and eighty per cent of her automobiles. There is an abundance of food, feed and clothing within the four corners of this fruitful land.

And yet business is at a standstill. Many people are in want, and millions tramp the streets in idleness. The prices of farm products are far below the cost of production. It is a time to analyze, to take stock, and to endeavor to find what is wrong with our system of distribution. We cannot blame all of our troubles on world conditions.

**Centralization.**  
It is apparent that there has been too much centralization in government. It is growing top-heavy. It is too expensive. These expenses must be cut. Bureaus must be eliminated. The same applies to state governments and subdivisions thereof. Some of these have increased in even greater proportion. There must be a revival of old-fashioned economy all along the line.

There has been much talk of this over-centralization in government, and properly so. I am glad to note there is a swing back in sentiment.

But there has been an even greater centralizing in business. It has overstripped the centralization in government. In fact, the over-narrowing control of money and business has been largely responsible for the centralizing of government. At least the two have gone hand in hand.

This has tended to destroy individual initiative. It is gradually taking away personal opportunity. The philosophy of Alexander Hamilton, carried to the extreme by the Mellon financial regime, is responsible for much of our present day conditions.

There has been too much talk of doing something for foreign countries, of memorandums, loans and financing, and not enough of pleasing our own home in order. Our primary responsibility is to ourselves and our own people, although of course the foreign contacts cannot be ignored.

**Special Advantages**  
For many years the manufacturer,

the things that must be brought about. Here lies the sheet anchor of our Republic.

In the readjustment, there should be a greater amount of local control of local ownership, and local production of the needs of the country.

This statement is not made in hostility to any business concern or institution, big or little; but the large concerns, as well as the smaller ones, should comply with the laws of the country in carrying out their business operations.

**Immigration.**  
We decry Communism and properly so. Any person, who being unable to persuade the majority to accept his theories, advocates the use of the bomb or the torch or other violent means of forcing his ideas upon an unwilling majority should be deported. The further admission of such characters should be prevented under Immigration laws, which should be strengthened in every possible way. About either of these propositions there is no difference of opinion among good citizens.

**An Equal Chance**  
But while doing this without stint or limit, we should use every effort to remove from our laws those injustices which are sometimes a fruitful cause of discontent. A country in which every citizen has equality of opportunity is not a fertile soil for wild theories.

The gravest danger of our country is not the soap-box orator—had as he sometimes is. Let us not mistake the form for the substance. The most insidious danger is the selfish, complacent man who undertakes to get an unfair advantage in the economic fabric of the country.

These matters are not mentioned for the purpose of discouragement, but to stimulate thought. All of us have been in some degree responsible. We have been living in a jazz age, with a spirit of "Sally in the Moonlight, by the Watermelon Vine." But people are thinking and are becoming more interested in the principles of government. This is encouraging, as governmental affairs are always better administered when the people take an interest.

However, if all discriminations were removed, the problems would only be half solved. After all, people must work out their own salvation.

Artificial methods usually fail. This is the experience of our own as well as other lands.

After equality is established a real contribution can be made toward the solution for the farm problem by the promoting and finding of new markets for farm products and the waste products of the farm.

The great packers have made most of their money out of the by-products of their industry. The same program can be applied to farm production. Local factories should be established throughout the Nation near the centers of production of our great raw materials, so that these may be put into the finished form without expensive long shipments. Industry and Agriculture will thus dovetail into each other and will furnish an immediate market for each other.

It will do no good to whine about conditions. We have the resources, the production, the genius and the energy. There is no shortage of labor or supplies. We have mastered the machinery of production. The problem of this day is the mastering of the machinery of distribution. I have implicit faith in the history, traditions and institutions of America, and in the mettle and stamina of her people. She will meet this problem face to face and solve it.

**ELECTRIC ELEVATOR NOW IN USE IN THE CARLSBAD CAVERNS**

The National Park Service, through Thomas Boles, superintendent, Carlsbad Caverns National Park, made the important announcement that the recently completed electric passenger elevator through the 760-foot shaft was placed in public operation on Sunday January 24. At the same time, the Government's guide fee through the caverns was reduced from \$2.00 to \$1.50 each person, and a fee charged for elevator service at fifty cents for each one-way trip. There will be no change in the regulation that children under 18 years of age are admitted free when accompanied by parents or guardian. Children will be charged 25¢ elevator fee, however.

