

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR POLL TAX? IF NOT, DO IT TO-DAY

THE ENTERPRISE.

VOL. 11, NO. 16.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1909.

\$1.50 A YEAR

BANKING

is our business. Our facilities are unsurpassed. Leave your valuable papers in our vault. Use us in order that we may be helpful to you. Our motto—"square deal"

THE WEST TEXAS NATIONAL BANK

Will Locate in Big Springs.

Dr. E. O. Ellington returned Friday from a trip through West Texas where he had been looking for a location, having sold his dental parlors here to Dr. W. H. Welch. Dr. Ellington has decided to locate in Big Springs and has had his office equipments shipped to that place and will leave Henderson with his wife this week. Dr. Ellington, though a young man, is a graduate of one of the leading dental colleges of the South and with several years of successful practice, he is easily one of the best in his profession in the state. Dr. Ellington is not leaving Henderson with a view of finding a more lucrative field in which to practice his profession but believing a change would prove beneficial to his health. The News takes pleasure in recommending him to the people of Big Springs, both as a dentist and as a man, worthy of their esteem and confidence. Dr. and Mrs. Ellington carry with them the best wishes of their many Henderson and Rusk county friends for their continued success and happiness in their new home.—Rusk County News, January 20.

SEE

J. D. McDonald for new and second hand goods, and a guaranteed high-grade sewing machine for one-half what others get for them. Phone 414.

Sanitarium Committee Coming

The committee from the Baptist denomination which has been appointed to select a location in West Texas for a sanitarium, will be here on Tuesday, February 2d. A committee of citizens has been selected to receive them, and it has been suggested that as many of our people as can do so meet the committee and extend to them a hearty welcome to our town.

An auto ride around town and over the adjacent country would be nice for the visitors, and there are plenty of private autos in town to take the members of the committee and a number of our citizens on such an excursion.

Just received another shipment of the celebrated Nettleton shoes, the best you can buy.

A. P. McDonald & Co.

A \$20,000 Sale.

This week L. S. McDowell bought the A. D. Alderman brick business house on the west side of Main street, consideration \$20,000 cash.

This is the largest single transaction in Big Springs real estate that has been made in some time, and shows that our people have the utmost confidence in the future of our town.

The D. J. Barnes Realty Co. advertise and get results. If you have any lands or city property to sell see them. Office basement

BIG LAND DEAL

C. C. SLAUGHTER SELLS
185,000 ACRES

THE SOASH LAND COMPANY OF
WATERLOO, IOWA, THE PUR-
CHASERS. LAND WILL
BE COLONIZED

W. P. Soash, G. A. Leonard and M. Hiserote, of the Soash Land Company, were here this week closing up a deal with C. C. Slaughter for his land interests in Howard, Borden, Dawson and Martin counties, about 185,000 acres.

The purchasers will colonize this land with people from the north and east.

They have been engaged for some time in selling out a large body of land on the north plains, and made their headquarters at Plainview. The land they have just acquired is a fine body of land and cannot be excelled anywhere for quality of soil and productiveness.

The Soash Land Company will make Big Springs their headquarters while disposing of this land and will open an office here about the first of March. They have secured the building now occupied by the Electric Theatre.

They will run excursion trains in here twice a month from Kansas City, the first train to reach here the second week in March, and every two weeks thereafter.

Mr. Hiserote will move here about March 1st, and will have charge of the company's office at

We are better prepared to serve you this year than ever before and ask you to give us a trial. We feel sure you will always be satisfied if you trade with us.

Arnold-McCamant Drug Co.

T Hardware
H Implements
E Wind Mills
B Gasoline
I Engines
G Wagons
Stoves

Q
U
E
S
T
I
O
N

Can soon be settled by visiting our store and looking through our immense stock of hardware

Stokes-Hughes Co.

Wholesale and Retail

this place. They figure that it will take something like three years to dispose of this immense body of land.

The placing of this land on the market and the settlement of it by thrifty farmers, means a great deal for Big Springs, as it will place many families in our trade territory.

We sell shoes cheaper than the cheapest and have a full stock for men, women and children.

A. P. McDonald & Co.

Mrs. Zehner Coming.

Mrs. A. C. Zehner, of Dallas, was announced to be here on February 1st but has changed to Sunday January 31st, and will meet the ladies of the city Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Methodist church and will also address a mass meeting at the church at night. Mrs. Zehner is well known to many of our people and we bespeak for her a large audience at both meetings. She is one of the ablest women orators in our state, and if you fail to hear her you will be loser.

Don't forget we handle a finer line of dress shirts than have been carried in Big Springs before. A. P. McDonald & Co.

Dr. I. E. Smith, of Weatherford, was here Wednesday and Thursday.

Important to Voters

Tomorrow will be the last chance you will have to pay your poll tax and qualify yourself to vote in any elections that may be held this year. It is very important that you pay your poll tax both to the state and to the city.

J. O. Gibson, the tailor, in the front basement of the Ward building, makes a specialty of cleaning and pressing clothing. 22-tf.

Say! List your property with The D. J. Barnes Realty Co. Office basement Ward building.

Contract Let for the

New Baptist Church.

The contract has been let to J. M. Morgan for the construction of the new Baptist church. It will be located at the corner of Main and 6th streets, have a front on each street, be built of brick and will cost something over \$15,000. Work is to be commenced February 1st and finished in five months. When completed it will be the handsomest church building in this part of the state.

Pipes and tobacco at Reagan's.

Groceries for Everybody

We are now in our new store, and are loaded for business

If to eat, we have it

Car of Cotton Seed Meal and Cake, Oats, Bran, Chops, Alfalfa Hay. Look for our sign. Next door to Rix & Co.

Pool Bros.

Wholesale and Retail

Wholesale and Retail

If you want cheap good Embroideries and White at special prices, go to the store that sells **Everything**

J. & W. FISHER

Established 1882

Mail orders wanted. Samples sent on application

THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. ERVIN, Pub.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

It seems reasonably clear that Castro saw the psychological moment coming and ducked.

Chicago isn't exactly going "dry," but it is trying to give up impure milk, and that's a hopeful sign.

It is proposed to double the president's salary. If that is done, there'll be 14 candidates instead of seven, next time.

Connecticut's champion eel skinner has retired from business. Here's a good job for some ambitious young athlete.

One thing certain is that the Emanuel movement cannot stop the prevailing disposition of man to put up an argument.

A new kind of flea has been discovered in California. It has six teeth and is a high jumper. Maybe it is designed to pounce on airplanes.

An exchange tells us that the Kaiser's favorite maxim is "Forget it." All right. Von Buelow isn't going to be the one to jog his memory.

Senator Elkins has long had an eye to the best investments. Since the country thought that he was skirting on a duke, he has bought a bank.

Whiting's chief of police was held up and robbed of his star, revolver, money and billy. We hope the highwaymen left him with at least a clew.

A Colorado man gave his grandson, aged one month, \$1,000,000 as a Christmas present. Think of the toys that youngster can buy with all that money.

The telephone girls at Rockford, Ill., struck because they were not permitted to talk. As well tell the birds not to sing and the flowers not to throw off their fragrance.

A Pittsburg artist succeeded in getting a flashlight photograph of a member of the city council in the act of receiving a bribe. It may properly be referred to as a moving picture.

Specializing in farming will be carried too far if scientific farmers produce cobble corn. Several thousand acres then would have to be devoted to raising a variety that grew only cob pipes.

Both Paris and London are discussing the commercial future of the flying machine. It is a safe prophecy that the sporting fraternity will get into aeroplaning some time in advance of commerce.

Castro of Venezuela, who "revoluted" himself into the presidency and has held on like grim death ever since, must have hearty contempt for one who is so "easy" as the late President Alexis of Hayti.

A New York judge has decided that a man whose salary is not more than six dollars a week need not pay alimony. This may cause some men to quit exaggerating when they refer to the salaries they draw.

Since this country set up in business as an independent nation its gold mines have yielded more than three billion dollars. It takes the American hen about six years to furnish eggs and chickens worth that much.

Going barefoot seems to be growing less popular in the West Indies than it used to be. During the last fiscal year the United States exported more than two and a half million pairs of shoes to these islands, one-third as many as the exports to the whole world.

Early in the new year another battleship will be added to the navy. It will be called the Delaware in honor of Maryland's little neighbor on the east. No doubt it will be a fine ship, and will add more strength to about the strongest naval fighting force in the whole world.

The children of the late Charles E. Perkins of Boston have given to the city of Colorado Springs "The Garden of the Gods," one of the scenic wonders of America. The park has long been open to the public, and the formal transfer is in accordance with Mr. Perkins' wish. This gift is similar in spirit to Mr. Kent's gift of Muir Park, California, to the nation, and to a bequest recently received by the city of Boston of a large sum of money to maintain the city parks.

In the light of revelations from Hayti it is not at all surprising that revolutions succeed there. It is announced in official dispatches that the government troops are so disaffected that they have to be tied together in couples to prevent them from deserting. This suggests a modification of an old "pome":
The soldiers they stand two by two,
The sergeant and the corporal too.
If not tied they'd surely flee,
Leaving the government up a tree.

The man, experienced in hunting in Africa, who says that the president will find no elephants where he is going, is very likely right. The elephant is a wise beast, and the president's proposed route has been published for some time.

The girl who has neglected to prepare during leap year and finds herself still alone and unsought may be expected to begin agreeing with the poet that "of all sad words of tongue or pen the saddest are these: 'It might have been.'"

THE WEEK'S EPITOME

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The postal savings and the omnibus claims bills were before the Senate Monday, for discussion and amendment, but no substantial progress was made on either measure. Amendment was made to the saving bank bill, limiting to \$500 the amount of the deposits of any one person and fixing the rate of interest to be paid at 2 per cent.

The house committee on territories in congress, it is expected, will report a bill giving statehood to New Mexico and Arizona. The house will pass it, according to the present plans, and then the bill will enter Senator Beveridge's committee on territories, whence it won't emerge during this session of congress.

Two battleships which will probably be of 25,000 tons displacement or more were Friday authorized by the house of Representatives after a stormy debate in which Republicans and Democrats alike emphasized the possibility of Japan and the United States being forced into disagreement.

A statehood bill granting the Territories of Arizona and New Mexico separate statehood will be introduced in the house this week.

Having a pure food law we may next have a "pure" clothes law. At all events the accredited representatives of the Michigan wool growers, Edward Frensdorf, proposed to the Ways and Means Committee Thursday, that manufacturers be required to tag each garment to show what it is made of.

The salaries of the President, Vice-President and Speaker of the House of Representatives were again under discussion in the Senate Tuesday when the legislative, executive and judiciary appropriation bill was before them. Amendments were adopted increasing the President's salary to \$100,000, that of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States to \$15,000 and the Associate Justices to \$14,000.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.
Hon. Morton B. He, 75, aged 75 years, one of the most eminent lawyers of Tennessee and at one time Mayor of Nashville, died at his home in that city Sunday.

What promises to be a revolution in train dispatching will be inaugurated by the Rock Island. It is proposed to use the telephone instead of telegraph lines.

The unemployed who have been in convention in St. Louis for two days have decided on the name of the National Brotherhood Welfare Association for their organization.

Messina, Italy, was swept by fire Tuesday. For many hours soldiers and sailors worked heroically to keep the flames from destroying the remnants of the town and eventually succeeded in getting the fire under control.

One of the most attractive features of the Fort Worth stock show last year was the horse show under the management of W. W. Galbreath. The horse show will be repeated this year on a larger scale and with many added premiums.

During the first twelve days of this month there were filed for record in the county clerk's office of Kaufman county 924 chattel mortgages which is believed to be a record-breaker in that county.

Weather Observer Landis of Fort Worth has asked for bids on a building to be erected in Abilene, Texas, in which the weather bureau will be established.

On this, the eleventh anniversary of the arrival of the old battleship Maine on her ill-fated mission to Cuban waters, the new Maine, with the still more modern Mississippi following in her wake, sailed into Havana harbor Monday to be present at the inauguration of General Jose Miguel Gobe, and the new Cuban government.

Fifty-three out of possibly ninety workmen perish as result of powder explosion on a "crib" located a mile and a half from Chicago shore of Lake Michigan Wednesday.

