

The Haskell Free Press

HASKELL, HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1921.

WHOLE NUMBER 1819

MANY REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS FILED

Orient Land Co. to Mrs. Cora A. Young. Lots 15 to 18, Block 40, Lot 11, Block 30, Lots 8, 10 and 17, Block 33, Lots 20, 21 and 22, Block 6, original rule. Consideration \$200.00.

J. B. Rogan trustee to A. E. Taylor. Lots 9 and 10, Block 13, original Rochester. Consideration \$2.00.

J. H. Ellis trustee to J. O. Jackson. Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 44, original Rule. Consideration \$85.00.

C. E. Orton to W. D. Norman. Lot 11, Block 50, original Rule. Consideration \$1.00.

J. B. Rogan trustee to J. H. Parsons. Lot 4, Block 32, original Rochester. Consideration \$25.00.

J. B. Rogan, trustee to D. J. Smith. Lots 14 to 18, Block 10, original Rochester. Consideration \$100.00.

M. D. Scroggins and wife to E. M. Carney. Blocks 68, 64, 65 and 66, original. Lots 1 to 8, 11 and 12, Block 75, Carney Addition to O'Brien. Consideration \$1,500.00.

R. L. Thompson to M. H. Wood. Lots 11 to 14, Block 37, original O'Brien. Consideration \$420.00.

M. H. Wood and wife to E. M. Carney. Lots 11 to 14, Block 37, original O'Brien. Consideration \$420.00.

A. A. Brewer to R. L. Gavit. Lots 7 and 8, Block 5, original Haskell. Consideration \$750.00.

J. O. Shaver and wife to J. J. Summers. Lot 3, Block 20, original Rochester. Consideration \$600.00.

J. R. Nall and wife to Mrs. Louise Jeger. 173 acres out of Section 57, Bk. 1, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Consideration \$5,000.00.

J. S. Menefee and wife to W. M. Crume. Lot 7, Block 22, original Rochester. Consideration \$700.00.

J. B. Rogan, trustee to D. J. Dunn. Lots 16, 17 and 18, Block 17, original Rochester. Consideration \$65.00.

Mrs. Addie R. Long, to Christian church. pt. Bk. 81, 130X300 feet, Peter Allen Survey. Consideration \$2,500.00.

R. Q. Wilson to G. W. Wilson. Lots 1 and 5, Block 7, original Sagerton. Consideration \$300.00.

G. N. Wilson to E. S. Lee. Lots 4 and 5, Block 7, original Sagerton. Consideration \$800.00.

M. A. Russell to John G. Russell. Lot 5, Block 36, Lot 3, Block 2, College Heights Addition to Haskell. Consideration \$10.00.

M. T. Wilson and wife to C. T. Jones. 40 acres out of Section 10, and 12 1/2 acres out of Section 12, Block 46, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Consideration \$3,000.00.

T. E. Matthews to D. H. Matthews. Lot 4, Block 10, Lot 3, Block 11, Lot 6, Block 12, Lot 2, Block 15, Lot 7, Block 7, Highland Addition to Haskell. Consideration \$400.00.

J. B. Logan, trustee to F. L. Montandon. Lot 2, Block 12, original Rochester. Consideration \$10.00.

Hardy Grissom and wife to W. O. Wright. 800 acres out of Jos. McGehee Survey. Consideration \$29,000.00.

J. B. Rogan, trustee to E. P. Carr. Lot 5, Block 37, original Rochester. Consideration \$15.00.

J. B. Rogan, trustee to W. W. Flournoy. Lots 1 and 2, Block 51, original Rochester. Consideration \$60.00.

C. E. Orton to W. F. Neely. Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 51, original Rule. Consideration \$75.00.

J. B. Rogan, trustee to Mrs. C. H. King. Lots 1 and 2, Block 32, original Sagerton. Consideration \$10.00.

J. L. Jones and wife to A. C. Henry. Lots 4, 5, and 6, Block 2, Eastside Addition to Rule. Consideration \$130.

T. A. Pinkerton and wife to Jno. W. and Nancy E. Lane. 480 acres out of Section 46, Block 1, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Consideration \$12,000.00.

