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But never too busy to give you careful attention and treat you courteously and kindly. We appreciate your patronage and want to see you in our store.

Our Prompt And Careful Delivery

Insures you that your Groceries will reach you quickly and in good condition

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Haskell Texas Rule

Community Co-Operation

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In these articles we have not wished to dwell too exclusively on the mere material things involved. It has been said that money will buy everything but happiness and that it is a passport to everywhere except to heaven. But we may spend our money wisely so that it will bring a large share of happiness to ourselves as well as to others, or we may spend it foolishly so that none are benefited. Here in the great and growing Southwest we have our own problems. Our farmers must contend with overflows, drouths and the boll weevil. These things affect the business man as well and in addition he has many vexations and worries that call for constant and unremitting effort for him to succeed. In previous articles we have tried to show how it is to the interest of the merchant and farmer to work together and how when one prospers the other would prosper also. Let us carry this one step farther and show how there is a community of interest between the producer and the consumer.

All the great manufacturers who advertise their products throughout the length and breadth of the land pay their employes living wages. Their factories are clean, sanitary and comfortable

and the homes of their employes are as a rule the same. This statement will apply to practically every advertiser using the columns of reliable publications. In fact, the publicity given their goods is so great that they must expect to have a certain amount of publicity for their manufacturing plants and employes as well. The men at the head of these great industries know that it pays to have healthful, happy employes just the same as it pays to manufacture a uniformly good article of merchandise.

How different do we find conditions in the great sweatshops and tenements where are manufactured the shoddy and inferior articles that are sold with no name and no brand to indicate from whence they came. It is in these places that we find workers with consumption and other dread diseases. And it is too often the case that infectious diseases are spread in just this way. It is among these overworked and underpaid toilers that nearly all the great strikes occur. Remember these things and demand that your dealer supply you with trademarked-advertised merchandise. You will get a better quality of goods and at the same time help to better the industrial conditions throughout the country.

McCall Publications

Their value to every woman is almost indispensable

McCalls Magazine

A publication of about a hundred pages. Giving you good illustrations of patterns, telling the most suitable material to use, the kind of trimming to use and how much material necessary. This magazine is full of useful information for every housekeeper, every dressmaker, every mother and for every young lady. It has a good number of short stories in every issue, and also good continued stories by the best writers. You get just as good reading in McCalls as you do in the magazines that cost you from \$1.50 to \$3.00 per year. The price of McCalls is 50c per year and with it you get any 15c pattern free. It is issued every month and can be bought at 5c per copy at our pattern counter.

McCalls Book of Fashions

Issued quarterly—showing advance styles for each season. It is a large book of about a hundred pages, and gives illustrations of hundreds of McCall patterns. The illustrations in this book are much better than those in many fashion books and fashion sheets, because many illustrations are done in colors, bringing out the distinctive styles of McCall patterns. This book can be bought at our pattern counter for only 5c when purchased with any McCall pattern. Or you may pay 20c for it and retain the coupon on page 75 which entitles you to any McCall pattern. You may bring it to us for the pattern any time up to April 20th. Advance Spring Styles 1914 number at our pattern counter now.

McCall Fashions

A sheet showing dozens of McCall patterns. Illustrating them in colors and giving details as to material, trimmings, amount of goods required, etc. Issued every month and is free at our pattern counter at all times. We have all patterns shown in these publications.

Send us your mail orders. Goods mailed in ten minutes after order is received.

F. G. Alexander & Sons

THE BIG STORE

Haskell, Texas.

Jan. 15th 1914.

NEWS AMONG THE CHURCHES

The B. W. M. Workers.

Exactly at 3 o'clock the president called the house to order.

Mrs. McFatter led the devotional service, by reading the 37th chapter of James. Sister Sams was our teacher and a good one, and well up scholars made the lesson interesting indeed. We were proud to have such a large number present, and urge the rest to be there next Monday, to hear the missionary program. We appreciated very much the presence of two visitors, Mrs. James and Mrs. Spencer. We added to our roll the names of Mrs. Barnet, Miss Goodwin, Miss Dena Lambert, Mrs. S. L. Robertson, Miss Annie Eastland, Mrs. T. E. Phillips, Mrs. F. M. Tucker, Mrs. G. Kline, Mrs. S. McDaniel, Mrs. Haley. We are rejoiced to see our number increasing so. Be active, be zealous, for the time is short. Think how short is the day of labor; how long, how near the eternity of rest. Behold the blood-bought crown which glitters through the skies. Hear the voice which says, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever." You can not afford to be cold, formal, or negligent about the Master's business.