Governor Patterson Tuesday filed with the clerk of the Senate a message vetoing the State-wide prohibition bill which last week was passed by both houses of the Legislature. The governor's action followed adjournment of the Senate after it had passed on third reading the bill prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicating liquor in the state of Tennessee.

The work of raising and extending the dam at the Katy's lake near Waxahachie has been completed. A force of graders was employed about two months. A cement spillway has been constructed in the center of the dam and when the water reaches the point of overflowing it will cover twelve acres of land.

Deputy Nitti of Rome who is known as an economist, said in an interview Sunday that the loss at Messina, thro the earthquake he estimated was in the neighborhood of \$172,000,000 and the loss at Reggio \$100,000,000.

Thieves Wednesday secured \$1100 worth of precious stones from William Rasmussen, a diamond merchant of Chicago.

At Phocaea, Asia Minor, Wednesday, over 200 buildings were destroyed by an earthquake shock and several persons lost their lives.

The board of overseers of Harvard College Wednesday confirmed the nomination of Professor Lowell as president of Harvard university to succeed Charles Eliott.

The long delay in the negotiations between Bulgaria and Turkey, coupled with the military preparations on both sides, is occasioning anxiety in diplomatic circles.

George M. Bailey of Texas, carrying the electoral vote of Texas in his hip pocket, got to Washington Thursday and Friday delivered the vote to the vice-president.

President Roosevelt declared to callers Monday that after his return from Africa, where he intends to spend a year, he expects to go West and live there most of the time.

In fog off Nantucket, Mass., at dawn Saturday, the Lloyd liner Florida (to New York from Naples) crashed into the White Star steamer Republic and six lives were lost.

Ane hundred and seventy persons are known to have lost their lives Friday as a result of the floods which are general throughout the Transvaal Colony and Northern Natal.

Ice cream manufacturers from every city in the United States are in Memphis, Tenn., attending the eighth annual convention of the National Association of Ice Cream Makers.

In special Pullman sleepers, the Texas delegation to the American National Live Stock Association convention to be held in Los Angeles left Fort Worth Friday over the Texas and Pacific.

Two strong earth shocks occurred during the night at Zafarra, Spain, about thirty miles from Granada, Tuesday. The populace was thrown into a panic, but no serious damage was done.

Reports are current that it is the plan of the Texas Short Line Railroad to build an extension of the present line, a little over nine miles in length, from Hoyt to Quitman and Sulphur Springs.

Governor Patterson of Tennessee is expected to send to the senate his veto of the bill prohibiting the manufacture of liquor after January 1, 1910. That the bill will be passed over his head by both houses is a foregone conclusion.

Wall street was surprised Monday by the announcement that Sidney C. Love & Co. one of the largest brokerage houses in the country, with offices in New York, Chicago, Minneapolis and St. Louis, had decided to retire from business.

Three men were killed and ten others injured, three of whom it is thought will die, in an accident on the incline railway leading to the mine of the Piedmont and Georges Creek Coal Company on the mountainside, near Piedmont, W. Va., Monday.

Americans are truly making the dirt fly in the work of digging the Panama canal, during 1909, more than three-fifths of the total amount of material since our government took hold of the work has been removed. The monthly average of excavations during the year was substantially the same during the rainy season as during the dry season, showing that the heavy rains no longer are a serious obstacle.

Running at a speed of nearly fifty miles an hour the section of the St. Louis Express on the Pennsylvania railroad which left Philadelphia Friday afternoon crashed into the first section, which had met with an accident at a point between Southfork and Sumter Hill, known as "Running Ground," with terrific force early Saturday morning, killing and injuring many persons.

Herbert Oaman Byrd, a little child, playing about his father's yard in Dallas, Monday afternoon, fell into a large pot of boiling water. Within a few hours he died.

Within a short time there will be a first class life saving station at Galveston.

That leading American horsemen are planning to promote racing on a large scale in Mexico is shown by the presence here of a number of them and the negotiations they are making for government concessions in regard to betting.

Admiral Robley D. Evans (retired) will be in Chicago February 16 to deliver an address on his famous trip around the Horn with the Atlantic fleet.

A debate on the proposition of increasing salaries of Federal Circuit and District Judges consumed nearly the entire time of the Senate Thursday with the result that the Senate voted to increase the compensations of the twenty-nine circuit judges from \$7,000 to \$9,000 and that of the eighty-four district judges from \$6,000 to \$8,000.

Panhandle voted to incorporate by a vote of 63 to 1.

Evidence was taken in Chicago Tuesday for the second time in the government's suit to dissolve the Standard Oil Company. The government put railroad men on the stand to show that independent oil companies in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania were prevented from making shipment to points in New England by failure of the railroads to make a through route, while the Standard had a practical monopoly of the trade because of its pipe line.

CHARGES OF ROBBERY

CONGRESSMAN RAINEY ATTACKS ATTORNEY CROMWELL, R. L. FARNHAM AND C. P. TAFT.

PANAMA REPUBLIC "VICTIM"

Illinois Representative Says "Most Infamous Railway Proposition Ever Submitted to Any Government."

Washington, Jan. 27.—Charging that William Nelson Cromwell, Roger L. Farnham, Charles P. Taft and others are parties to the "most infamous railroad proposition ever submitted to any government" and that they are "being permitted not only to rob the Republic of Panama, but indirectly the Treasury of the United States," Representative Rainey of Illinois Tuesday directed the searchlight of publicity upon affairs in the Canal zone in a startling speech in support of his resolution providing for an investigation by congress of the Panama canal purchase.

"In their efforts in this direction," he continued, "they have had so far the complete co-operation and active assistance of the present administration and of the next president of the United States."

Mr. Rainey traced the history of the proposed canal for 100 years back and warned "that we have already started in the direction of the rocks upon which the French companies were wrecked."

Big Fire in Fort Worth.

Fort Worth: Fire destroyed the Southern hotel Tuesday morning. Two or three of the guests had narrow escapes and saved themselves by jumping from the third floor across a narrow alley to adjoining roofs. One boy sprang through a window, shattering the glass and landed safely on the roof. The fire was due to the explosion of gasoline under a coffee urn. The building was the property of Mrs. J. B. Burnett of this city, and valued at \$4,000, with partial insurance. It was operated as a hotel by J. W. Stegall. His loss is placed at \$3,000. Several people are dead as a result of the fire.

English Rulers Plan Trip.

Madrid: It is announced that King and Queen Alexandria will visit Villa Garrison on board the royal yacht Victoria and Albert on Feb. 16. King Alfonso and Queen Victoria will receive the royal visitors. There will be a royal banquet and excursions to the surrounding country and to Cortegada, where King Alfonso has built a palace. A British squadron will convey the Victoria and Albert, and French, Italian and German fleet divisions are also expected to arrive at the same time.

Marconi Greatly Pleased.

New York: Wm. Marconi, the young Italian who first gave wireless telegraphy its commercial value, is greatly gratified that so many lives were saved by its use after the collision between the steamships Republic and Florida. A special to the Times by cable from London says that Mr. Marconi expressed himself as follows:
"I am exceedingly gratified and very grateful that wireless telegraphy has been the means of saving so many lives."

Six Thousand Dollar Fire.

Garland: At Rowlett Tuesday night fire destroyed the J. C. McEntee frame store building and stock of goods. Loss on building and stock is about \$3,000; insurance \$2,000. Also the J. W. Kirley frame store building and stock. Loss \$2,500. No insurance on goods.

Foretold His Death.

St. Louis: Some psychic force notified Ella Clary, a professional singer, that he would die before he was 30 years old. He was then 29 years old and in good health. He was in the prime of his vocal and physical powers, and the thought of death had not entered his mind until he received the strange wireless message from another sphere. That was a year ago. Tuesday he died at the age of 29 years and 8 months, after he had made all arrangements for his funeral.

Doings in Legislature.

Austin: Senator Murray speaks at length against submission. Has heretofore refused to make definite statement as to his position regarding question. Some committee reports are made. In the House Mr. Fitzhugh announces decision not to call up Mr. Mobley's motion to reconsider vote postponing submission resolution. Waco city charter bill passed finally. Number of committee meetings. Fuller introduces resolution for adjournment March 13.

To Live in the West.

Washington: President Roosevelt declared to callers Monday that after his return from Africa, where he intends to spend a year he expects to go West and live there most of the time. "That is the country for me," said the president. "I like the East, but I have a positive longing to be among my Western friends again."

Citizens in mass meeting assembled Monday night pledged a bonus of \$17,000 to be given the railroad company to build from Tojar to Lijan.

It May Be Your Fate

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, ARE YOU INSURED? If not, do you think it would be wise to have us issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

Office in West Texas National Bank
Hartzog & Boyett,

JOB PRINTING

THE BEST AT THE ENTERPRISE

The Best Is None too Good for Our Customers.

STONE & CARPENTER

THE BUSINESS DRAYMEN

If you want your hauling done right, whether it be day or night, phone our office, No 102, or our residences, Nos. 12 or 326.

We Are Agents for

The Texas Company

If you want the best oil and gasoline ever brought to Big Springs, ask your merchant for it. If you can't get it, phone us.

H. C. WALLACE LUMBER CO.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Dealers in Building Material of all Kinds

For Good Lumber at Moderate Prices, Give us a call before buying elsewhere

The H. C. Wallace Lumber Co.

The Home Steam Laundry

Is a home institution and should have the patronage of the people of Big Springs. All work called for and delivered free of charge.

Satisfaction Guaranteed Give us your Business

Professional Advertisements

DR. C. L. HOLT

Physician and Surgeon.
Office in Van Gieson Building.
Residence phone 200 Office phone 87
—Country calls answered especially—
Day or Night

DR. E. H. HAPPEL,

DENTIST
Office Over First National Bank, in Dallas, Tex.

DR. E. A. LANG,

DENTIST.
Crows and Bridges work a Specialty.
Office over Fisher Bros. Store.
Office phone 329 Residence 261

The Good Herfords

Bulls in Service.
Stratton 924, son of Corrocor 4878
Morton 514, son of (Imp. Marston) 7008.
My eyes are of the best strain.
FRANK GOOD
Brazosport, Texas

CITY CHILI PARLOR

Chili, Enchiladas, Chile and
and also Tamales every day.
M. GONZALES

..FAME..

Is not achieved by doing things as well as others. We have for years taken the old order of things and devised a Photographic system so high that the rest of our kind must look up. It's power to infuse into a photograph a vigorous, definite style and character that brings success to the maker.
That's why we guarantee our work to please you.

M. D. WILLIS, Photographer

50 YEARS' EXPERIENCE

PATENTS

Trade Marks
Copyrights &c.
We are a full and complete
agency for the preparation and
prosecution of all cases in the
United States and foreign
countries. We have the best
attorneys and engineers in
the country. We will give
you the best results at the
lowest cost.
Scientific American
A leading international weekly. Largest
circulation of any paper in the
world. Published by
Munn & Co. 311 Broadway, New York

Local and Personal

Post cards at Reagan's.

Prairie Dog Poison at Reagan's.

R. L. Slaughter of Midland is in the city.

Nothing but solid gold in rings at Reagan's.

D. A. Roten of Coahoma was town Tuesday.

Cold drinks at Arnold-Tankersley Drug Co.

H. J. Larkin of Stanton was here Tuesday.

J. O. Setser returned yesterday from a trip east.

Smoke a Watt cigar at Arnold-McCamant Drug Co.

Jacobs candies "made last night" at Reagan's.

J. O. Pratt of El Paso county was here yesterday.

Try those hot drinks at Arnold-McCamant Drug Co.

W. R. Cole made a business trip to Merkel Tuesday.

Call on Pool Bros in their new store, next to Rix & Co.

T. C. Turk and wife visited their son at Roscoe last week.

Dr. Peppers, Coco Cola, Grape Juice at Reagan's Fountain.

Elmer Milstead and Miss Ethel Newton were married Sunday.

They appreciate your trade at Pool Bros. Next to Rix & Co.

W. L. Cope and family, of Westbrook, were here yesterday.

Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's. 12-tf

P. C. Dobson of Glasscock county was trading here Tuesday.

A swell grocery store, the new home of Pool Bros., next to Rix & Co.