J. W. Merchbanks and wife to W. A. and H. B. Cardwell. 156.88 and 154.72 acre out of Section 14, Block 1, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Consideration \$7,000.00.

L. F. Burdine and wife to A. Hall. 80 acres out of Section 1, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co. Consideration \$2,000.00.

F. C. Weinert to Weinert Ind. School

J. H. (HARDY) YARBROUGH ANNOUNCES FOR SHERIFF

Rochester, Texas, December.—J. H. Yarbrough, a pioneer citizen of the northwest part of the county, has entered the race for sheriff of Haskell county. Mr. Yarbrough is a native Texan, having been born in Williamson county where he spent the early part of his life. Removing to West Texas in 1891 he settled in Haskell county and has except for a brief period, remained a citizen of Haskell county ever since. During the period that Mr. Yarbrough was not a citizen of Haskell county he was serving as deputy sheriff of Knox county. For six years Mr. Yarbrough served as deputy sheriff of the neighboring county of Knox, and during this time his record was one of honest and upright service. Mr. Yarbrough is a staunch supporter of West Texas. He believes in upholding the law under any and all circumstances. For 48 years he has breathed the pure air of Texas and for nearly half this time he has lived in West Texas.

Consequently Mr. Yarbrough knows West Texas and West Texas conditions. He knows the business of being a sheriff. He has served as deputy sheriff of Haskell county. His work in the deputy sheriff's office has enabled him to see where a great work can be done toward a sane and safe enforcement of the law. Mr. Yarbrough promises to enforce the law without fear or favor. Letting the chips fall where they may, Mr. Yarbrough proposes if elected new to a line of strict law enforcement. Mr. Yarbrough is a christian gentleman of the highest type. He is not seeking the office for any special privileged purpose. He has no political axe to grind. His desire is to serve the best interests of the people of Haskell county.

Mr. Yarbrough's previous training more than qualifies him for this office. He has served for years as deputy sheriff in Knox and Haskell counties. He now holds a diploma from an accredited detective school which he earned by practical demonstration that he was qualified to do the work required for a diploma. As a private citizen of Haskell and Knox counties Mr. Yarbrough's work stands as a model. His life has always been open and above board. His aim has always been to be of the greatest good to the greatest number of people. In his public life Mr. Yarbrough has played no favorites, but has been fair and just in all his dealings as an enforcer of the law. He proposes if elected to see that the laws of the state and of the county are enforced in an impartial and unprejudiced manner.

To those of his friends who know him Mr. Yarbrough pledges to fulfill the duties of the office of sheriff as he has filled the deputy's office. To those who are not acquainted with him Mr. Yarbrough invites them to investigate his personal life and his career as a public servant. He hopes to meet every voter in the county before the day of election and outline to him the policy which he will pursue if elected to the office of sheriff.

WICHITA VALLEY TRAIN SCHEDULE CHANGED

The following changes in the schedule of the Wichita Valley trains will take effect Sunday, January 8th, 1922:

Westbound No. 1. Arrive 7:56 P. M. Westbound No. 5. Arrive 5:20 A. M. Eastbound No. 2. Arrive 9:00 A. M. Eastbound No. 8. Arrive 9:30 P. M.

RABBIT DRIVE WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY JAN. 4th.

There will be a rabbit drive next Wednesday January 4th, beginning at the R. W. Herrin, Jr. place northwest of town. Everybody is invited to join in this drive and a big time is promised. There are lots of rabbits in this section and a few coyotes. Those who join in this drive is expected to be on hand promptly at 9 o'clock.

Kennedy-Ryder

A wedding that came as a surprise to their many friends was that of Dee Kennedy of this city and Miss Fay Ryder of Seymour, which was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ryder in Seymour Friday night, December 23rd. Rev. Yates, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Seymour, performed the ceremony.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kennedy of this city, and the bride is one of Seymour's talented young ladies.

Their many friends join in wishing them a long and happy life. They will make their future home in this city.

Gaines Post who is attending State University at Austin spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Post.

District, Lots 6 and 7, Block 20, original Wagon. Consideration \$150.00.