Everybody invited next Monday. Reporter.

Church Notice

Next Sunday, the Pastor of the Christian Church will be out of town in the forenoon, but will return for the service in the afternoon. Bible school and communion service at the regular morning hour. All are invited to attend these afternoon services. Good music and a glad welcome await you.

Don't forget the hour, 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Missionary Notes

The Auxiliary met on the 19th. The President read the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians. When we had finished the study of the lesson we felt that we must love even these foreign immigrants if we are Christ's true disciples. Through our love of them we can teach them to know our God in their lives. We learned

AMONG THE CITY CLUBS

Magazine Club Notes.

The Magazine Club held its regular weekly meeting Saturday Saturday January 17th at the Club rooms with Mrs. Roy Shook as hostess.

Mrs. J. W. Fields read quite an interesting paper on "The Effects of Crime."

After a brief study of Chapters 26-31 of Hawthorne's Marble Faun the club adjourned to meet Saturday, January 24th.

The following members were present: Mesdames Wilson, English, Getz, Fields, Sutherland, Clark, Shook, Long, Reynolds, Murchison, Williams, Patterson, Sanders, M'Fatter, Martin, Greer and Hunt.

Reporter.

Beginning with this week, the public library will be opened on Tuesdays, only, from three to five p. m. We beg to call the attention of the public to our choice line of best fiction, specially of the standard authors.

Give us the pleasure of showing you what we have.

Library Committee.

Married

Last Wednesday, Jan. 14th, Miss Ruby Poole of this city was married to Nicholas Sherman at the Presbyterian Manse at Wichita Falls. The marriage was a complete surprise to the relatives and friends of the bride.

Miss Poole is one of Haskell's most beautiful and accomplished young ladies, and is a daughter of Judge J. E. Poole of this city. The groom is a prominent young merchant of Electra, and use to be mail clerk on the Wichita Valley. The Free Press joins their many friends with best wishes for their prosperity and happiness.

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some interesting things of the numbers, characteristics, and conditions of the people who are coming to America.

Eighteen ladies were present, but several were missed from their usual places. All try to come. An effort is being made to help each woman get a spiritual blessing out of this work.

Our Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Morton, has charge of the program for Jan. the 26th.

Reporter.

DEATH OR DIVORCE

Marie, wife of Edward Morrison, proprietor of a swimming school, is a prominent swimming star, being the principal attraction at the bathing beach, where every Sunday she goes through her daring dives and marvelous feats under water.

But Marie is very unhappy in her married life. Her husband beats her unmercifully, and passes his time drinking and gambling away her hard earned money. Finally she meets her affinity, John Walters, who admires her greatly, and a deep affection springs up between the two. She pleads with her husband to give her back her liberty, but he refuses, and prevents her elopement with Walters.

Finally, in despair, Marie determines to commit suicide. Sunday night when she dives into the water with her ankles bound and weights attached, she throws away the key (which she always carries down in her hands to unlock the fetters with). Her husband is too drunk to save her, but her lover dives her intention and rescues her. A divorce follows, and she marries Walters. Her husband dies of delirium tremens.

An extraordinary good feature, showing as it does all Marie's marvelous feats under water, a photographic accomplishment never before seen in moving picture films.

This picture will be shown Monday night, January 26th, at Dick's Theatre.

For Sale or Trade at Once.

987 acres of land in East part of Stonewall county, known as the Taylor or J. H. McLain place I want a smaller place and some difference. Will give time.

L. C. Dupree, Colorado, City, Texas.

Reference: 8-4t S. D. Dean, Haskell, Tex.

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CITY BUILDING NOTES

By L. M. Ward

The handbill nuisance should be suppressed.

Besides being lasting improvements, paving activities produce pay rolls.

Originality is a vital factor in city development. Do something different.

Did you aid in the correction of any wrong conditions in your community last year?

Do you encourage your citizens to refrain from throwing trash in the streets by providing convenient places of deposit?

Do you permit your city to be branded as a country town by allowing unsightly cloth signs to wave over the sidewalks in your business section?

Flower boxes, displayed from the second story windows in your business section, create a most favorable impression on the part of the visitor.

Have you found the place where you can render the most effective service in the general development of your community, and are you on the job?