The mint is the only concern that makes money without advertising.

J. LeRoy Lancaster, a real estate man from Stanton, was here Tuesday.

I will sell you a razor and guarantee it for one dollar—B. Reagan.

The tax collector's office has been a very busy place the last few days.

The best line of cigars in the city. Arnold-McCamant Drug Company.

"Love is blind" to the parties interested, but to all others it is very open.

W. J. Ayers left Saturday for northern markets to buy goods for Ayers & Ball.

Mrs. Gass can still be found at the old stand, first door south of H. L. Rix & Co.

Now is a splendid time to begin your trading with Reagan, if not already doing so.

Joe Higginbotham of Dublin was here today on his way to his Dawson county ranch.

International Stock Food at Reagan's.

W. P. Bonner will leave Saturday night for New York to buy his spring and summer goods.

T. E. Campbell, of Hamlin, who was on his way to Lamesa to visit his son, spent yesterday here.

Dr. E. O. Ellington and wife arrived Saturday from Henderson and will make their home here.

A. P. McDonald & Co. Opposite postoffice.

Miss Cynthia Merrick visited her uncle and aunt, G. A. Merrick and wife, at Stanton last week.

Hon. A. S. Hawkins of Midland has declared himself a candidate for lieutenant governor next year.

Pool Bros. invite you to call at their new store, next to Rix & Co.

To cure a cold in one day get Reagan's cold tablets.

WANTED—Rooms for light housekeeping by February 10th. Phone No. 5.

Judge L. A. Dale will leave tonight for Fort Worth where he will argue a case before the court of appeals.

L. B. Westerman and wife carried their three children to Stanton Sunday and placed them in the convent school.

Chas. Morris, who has been buying cotton at San Angelo and other points on the Santa Fe, returned Wednesday.

An election has been ordered for February 13th at Colorado to decide whether the town will remain incorporated.

J. W. Neil, of Auto, was here Monday accompanied by his son, Geo. W. Neil of Brownfield who is visiting his father.

Mrs. Sol Dreeben and daughter came in Saturday from Munday to join Mr. Dreeben, who has been here three weeks.

By the ginners' report up to January 16, 12,677,231 bales have been ginned, of which 3,529,428 are to the credit of Texas.

P. F. Riley, of Auto, was here Tuesday and carried home with him a Jersey yearling which he bought of J. J. Hair for \$50.

D. M. DeVitt of Fort Worth passed through here this week on his way to the Mallet Cattle Co.'s ranch in Garga county.

Have you seen Pool Bros. new store?

S. E. Davis, who has been living on his farm ten miles north of town for the past year, moved his family back here yesterday.

Found—Plain gold ring, with initials, J. O. to A. B. C., inside, which the owner can get by proving property and paying for this notice.

A considerable fall in the temperature was experienced here last night caused by a brisk norther which came up about dark.

Mrs. Gass will leave Monday for the northern markets and expects to return about Feb. 15th with a beautiful line of spring millinery.

Laxative Quinine Cold Tablets, cure colds, at Ward's. 12-tf

The county officers have moved into the new court house and some of them are feeling a little upish over their snug quarters but they will get over that soon.

The world is half full of chaps with skin games. The other half is badly crowded with folks who are trying to beat the said skin games.—Sherman Telegram.

Try those hot drinks at Arnold-McCamant Drug Co.

E. S. Bledsoe and wife left Tuesday night for Dallas where they will visit relatives a few days and then go to Waco where they will attend the State Christian Lectureship.

H. L. Raine, for the past two years foreman of the job department of the San Angelo Press-News, passed through Big Springs Monday on his way to Brisbee, Arizona, where he will locate.

A. T. Rogers of Ira and Mrs. Effie Bailey of this place were married on the 26th, at the home of the bride's parents, D. M. Lovelace and wife. This paper joins their many friends in extending congratulations.

A. L. Echols and family returned Monday morning from their prospecting trip to the western end of the state, and although we have not interviewed Mr. Echols since his return, we understand that he is very well pleased with Coahoma and does not contemplate leaving here for anything that he saw while away. This will be good news to their many friends in this community, who would be sorry to lose this estimable family from their midst.—Coahoma Courier.

In Jewelry you should always consider quality above everything. We stand behind everything we sell. A well selected and up-to-date line always in stock.

Arnold-McCamant Drug Co.

When we ask you to pay what you owe us, it is not because we need the money, but those people we owe say they need the money. Pay up and help those parties or it they may be in poor circumstances, see!

The Erisophian Society of the High School has obtained the use of one hundred and ninety-five famous pictures to be used in an exhibit on the 27th and 29th of February.

Have you subscribed to the railroad bonus? If not, do it now. Call on Wm. Fisher and put your name down for what you are willing to give. Mr. Fisher will take your name and will always treat you right.

Prof. C. E. Thomas attended a business meeting of the faculty of the district Summer Normal at Roscoe last Friday night. The place of holding the Normal was discussed but no definite action was taken. Big Springs has a chance to get this school if the people want it.

Iron Tonic Pills, a great nerve tonic, at Ward's. 12-tf

Geo. H. Clements, representing the El Paso Herald, is here today. He is the man who is engaged in writing up the towns along the T. & P. and is here securing data for a write up of Big Springs and the Big Springs country.

DOES Your Watch KEEP TIME?

Maybe it hasn't been cleaned for two or three years and needs attention.

Bring it in and we will make it new—or as good as when it was new.

We have the equipment to do all kinds of repair work and take pride in doing it right.

Our prices are no higher than elsewhere, in fact they are less, because we repair to stay repaired.

MITCHELL and PARK, Druggists and Jewelers.

The readers of this paper are earnestly invited to patronize the merchants, whose advertisements appear in these columns, and profit by so doing. The people that advertise sell more, therefore they can afford to sell cheaper and always have fresh goods on hand.

The better the roads are, the more anxious the farmers are to come to our city to do their trading. Be wise, and see that the roads leading to this city are in tip-top shape.

There are over 100,000 copies of McCall's Magazine in the United States and it is the most popular magazine in the world. It is an account of their life, accuracy and simplicity.

McCall's Magazine (The Queen of Fashion) has more subscribers than any other Ladies' Magazine. Get your subscription (to include) only \$5.00 per year. Latest number, 5 copies. Every subscriber gets a McCall Fashion Book. Subscribe today.

Lady Agents Wanted. Handmade premiums of McCall's Magazine. Full-time Catalogue of the day and the Fashion Catalogue (showing the previous year's styles) sent free. Address THE McCALL CO., New York.

Our Busy Week

We are too busy this week to write an ad, but will find time to supply your wants in hardware, etc. if you will let us know them. In fact, we are always ready to show you through our immense stock and to quote you our prices, which are the very lowest in town

The Western Windmill Co.

MOVED

We have moved into the building formerly occupied by Sneed Bros. and will be pleased to have our friends and customers call on us in our new quarters

The Gem City Furniture Comp'y

Tomorrow is the last day you will have in which to pay your poll tax without extra cost.

When you want matches and can't find them, it is very much darker than it was before.

A small barn on the R. P. Jackson property on Scurry street was destroyed by fire, Monday afternoon.

The people who are making a mark in this world are doing things and doing them now. They wait for nothing.

Hair brushes from 25cts to \$3.00 each at Reagan's



DR. TERRILL'S BOOK

On the special and Pelvic Diseases peculiar to the male sex is conceded by every man who has read it to be easily the best and most comprehensive work of its kind ever written. It describes in plain simple language such diseases as Stricture, Varicocele, Contagious Blood Poison, Lost Manhood, Seminal Emission, unnatural Drain or Depletion, Hydrocele, Cystitis, Epilepsy, Rheumatism, and all Chronic Diseases of the Stomach, Kidneys, Bladder and Prostate Gland

For Men

This book tells you how to regain your one time Vim, Vigor, and Vitality. Will be sent to your address in a plain, sealed envelope. Absolutely Free, and don't forget to Mention This Paper. All Correspondence Strictly Confidential. Examination with our Mammoth X-Ray and Consultation

Is Free

Address: **DR. J. H. TERRILL** 285 Main Street Dallas, Texas

When you want to buy jewelry or cut-glass, come to see us. Arnold-McCamant Drug Co.

Buy the best--Buy Eupion

Eupion Oil has stood the test and has been considered the highest standard grade of oil in Texas for over fifty-two years and still holds the lead in the oil field. It is the only non-explosive oil that is sold—barring none.

Ask your grocer for Eupion and take no other

WANTS HER LETTER PUBLISHED

For Benefit of Women who Suffer from Female Ills

Minneapolis, Minn.—"I was a great sufferer from female troubles which caused a weakness and broken down condition of the system. I read so much of what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had done for other suffering women I felt sure it would help me and I must say it did help me wonderfully. My pains all left me, I grew stronger, and within three months I was a perfectly well woman."

"I want this letter made public to show the benefit women may derive from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. JOHN G. MOLDAN, 2115 Second St., North, Minneapolis, Minn.

Thousands of unsolicited and genuine testimonials like the above prove the efficiency of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which is made exclusively from roots and herbs. Women who suffer from those distressing ills peculiar to their sex should not lose sight of these facts or doubt the ability of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to restore their health.

If you want special advice write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. She will treat your letter as strictly confidential. For 20 years she has been helping sick women in this way, free of charge. Don't hesitate—write at once.

Oldest Iron Ship.
In a paper read before the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers Henry Penton states that the oldest iron ship in the world is the United States warship Michigan, the material for whose construction was "dragged across the mountains from Pittsburg to Lake Erie," where the ship was built, as long as 66 years ago.

This is No Joke.
Hunt's Cure has saved more people from the "Old Scratch" than any other known agent, simply because it makes scratching entirely unnecessary. One application relieves any form of itching skin disease that ever afflicted mankind. One box guaranteed to cure any one case.

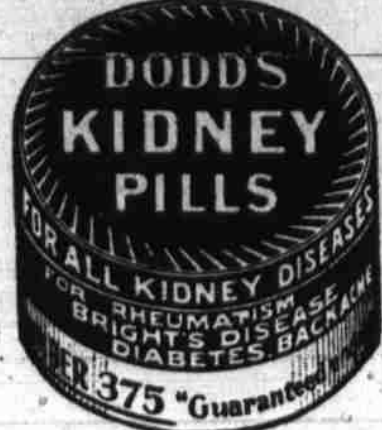
It Certainly is.
"You shouldn't cast your pearls before swine."
"I know it; but it's hard telling who is on the hog these days."

Red, Weak, Watery Eyes
Relieved by Murine Eye Remedy. Composed by Experienced Physicians. Conforms to Pure Food and Drug Laws. Murine Doesn't Smart; Soothes Eye Pain. Try Murine in Your Eyes. At Druggists.

The man of intellect is the noblest creature on earth, the true, just, humane and valiant man—Carlyle.

Strong drug cathartics simply aggravate the condition—the true remedy is constipation and liver trouble is found in Garfield Tea, the mild Herb Laxative.

Water from the River Styx should be fine for preparing mixage.



SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Heavy Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Headaches, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature

REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

Our Advice

To you would be if you want to avoid all this suffering and annoyance to discard the old nostrums and take

Schaap's Laxative Chill Cure

for Chills and Fevers, Swamp Fever, Dumb Ague, in fact all ailments due to Malaria. It is the best Remedy made. Price 50 cents.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE

SENATOR MURRAY OF WILSON SPEAKS UPON SUBMISSION QUESTION AT TUESDAY'S SESSION.

CLAIMS FRAUD UPON PEOPLE

18,000 Voters Did Not Vote On Prohibition—Reports Are Made By House Committee.

Austin: Senator Murray charged Tuesday in the senate while talking against the submission of a prohibition amendment that the Democratic party of Texas has perpetrated a fraud on the people of Texas by attempting to force the legislature to a submission amendment. He occupied the floor practically all of Tuesday's session of that body. He maintained that the submission proposition fell 18,000 votes short in the recent primaries and still it was made a platform demand; that it has never been endorsed by a majority of those participating in the primaries.

Senator Hume will next talk on the question to-morrow.

The senate adjourned until 10 o'clock Wednesday. It is understood there are several more speeches yet to be made on the resolution.