W. E. Johnson and wife to S. L. Holden. Lot 10, Block 11, pt. out of Lot 11, Brown & Roberts Addition to Haskell. Consideration \$367.00.

E. G. Marrs and wife to G. W. Martin. Lots 7 and 8, Block 6, original Haskell. Consideration \$4,250.00.

Mrs. Leona B. Nolen to C. M. Conner. Lot 15, Block 80, Tandy, Richie & Rowe Addition to Haskell. Consideration \$2,400.00.

Charlie Clark and wife to John Healer. Lot 10, Block 45, original Sagerton. Consideration \$350.00.

G. W. Martin and wife to B. G. Marrs. Out Lot 61, Brown & Roberts Addition to Haskell. Consideration \$3,000.00.

Ida Ann Fraser to Leonard Annis, part of John Colston Survey. Consideration \$300.00.

Cleaning Off the Slate



MIDWAY SCHOOL ORGANIZES PIG CLUB

A pig club has been organized by the Midway school and they invite all boys and girls between the ages of ten and eighteen years to join in the 1922 club. Those who might ask, "What is a Pig Club?" We will say it is an organization of boys and girls for the purpose of raising pigs in a scientific way, in the quickest time on the least cost. The work is done under the instructions of the State A. & M. College through a local representative. All instructions, application blanks and record books being furnished free of charge by the State.

The State also offers a four-day scholarship to Dallas Fair each year to the winner of first prize, which includes board and lodging at the Fair grounds and free tickets to all the shows that the winner may desire to see while there, and a conductor to go with them.

The local banks are co-operating in this move by offering additional prizes. The Haskell National Bank is offering a round-trip ticket to the fair to the winner of the first prize and the Farmers State Bank is offering a round-trip ticket to the winner of the second prize, and J. W. Foster, principal of the Midway school, is offering a cash prize of \$5.00 to supplement the offer of the Farmers State Bank on second prize. Lee Stephens is offering the pick of his Duroc bunch of pigs at weaning time to the winner of the best Duroc raised by the club.

It is believed that other banks in the county will join in the move by offering other prizes, thus encourage the raising of more and better hogs in Haskell County. It also offers an opportunity to other farmers and hog raisers to offer prizes for their particular breed of hogs.

Mr. J. W. Foster, of the Midway school, is the promoter of the Club and he hopes to make it a county-wide organization and he earnestly hopes that other communities will join in the movement. Application blanks may be had by seeing Mr. Foster or dropping him a card. His address is Haskell, Texas, Route A, Box 151.

Haskell County needs more thorough bred hogs and this is the way to get them. Let the boys and girls do the work and reap the profits—it gives them something to work for and at the same time will be a wonderful help to the county.

King-Shook

A beautiful wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Shook on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, when their daughter Miss Euna was joined in marriage to Henry King of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Chalmers Kilbourne, pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city in the presence of relatives and a few close friends.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Shook of this city and her quiet, unassuming disposition has won her a host of friends. She is well fitted to reign in the home of the man of her choice.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. King of Throckmorton and has been connected with the Haskell Ice & Light Co. for the past two years. He is a young man of sterling qualities and worthy of the young lady he has chosen for his life companion. They are very popular with a large circle of friends who wish them a long and happy life. After the ceremony they went immediately to their newly furnished home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam A. Roberts and daughter Audra Gayle, returned Monday evening from Byers where they spent Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. A. Roberts.

TWO BLOCKS PAVING PRACTICALLY FINISHED

Two blocks of the paving of the square has been practically completed. The north side of the square was opened to traffic last Saturday afternoon, and the west side has been finished with the exception of the intersection on the southwest corner. The concrete base has been laid on the east side of the square, and the work of laying brick will probably be started on that side the last of the week. Quite a bit of excavation work has been necessary on the south and east sides, but a large crew of men has been busy at this work, and it is expected that the south side will be ready for the concrete base during the next week. It is estimated that the entire paving of the square can be finished in the next thirty days with no bad weather. Including the sidewalk around the courthouse lawn. Motorists have been showing their approval of the new pavement since the north side has been opened for traffic, and the paving has met with the approval of all.