The elevator at Carlsbad Caverns was installed with the view of accessibility to persons that could not comfortably negotiate the trail system and the National Park Service urges the visitor to enter and leave the caverns via trail. Each person thus would save 80¢.

Governor Arthur Sellsman, of New Mexico, on Saturday January 23rd, formally dedicated the elevator at the invitation of the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of the National Park Service. The New Mexico Newspaper Association was in session at Carlsbad on January 22 and 23, and participated in the ceremony, together with many persons whose interest and work for the caverns have so rapidly placed it in the front rank of America's show places.

## Classified Ads

**LOST**—On Wednesday January 20 between Shell pump station and Curry Chapel Church, dresser frame, mattress, wagon sheet, shot gun and 22 rifle. Reward, E. S. Cathey, near Gilliam school. 1p

**1927 MODEL CHEVROLET**—Coupe, will trade for a good cow with heifer calf. Jack Tidwell, Itc. 1p

**FOR SALE**—Rhode Island Red Eggs \$3.00 per hundred, also Baby Chicks, if order placed 3 weeks in advance, \$8.00 per hundred, guaranteed. Good as the Best. C. S. Ratliff, Stamford, Texas, Route B. 3p

**NEATSFOOT OIL**—Special at \$1.00 per gallon, until Feb. 1st. Bring your container. Electric Shoe & Top Shop. 1tc.

**FOR SALE**—Registered Jersey Bulls, Cows and Heifers, fresh and heavy springers. One mile north and one mile east of Josselott Switch. C. A. Thomas. 3p

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Four Jersey Milk Cows, with young calves, will trade for stock or land. If interested see Merchant or Isham at Hardin Lumber Yard. 1tc.

**BUNDLED HEGARI**—For Sale, 1 1/2¢ per bundle. J. L. Tubbs. 1tc.

**WANT TO TRADE**—Well improved 230 acre place in South Eastern N. M. for small place near Haskell. W. W. Weatherly, Box 433, Haskell, Texas. 3p

**CHICKS**—\$4.75 to \$7.25. None higher. Ten leading breeds. An average of nearly 2 1/2 orders per customer last season. Write for folder and price list. Hamlin Hatchery, Hamlin, Texas. 4tc.

**GOOD BUSINESS PROPERTY**—Clear, Breckenridge, Texas, to trade for small farm. Will assume small debt or pay little cash. Owner J. L. Baker, Breckenridge, Texas. 3p

**NOTICE!**  
All persons owing Dr. J. M. Baker, deceased, will please call at his residence and make some satisfactory arrangement with his widow. Those having claims against him will present same promptly. 2p.

## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the following described property has been taken up by the City Pound Master, C. S. Gay, and unless claimed by their owners or owner, will be sold according to the law regulating the sale of such animals between the hours of one and three o'clock on the 6th day of February, 1932.

The description of the animals is as follows:  
Two (2) Black Horse Mules, smooth mouth, about 15 hands high.  
Two (2) Light Bay Mare Mules, smooth mouth, about 14 1/2 hands high.

At Cousins, City Marshal.

**NOTICE!**  
I will buy your furs, hides, poultry and cream, paying the highest market price at all times. W. W. Goodwin at Banks Wagon Yard 4p.

## MORE SCHOOL SCRIP NOW PAYABLE

Scrip issued by the Haskell Independent School District of the series of 1920-31 is now payable up to and including No. 357. The series of 1931-32 is now payable up to and including No. 193. Parties holding these numbers and below may present them to the Secretary of the board for payment.  
Haskell School Board.