Austin: Senator eVale Tuesday secured the final passage of his bill providing for the condemnation by incorporated cities and towns of lands for widening of streets and alleys.

Senator Cofer Tuesday introduced a bill in the senate to establish a chair of homeopathic materia medica and therapeutics in the Galveston branch of the University of Texas and instructing the board of regents to engage a teacher identified with this school of medicine to teach the same. This bill will likely cause a stir in medical circles in the state.

In the House.
Austin: Legislative work Monday was principally in the committee rooms, the sessions of the two houses being largely perfunctory. Most of the Senate session was devoted to debate on the submission question.

That matter was also heard from in the house, through notice given by Mr. Fitzhugh, one of the anti-submissionist leaders, that upon tomorrow he would move to take up the motion made by Mr. Mobley last week to reconsider the vote by which the submission resolution was postponed. This means that the anti-submissionists are trying to crowd the measure to a vote, and if they can do nothing more they will be able by a vote on Mr. Fitzhugh's motion, to show up the strength of their adversaries.

Improvement of A. & M. College.
Austin: Representative Terry has introduced a bill in the house having for its object the adding to the Agricultural and Mechanical college a department of instruction in the theory and practical art of grading, classifying and stapling—spinnable value of cotton.

Look for Many Bonds.
It is estimated that there will be several million dollars of various kinds of bonds approved by the attorney general's department during the next few months, or as soon as the Legislature enacts into laws the different bills which have been introduced on this question.

Oppose Anti-Garnishment Law.
Austin: Representative Miller of Galveston Friday presented to the house a protest against any change in the present anti-garnishment law of wages, signed by 2,632 wage-workers of Galveston.

Bill for New Laws Killed.
Austin: The house committee on state affairs killed the Jenkins bill providing for the creation of a legislative commission to revise and suggest new laws to the legislature. This same bill was up in the last legislature and met the same fate.

New House Bills.
By Mr. Bowles: To prevent the obstruction of public roads.
By Mr. Pearson and others: Amending the Confederate pension laws, the details of which are explained elsewhere in these dispatches.

Governor's Campbell's Appointments.
The Governor's appointments submitted to the Senate Friday, and which were confirmed, follows:
Assistant Attorney General, Felix J. McCord, Smith County.
Secretary of State, W. B. Townsend, Wilbarger.

State Health Officer, William Brumby, Harris.
State Health Officer, William M. Brumby, Harris.
Commissioner of Insurance and Banking, T. B. Love, Dallas.
State Tax Commissioner, L. T. Dashiell, Leon.

State Revenue Agent, W. J. McDonald, Hardeman.
State Purchasing Agent, Charles E. White, Fannin.

Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner, R. H. Wood, Aransas.
Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, W. C. Day, Hays.
Board of Pardon Advisors, A. P. McKinnon, Hill; William Blakeslee, Lavaca.
Superintendent of Penitentiaries, J. A. Herring, Madison.

Two Cent Passenger Fare.
Austin: A two cent passenger fare bill on Texas roads was introduced in the house Thursday by Representative Fuller. This bill will meet with determined opposition by the railroads, representatives of which are here in full force. This is one of the governor's recommendations in his message. Among other bills to be introduced are: A bill by Porter, to prevent the recording of deeds conveying property upon which all taxes are not paid.

In the Pension Law.
Austin: Following are the radical changes in the Confederate pension law introduced by Messrs. Pearson, Reed Schlatter, Ralston, McKinney, et al, in the House: 1. The date of marriage of widows is raised from prior to March 1, 1866, to March 1, 1860. This is in accordance with Constitutional amendment carried at the general election, November, 1904.

Inspect Penitentiary.
Austin: The special committee from the house committee on appropriations, recently appointed to make an inspection of the state penitentiary at Huntsville and also the Huntsville State normal for the purpose of ascertaining the needs of those institutions for the benefit of the appropriation committee, left Tuesday for Huntsville.

In the Senate.
Austin: President Pro Tem Tem Terrell was presiding Monday in the Senate, Lieutenant Governor Davidson being out of town.

The usual number of petitions were read for submission to prohibit betting on races, for telephone regulation, for and against druggist bill, against the amending of the bucket shop bill, in favor of permitting transportation free to volunteer firemen, for expense allowance to district judges on exchanging benches, for the establishment of a school for incorrigibles and against Sunday excursion rates.

A message from the governor was read withdrawing the name of Major Thomas E. Durham to be assistant superintendent of penitentiaries at Rusk, because of the anti-nepotism act. The senate went into executive session and canceled the confirmation of Major Durham.

Senator Senter called up and had finally passed his bill creating another district court for Dallas county.

The joint resolution providing for an amendment carrying State-wide prohibition was laid before the Senate as pending business.

Want Racing to Remain.
Austin: A petition containing the signatures of more than 3,000 men of Dallas was Tuesday sent to State Senator E. G. Senter, asking that the appeal already made by the Texas Thoroughbred association and the Texas Harness Breeders' association shall be granted. The petition is addressed to Representatives Lively, Crawford, McCallum and Cox, as well as Senator Senter, but was sent to Austin in care of the latter. The petition asks that the present laws regarding the betting on racing be unchanged and that there shall be no legislation regarding racing.

Reorganize Judicial Districts.
Austin: Senator Bryan's bill to reorganize the Thirty-second, the Sixty-third, the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-sixth judicial districts and to create the Sixty-eighth judicial district came up in the senate Tuesday, causing considerable comment. Mr. Harper considered that too many judicial districts existed already.

Regulate Telephones.
Senator Terrell of Bowie is preparing a bill to place all telegraph and telephone companies under the supervision of the railroad commission. The measure will urge and require telephone companies to publish rates and prohibit overcharges.

Tuberculosis Sanitarium.
Thus far very little opposition, if any, is being urged to the bill introduced in the senate and also in the house providing for the establishment of a tuberculosis sanitarium in Texas and appropriating \$200,000 therefor. The bill has been reported favorably and will likely come up for consideration this week.

New Senate Bills.
By Bryan—To prohibit transportation of Johnson grass without permission of the owner of the land on which it is to be transported.

Senator Holsey introduced a bill to cure the defects in the present cotton statistical law, and providing for the employment of a chief statistical clerk, an assistant and a stenographer. This bill has the indorsement of the department of agriculture and the Farmers' union.

By Mr. Cofer—To amend Art. 1647 Revised Statutes of Texas so as to make the provision for service on non-residents in County and District Courts apply to Justice Courts as well. The supreme court has held that it does not.

By Mr. Cofer—To amend incorporation act so as to permit billposters and advertisers to incorporate.

By Mr. Perkins (by request)—To prohibit obstruction of the roads by digging into or near same, or by constructing embankments so as to cause water to accumulate in roads.

By Mr. Alexander (by request): To create the Seventeenth Judicial District to be composed of Dawson, Yoakum, Terry, Lynn, Garza, Crosby, Lubbock, Cochran and Heckley counties.

BOY OR GIRL FIRST?

WHICH IS PREFERABLE TO START A FAMILY?

Many Reasons Why Boy Would Seem Most Desirable, and Equally Good Arguments in Favor of the Girl.

It is better that the first child in a family should be a boy. Then if the father dies the post of head of the family falls to him naturally. He becomes its protector. Whether or not the father dies, the oldest child, if a boy, can stand between the younger children and the world, in their playful contact with it. True, there are no "little mother" possibilities in him, and he is an indifferent nurse; therefore, in many tenement families, the birth of a daughter as the first child is preferred.

That is one of the drawbacks about being an elder sister. She is too handy to have around the house. She becomes the maid of all work. We know of several charming women, now well along in spinsterhood, whose destiny unfulfilled may be charged to the fact that they were elder sisters. They were always nursing babies—somebody else's babies. The cares of the household descended on them prematurely, and their old-fashioned ways, the sobering marks of responsibility in face and manner, lessened their appeal to the captious and roving fancy of young men. To the handicap of diminished opportunity was added the handicap of diminished charm.

It is well, then, for a girl to have an older brother. It is not always fortunate for her to have two or three younger sisters. Humanity's natural sense of justice has long discerned this. Jacob, if you remember, had to take Leah to wife before he was allowed to espouse her younger sister, Rebecca. The feeling, very marked among the Jews and sometimes stereotyped into a custom, has strength among all peoples. In return for an elder sister's sacrifices, the family sense of fair play requires that her younger sisters shall not become her competitors. They are expected to stand aside, to remain in the background, until she has had a chance to annex a man.

Sometimes—pretty often, indeed—the event shows that the younger sister has not kept far enough in the background. The captious and roving fancy of the elder sister's "sissy" is attracted by the vision of fresher charms in the same family circle, and woman's invincible foe, youth, strikes her down through the arm of a daughter of the same mother. Probably ten thousand novels and plays have been written about this theme—the characteristic theme of "Cinderella"—and apparently most of them have seen the light in England. The rivalry of sisters seems to be more definite and overt there than elsewhere.

"Shall the elder sister rule?" then, is at all times a live and poignant issue. The rebellion of the younger one against a rule represented as tyrannical is often a sympathetic episode, and sometimes the oldest daughter has a general popularity as slight as a stepmother's. The suitor, at any rate, will not have regard for the claims of primogeniture—unless they are reinforced by dowry discrimination—and he is a tame lover who will let the rule "first come, first served" determine his choice of a wife. Still, admitting numerous exceptions, the rule is a good one, as applied to sisters.

Beeber's Argument.
Hubert Henry Davies, the playwright, who has spent much time in London, tells of an amusing interview between the owner of a publication in the British capital, whereof George Bernard Shaw had been the dramatic critic, and Max Beeber, on the occasion of the latter's assumption of the duties laid down by G. E. S.

The owner advised Max of the salary that had been paid George Bernard, observing at the same time: "Being comparatively inexperienced, you, Mr. Beeber, cannot, of course, expect so much."

"Oh, yes, I shall!" hastily interposed Max. "Indeed, I shall expect more! Shaw knows the drama so thoroughly that it is an easy matter for him to write of it, whereas I, knowing nothing whatever about it, shall find it dreadfully hard work!"—Harper's Weekly.

Hot Water for Gardens.
The proprietor of baths at Acqui, Italy, uses his supply of hot water to force the growth of garden produce. He has an inexhaustible supply of hot water from a natural spring, the temperature being 167 degrees Fahrenheit.

By means of pipes the surplus water not required for the baths is carried to a garden on the outskirts of the town. The warm liquid flows beneath a number of forcing frames containing melons, tomatoes, asparagus, etc. A supply of these delicacies is ready for the market at a very early period.

Another Chicago Novelty.
"Yes, they have a new sort of funtion in Chicago that is quite the rage."

"What is it called?"
"It's called a moving-in party. When the hostess learns that the empty house next door is to be occupied she calls her guests by telephone and they come and draw cuts for the front windows, and then sit there and stare up the new neighbor's stuff as the movers carry it in."

THE WONDERBERRY.

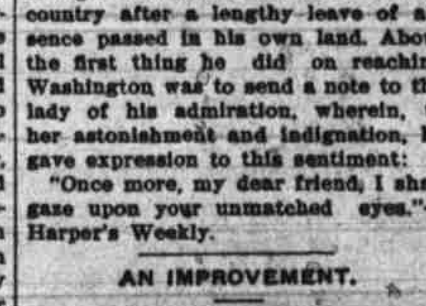
Mr. Luther Burbank, the plant Wizard of California, has originated a wonderful new plant which grows anywhere, in any soil or climate, and bears great quantities of luscious berries all the season. Plants are grown from seed, and it takes only three months to get them in bearing, and they may be grown and fruited all summer in the garden, or in pots during the winter. It is unquestionably the greatest Fruit Novelty ever known, and Mr. Burbank has made Mr. John Lewis Childs, of Floral Park, N. Y., the introducer. He says that Mr. Childs is one of the largest, best-known, fairest and most reliable Seedsmen in America. Mr. Childs is advertising seed of the Wonderberry all over the world, and offering great inducements to Agents for taking orders for it. This berry is so fine and valuable, and so easily grown anywhere, that everybody should get it at once.

RIFT IN LOVE'S LUTE.
Sighing Swain Meant Well, But Language Tripped Him.