There has been considerable damage thoughtlessly done to the fresh concrete on the paving work by citizens through carelessness. Everyone should be very careful regarding this work and assist in keeping the new walks and curbs as free from footprints and scars as possible. Watch your step, and if you see anyone else about to walk across fresh concrete call their attention to the fact before they damage new work. This will save the contractors lots of trouble and will also help the appearance of the town when the work is finished.

Taylor-Stephens

At 3 o'clock on Christmas day, at the home of P. W. Walthall, pastor of the Christian church, occurred the marriage of Mr. F. G. Taylor and Miss Velma Stephens.

Mr. Taylor is a progressive business man of Wichita Falls, while practically a stranger to the people of Haskell, he is well known and highly respected in his home town.

Miss Velma is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. C. Stephens, one of the oldest and most highly respected families of our city. Miss Velma is loved by all who know her.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left Wednesday for Wichita Falls, where they will reside. The best wishes of their host of friends go with them, wishing for them a happy and prosperous life, which they so richly deserve.

Cook-Marrs

The home of Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Marrs in the west part of town was the scene of a quiet wedding on last Sunday afternoon, when their daughter Lola, was married to Mr. Hughie Cook. Rev. P. W. Walthall, reading the beautiful ceremony that united the lives of this worthy young couple.

The bride has endeared herself to her many friends by her charming manner and sweet disposition, while the groom is an estimable young man, now being connected with the Harrison Barber Shop.

Their many friends unite in wishing for them a long life of happiness and prosperity.

Mrs. R. L. Creek spent the Christmas holidays with her parents in Olney.

W. E. Welch left Wednesday night for Rodgers, where his mother is reported very ill.

T. P. Brooks returned the last of the week from Dallas, where he spent a few days with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Harris and son E. B. Jr. of Rule, spent Christmas with Mrs. Harris' mother, Mrs. Shriver.

DESTROYING THE HIBERNATION PLACES OF THE BOLL WEEVIL

Owing to the ravages of the boll weevil in Texas, the cotton growing section of our State is displaying active interest in the application of Fall and Winter measures for the destruction of the hibernation places of the boll weevil.

The Extension Service has been reliably informed that some communities are burning the grasses and trash along fences, ditches and similar places commonly used as hibernation places of the boll weevil. We believe this is a mistake at this time since the weevils do not go into hibernation until heavy frost becomes general and will continue their migration for some weeks. Should they find such places burned, they will simply continue their migration until suitable places can be found, advises R. H. Reppert, entomologist, Extension Service, A. & M. College of Texas, who recommends that the burning of these places be delayed until the middle of December at the earliest, although the first of January would be better. By this time all of the weevils should be congregated in the hibernation places and may be destroyed. The Extension Service has recommended intensive clean up measures for the Fall and the burning of hibernating places in the winter. In regard to the burning of cotton stalks on the fields, it is realized that this will accomplish great results in control, however, the Extension Service has recommended in the burning the stalks as a general measure on account of the consequent removal of organic matter. The individual farmer must decide for himself which one weighs the other. It is the opinion of the Extension Service specialists that in sections where early Fall plowing can be practiced, that this method of control will accomplish practically the same results as the burning of the stalks without the disadvantage of the latter methods.—A. & M. Extension News.

SLATON FAVORS NEW PLAINS RAILROAD ROUTE

Slaton, Texas, December 27.—The Slaton Chamber of Commerce is advertising a route for the Plains railroad southeast from the Cap Rock at Post to Clairmont, Aspermont, Rule, Haskell, Throckmorton, Murray and Ellasville into Fort Worth. This would give a direct connection for Tahoka, Lamesa, Lubbock, Plainview, Amarillo and Clovis, as there would not be twenty-five miles difference in the route proposed via Floydada and Spur. This route would connect with the Santa Fe system, which radiates in all directions, and thereby serve hundreds of thousands indirectly, even reaching into New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Oklahoma and Kansas.

This route also would save some \$2,000,000.00 in scaling the Cap Rock, as well as several months in construction work, it is asserted.