## BARGAINS!

Always bargains at Smitty's 13-Plate Double Diamond Batteries, one full year "money back" guarantee for only \$4.95 and old battery. Tubes guaranteed one year: 30x3 1/2 Oversize 75¢; 29x4 40 95¢; 30x4.50 95¢; Cold Patch, either Goodyear, Camel, Star or United, two boxes for 25¢; Stick-Tite boots 2 for 15¢; light bulbs 10¢ and 25¢ each; Model T rings \$1.20 per set; bands 55¢ and 90¢; connecting rods 75¢; front wheel bearings 75¢; timers 50¢; fan belts 25¢; coil points 10¢ per pair; generator armature \$1.75; Chevrolet connecting rods \$1.00 each; Model A connecting rod \$1.25; battery cable 50¢; High grade Motor Oil 25¢ per gal. and up.

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

To All Owners of Motor Vehicles, or Trailers in Haskell County:

Your attention is respectfully called to the following provisions of the Laws of the State of Texas respecting Registration of Motor Vehicles and Trailers:

Sec. 2, H. B. No. 6, Chapter 88, Acts of Second Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, reads in part as follows:

"Every owner of a motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer, used or to be used upon the public highways of this State, and each chauffeur, shall apply each year to the State Highway Department through the County Tax Collector of the County in which he resides for the registration of such such vehicle owned or controlled by him, or for a chauffeur's license, for the ensuing or portion thereof."

Section 14f of said Act provides as follows:

"Any person violating any provisions of this Act, for the violations of which no other penalty is prescribed, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined in any sum not exceeding Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars."

An opinion from the office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas, dated December 31, 1930, reads in part as follows:

"By expressly providing that an owner of a motor vehicle shall register the same in the county of his residence, the Act by necessary implication prohibits the registration

of the vehicle in any other county."

Section 10 of the above mentioned Act provides that all fees for automobile registration, not exceeding the aggregate sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, received by the County Tax Collector shall be deposited by him to the credit of the County Road and Bridge Fund. Since Haskell County has never received in any one year registration fees equal to the above sum, all such fees remain in Haskell County, and are divided equally among the four Commissioners' Precincts, and are used by the Commissioners in the maintenance of the County roads. No part of such fees is sent to the State Highway Department or expended on State Highways.

Whenever a Haskell County car is registered outside of the County her Commissioners are deprived of just that much money to apply on the maintenance of the county roads.

We have no desire whatever to invoke the provisions of the law in the matter of car registration, but we do earnestly ask the cooperation of automobile owners residing in this county to the end that your Commissioners may have all the funds to which they are entitled for the maintenance of the county roads.

Joe A. Jones, County Judge  
G. B. Tanner, Commissioner Prec. 1  
R. B. Guess, Commissioner Prec. 2  
J. F. Simmons, Commissioner Prec. 3  
O. L. Darden, Commissioner Prec. 4

# Farm Loans

5 1/2 Per Cent  
V. W. MEADORS  
Haskell, Texas



### What My Job Means to Me

MY JOB means far more to me than just a paycheck.

I realize the responsibility that goes with it.

I know that homes *must* have heat and that most of them depend entirely upon natural gas. I am a part of that service which provides instant heat as soon as you light the burner on your gas equipment. If I should fall down on the job, there would be inconvenience, discomfort, suffering in many homes.

I know that, even though our customers seldom think about it, they rely upon the dependability of our service and depend upon its being available instantly and without interruption... day or night... regardless of the weather.

I know it's my responsibility never to fail that trust.

This is what my job means to me.

With one accord, the small army of men responsible for bringing natural gas from the wells to your burner subscribe to this code. Their cooperation is an important part of our gigantic effort to provide for you the safety and security of an unexcelled fuel service.

LONE STAR  
Stamford and Western Gas Co.  
GAS SYSTEM



**O. L. (JIM) DARDEN**  
FOR RE-ELECTION AS  
COMMISSIONER, PREC. 4  
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County Treasurer, year 1930, total amount collected for the credit of road and bridge fund, Precinct No. 4, \$12,691.54. Warrants and bills outstanding, unpaid Jan. 1, 1931, \$3,027.29. Cash in hands of Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1931, \$104.30, to balance \$2,962.93.