The essential difference between the signification of words and terms in the English tongue which are almost the same in etymology and origin is a great element of difficulty to a foreigner who is learning the language—a fact to which a certain attaché of a foreign mission at Washington recently testified.

When the budding diplomatist in question arrived at our national capital a year or two ago, he soon capitulated to the charms of a young woman or the official set, and they speedily became the best of friends. A month or so ago the attaché returned to his country after a lengthy leave of absence passed in his own land. About the first thing he did on reaching Washington was to send a note to the lady of his admiration, wherein, to her astonishment and indignation, he gave expression to this sentiment: "Once more, my dear friend, I shall gaze upon your unmatched eyes."—Harper's Weekly.

AN IMPROVEMENT.
A new Halloween game, in which a peach is used instead of an apple.



Professor Munyon has just issued a most beautiful, useful and complete Almanac; it contains not only all the scientific information concerning the moon's phases, in all the latitudes, but has illustrated articles on how to read character by phrenology, palmistry and birth month. It also tells all about card reading, birth stones and their meaning, and gives the interpretation of dreams. It teaches beauty culture, manicuring, gives weights and measures, and antidotes for poisons. In fact, it is a Magazine Almanac, that not only gives valuable information, but will afford much amusement for every member of the family, especially for parties and evening entertainments. Farmers and people in the rural districts will find this Almanac almost invaluable.

It will be sent to anyone absolutely free on application to the MUNYON REMEDY COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA.

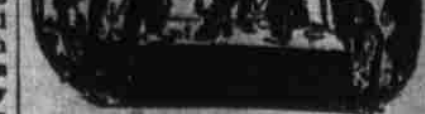
Jack's Fair Play.
"I noticed that you had Jack Chubberty to church with you Sunday."
"Yes, and the poor heathen is so unused to going that he wanted the usher to check his hat and coat."
"For Colds and Grippe—Capudine." The best remedy for Grippe and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and sore throat. Cures the cold—flu—fast. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—in 15 and 30c at Drug Stores.

Foreign titles come high—and a good many American heirenses have discovered that they were not worth the price.

ONLY ONE "BRONCO QUININE"
This is LALAY'S BRONCO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Use the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day.

The hand can never execute anything higher than the heart can inspire. Emerson.

ONE THING AT A TIME.



"Have you noticed that the broncos never talks about other women?"
"How could she? She is all the time talking about herself."

A Slight Misunderstanding.
Little Helen Bentley of Los Angeles, aged five, dearly loves her grandma, who has been living with her and her parents. Recently grandma went to Seattle for a visit, and caught cold on the way. When she arrived there, she wrote back to Helen's parents that she had reached Seattle, but had had a hard fight with the grip. Helen wanted to hear what grandma had to say, and the letter was read to her. Soon afterward she saw one of her neighbors, and exclaimed: "Oh, Mrs. Smith, we've had a letter from grandma. She got to Seattle all right, but she had a terrible fight with her grip."

Editorial Verdict.
From a serious-minded jester the editor received this note, together with a consignment of humor that was heavy enough to go by freight: "Dear Sir: I read all these jokes to my wife, and she laughed heartily. Now, I have it on good authority that when a man's wife will laugh at his jokes they are bound to be very good—or she is. Yours, etc." The editor slipped them into the return envelope with the letter, after writing on the margin: "She is."

Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna

acts gently yet promptly on the bowels; cleanses the system effectually; assists one in overcoming habitual constipation permanently. To get its beneficial effects, always buy the genuine.

MANUFACTURED BY THE CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. SOLD BY LEADING DRUGGISTS 50 ABOTLE



ONION SEED 50 cts. a lb.
Largest growers of onion and vegetable seeds in the world. See catalog free or send 10c in stamps and receive catalog and 1000 kernels each of onions, carrots, celery, radishes, 1500 each lettuce, rutabaga, turnips, 2000 each, the tomatoes, 2000 each, 1200 each flowering seeds, in all 20,000 kernels, easily worth \$4.00 of any man's money. Or, send \$2.00 and we will add one shpr. of Rayless Peas O'Day Sweet Corn. SALZER SEED CO., Box W, La Crosse, Wis.

WANTED—Persons, experienced bookkeepers, office men, timekeepers, clerks for general stores and commission houses, dry goods, groceries, and other lines. Apply to J. H. GIBSON, 111 N. W. 10th St., St. Paul, Minn.

DRUGGIST'S NEW DISCOVERY gives relief from all kinds of rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, and other forms of nerve pain. It is a purely vegetable preparation and is entirely safe. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

WANTED—Young men to learn telegraphy, bookkeeping, and other business courses. Apply to J. H. GIBSON, 111 N. W. 10th St., St. Paul, Minn.

Look for the Spear → The Flavor lasts

WRIGHT'S PEPSIN GUM

fine for digestion fine for teeth

The SEVENTH PERSON

BY BEN McCUTCHEON
 ILLUSTRATIONS BY MELVILL
 COPYRIGHT 1906 BY DODD MEAD & COMPANY



"Senorita Bostos Must Have Loved You, My Captain."

could not bring himself to understand this daughter of a Croesus.

"How long will you be in Havana?" she asked, after a long, thoughtful silence.

"Only a short time—maybe not more than a few hours," he answered.

"My father has been called to the City of Mexico," said she, "and I am going with him. From there we shall make a tour of the United States. We shall spend two weeks in Havana. Can you not come to Mexico?"

This completely stumped Jerry. "Why," said he, "I intend to leave Havana almost immediately for Vera Cruz, from where I shall move on to the capital."

"Leave Havana immediately!" she exclaimed. "Then, we may conclude to leave on the same vessel. How glorious!"

Jerry Chambers was one of the most unassuming men in the world, but so persistently did Senorita Mercedes force herself upon him that at last he was compelled to believe that she had become desperately infatuated with him. He felt that the infatuation was very shallow—an emotion of a girl whose nature had for its foundation, superstructure and all a romantic spirit. He thought her startling candor could be traced to a father's stern and rigid watchfulness. In fact, she as much as had told him that she was constantly under her father's eye and that she was fast tiring of it.

On the afternoon of the following day a very strong eastern wind came up and set the old Franzas to dancing restlessly. By dusk there came faint rumblings of thunder and faint flashes of heat-lightning. The waves rolled higher as the storm-laden wind increased into the fierceness of a gale, and by nightfall the heavens were booming constantly directly above.

The long table in the dining saloon had been prepared for the supper of honor, but much of the spirit of the occasion was lost in the fear that had become almost panic in the heart of every passenger. Although appreciating the peril quite as keenly as the others, Jerry was composed, and his apparent unconcern served as an inspiration to many of the men. At last the 30 or more women became panic-stricken, some falling into the throes of ungovernable hysteria. The men were helpless to curb their fear and excitement. Jerry struggled to the captain of the vessel and put this:

"Are we in great danger? Be frank with me."

"We are," answered the officer, "although she is holding her own as well as any similar boat could under the conditions. This is the worst storm I have ever seen in all my life on the water. If we can keep away from the rocks—and they are plentiful along the coast—she may weather it out all right. At present my whole mind is on escaping two massive rocks, about 30 or 40 feet apart, known as the 'silent sentinels.' Each stands 50 feet out of the water. We cannot be far from them."

"How far are we now from shore?"

"The wind has blown us to within ten miles of it. We are going in nearer every minute," and the captain's face became very grave.

"How far are the 'silent sentinels' from shore?"

"About four miles."

"Good God, captain," exclaimed Jerry, "if we strike them?"

"There'll be hell to pay, sir!" roared the officer. "The women must be kept quiet; they upset my men completely."

For a moment Jerry seemed paralyzed. Finally recovering his wits, he laboriously picked his way back to the dining saloon, where the white-faced passengers were huddled in plunging, reeling groups. His face wore an expression of complacency as he tumbled into their presence.

"Be calm," Jerry urged. "The captain requests that the supper be delayed no longer. The cooks are very impatient and they fear that if the coffee stands much longer it will lose all its strength."

Jerry's purpose in getting the passengers to the table was to make possible a more systematic retreat to deck in case the vessel reached the rocks. The terrible tossing of the old craft had made many of the passengers care little whether they ever saw land again. The fear and excitement had kept many from getting sick. With the exception of but three or four of the women and two of the men, all took seats at the table, though few doubted that they could take a mouthful to eat. Senor Lopez escorted Jerry to the seat of honor, both struggling and plunging into the wall as they picked their way together.

Senor Lopez acted as master of ceremonies. Jerry taking the seat at his right, Senorita Mercedes, pale but staunch, having the one at his left. When the merchant struggled to his feet to announce formally the purpose of the supper, it seemed to Jerry, who had been infinitely more interested in the storm and the fate of the Franzas than in the honor being shown him, that the old vessel was plunging

and twisting and groaning more furiously than at any time before. He did not believe she could stand the terrific strain much longer.

"Uranians let no such thing as a storm at sea deter them from showing honor to whom honor is due," began Senor Lopez, smiling weakly, but his enthusiasm was hopelessly at low ebb. "Capt. Chambers deserves every consideration that we, as Uranians, can show him. He possesses every quality that contributes to the greatness of a man, and his achievements in our beloved land will shine out for ever—"

Crash! The tumbling, twisting, creaking Franzas had reached the "silent sentinels!"

CHAPTER XV.

Senorita Mercedes Lopez.

When the Franzas thundered against the "silent sentinels" every one at the supper of honor was thrown to the floor, many being pitched headlong over the table. Senor Lopez, the only one standing, was hurled against the wall and rendered unconscious, and Jerry Chambers awoke from a moment's insensibility to find himself at the bottom of a heap of four or five persons. On all sides lay the stunned passengers, a few just beginning to realize what had happened. The littered floor was at an angle of almost 45 degrees, the vessel having been driven between the rocks and pitched to a position from which the continued fury and force of the elements could not dislodge her. A great hole had been torn in one of her sides, and the angry waves were fairly ripping off the timbers.

Many of the crew had been swept from the deck and pounded to death on the rocks, and only a few of those remaining were sufficiently possessed of their faculties to attempt the salvation of passengers and themselves.

While Jerry Chambers, bruised and battered, was trying to extricate himself the captain of the vessel dashed through the saloon commanding every one to go on deck, where he purposed putting as many as possible into the few remaining boats and setting them out at the mercy of the night. Jerry by this time was on his unsteady feet, and he plunged towards the narrow stairway leading to the deck. Before he had scrambled up half a dozen steps he heard a shriek behind him. He turned and saw Senorita Mercedes on her knees at the first step.

"Save father!" she screamed. "He is not dead! Save him!"

Jerry never knew why he returned to the saloon, for his swimming mind was intent only on getting to the deck himself. When he reached the base of the staircase the young woman staggered to her feet and threw her arms around his neck.

"Save father! Save father!" she cried, as Jerry tried to tear himself away from her.

"Where is he?" shouted he. "We cannot wait! We shall all be dead! We must save ourselves!"

"Try to save father!"

Jerry stared at her for an instant and then pitched forward, rolling to within a foot of the girl's father. Senor Lopez was showing signs of regaining consciousness, and Jerry picked him up and, stumbling, pitching, plunging, dragged him to the stairway. Just as he reached the first step his arms lost their strength and the body of the great merchant fell to the floor and rolled to the side of the ship.

Jerry's brain was whirling and his eyes scarcely saw the flashes of lightning that illumined the stairway. He began to reel and was about to fall when Senorita Mercedes caught him and managed to place him on the steps. Almost instantly Jerry's senses returned, and the first words he heard were:

"We—you and I—shall go together!"

In a flash of lightning he saw the face of the girl—a face that displayed none of the terror that was in his.

"Come!"

A few minutes later the two were at the top of the stairs, he holding with a deathlike grip to a part of the remaining rail and she clinging to his arm. After a great wave had broken over them, she cried out:

"We shall go together—to the mast—first!"

An instant later, she succeeded in tearing Jerry's hands from the rail, and together they pitched towards the mast; which Jerry barely reached just as another wave swept over the deck. Senorita Mercedes was carried on the way to a part of the unbroken rail on the vessel's side. Jerry thought she had been swept into the sea until he heard dimly above the deafening roar:

"We shall go together—you and I!" Jerry, after long tugging, managed to take a coil of rope from the trembling mast, and, with an end in his hands, he threw it towards her. He thought little of his aim, but his throw could not have been more accurate, the tangled rope striking her body squarely.