The Texas Almanac

We are in receipt of a copy of the new Texas Almanac, published by the Dallas News. It was presented to us by the News and the Free Press finds it to be the most complete work of its kind we have ever seen. It is a perfect little encyclopedia of facts and statistics. It is a whole library within itself. Every family should have one. It will answer many questions on politics, economy, commercial and agricultural matters. It contains a splendid description of the several counties of the state, giving the kind and character of soil and industries, as well as population, the principal railroads and towns. J. T. Lawley of this city is the agent for the News and can supply the almanacs at 30c each.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The Farmers State Bank of Haskell, Texas, to be held in its banking rooms on the second Tuesday in February it being the 10th day thereof, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing fiscal year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Signed R. C. Montgomery.

Vice-President.

Signed O. E. Patterson.

Cashier.

For Sale or Trade

One Hambletonian and Wilkes Stallion 6 years old. Sired by Al Noble one of the greatest race horses ever raised in Texas.

McNeill & Smith Hdw. Co. Haskell, Texas 4-2t

Trainload of Texas Cows

The largest individual shipment of cattle marketed here today consisted of 16 carloads of cows and heifers from Rule, Tex. W. R. Bigham and his son, Fred Bigham, were the owners. The latter came with the shipment. Mr. Bigham is one of the best known ranchmen in that state. His home is in El Paso.

The consignment received today sold in three lots, two carloads of very common cows bringing \$4.50. Three carloads of heifers sold for \$6.50, and the balance of the cows brought \$5.80.—Kansas City Paper.

The Free Press desires to call special attention to its job department. We are prepared to turn out as high class job printing as you can get anywhere. There is no need to send any printing away from Haskell. We can please you in workmanship, material and price.



JANUARY WHITE SALE

STARTS MONDAY

Our Seventh Annual White Sale begins Monday morning Jan. 26th. And in point of value giving will eclipse all previous efforts. For months we have been planning this sale. We have spared neither pains nor expense to secure the newest and best the markets afford. We have gathered together the choicest creations in dainty new undermuslins, sheer new White goods, beautiful little dresses for house, street and party wear. In fact we have a host of new beautiful things we want you to see. Come Monday and you will appreciate the treat.

The New White Goods

Crepe is the novelty weave in white goods, and the dainty new designs are attractive and pleasing

We offer the season's newest novelties in Linweave, in both fancy and plain cloths. We also show the new chiffon cloth and other sheer dainty white goods in all qualities. 15c up to 75c per yard

Novelty Cottons

Ratine and Crepe weave with dainty embroidered and printed figures are the new things this season. We have them priced 15c to 50c yard.

Bargains in Winter Goods

In order to reduce our stock of Winter goods, we offer,

Auto Hood

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|-------------------------|---------------|
| \$1.50 quality for..... | \$1.15 |
| 1.25 " " | .95 |
| 1.00 " " | .75 |
| .75 " " | .55 |
| .50 " " | .35 |

Sweaters

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| \$2.00 Sweaters for | \$1.45 |
| 1.75 " " | 1.25 |
| 1.50 " " | 1.10 |
| 1.25 " " | 1.00 |
| .75 " " | .55 |
| .50 " " | .35 |

Blankets

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| \$3.50 Blankets for | \$2.75 |
| 2.25 " " | 1.75 |
| 2.00 " " | 1.50 |
| 1.75 " " | 1.35 |
| 1.50 " " | 1.15 |
| 1.25 " " | 1.00 |
| 1.00 " " | .85 |

HARDY GRISSOM

The Store With the Goods



These Dainty Undermuslins will Please You

They are Fresh, New and Snowy White Every Garment is one of Beauty

We want you to see them, and buy them too, for they are priced so as to offer you most substantial savings. Come see the garments, then note the price, you can't keep from buying.

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| \$3.50 Garments for | 2.95 |
| 3.00 " " | 2.45 |
| 2.50 " " | 1.95 |
| 2.00 " " | 1.65 |
| 1.75 " " | 1.40 |
| 1.50 " " | 1.15 |
| 1.25 " " | 1.00 |
| 1.00 " " | .85 |
| .75 " " | .60 |
| .50 " " | .39 |

Children's Drawers, 10, 20 and 25 cents a pair.



Children's Dainty Dresses Reduced

Now is the time to buy a liberal supply of Children's dresses. This is an opportunity for real savings

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| \$2.00 Dresses for | \$1.65 |
| 1.75 " " | 1.35 |
| 1.50 " " | 1.15 |
| 1.25 " " | .95 |
| 1.00 " " | .85 |
| .75 " " | .60 |



New Dresses

Dainty new dresses for house wear, for street and for party use. Dainty new dresses of white embroidered crepe, colored and figured ratine, and of Gingham and Madras. All specially priced for this Sale.