The Slaton Chamber of Commerce, at an early date, will call a mass meeting for representatives of all towns along this route to meet in Slaton to formulate plans and unite efforts for the purpose of showing Fort Worth that this is the logical route, from an economical standpoint, to serve the big majority of the Plains residents.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

LARGE ELECTRIC SIGN FOR J. E. GRISSOM & CO.

J. E. Grissom & Co., one of Haskell's largest and most progressive mercantile establishments, this week erected in front of their place of business a large electric sign, the first to be installed in the city. The "juice" was turned on Tuesday night, and the sign presents a very attractive appearance, and adds much to the brilliancy of the entire north side.

Shriver-Crow

One of the many Yuletide weddings among the Haskell young people, occurred at Rule Sunday evening at 6:30, when Miss Sullie Crow became the wife of Andrew Shriver. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. H. Powell, pastor of the Baptist church at Rule. The bride is the popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Crow of this city, and her beautiful traits of character have won a host of friends. The groom is the son of Mrs. L. Shriver of this city, and is a very energetic young man. He is connected with Reid's Drug Store, which position he has held during the past three years. The happy young couple have many friends who wish for them many years of happiness and prosperity as they journey through life. They will reside in this city.

Carl Griffin, formerly of this city but now of Mineral Wells, spent the holidays with relatives and friends in Haskell.

Bill Whitaker, formerly of this city, now of Kansas City, Mo., spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harrison, returning to his home Monday evening.

Roy Mauldin of the First National Bank of Brokenridge, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. R. Mauldin.

Miss Annie Kate Ferguson of Hale Center, spent the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Morton.

Miss Billy Veazey and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Williams of Wichita Falls spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Jones.

Miss Annie Kate Ferguson, who is attending C. I. A. at Denton, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Morton.

ROCHESTER TO VOTE ON INCORPORATION

At Rochester, Texas, Monday, Mr. Porter A. Whaley, manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce spoke to a large crowd on the subject and benefits of an incorporated city. Judge Ratliff of the city also made a splendid talk on the same subject. Mr. H. H. Elzy, of Stamford and B. M. Whiteker of the city were visitors during the day. Rochester will incorporate soon in order to vote bonds and install city water works. The town has an abundance of fine pure water at from 35 to 75 feet.

Rochester is located in the center of one of the best farming districts of West Texas with almost every 100 acres a separate farm with from 80 to 90 acres in cultivation with cotton making this year from 1-2 to 3-4 bales per acre, corn, maize, kaffir and all other feed stuff as good production this year as was ever seen and every farmer has stored in his smoke house lard, hams and bacon to do him more than two years and many with large piles of sweet potatoes curing in the banks made for that purpose and plenty of country made sorghum with money in the bank, the surrounding country is thriving.

Rochester was built on the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient in 1906 and one of the pioneer merchants was R. H. Greenwade and Son who were doing business at old Marcy and as soon as the town of Rochester was laid out this little town of three or four business firms moved bodily to the new railroad town and Rochester has continued to grow and grow until today she is a little city of some 25 business houses with three gins (until a few weeks ago when one burned down) 3 churches and a splendid high school, one bank and two hotels. And today there are more than 800 population.

Mr. A. B. Carother, the father of Rochester, is a pioneer settler of Haskell county having moved from Correll county 33 years ago to his ranch through which the railroad laid out its survey. Mr. Carother gave the right-of-way and then laid out the townsite. It has been a constant source of everlasting pleasure to Mr. Carother to see this town develop and grow.

Rochester is a strong unit of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce with its banker, Mr. O. F. Priest, the unit director and at their weekly luncheon club Mr. Priest presents and reads to them the weekly letters from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce telling of the daily work of the W.T.C. of C. organization.

Rochester's farm land values run from \$50 to \$100 per acre and none for sale.

WADE RESIGNS AS CITY MANAGER OF STAMFORD

Announcement has been made of the resignation of Homer D. Wade, as city manager of the city of Stamford, in order that he may devote his entire time to the management of the Chamber of Commerce. He has held the dual position of city manager and manager of the Chamber of Commerce during the past year, but in view of the increased work of the latter organization and the large program outlined, Mr. Wade has been called for his full time to that work for the next year.