"We—you and I—shall go together!"

haunting himself in the effort, he succeeded in hauling her back to the mast.

"You have done more for me than you ever did for Senorita Bostos!" the girl cried, as she strengthened her grip on his tired arm.

The two clung to the mast for hours, both half drowned and thoroughly exhausted. The remaining part of the old ship had gradually been pounded and hammered to a position behind the eastern rock, where the force of the wind and water was considerably broken, and it was only then that they dared venture away from the mast.

While they clung to that mast the constant battering against the rocks had torn a gaping hole just below the water line on the higher side, and the life of every one in the saloon was lost in a swirling flood of water. Of all on board there remained alive not more than 25, all of whom managed to reach the deck. Only seven of the crew, including the captain, survived.

All that was left of the Franzas when the first tint of dawn came, and when the storm had spent itself, was about 40 feet in the bow, which was anchored high on the western rock. Those who could wield a hard secured anchor chain and hawsers and made fast the wreckage to parts of the ragged rock.

Senorita Mercedes was fatherless, and she was the only woman to escape death. And to the surprise of all, she was the calmest person in the little terror-stricken group. At times she jested, and once, to the horror of all, she started to sing a catchy Spanish song.

"For God's sake!" cried the dumb-founded Jerry, to whom the girl always clung, "what kind of a woman are you, anyway? Have you no sense of danger? Have you no fear?"

"No," she said, in a tone that chilled him; "I thought the storm would do what I had intended doing myself."

"What—what—"

"Kill!"

"God!"

"I was tired—tired of all, my captain—tired of life, tired of father, tired—"

"You pleaded with me to save your father," cried Jerry; "you held me back and—"

CHAPTER XVI.

Jerry Delivers a Valise.

"She is demented," said the captain of the ill-fated Franzas when Senorita Mercedes was asleep, "but she is not violently insane. Senor Lopez was on his way to Havana, where he intended placing her in a sanitarium for treatment. She seemed to court danger. God only knows if any of us will ever live to get to Havana."

The remaining members of the crew had succeeded in saving some of the provisions and two casks of water, in the vain hope that the supply might serve the survivors until they were rescued, if such an event ever came to pass.

"What hope is there that a vessel may pass and see us?" asked Jerry.

"The slimmest in the world," answered the captain. "The sailings from Uranian and Pardaclian ports are generally arranged so that this point is passed in the night. Unless we are discovered in the day time we must keep up burning signals all night, no matter if the whole of the boat be sacrificed."

The captain's talk sent a new chill of terror through every one of the little group. Already they had been on the rock 15 hours. By this time the sea had calmed and the gale had subsided to a brisk head wind. The sky had cleared and the sun shone bright from far in the west. As the shades of night began to fall preparations were made for signaling in the darkness. Jerry Chambers and three or four of the younger men climbed up the ragged rock as high as they could go and set a heap of the splintered wood.

It was not until the first stars began to twinkle in the east that fire was touched to the wood. The men worked in shifts in keeping the blaze alive; at the first signs of dawn the fire was allowed to die down. Throughout that fearful night of anxiety no vessel passed, and the little group was infinitely more depressed. The provisions were handed out sparingly, notwithstanding that food was craved ravenously, and not enough water was apportioned at any one time to satisfy a baby's thirst.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Looking for Trouble.

"Ever notice it?" queried the man who propounds questions in sections.

"Did I ever notice what?" asked the party of the audience part.

"That people who meet trouble half way nearly always stand on a corner and wait for happiness to come along!" concluded the installment querist.

SYNOPSIS.

Gerard Chambers, son of a wealthy importer and a student at an eastern college, was awarded a membership in the Club of the Gemini, a secret organization, founded by Rodney Graves. The society was exclusive, only seven being admitted. The members were known as Fussons. A meeting was held and each member was awarded the "oil of destiny," which amounted to an assignment to test his metal. Chambers was told to pass a period as a sailor and not set foot in North America for a year. Then he was directed to go to Mexico for further instructions which were to assign him to another year's exile, during which time he must make his own living unassisted and keep everything a secret. He gained his father's consent. He also acquainted Marjorie Bayless, his father's choice for his wife, with the fact that he would be away two years. She left him angrily. Jerry obtained a berth as supercargo on an ocean freighter bound for Urania, South America, loaded with guns for enemies of that government. Chambers was captured and thrown into a dungeon. Marina Bostos, adopted daughter of Gen. Bostos, ministered to his wounds. Each made a strong impression on the other. Jerry was sentenced to die. Upon promise of Marina's love, Capt. Pizarro freed Chambers. All three united with Gen. Barado's rebels. Chambers being made a captain. Capt. Pizarro died of fever. Marina accompanied his body to burial. In a fierce battle Barado defeated Bostos. Jerry frustrated an attempt to assassinate Gen. Barado. Marina's funeral party was attacked and she was reported missing. Pizarro, capital of Urania, was captured and a confederacy established. Chambers was made much of. By that time Marina was given up as dead. Jerry was given a big reception by the Uranian public and awarded the Cross of Honor. He then sailed for Havana in order to report to Mexico City for further instructions. Capt. Chambers was hoisted aboard the steamer. He met Senor Lopez, a wealthy Uranian, and his daughter.

CHAPTER XVII. Continued.

"Capt. Chambers," said the great merchant, "almost every one on this vessel is a Uranian and a loyal supporter of the new government at Pandaro, though many of us sympathized with and gave aid to President Cardovas during the long and bitter struggle. There are no lines now; we all are Uranians, loyal and true, and there is not a person on board who does not feel indebted to you for what you have done, chiefly for saving the life of the best loved man in our country from a murderer's knife. We all admire you, and as admirers, we desire to honor you in some manner. I have been delegated by the other passengers to invite you to sit at a supper to-morrow night as the guest of honor. Necessarily the expression of our admiration for you must be mild, but we are sure that you will feel the spirit of the occasion to be earnest and full-hearted."

"Really, Senor Lopez," blushed Jerry. "I think I already have received vastly more honor than is due me. However, I am in the hands of my friends, to be done with as they deem fit. But, candidly, I don't think I deserve any such consideration."

"The idea was born in the mind of

my daughter," said the merchant, "and there is a saying that a woman never thinks amiss."

"Are all North Americans as modest as you, Capt. Chambers?" asked Senorita Mercedes. A faint smile came to his lips and he moved rather nervously before the steady gaze from her big black eyes.

"Many of us do not have time to be modest."

With an expression bordering almost on gratitude, Senor Lopez departed to frame up preliminary arrangements for the supper of honor.

Senorita Mercedes became intensely interested in Jerry, who, reluctantly complying with her urgent request, related part of the story of his thrilling experiences in Urania. After he had told of Marina Bostos' heroism and sacrifice, she said, with a straightforwardness that half startled him:

"Senorita Bostos must have loved you, my captain—else why should she have sacrificed all to save your life?"

"Senorita Bostos was prompted by her sense of justice and humanity," he floundered.

"She must have loved you, my captain," she persisted.

"She could not have loved me," said he; "she did not know me."

"One does not need to know to love," she said, promptly and decisively. "Do you know there is not a girl in all Urania—and how her sparkling eyes pleaded him—that would not have sacrificed all to have done as Senorita Bostos did?"

"What manner of woman was this? Jerry was stricken speechless for a moment. "Do you not believe what I say?" she added.

"Senorita Lopez," he finally managed to say, clumsily, "must recognize right and justice, and—"

"I should have acted quite as quickly, quite as determinedly as Senorita Bostos acted," she broke in, and there was a strange ring to her voice. He tried to laugh, but her steady, unswerving gaze checked him; he tried to switch to another phase of the general subject, but her mind kept in the old channel doggedly. "My captain does not believe that I should have sacrificed as she sacrificed," she went on, in a tone of injury.

"Such candor, Senorita Lopez," said he, "cannot be doubted."

There was a strange light in her eyes as she turned them to the sea, and he was becoming more and more uncomfortable. To him she was a revelation, the most remarkable girl he had ever met; never before had he seen such frankness, such openness displayed under similar circumstances. He was familiar enough with Spanish blood to make big allowances, but he

THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. ERVIN, Editor.

Big Springs, Texas

Entered at the Big Springs, Texas, Post office as Second-Class Matter.

SUBSCRIPTION, \$1.50 A YEAR

Name It.

There are on display at Reagan's drug store two curiosities in the way of fish or water animals. They were found by Ben Anderson at the big spring two miles south of town. They resemble a catfish in color and shape of head, but instead of fins or swimmers they have two legs on each side and feet that resemble a frog's. Around the gills they have things that look like horns. The tail is shaped something like a sea-elephant. A number of names have been suggested, and all of them seem appropriate. It is probably a *Hespeheximusucato*.

FOR SALE—A four-room cottage between Third and Fourth streets, two blocks east of Main street. Inquire of Mrs. H. A. Elliott. 13-1f

7th Edition, 1907

OF THE GREAT LEGACY

BY S. R. EZZELL

Basis Feb. 9-16 17

This book of 300 pages shows how to inherit the Great Legacy bequeathed by Jesus Christ in His Will or Testament. This book is peculiar in its

PLAN, PLAINNESS and PROOF

TWO COPIES CONVINCED NINETY-TWO PERSONS!

This new edition has a photo of the author, is issued in two styles, and is reduced in price but not in QUALITY.

Price prepaid—
Style No. 1, neatly bound in cloth \$1.00
Style No. 2, in good limp cloth cover .50

Address
S. R. EZZELL,
Lometa, Texas

THE ENTERPRISE
Big Springs, Texas

Real Estate Transfers

Mrs. Hattie Crossett to E. D. Paschal, 200 acres of land out of section 14, block 32, for \$3,400.

G. C. Cauble to J. L. Price, lot 2, block 20, Jones Valley addition, for \$650.

J. T. Price and wife to Frank Pool, lots 1 and 2, block 2, Price addition, for \$225.

D. M. Senter to G. L. Brown, 160 acres of land for \$1,500.

Fox Striplin and L. V. Read to F. L. Cauble, 480 acres of land for \$5,880.

D. N. Wooster and D. A. Wooster to Mrs. Mary Wooster, lots 9 and 10, block 36, Big Springs, \$10 and other considerations.

W. R. Cole to A. Hamilton, lots 1 and 2, block 46, town of Big Springs, \$3,750.

H. H. and Frank Hardin to R. D. Matthews, lots 10, 11 and 12, block 58, and lots 1 and 2, block 16, Big Springs, \$2,500.

Henry Weaver to W. H. L. Barnhill, lot 6, block 10, Coahoma, \$50.

J. P. Southern to D. M. Logan, 320 acres, \$3,060.

Z. T. Christian to E. B. Christian, 320 acres, \$2,100.

Hats! Hats! Having sold the stock down and gotten the new ones in enables us to show all the latest colors and shapes. See them.

A. P. McDonald & Co.

Gilbert A. Eledge, impersonator, entertained a good sized audience at the opera house last night under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

Fourth Number Y. M. C. A. Lyceum Course

Fred Embrson Brooks, poet and humorist, will appear at the opera house Thursday, February 4th, as the fourth number of the Y. M. C. A. Lyceum Course. He is truly a poet, an orator and a genius combined. There is not a lecturer or platform man in the country who is his superior.

He is an entertainer of a very high order, and his selections are all original. At times he is as tender as Cawper, as patriotic as Whittier, as majestic as Bryan, as funny as Mark Twain.

Single admission, 50c. Reserved seats at Ward's drug store.

The most complete and thoroughly prepared store for filling or compounding prescriptions in this part of the state is Reagan's Drug store.

"Soul-Kiss," the new and popular perfume, for sale at Reagan's.

Just think of the number of people who read each newspaper that is printed. Take the country weekly, and you can safely say that it is read by an average of seven persons to each paper. Everyone in the family reads it, and then lots of people lend it to some one else. This is true. We have evidence. This very week we have noted two instances of this paper. We did not ask them. They just told us. We didn't stop our ears, so heard it. Didn't seem to be ashamed that they did not take the paper, but read it anyway. They will read. It can't be helped.