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| \$7.50 White Dresses for | \$5.95 |
| These are of Embroidered Crepe and Ratine and are exceptional values at \$5.95 | |
| \$4.50 Dresses | \$3.75 |
| \$3.50 Dresses | \$2.75 |
| \$2.00 Dresses | \$1.65 |
| 1.50 Dresses | \$1.15 |
| 1.25 Dresses | \$.95 |

New Corsets

Here is a new front lace corset conforming to every new whim of Dame Fashion. It is comfortable and guaranteed to give satisfactory wear. Price \$1.50

We think this a wonderful value at \$1.50, and recommend it as a corset you will appreciate.



Other new corsets \$1.00 up to \$3.50.

Our Madam Grace Corset at \$3.50 is high grade corset which will merit your approval.

\$7.50 Wool Dresses \$4.95

Here is a snap. Buy one of these dresses. They are new and here is a chance to save.

Fancy Petticoats

New petticoats in all the novelty colors. Both plain and brocaded cloths, the brocaded crepe jacquart petticoat we offer at \$2.50 is a real value. Others \$1.00 up.

New Laces

Shadow laces are the favorites with Dame fashion this season. The many new and novel ways they are used makes attractive, beautiful garments.

Our showing of these laces include the sheerest, finest weaves and we offer them at popular prices.

Other Laces

2000 yards English Cluny, per yard **5c**
This lot includes lace 1 to 4 inches wide. The patterns are new.

12 yards linen lace for..... **25c**
This lace comes 12 yards to bolt and cannot be broken.
Pure Linen lace, 3 to 4 inches wide.....**5c**
Other bargains in lace also.

Embroidery Bargains

One lot 27 in Emb. **20 c**
" " 17 in Emb. **15 c**
" " 10 in Emb. **10 c**
One lot 10 to 14 inch Embroidery per yard **12c**
We will offer other Embroidery bargains we can not list here.
One lot 45 inch crepe flouncing, new dainty patterns, extra special, yard **\$1.75**
Narrow embroidery of Swiss for body sets, also heavier weights at reduced prices. Your embroidery will cost you little during this sale.

Ladies Coats and Suits HALF PRICE

Here is your chance to make one dollar do the work of two. In order to close all remaining stock, we offer,

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| \$25.00 Garments | \$12.50 |
| 22.50 " " | 11.25 |
| 20.00 " " | 10.00 |
| 17.50 " " | 8.75 |
| 15.00 " " | 7.50 |
| 12.50 " " | 6.25 |
| 10.00 " " | 5.00 |
| 7.50 " " | 3.75 |
| 6.00 " " | 3.00 |
| 5.00 " " | 2.50 |

New Pumps

With this sale we offer our first showing of new pumps for the Spring.

Patent, Satin and Dull Kid Colonial as well as the neat perfect fitting pumps are among the lot.

We offer the lot as the best collection we have ever shown for **\$3.** and **\$3.50**

Come and see them. There is a shoe in the lot you will want. So buy now while we have your size.

HARDY GRISSOM

The Store With the Goods

Great January Clearing

And White Goods Sale

Our Entire Stock of Seasonable Merchandise Offered at Tremendous Price Reduction
Sale Opens **FRIDAY, January 23rd**, and Closes **SATURDAY, January 31st**.

This is our last deep cut on Winter goods, and our first showing of new Spring White goods, Dress goods, Gingham, Spring footwear, etc. Our Winter goods are bound to go during this Sale. We have put prices on them that will move them. Never in the history of Haskell has there been such price reductions on new, clean Merchandise. On Millinery, we have cut the price to less than half. On Ladies Suits, we will sell any suit in our house for just half price. Ladies' Men's and Children's coats go at just half price. Men's Suits for 25 to 33 1-3 per cent off. Men's overcoats from 33 1-3 to 50 per cent off. Big discount on all Dress goods, Staple goods, Underwear, Shoes and all Merchandise throughout our house. The time has come to clean up, and we are going to move them out, so be on hand early and get your part of the bargains. We have just received several cases of New Spring Gingham, new White goods, New Dress goods, New laces and Embroideries, new Spring slippers that we will sell cheap during this Big Clearance Sale

Big Bargains offered in all lines of Dry Goods.

WHITE GOODS SALE

First showing of New spring Goods.

Henderson Corsets



HENDERSON FASHION FORM CORSETS

We have a new and full line of Henderson Corsets in the newest models for \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50 \$3.50 and up to \$5.00.

If you ever wear one Henderson Corset, you will never wear any other. They are perfection in comfort and fit, and have no equal for wear.