H. J. Bradshaw, present city engineer, will assume the duties of the city manager. Miss Omi Bennett, present assistant to the city managers office, has been appointed to the office of the assessor and collector. These changes are effective January 1.

Guy Mayes spent Christmas with friends in Denton.

Miss May Fields, teacher in the Wichita Falls schools, spent the holidays with home folks.

TOWN PESTS



The Scandal Sheet from the Big City wins the Lumburger Cheese Medal for Offensiveness. Its many columns of nauseating details of Scandal and Crime make it Unfit for Decent Homes. Carry it out and throw it in the Garbage Can before the Children see the Filthy Sheet!

PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN



The Trouble Collector figures that Everybody is trying to Put Something Over on him and so goes around with his Suspicious Mind hunting Trouble and Always Finding it. In a World so full of Everything, we can Generally find what we are Looking for, Whether Joy or Grief.

New Year's Greetings

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS WE SAY—HAPPY

NEW YEAR

WE HOPE THE COMING YEAR MAY BRING TO YOU HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

WE HOPE THAT YOU MAY ENJOY PROSPERITY AND HAVE NO MISFORTUNE

Friendship and good will have ever been coveted and priceless business assets. Their possession implies the most cordial relations based on mutual understanding, confidence and esteem. In the past year we have been fortunate in the enjoyment of all this—

Thanks to Your Co-Operation

And so, these greetings sincerely wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year, carry also grateful acknowledgement of the support you have given us.

F. G. ALEXANDER & SONS

Elton Clifton who has been attending Baylor College at Belton is spending the holidays with home folks.

CARDUI HELPED REGAIN STRENGTH

Alabama Lady Was Sick For Three Years, Suffering Pain, Nervous and Depressed—Read Her Own Story of Recovery.

Paint Rock, Ala.—Mrs. G. M. Stegall, of near here, recently related the following interesting account of her recovery: "I was in a weakened condition. I was sick three years in bed, suffering a great deal of pain, weak, nervous, depressed. I was so weak, I couldn't walk across the floor; just had to lay and my little ones do the work. I was almost dead. I tried every thing I heard of, and a number of doctors. Still I didn't get any relief. I couldn't eat, and slept poorly. I believe if I hadn't heard of and taken Cardui I would have died. I bought six bottles, after a neighbor told me what it did for her.

"I began to eat and sleep, began to gain my strength and am now well and strong. I haven't had any trouble since. I am sure can testify to the good that Cardui did me. I don't think there is a better tonic made and I believe it saved my life."

For over 40 years, thousands of women have used Cardui successfully, in the treatment of many womanly ailments. If you suffer as these women did, take Cardui. It may help you, too. 40¢ all druggists.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given, that a stockholders meeting of the Welvert State Bank of Welvert, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the City of Welvert, Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m. the second Wednesday in January, A. D. 1922, the same being the 11th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank, and the transaction of such other business that may properly come before said meeting. 50-4tc

Alvy R. Couch, Cashier.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice of the stockholders of the First State Bank of O'Brien, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the City of O'Brien, State of Texas, at 2 p. m., the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1922, the same being the 10th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and the transaction of such business that may properly come before said meeting. 50-4tc

T. E. Robbins, Cashier.

A DEFINITION

BUSINESS EFFICIENCY—The ability of a transfer company to get \$25.00 an hour out of a tenant who is moving because the landlord can't get \$25.00 a month more out of him.

NEW FEED STORE

I have purchased the Conner Produce Company and will continue to conduct the business at the same old stand, and in addition to the produce business we will carry a complete line of feeds of all kinds. We will appreciate a portion of your business, and will endeavor to please you. PHONE 144. **GEO. AWALT** Produce—At Public Saucers—Feed

RECALL OLD COLONIAL DAYS EACH HAS PLACE IN LODGE

Pearl Chain of American Independence May Be Traced Through Old New England Attire.