We have replenished our stock which is now more complete than ever, and we are making prices that will attract. A. P. McDonald & Co., the shoe and Gents' Furnishers. Opposite postoffice.

Notice.

Having purchased the coal and wood business from W. B. Allen, together with his good will, we are now anxious to serve our friends with the best coal and wood in the city. We cater after both city and country trade. We will not give you a stick of wood or pound of coal that you do not buy, but we will give you every pound of coal and every stick of wood that you pay for. Get the habit and trade with the old reliable. Yours for business.

STONE & CARPENTER.
Phones 102 and 440.

Keep your grocery account separate. You can do this with Pool Bros.



Beethoven's Piano

was a feeble prophecy of music, then heard only in dreams of anticipation. This century has created and perfected the instrument for which the great composer wrote his masterpiece in advance. Pianofortes unexcelled in purity of tone, singing quality and artistic workmanship make up our stock. Anyone can buy a piano on our terms. Make home cheerful with our piano.

P. B. POSEY Ward Building

Art Leather Shops

"WE Make 'EM AND FIX 'EM"

High Class Hand Carved Leather Goods

Fancy Horse Goods, Whips Grips and Purses

Established 1877

Only Complete Leather Store in the State

P. O. Box 555 BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

C. W. B. M.

The regular February meeting of the Christian Women's Board of Missions will be held at the home of Mrs. B. Reagan Monday night, February 1. The program is as follows:

Subject—Lifting the Black Man's Burden.

Voluntary—Lord's Prayer in concert.

Roll call.

Song—"I Love to Tell the Story."

Bible Lesson—Phil. 11:1-11.

Psayer.

"Our Work in the United States," Mrs. O. G. Kershner.

Trio—Mesdames Read, Pope and Ford.

Short talks by Mesdames Flynt, Ervin and Brainbridge on "Our Needs in Jamaica."

Solo—Miss Margaret Crawford.

Sketch of Jacob Kenoby's life and work, Mrs. W. O. Miller.

Song.

Benediction.

Varnishes of all kinds—an immense stock at Reagan's.

Rev. H. C. Ford, of Big Springs, will preach at the First Christian church next Sunday at eleven and night. We understand he has been called by the church here for half his time.—Stanton Reporter.

If you want one of those beautiful lots at Carlsbad, New Mexico while they are cheap, see Miss Ezzell at the Enterprise office for price and terms.

To the Public.

Having bought the interest of L. J. Tankersly in the Arnold-Tankersly Drug business, I wish to invite my old customers and friends to call on me. I will always be glad to see you and will do all I can for your health and happiness.

Yours to please,
R. L. McCAMANT.

Ward Gross says upon his return from Big Springs he is sore all over as if he had been beaten with a stick. While over there he took about three degrees in the Knights Templar commandery, which explains it all.—Colorado Record.

Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth. 12-1f

The directors of the Commercial Club met Saturday and elected J. T. Brooks secretary. Several other matters were discussed but nothing definite was done.

Hair brushes from 25cts to \$3.00 each at Reagan's

Charged With Attempt to Rape

Last Sunday Frank Cooper was arrested near Ira on a charge of assault with intent to rape. The young lady alleged to have been assaulted is a Miss Flora Guess, who lives on D. Holcomb's place near Ira.

Young Cooper had an examining trial Wednesday and was bound over to await the action of the grand jury in the sum of \$750.—Snyder Light.

Gold Handle Umbrellas at Reagan's.

Commercial Club

The Commercial Club met Wednesday in regular session. The attendance was good and several matters of importance were discussed. A committee to look after the location of a state school here was named, as was also a committee to confer with the school board in regard to having the doors of the high school building made to open outward.

The railroad situation was gone over and the committee reported favorable progress on the bonus.

A number of other things were talked about, but no action taken on any of them.

Are you taking the interest in your school that you ought to? This is something that you should not overlook. Remember the boys of today are the men of tomorrow. They should be encouraged in their school work, and they will do better work now, and in the future.

We filled nearly seven-thousand prescriptions last year—our first year. This shows that the people know where they can get their prescriptions filled accurately and promptly.

Arnold-McCamant Drug Co.

Notice.

I have located here permanently for the practice of dentistry and will appreciate a share of your patronage and guarantee perfect satisfaction.

E. O. ELLINGTON, Dentist.

It has been said that a woman would never make a successful candidate in running for office. She would have to stop too often to see if her hat was on straight.

Married, at the Presbyterian manse on Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, by Rev. T. M. Stribling, Mr. Tom Hutto to Miss Estelle Glascock. This paper wishes them a long life and prosperity.

A. J. PRICHARD

Attorney at Law and Notary Public

Will Practice all the Courts
Rooms 1 & 2 in Ward Bldg.
Come and see us. Big Springs, Texas

WORK WEAKENS THE KIDNEYS
Doan's Kidney Pills Have Done Great Service For People Who Work in Big Springs

Most Big Springs people work every day in some strained, unnatural position—bending constantly over a desk—riding on jolting wagons or cars—doing laborious house work; lifting, reaching or pulling, or trying the back in a hundred and one other ways. All these strains tend to wear, weaken and injure the kidneys until they fall behind in their work of filtering the poison from the blood. Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys, put new strength in bad backs. Big Springs cures prove it.

A. A. Allen, grocer, living one and one-half blocks east of the court house, Big Springs, Texas, says: "I had my back hurt several years ago, being thrown from a horse and I have had more or less trouble from the kidneys since. The secretions acting too frequently, particularly at night and if I overexerted myself in any way, my back caused me great misery. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills which I got at J. L. Ward's drug store did me a lot of good, relieved that misery and corrected the secretions. My wife also used Doan's Kidney Pills and thinks they are splendid and well worth recommending."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Jewelry of all kinds at Reagan's.

Mr Wage Earner

Do you believe with President Roosevelt, Grover Cleveland and Andrew Carnegie, that the safest investment for your money is real estate in the West?

Do you believe it is wise to hold some town property in a town fastly becoming (on account of its natural advantages, its strategic position, and the marvelous and diversified resources of the country surrounding it) the hub of our great southwest.

Have you realized that having worked for your money, you should let your money work for you, that an idle dollar is like an idle man, that the essential points of a good real estate investment are:

1. A sufficiently low price when you buy.
2. An increase of the value while you hold.
3. An ability to resell when you wish.

and that these three conditions mean absence of risk? You know that certain conditions will bring certain results; we will explain you in detail the conditions, but we will let you figure out what results these conditions must bring. Will you investigate the great opportunities offered the small and big investor alike in the coming metropolis of New Mexico—the town of Carlsbad.

Remember that all that glitters is not gold, and that the prospector is often rewarded for having investigated what seemed a common place brown stone.

Lots will sell in the town of Carlsbad, New Mexico, for \$50.00 and up on easy terms

SAMARY EZZELL, Agent.

Cut out this coupon, mail it or bring it to the office for illustrated booklet. DO IT TO-DAY.

MISS EZZELL,

Enterprise office,
Big Springs, Texas

Dear Madam:—Kindly mail me one of your illustrated booklets, and let me know how I can take advantage of your offer on Carlsbad lots. I am satisfied that Carlsbad property is a good investment, and that I am not, in asking such information, placing myself under obligations to buy.

NAME _____

POSTOFFICE _____

L. B. Westermann

Contractor and Builder

When you get ready to build anything anywhere at any time let me make your estimates. My reputation for low cost, perfect construction and prompt completion of work has earned for me most of the contracts in this section of the country

I Build Anything of Any Sort of Material

and it is ready for you on the time specified, too. Let me make your figures. . . . Call, telephone or write me

L. B. WESTERMANN

Big Springs, Texas

What a Man Likes to do he Does Best

We Like to Fill Prescriptions

Preparing medicine from physicians' prescriptions is not only our most important duty, but it is also the work we most like to do, work in the excellence of which we take professional pride, work to which we give unstinted endeavor.

No mother is more careful with her first born than we are that each individual prescription prepared here shall be absolutely correct in every particular.

Will you entrust your prescriptions to our care? Your physician will be pleased if we fill them.

J. L. WARD

18 Years' Experience.

E. P. Turner, general passenger agent and W. I. Sargent, general immigration agent of the T. & P. Railway, were here yesterday. They assured us that the T. & P. will do everything possible to settle up the country along its line.

Reagan's Drug Store is furnishing more counties with the State adopted school books perhaps than any other store along the T. & P.

E. C. Rice, of Odessa, was here yesterday.

Water Flowing

Through the Land

Government irrigation in the famous Pecos Valley.

Carlsbad Reclamation project, reclaiming 20,000 acres of wonderfully fertile land.

Great ranches giving way to small farms.

A timely opportunity to get town lots in Carlsbad, New Mexico, and fine farm supplied with government water on reasonable terms.

Better Than a Savings Bank

MISS EZZELL, Agent

Enterprise Office
BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

DR. E. O. ELLINGTON
—DENTIST—

Office over Arnold McCamant drug store
BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

OFTEN THE CASE.

Women Struggle Hopelessly Along, Suffering Backache, Dizzy Spells, Languor, Etc.

Women have so much to go through in life that it's a pity there is so much suffering from backache and other common curable kidney ills.



Mr. Dodo—I was thinking how much I resemble your carpet—always at your feet, you know.

SKIN ERUPTION CURED. Was So Sore, Irritating and Painful That Little Sufferer Could Not Sleep—Scratched Constantly.

Cuticura's Efficacy Clearly Proven.

When about two and a half years old my daughter broke out on her hips and the upper parts of her legs with a very irritating and painful eruption.

Too Much for His Mind. "My first impulses," wailed the Sad-Eyed Individual, "are invariably good."

Anger Shrinks Vitality. Dr. Maurice de Fleury, a distinguished Frenchman, advances the theory that every time one becomes angry his vitality shrinks.

JOY WORK. And the Other Kind. Did you ever stand on a prominent corner at an early morning hour and watch the throngs of people on their way to work?

It is a fact that one's food has much to do with it. As an example: If an engine has poor oil, or a boiler is fired with poor coal, a bad result is certain, isn't it?

Many Women Praise This Remedy. If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, and want a certain, pleasant herb cure for woman's ills, try Mother Gray's AUSTRIAN LEAF.

Arms and laws do not flourish together.—Caesar. Parker county produced a little more than 36,000 bales of cotton last year.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

The tri-yearly meeting of the Freight Claim Agents' Association of the Texas roads was held in Galveston Tuesday.

Walter Bradley, a young man 18 years of age, was instantly killed at the Miller Link mill at Newton Tuesday.

The false work supporting a span of a new bridge being constructed across the Brazos river west of Marlin gave way Monday and a large force of men were hurled into the water about forty feet below.

Captain Waldron has asked for \$125,000 for cleaning out and snagging the Trinity. Gen. Marshall, chief of engineers, moved by the spirit of economy which pervades the government, has lopped off \$50,000 from this estimate.

According to the best information obtainable the explosion of a night watchman's lantern in the office of pier 12 Friday night brought about the most destructive waterfront fire in the history of Galveston and furnished a spectacular conflagration.

The North Texas Field Trials Association trials began in Fort Worth at 10 o'clock Monday morning and will continue five days.

Prof. Alex Hogg, former superintendent of the city public schools of Fort Worth, has been doing a little figuring on the Waters-Pierce Oil Company fine.

The Carnegie Hero Fund Commission which Thursday night made another issue of its medals and money for heroism in different parts of the United States, found two heroes in Texas.

Details of the course of study and personnel of the faculty for the summer school at the A. & M. College have been agreed on. The courses in agriculture are so grouped that related subjects may be completed within a period of two weeks.

It transpired Sunday, when the Galveston Wharf Company and Langbehn Bros., made a more careful inventory of their fire losses at Pier 12 on Friday night, about \$500,000 went up in smoke, with the destruction of the wharf.

According to the Waters-Pierce Oil Company's representatives in Austin and the authorities, the judgment obtained by the State through the Federal supreme court will be paid in silver dollars and delivered at the state treasury.