- All Calicoes..... 41c
- A. F. C. and Utility Gingham, new Spring patterns..... 10c
- 10 1-4 Peppernell Sheeting..... 25c
- 9-4 Peppernell Sheeting..... 22c
- \$2.50 cotton blankets..... \$1.85
- \$3.00 " " " "..... \$2.10
- Sweater coats one-third off.
- 12 yds. good grade cotton flannel..... 1.00
- 12 yds. Glad Tiding Bleaching for..... 1.00
- \$4.00 Cotton filled Silk top quilts..... \$2.98
- \$2.50 heavy cotton comforts..... \$1.65
- Best 10c Outing..... 8c
- 10c Sea Island Sheeting..... 8c
- 8 1/2 L L Domestic..... 7c
- Good round thread cotton checks..... 5c
- 50c Work Shirts..... 39c
- \$1.50 wool overshirts..... 1.10
- \$1.25 " " " "..... 98c
- \$1.25 Dress Shirts..... 98c
- \$1.00 Overalls, best make..... 90c
- \$12.50 Corduroy Suits..... \$7.50
- \$4.50 Bath Robe..... 3.25
- \$1.50 Outing Night Shirts..... 1.25

When you see our beautiful goods of white, you will want to freshen your supply



When you price our beautiful goods of white you will want to buy a new supply



FITZ

We have a big line of FITZ and KENTUCKY STAR overalls and work pants. We claim to give better values for the same money than any other line of work clothes sold in Haskell. We buy these for the stout and slim men, and can fit you in any size.

Mens Hats

- \$6.00 Stetson Hats..... 4.85
 - 5.00 Stetson Hats..... 3.85
 - 3.50 Elk Hats..... 2.35
 - 3.00 Novelty Hats..... 1.98
- Big Discount on Boys Hats, Boys and Mens Caps.

- \$1.25 Outing Night go wns..... 98c
- \$1.00 Outing Night go wns..... 75c
- 5 papers Iron Pins..... 5c
- 5 papers hair pins..... 5c
- 6 spools San Silk..... 25c
- 25c talcum..... 20c
- 25c Combs..... 18c
- 25c Hair Brush..... 18c
- 10c Soap..... 6c
- 10c Pearl buttons..... 5c
- 5c pearl buttons..... 3c
- 5 doz. Bulk buttons..... 5c
- 5c pencils, 2 fer..... 5c
- 50c back combs..... 35c
- 35c Back Combs..... 20c
- 50c Barretts..... 35c
- 35c Barretts..... 20c
- 50c Bar Pins..... 35c
- 50c towels..... 40c
- 40c towels..... 30c
- \$1.25 Suit case..... 95c
- 2.00 " "..... \$1.35
- 3.50 " "..... 2.75
- 5.00 " "..... 3.85
- 7.50 " "..... 5.25

Mens and Boys Clothing

Our Mens and Boys clothing all go in this Clearing Sale.

- \$22.50 Schloss Bros. Mens Suits..... \$16.75
- 20.00 " " " "..... 14.75
- 18.00 " " " "..... 13.75
- 15.00 " " " "..... 10.75
- 12.50 Boys Knickerbocker Suits..... 8.75
- 10.00 " " " "..... 6.75
- 8.50 " " " "..... 5.75
- 6.50 " " " "..... 4.75
- 5.00 " " " "..... 3.75
- 3.50 " " " "..... 2.75
- 5.00 Mens Odd Pants..... 3.85
- 4.00 " " " "..... 2.85
- 3.50 " " " "..... 2.50
- 1.50 Boys Pants..... 1.10
- 1.00 " " " "..... .75
- .75 " " " "..... .45

Muslin Underwear

We have the greatest showing of muslin underwear that has ever been our pleasure to offer our trade.

Fancy and plain crepes are the newest materials being used for underwear this season. Besides our Ladies line we have added childrens underwear, which will be a great burden lifted from the mothers of the town and country, as you can fit your child from the skin out, now at our store without the trouble of making are having them made.

Ladies Coats and Suits

All go at just one-half price

- \$25.00 Bischoff Suit..... \$12.50
- 20.00 " " " "..... 10.00
- 18.50 " " " "..... 9.25
- 16.50 " " " "..... 8.25
- 25.00 " Coat..... 12.50
- 20.00 Ladies coats..... 10.00
- 16.50 " " " "..... 8.25
- 15.00 " " " "..... 7.50
- 12.50 " " " "..... 6.25
- 10.00 Ladies Skirts..... 5.00
- 8.50 " " " "..... 4.25
- 6.50 " " " "..... 3.25
- 5'00 " " " "..... 2.50

These goods cost considerably more than this but we are bound to unload them. This is a great sacrifice on our part, but our loss is your gain.