For the year 1931 total amount of funds collected to the credit of road and bridge fund, Precinct No. 4, \$20,494.04. Warrants and bills outstanding, unpaid Jan. 1, 1932, \$2,557.73. Cash in hands of Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1932, \$145.58. Balance \$209.85. Respectfully submitted,

O. L. (Jim) Darden, County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4, of Haskell County, Texas.

**Haskell Boy Makes Excellent Record In Iowa College**

John English former student of the Haskell schools who is now attending the Iowa State College at Ames Iowa is making a splendid record in his college work. This is his sophomore year. He made an average of 93 the first half of his Freshman year; 94 the last half and splendid grades the first half of this year. He made the college honor roll and also the honor division in mathematics. His second year Chemistry examination grade led the others by twenty points. He is majoring in Chemistry. During the summer months he is employed with the Century Engineering Corporation of Cedar Rapids Iowa as a mechanical draftsman. His average grade for the first half of this year was 95.

**Back to the Deserted Homestead**

By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

"THERE!" exclaimed John Chester, turning the key in the old lock, "that's over!" He swung down the trunk, bordered path, and through the sagging gate, and along the elm-shaded dirt road that led to the railroad station. So intent was he on entering the afternoon train to the city that he failed to notice the slim girl coming up just behind him. She stopped because it was, in all probability, the first she would ever see of John Chester.

Nor did she need the "For Sale" sign which John had just picked up to know what for days had been town gossip—namely, that the first of the Chesters had returned the manner of living of his father's and was going to the city to seek his fortune.

There had never been a love affair between them. Oh, no. An interchange of looks of admiration very early school days, numerous innocent socials and parties shared together—trivial enough bonds, to be sure. And yet—well, there was a note in Sara Cary's heart which no casual farewell handshake would have healed.

As the days passed, the sight of the shuttered old Chester home, fast showing signs of unoccupancy, grew to trouble Sara. The farm, unsold and untenanted, was running down. This fact, coupled with reports which drifted back from the city that John Chester's fortune was proving elusive and that he was shifting from one job to another, tormented her with a sense of the waste of good material and of her own inactivity in the matter.

On a sunny day in late March Sara cast a bombshell at the feet of the aunt with whom she lived. "Aunt Julia," she gave out casually over her cup of tea, "I'm going to spend next week-end in the city."

"Sara!" her aunt's voice was startled. "Of all things, Sara!" "Yes, that's just what I'm going to do," returned Sara unperturbed. "And furthermore—do you remember those old stock certificates that Cousin James left me? Well, I'm going to take them along. Who knows, perhaps they're not so worthless as I've thought them. Just suppose—" and her blue eyes grew dreamy, "perhaps they will bring me my fortune!"

Now it happened that several days after this conversation there walked into the outer office of Whitley & Whitley, brokers, a shabby looking youth with tired lines about his eyes and mouth. A sound of voices from the inner office suggested him that his employer was summoned, and sitting down at a dining desk, he rested his head on his hand while his thoughts traveled back over the old days of his youth. Where was he bound? This old time question came into his mind as he was at present cut held on to the future for a little by the faint light of better expectations, he was finding they fitted he was to compete with men trained for their jobs.

Into his meditations crept memories of home, of green fields tilled by his father and his grandfather and his grandfather's father, of substantial barns, of the cheery, homely dwelling. And with these visions arose persistently the picture of a certain slim, blue-eyed person, the playmate of his boyhood, whom, in his pursuit of fortune, he had all but forgotten.

John Chester sat suddenly upright. Who in thunder was in the inner office talking with old Whitley?

"—Yes, I had hoped," went on a plaintive voice that awoke in him a sudden tremendous response, "to realize something on this stock. You see, I have a chance to make a splendid investment. I can buy the old Chester place back home. It is a farm farmed for generations by men who know how to husband the resources of the soil. But if these certificates are worthless, as you say—"

A moment later the door opened and John, risen to his feet, met the level, blue-eyed gaze of Sara Cary.

"—why, why, Sara?" was all he managed. Then: "Wait—let me walk a way with you."