In a statement issued Wednesday the National Ginners' Association places the number of bales of cotton ginned to January 16 at 12,628,000 bales and estimate that 131,000 bales will be ginned during the remainder of the month.

Shotgun artists from all over the country were present Tuesday morning at Delmonico's Garden in Houston when the Sunny South Handicap was inaugurated.

The last of the marines sent to Cuba as part of the army of pacification sailed out of Havana harbor Sunday afternoon on board the naval transport Prairie for Newport News, Texas.

That President Roosevelt's recommendation for an appropriation to reimburse E. H. Harriman for the expenditure of \$2,000,000 by the Southern Pacific company to control the overflow of the Colorado river into Balton Sea a few years ago will be disregarded by congress now appears certain.

Parker county produced a little more than 36,000 bales of cotton last year. The crop is now about wound up, the total number of bales ginned in the county up to January 16, being 35,848 according to the figures of J. A. Rents, the Federal gin reporter.

RHEUMATISM PRESCRIPTION

The increased use of "Toris" for rheumatism is causing considerable discussion among the medical fraternity. It is an almost infallible cure when mixed with certain other ingredients and taken properly.

"Toris" compound is a product of the laboratories of the Globe Pharmaceutical Co., Chicago, but it as well as the other ingredients can be had from any good druggist.

REALLY HAD NO KICK COMING. According to Expert Opinion, Playwright Had Got Off Easy.

That Beerbohm Tree, the player, has a caustic wit is evidenced by an incident wherein he and an unknown playwright figured.

"See here, Mr. Tree," was the indignant ejaculation of the ambitious playwright, "it's hardly fair of you to dispose of my work in this summary and nonchalant fashion."

"So?" queried Tree. "My dear fellow, any impartial judge would give you at least five!"—Harper's Weekly.

\$100 Reward, \$100. The reader of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one disease that cannot be cured in any other way.

Modern Buildings Inferior. In modern buildings the cement and mortar are the weakest points; in the buildings which the Romans and Greeks raised thousands of years ago the cement and mortar are the strongest points.

Test its Value. Simmons' Liver Purifier is the most valuable remedy I ever tried for constipation and disordered liver.

In the Divorce Colony. The little De Jones girl is talking to her playmate, Lucy van Smith.

It's Strenuous. There is no true superiority except that created by true merit. The reason Hunt's Lightning Oil outclasses all other liniments—it has the merit—it does something.

The Morning After. The severe parent glared angrily at the prodigal son.

A Facer. Mr. Oldhatch—So this is your wedding anniversary, and you and your wife have for 20 years fought life's battle side by side.

Many Women Praise This Remedy. If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, and want a certain, pleasant herb cure for woman's ills, try Mother Gray's AUSTRIAN LEAF.

Oxypropylidiamine is the name of a new heart stimulant. The dose is one syllable three times a day after meals.

Levis' Single Binder straight to. Many smokers prefer them to 10c cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Arms and laws do not flourish together.—Caesar.

KIND HEARTED JANE.



Mistress—Have you made the chicken broth, Jane? Jane—Yes, mum; and fed the chickens with it, ages ago!

Uncertainty in Pittsburg. It was Christmas eve in Pittsburg. The snow sparkled in the tin roofs.

"Hark, George!" said the official's wife. "Did you hear that? It may be Santa Claus."

"It may be Santa Claus," said the official, gloomily, "but I'll bet \$4 it's a deputy sheriff!"

Limited Understanding. "It does seem strange," remarked the party who seemed to be thinking aloud.

"What seems strange?" queried the innocent bystander. "That after getting a man in hot water a woman can't understand why he should bolt over," explained the noisy thinker.—Chicago Daily News.

Save Your Lungs. Don't neglect that cough. One pair of lungs is all you'll ever have—treat them well.

Many a man lives a regular cat-and-dog life. He purrs in the parlor and barks in the kitchen.

FILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS. PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of itching, blind, bleeding or protruding Files in 4 to 6 days or money refunded.

A cane is an old man's strength and a young man's weakness.

Lewis' Single Binder—the famous straight 5c cigar, always best quality. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

A light heart lives long.—Shakespeare.

CASTORIA 900 DROPS. ALCOHOL—3 PER CENT. Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of INFANTS—CHILDREN. Promote Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher. In Use For Over Thirty Years. CASTORIA. THE CENTRAL COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

MONEY LOANED ON REAL ESTATE. LONG TIME EASY PAYMENTS. RELIABLE REPRESENTATIVES WANTED. The Jackson Loan & Trust Company. 120 WEST CAPITOL ST. JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

THE WONDERBERRY. Luther Burbank's Greatest Creation. A Luscious Berry Ripening in Three Months from Seed. Seed 20 Cts. Per Pkt., 3 Pkts. for 50 Cts., Postpaid. I AM THE SOLE INTRODUCER AND GENUINE SEED CAN BE HAD NOWHERE ELSE.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES. Color more people brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye.

Jewelers and WATCHMAKERS. DEFIANCE STARCH—16 ounces to the package. PATENTS. TRISO'S CURE.

FERRY'S SEEDS. There is scarcely any limit to the possible improvement in seeds, but it takes time and money.

You Look Prematurely Old. Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA OROLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

Call and see us

before making arrangements for this year's business. We can save you money on your grocery and dry goods bills, and we are in position to take care of your account, large or small. All orders receive prompt attention

GARY & BURNS COMPANY

BIG SPRINGS

IF IT'S NOT GOOD WE'LL MAKE IT GOOD

MIDLAND

FRANK JONES.

W. A. MCGOWEN

PHONE 330.

Jones & McGowen

The People that Want Your Business

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES

All Goods Delivered Promptly to any Part of the City. Located in the New Bauer Block.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Baum Meat Company

(Successor to Moss Meat Co.)

Beef, Pork, Sausage, Ham and Lard
Nothing but the best animals killed

Fish and Oysters in Season

Your business will be appreciated.

Phone 203

SAND

For the Better Construction of Our Home Buildings...

If you are building a business house here you will naturally expect your home trade; in fact, your business will be called by you a home industry. "Patronize home industry" is your daily cry. "Oh, why do you send to Sears & Roebuck for your goods? You are ruining your town by sending away for your goods, or buying of the carpet-bag agents, etc. Say, Brother! did you send to Sears & Roebuck for your sand, or did you use picked-up or renegade sand? You did not examine the old court house, did you? or must a brick house fall on you before you can see the vital mistake of using mud instead of clean sand? You well know there is a sand-pit here of first class sand and at reasonable prices, yet you are gouging great holes in the road, street or any old washed place (on land not your own) to get dirt sand before you would patronize home industry. We deliver PURE sand at

\$1.25 per Cubic Yard

Could deliver dirt sand at 30c; high at any price, and a detriment to your building. See

H. Clay Read or Earle Read

The three graces are faith, hope and charity, but the disgraces are too numerous to mention.

Let us write your cotton insurance. The cost is small and the protection is great.

Hartzog & Boyett.

Notice.

I want your trade in my line. I believe I can save you money. I pay cash for my goods and get all discounts, therefore I get the best price. It is often I can sell you the best quality for the same price you are accustomed to pay for an inferior grade. I have the best equipment for handling goods, carry the largest stock and therefore can give you the best service. If fair dealing counts, once you begin I will hold your trade. I shall appreciate you calling and making my store your headquarters while in town.—B. Reagan.

The Thirteenth Annual National Feeders & Breeders Show will be held at Ft. Worth at the Coliseum March 13-20 inclusive. In connection with the show, there will be given the third annual horse show and the second annual poultry show.

At the Christian Church. There will be preaching at the Christian church Sunday morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. You are cordially invited to attend these services.

E. S. BLEDSOE.

For Sale

First class dry wood, sawed stove length, \$5.50 cord delivered. Geo. W. Jennings, phone No. 182.

A young man by the name of Cozard was arrested Monday and placed in jail on a complaint filed by M. A. Stewart charging theft. He had been working as porter at the Stewart hotel and some blankets and pillows were missed and upon a search being made they were found in another part of town where they had been carried by Cozard.

Wall paper is one of the essentials in every home. No home in this section attempts to be complete without it. In selecting your wall paper care should be exercised to obtain the proper colors, shades and qualities. The last seven years' experience in this line enables Reagan to give you the best of service. Don't forget to call on him when you get ready for your wall decorations.

Rev. M. M. Davis and wife of Dallas were here the first of the week and Mr. Davis preached a most interesting sermon at Christian church Monday night. He is engaged in writing a history of that organization since its foundation 100 years ago. The articles prepared by Mr. Davis will be published during this year in the Christian Standard, which is published in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Money

Coal and Wood is money. It takes this for us to get it and we are not allowed to touch it until we pay for it, and therefore, we have got to sell for CASH, and all orders for coal or wood in dollar lots will be charged 25 cents drayage extra. Please bear this in mind and pay drivers on delivery.

STONE & CARPENTER.
ABNEY & WRIGHT.

There are two particularly bad things about the cigarette: first, the cigarette, and second, the fellow who smokes it.

Brakeman Killed.

Elit Dearing, 1212 East Front street, of this city, was knocked from a freight car at Baird, Texas, Sunday morning about 2 o'clock while attending to his duties as brakeman, receiving injuries which ended fatally shortly after his arrival here yesterday morning.

Dearing's death resulted in an attempt to stop some freight cars that had been cut loose from the train and which had gotten beyond control. He boarded the runaway string to set the brakes, but before he could get them under control, the cars bumped into another train, knocking him from the top of the car. He fell under the wheels of the car. He was brought to the St. Joseph's infirmary here, where the injured member was amputated. He lived but a short time after the operation. The train was in charge of Conductor Pigkins.

The deceased had been employed as a brakeman on the Texas & Pacific for thirteen years and was well known here. He is survived by a widow and three children, one of whom is married. The funeral will be held this afternoon from his late residence at 8 o'clock.—Fort Worth Recorh.

The Horse Shoe brand of Mound City paint stands at the head of the list of strictly pure ready-mixed paints. If you contemplate painting it will pay you to investigate this brand. For sale at Reagan's drug store.

C. F. Morris, who has been buying cotton in large lots in San Angelo, went to Miles today to take up some good purchases that he has made there. He was accompanied by Mr. Hatch of Big Springs, who is making some observations to satisfy himself as to what this part of the state is as a cotton country.—San Angelo Standard.

Sweaty feet are easily cured. Go to B. Reagan's Drug Store for the powder.

When anyone visits you or some of your neighbors, let us know of it. If there is a marriage or death let us know. We can print all the news if you tell us about it. Then tell it to us and we will tell the people. We will be thankful, and so will our readers.

Kill the blue bugs on your chickens. Go to Reagan's and he can furnish you with the material.

See Burton
-Lingo Co.

M
For All Kinds of
Building Material.

W

All our lumber
Is Under Sheds



Lots of Good LUMBER

at Connell's Lumber Yard, and the price is always right, — that means a great deal to you if you are contemplating building anything from a dog-house to a dwelling.

The Wise Man

always counts the cost and knows where every penny goes. We'll figure with you on a big or little job, and the price will be right on either. Another thing, our lumber is always unusually clear and well seasoned. This makes it easier and quicker for you to work up, and saves you money there. Try us with an order; you'll see.

CONNELL LUMBER CO

Big Springs, Texas

First Street

Half Block from Main

"What you Want When You Want it"

COAL AND WOOD BRAN AND FLOUR

Send us your orders. Full Weight and Measure guaranteed. Cash on Delivery

Phones 67 and 353

Abney & Wright

Choice Property

Having secured forty picked lots in the Earle Addition and desiring to see more houses in our little city, we herewith offer all of them for sale. We do not insist on all cash, as we are prepared to give you favorable terms if you so desire. This is an opportunity to secure a corner lot or three nice smooth lots altogether. Fair addition is only two blocks from our public school building and only a short distance from the new railway shops, up out of all overflows. This is strictly first class property, and you will have to see us at once if you secure one or three of the forty lots offered.

Douthit & Littler

Office over First National Bank

C. S. WAGON YARD

STEWART & GATES, Proprietors
Good roomy stalls and lots. Horses boarded by day, week or month.

Wholesale and retail dealers in Flour, Grain, Hay

Have a Nice Line of Staple Groceries

TELEPHONE NO. 427