White Goods, Laces and Embroideries

- One Lot of Laces worth up to 15c per yard now..... 5c
- One lot of Embroideries, worth up to 25c per yard now..... 10c
- 25c India Linen Lawn..... 15c
- 35c French Batiste veary Shear..... 17c

Childrens and Misses Drees

We have plunged this season into the childrens ready to wear goods. The mothers are learning that they can buy the childrens wear already made, at the same cost without the worry of having them made yourself.

When you come to us and buy now, you not only carry home with you the best quality of Merchandise the markets of the world supply, but also REAL DOLLARS, the reductions we have made are from prices which were only what our good goods were worth. It pays us to turn our merchandise into money. It will pay you to turn your money into our merchandise

HUNT BROTHERS

FOSTER

Most of the farmers are preparing to make another crop. The school is doing fine at this place. Bro. Curry filled his regular appointment at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Mollie Denson has been visiting Mrs. Callie Denson the last few days. Allie Sears took dinner with Clayton Caldwell Sunday. Misses Fannie Denson, Kate Williams and Eunice Thompson took dinner with Addie Harrell Sunday.

C. Sears and family took dinner with L. F. Lopez and family Sunday. Dave Parnell and family visited G. C. Johnson and wife Sunday. Carrol Thompson visited Willie Harrell Sunday. Mr. Sam Vernon and wife are with their daughter Mrs. Callie Denson.

Mrs. Lee and son Jack took dinner with George Best and family Sunday. Miss Addie Harrell spent Saturday night with Miss Kate Williams. Miss Marl Parnell spent the last few days with Letha Brown of Rochester. Jack Williams and family spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Williams.

J. M. Thompson and wife spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Minnie Moser. Mrs. Cluck and son, Earl of Pinkerton spent Saturday night and Sunday with her son, Tom Cluck. Amzon Williams is visiting King Perdue of Haskell.

ROBERTS

The health of our community is very good at this writing. Dick Mapes is much better, we are pleased to report. Little Lillian Lewellen who was sick Sunday is some better. Miss Dewey Yates visited Miss Myrtle Wheatley last Sunday. Bro. Mills failed to fill his appointment at Roberts last Sunday.

Quite a large crowd attended prayer meeting Sunday evening. Misses Tillie Atchison, Mary McCullough, Ivy Lewellen and Mamie makes visited Lola and Ollie Hallmark Sunday. The singing at Mr. Lewellen, was enjoyed by all. C. A. Lewellen took supper with Truett Cobb Sunday night.

MARKETING AS IMPORTANT AS PRODUCING COTTON

The agricultural papers, for several years, have been full of interesting and instructive articles, telling the farmer how to increase his crop yield per acre; the best seed to plant, how and when to plant; how to prepare the soil, the mixture and quantity of fertilizer to use.

The United States Department of Agriculture has printed carloads of bulletins and other literature regarding crop making and stock raising. Representatives of the Government in every state examine the soil, tell what it will produce, determine what irrigation or fertilization is necessary. We have, without doubt, the best equipped Agricultural Department of any nation on earth, in so far as farm production is concerned.

Our agricultural schools are everywhere. We have seen new theories taught and actually put into successful use. We have seen the "scientific farmer," once scoffed at and ridiculed,—we have seen him prove to be the practical farmer; we have seen him double his production per acre, improve his products, plant and harvest new and unheard of crops with success.

But where in the pages of the Farm Press, or in the Government bulletins or literature, will you find any words about profitable selling or marketing methods? Where will the farmer find information about how to get the best price or where to ship his products? If the average farmer could sell his crops as successfully as he can produce, he would soon be independent. The cotton grower seems to be the weakest of all as a seller of his crop.

The Government has finally awakened to the fact that marketing is as important as producing. A "Bureau of Markets" has been established and investigations into present conditions are being made. A survey of cotton marketing in Oklahoma was made this fall by the chief of the Bureau of Markets.

NEW YORK SAYS THE SOUTH IS BUTTING IN

Wall Street Sore Because Cotton is Being Held in the South. Speculators Have Forced the Price Down to Make South Turn Loose Cotton.

A Texas business man, who was in New York a few days ago, reports that Wall Street is sore because the South is holding cotton. In and around the Exchange, the speculators say the South is "butting in," holding cotton instead of surrendering it to the speculators as heretofore.