For several blocks, through the streaming late afternoon traffic of which neither was aware, they walked silently. Sara was the first to speak. "John," she said gently, "the—the blueets are up in the swamp piece. And Dutchman's breeches. Remember how we used to go after them?"

"Do!" exclaimed John fervently. Then he turned impulsively. "Sara!" he cried, "I'm sick—I'm sick of it all—the hurry, the noise, the crowds. I—oh, Sara, I'm going back home!"

But not until their very wedding day did John learn the real secret of Sara's trip to the city. "I can't bear to think," he had managed to say as they stood for a moment side by side on the elevated, deserted porch of the old homestead after a simple ceremony at Sara's home. "of you, my darling, traveling about the city trying to get rid of worthless old stock. You need a husband to keep you from such things."

But Sara threw back her head with a merry laugh. "Why, John Chester?" she cried gayly. "of course I knew they were no good. Only—well, those certificates furnished me with the proper excuse for going to the place I had heard you were employed. You see, if once I saw you, I thought—I hoped—"

"You did!" said her husband, and kissed her tenderly. (Copyright)

Uncle Eben  
"Vindin' fault," said Uncle Eben, "is a job dat's too easy to git you any credit as a discoverer."—Washington Star.

**J. S. ABARNATHA FOR COMMISSIONER, PREC. 1**  
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and business principles for all lines of endeavor in which the Precinct is interested.

"I pledge the very best maintenance of the roads of the Precinct and a cooperation with the Highway Department for the interest of the Precinct and County to the extent of the funds at hand.

"I pledge myself so far as is possible to keep the precinct out of debt, and to make no expenditures

of the funds of the people other than what is necessary for the welfare of the people, and the good of the Precinct and County.

"If elected to this office, I pledge an honest straightforward administration of the affairs of the Precinct. I would like for each voter to investigate my record as your former Commissioner, and to feel free to counsel with me as to my qualifications, my record and my future intentions with reference to the office if I am elected.

Yours very truly,  
J. S. Abarnatha

**W. T. SARRELS IS CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION**  
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ness shown me in the past. All this will be a living remembrance to me of your untiring efforts in enabling me to serve you as a public servant.

"In asking for your suffrage again, I realize this is your office, and you are the ones to say who shall serve you another two years. With this in view, I am asking your suffrage solely on my past record. If you are so kind as to elect me again

I shall endeavor to give you the best service possible.  
"Owing to the duties of the office it will be impossible for me to make a house to house campaign, but I will try and see you personally, if possible.  
"Hoping you will take this as a personal appeal to you for your vote and influence. I beg to remain your friend and servant.  
W. T. Sarrels

**DRACULA!**

**TEXAS THEATRE**  
"Where Sound Sounds Best"

**Friday & Saturday**  
BOB STEELE in  
**THE NEVADA**  
"Buckaroo"

His latest picture and it's chuck full of Action.  
MATTINE SAT. FROM 1 P. M.  
Children 10c Adults 15c

**Monday & Tuesday**  
THE PICTURE OF THE YEAR  
**"DRACULA"**

You Will Never Forget This Picture.  
Note—If you have a weak heart and can't stand excitement, don't see "DRACULA."

**Wed. and Thurs.**  
BEN LYON and  
REESE HOBART in  
**"Compromised"**

A story of unexpected human interest with a star cast thru out. Comedy and Serial.

**STARTING FEB 3, WED. IS**  
"BODDY NIGHT"

Bring a Buddy for the Same  
Price 35c


**THURSDAY NIGHT IS**  
"FAMILY NIGHT"

Your Immediate Family for 35c  
**NIGHT SHOWS START AT**  
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**DON'T MISS DRACULA IF**  
**YOU HAVE TO BORROW**  
**THE MONEY**

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The Vegetable TONIC  
**HERBINE**  
CORRECTS CONSTIPATION  
OATES DRUG STORE