In their efforts to force the South to give up its cotton, they have driven the price down by manipulation of contracts, by which probably no cotton will even change hands. They have circulated big crop reports, but the government estimate nailed those lies. They predicted labor troubles in this country and in England, among cotton mill workers, but the mills run tranquilly on.

This is the time to hold your cotton. Don't be disturbed by the juggling of prices on the New York Exchange. Their little game does not represent sales of actual cotton bales and the price they quote does not fix the value of cotton. The cotton exchange, as at present operated, has had its day. Ignore it, forget it. The spinners are the men who consume your cotton. Watch them, forget Wall Street.

We have a crop of 13,677,000 bales, more than 1,200,000 BALES LESS than the mills required last year. Our crop is low grade. Its spinnable value reduces its availability 500,000 bales. Anyone who can read knows at this date that our cotton crop this year will not supply the mills' needs.

OPERA AT CORN EXPOSITION. National Grand Opera Company of Canada Will Appear at Dallas During the National Corn Exposition in February.

Texas has the reputation in the North and East of being a country of sage brush and cactus, but our friends from that territory are going to open their eyes somewhat when they know that Dallas is to have two seasons of grand opera, at a cost for each performance of from \$12,000 and \$13,000, one season March 4 to 9, and one during the National Corn Exposition on Feb. 10 and 11.

The National Grand Opera Company of Canada will appear at Dallas during the National Corn Exposition in February. The company consists of 163 artists, and eighty-piece orchestra, will bring the great Italian opera "La Gioconda." Madam Marie Tarnopol, one of the greatest sopranos in the world, will sing the leading role, "The Dance of the Hours," a part of the opera, will be danced by the incomparable Anna Pavlova and her troupe of thirty-five select solo dancers.

The Dallas Chamber of Commerce, in three weeks, raised \$100,000 for the purpose of holding this great exposition of agriculture and agricultural products. It was the feeling of the Dallas business men that their prosperity was dependent upon the prosperity of Texas; that the basis of all wealth in the Southwest especially is agriculture, and in appreciation of the prosperity that has come to Dallas as a great market, the Dallas jobbers and manufacturers subscribed to a luncheon menu to make the Sixth National Corn Exposition, which is to be held in Dallas February 10th to 24th, a success.

All Dallas dealers are planning to keep an open house during the Corn Exposition. The twenty-two hundred traveling men that make Dallas their headquarters will all be in Dallas during the exposition prepared to receive their customers and friends, and it will be the especial effort of the city of Dallas, from every standpoint, to demonstrate their hospitality, to show the marketing conveniences and facilities of the city, and to join in an open-handed way in entertaining the guests of the Corn Exposition.

A revival of the old sport in riding wild horses will be held at Dallas during the Corn Exposition. On February 19th and 20th there will be a unique and unusual competition. The Dallas Chamber of Commerce is offering a \$300 for the wildest, unbroken, meanest outlaw horse brought to Dallas and entered in this contest.

AVIATORS MEET AT DALLAS. Every Type of Flying Machine Will Be Shown at National Corn Exposition.

The greatest exhibition of flying and flying machinery ever held in the South and Southwest will be given at Dallas during the National Corn Exposition, Feb. 10-24. A great hangar is being erected, 200 feet long and 80 feet wide, that will house ten machines. Monoplanes, biplanes, tractors, and every type of machine that has been successfully flown. Among the aviators of national and international reputation already contracted with are Walter Johnston of the Thomas Brothers Aeroplane Company of Bath, New York, who holds the American endurance record, flies the "61" horsepower Thomas biplane, has won all first prizes in ten, fifteen and twenty-five mile races, and first prize for accuracy in bomb dropping; Frank Terrill of Worcester, Massachusetts, flies a headless triplane of 80" horsepower, has made over seven hundred exhibition flights, does the Ocean Wave, the Turkey Trot, and everything but loop the loop, one of the best known flyers in the United States.

Music at the Sixth National Corn Exposition at Dallas. Weber's Famous Concert Band of thirty-five pieces will play two free concerts daily during the Corn Exposition, February 10 to 24. John Weber of Cincinnati is one of the best known band conductors in the United States, and his organization of thirty-five artists has played in the greatest exhibitions ever held. Dallas considers it very fortunate in having been able to contract to bring Mr. Weber to Dallas for the National Corn Exposition.

Madam Anna Pavlova and Great Russian Ballet Will Appear at National Corn Exposition, Dallas, Feb. 10. The Dallas Chamber of Commerce considers itself very fortunate in having made a contract at the expense of \$4000 for one night's appearance of Madam Anna Pavlova and her famous Russian organization that consists of forty select solo dancers, including Novikoff, premier danseur classique; Zealich, premier danseur character of the Imperial opera house of Moscow, and Ceberti, the premier mime of the Imperial opera house of St. Petersburg. Their repertoire consists of ten ballets, staged with characteristic and rich scenery. Most of the scenery and costumes designed by the famous Leon Bakst and Boris Anisfeld. This ballet, total solo and chorus dancers of eight-fifty will appear Tuesday night, Feb. 10, as a part of the Grand Opera "La Gioconda," that will be sung in Italian by the Grand Opera company of Canada. Pavlova dances with her dancers, "The Dance of the Hours," is a part of the opera, and aside from this, will do thirty minutes of solo dancing. There is no attraction of a high art standpoint than the original Russian ballet which Dallas has secured for this occasion.

Opportunity for Texas. "The producers of Texas must not forget that at the Sixth National Corn Exposition, Dallas, Tex., February 10 to 24, 1914, they are not in competition with each other in county contests, but that they must strive to make a better showing than any of the other thirty-county contests which will be exhibited, and have a chance in the international contests to show the world what Texas can do," warns Rufus J. Nelson, editor Farm and Ranch. Texas at last has a chance to show the whole United States the wealth of her soil, the quality of her products, the advantages of her climate, the resourcefulness of her people and the opportunity for farming and other investments—the making of a great empire not yet in her "teens" stage of development.

MERCHANDISE PREMIUMS. \$50,000 in Merchandise Prizes Will Be Distributed at National Corn Exposition in Dallas. The National Corn Exposition to be held at Dallas, Feb. 10-24, under the auspices of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, the Texas Industrial Congress, the Texas State Fair Association and the National Corn Association, are completing the premium list already amounting to over \$50,000 in merchandise premiums. Everything from a post hole digger to an automobile, all sorts of agricultural implements, the new and improved, tons and tons of high grade fertilizer, gasoline engines, pumping outfits, harvesting machinery, grain drills, cotton and corn planters—every conceivable tool or implement, or anything used in the farm and home, including magazine subscriptions, books, clothing, such an aggregation of premiums as has never been given before for any agricultural exposition anywhere in the world. The exhibition of these premiums alone will occupy the vast and implement building 64 feet wide and 200 feet long.

Daisy Archibald's Intention

"Lizzie," said Daisy Archibald to her bosom friend, "papa is going away for a month on business. His friend Mr. Molyneux is going to stay at the house to protect us. I heard papa ask him last night while I was studying my lessons and they were smoking together. Did you ever see Mr. Molyneux? He's awfully handsome. Papa told him that he needn't trouble himself to stay at home evenings. He would come in at any hour."

"How old is Mr. Molyneux?" "He is thirty-four; but, you know, I'll be sixteen next month. Besides, I've always intended to marry a man much older than myself. I don't care a bit for boys. It's all fixed." "What's fixed?" "Why, about Mr. Molyneux's coming, to be sure."

"Oh, I thought you meant that it was all fixed about your marrying him." And so it was. Nothing was further from the mind of Mr. Archibald, who had seen his daughter grow up from a baby and did not realize the change the last two or three years had made in her. Indeed, the last Christmas he had given her a doll. She had received it affably, but as soon as her father's back was turned had taken it up to the garret, where she left it. As for Mr. Molyneux, he had no use for schoolgirls, and his associates were chiefly men. He was to take his breakfast at the Archibald home and his dinner at his club.

After having breakfasted for the first time with Grandma Archibald and Daisy, the latter said, with a smile: "Mr. Molyneux, which way do you go when you leave the house?" "Right down the avenue. Can I do anything for you?" "Why, no. I go down the avenue to school." "Oh, you do." It didn't occur to Ned Molyneux to walk to school with a little girl, but when he came to leave the house the little girl left it at the same time. She chirped at him like a bird, as they walked together, doing most of the talking, incoherently, herself and looking up at him occasionally with a pair of soft childish eyes, but with an expression in them that surprised him.

Now, if there is that in certain girls which attracts them to men much older than themselves there is that in older men which renders them appreciative of very young girls. A man approaching forty is conscious that he is passing beyond the sphere of young ladies, even those who have passed well beyond the teens, and he is beginning to be highly appreciative of any notice whatever or attention from them. It was not what Miss Daisy said to him; it was the fact that she looked very proud of having him for a companion.