**PERMANENT WAVE SPECIALS**  
FREDERICK WAVE \$2.00  
EUGENE WAVE (Regular \$7.50 Wave) TWO FOR \$6.00  
OR ONE FOR \$4.95  
LASTING WAVE, PRETTY RINGLETS FOR ONLY \$1.00  
Make Appointments Early  
Please—All Work Guaranteed.  
**Miss Nelson**  
(of Abilene)  
NORTON HOTEL  
Haskell, Texas

**NOTICE!**

**WE ARE AGAIN OPEN FOR BUSINESS.**

**WATCH FOR OUR Opening Sale!**

**NEW MERCHANDISE AT 1932 LOW PRICES**

**THE Manhattan**  
FOR BETTER VALUES

**In Our New Location**

We are now in our new location on the north side of the square where we are prepared to serve you better than ever before. We have more room, better display for our merchandise and more convenient arrangement for you to do your shopping.

We extend you a cordial invitation to visit us in our new home. On Friday afternoon Jan. 29th, and all day Saturday Jan. 30th, we will have a factory representative of Del Monte Products and will serve free coffee and cakes to our customers.

**THE FOLLOWING INTRODUCTORY SPECIALS ARE GOOD FOR FRIDAY and SATURDAY FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**

<b>Grapefruit</b> GRAPEFRUIT, peck	TEXAS MARSH SEEDLESS 72 Count, Per Bushel (FRIDAY ONLY)	<b>98c</b> 35c
ORANGES, 176 size		31c
ORANGES, 216 size		25c
CAULIFLOUR, large heads		15c
BANANAS, pound		4 1/2c
LETTUCE, hard crisp, large heads		5c
CELERY, each		15c
GRAPEFRUIT, Texas Seedless, 3 for		9c
<b>POTATOES</b>	STRICTLY NO. 1's Per Peck	<b>25c</b>
APPLES, delicious, 72 to box, 3 for		10c
APPLES, Bulk Roman Beauty, peck		14c
CABBAGE, firm green heads, lb.		3 1/2c
BEANS, Golden Wax, pound		16c
BEANS, Green Stringless, pound		14c
NEW POTATOES, pound		6c
BEETS, Fresh from So. Texas, bunch		7c
CARROTS, large bunch		7c

**BAKERY GOODS**

We have made arrangements with the Haskell Bakery to handle their full line of bakery products.

LAYER CAKES—Chocolate, Coconut, ALL COOKIES, dozen	15c
Angel Food, Devil Food, Carmel and DOUGHNUTS, dozen	20c
Honey Cream, all	25c
CINNAMON ROLLS, dozen	20c
COCOANUT MACCAROONS, doz.	20c
CARMEL STICKS, dozen	20c
PIES, all kinds, 3 for	25c
CUP CAKES, dozen	15c

**MEATS**

BOILED HAM, pound	35c	TOMATO AND BAKED LOAF, lb.	25c
BAKED HAM, pound	39c	PURE PORK SAUSAGE, 2 pounds	25c
CURED HAM, pound	38c	SLICED BACON, Sat. only, lb.	19c
BACON, Sugar Cured, not sliced, lb.	19c	SALT PORK, pound	10c
CHILLI, 2 pounds	35c		

**GROCERIES**

**Del Monte Coffee**

3 Pounds	\$1.10
1 Pound	39c

Del Monte Coffee will be served in our store Friday Afternoon and All Day Saturday. Visit our store at this time and get a cup of coffee that is guaranteed to please.

CONCHO VINEGAR, full half gal.	25c	TEXAS LILY FLOUR, 12 lb. bags	35c
PRUNES, 60-70, 10 lb. boxes	71c	CORN, White Swan, No. 2 cap, 2 for	23c
SALAD WAFERS, 2 pounds	25c	CHILLI BEANS, 6 for	55c
SALAD WAFERS, 1 pound	15c	BULK CAKES, pound	28c
RAINBOW WAFERS, 2 pounds	19c	FIG BARS, 2 pounds for	25c
TEXAS LILY FLOUR, 6 lb. bags	23c	MEAL, 20 lb. bags	22c
MEAL, 10 pound bags	22c	MEAL, 5 lb. bags	14c

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NEW LOCATION NORTH SIDE SQUARE