Scattered here and there all through New England are attires of more than usual interest. Many of these are intimately connected with early history. One of them is found in the old Codding house at Quincy, Mass., known as the Quincey mansion, and now in the possession of the Colonial Dames. Here, Mary Northend writes in the Boston Transcript in the early days before it was remodeled by Edmund Quincy, a group of free thinkers gathered, including Woodbridge and Anne Hutchinson both of whom were afterward banished on account of their liberal views, which did not coincide with those of the Puritans.

In the upper story, a low, dingy attic, with its secret staircase behind the huge chimney, still remains intact. On account of its peculiar construction it might be termed a double attic. A trapdoor leads from one part into another division through which escape can be made to the galleries below and thence to the ground.

John Hancock, who married Dorothy Quincy, is reputed to have spent a night in the nursery across the hall from the attic. By hiding here, he foiled the British who were searching for him, and later on used the secret passageway to escape. All doubt that he was at one time in this room is satisfactorily banished by his initials "J. H." scratched on one of the windows with a diamond. The words "You I love and you alone," scribbled on the wall are also ascribed to him.

BLAME ANCESTORS FOR COLDS

Descendants of Forest Dwellers Inherit Susceptibility to Drafts, It Is Asserted.

Do drafts bother you more than other people? If so, you probably have German blood in your veins. This opinion is advanced by Herr Prof. Doktor Th. Zell, according to the Vossische Zeitung.

Doktor Zell says that certain species of animals exhibit evident dislike for drafts and that such beasts naturally live in forests and sheltered places. Conversely, animals whose natural habitat is an open space are content when breezes blow. Hence a horse lets the wind smooth his coat while monkeys and baboons shun such experiences.

The professor in conclusion asks, "Is it then a wonder that the Germans, who in earlier centuries lived in wooded regions, are still today more susceptible to drafts than other peoples who come from treeless countries?"

An evident objection to this opinion as the explanation of sensitiveness to drafts is that the ancestors of all men lived in forests, although some races migrated earlier than others and therefore it may be presumed lost their ancestral susceptibility to drafts earlier.

The Cliff Dwellers.

Cliff-dwellers is the name of a race of Indians, formerly living in the cliffs bordering on the valleys of the Rio Grande and Rio Colorado. Their homes were built in the recesses of the cliffs at a height often of several hundred feet from the ground, and at the present time seemingly inaccessible, as the former paths that led to them nearly all have been destroyed by the crumbling away of the rocks. The dwellings sometimes consisted of many rooms, and in some cases were two, or more, stories high, hewn in the rock, with wooden lintels in the doors and windows, which were probably closed with skins or blankets. The walls were finished with a plaster of clay. How the inhabitants subsisted is not known, but probably mainly by hunting and fishing, as the soil about these localities was barren. The Pueblo Indians, who still are found in that section, are thought to be descendants of the cliff-dwellers. They possess considerable skill in making articles of pottery and the like.

"The Exception Proves the Rule."

With the person who thinks about the things he says, this much-used expression must "hit a snag" every time it is used. For exception cannot prove a rule. Indeed, every bona fide exception weakens a rule.

It is a change in the connotation of saying, "Prove all things," and so responsible for its present misuse. For in the early days of the English language "prove" meant "test," as when St. Paul said, "Prove all things." And so when it was said that the exception "proves" the rule there was nothing illogical about it. Exceptions do put a rule to test. Either they soon vitiate the rule or the rule is strong enough to bring them within its mandate.

Women's Secrets.

"There's scarcely a woman in existence who can visit the hairdresser's and avoid telling the whole story of her life to the assistant who is giving her a shampoo and hair wave. Even a simple cut and singe often induces the most reticent woman to yield up the carefully guarded secrets of a lifetime."

"Every woman knows that she can find it in her heart to forgive a man for many sins—she might condone larceny, theft, lighty of arson, or even excuse murder, but she will not extend even a death-bed pardon to a man who waves his hair by artificial means."—From "Educating Ernestine," by Florence A. Kilpatrick.

Sheriff's Notice of Election THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Haskell. Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 28th day of January, 1922, at Howard Schoolhouse, in Howard (Common School District No. 20, of this county as established by order of the County Board of Trustees of the date the 5th day of July, 1921, which is of record in book designated Record of School Districts, on pages 84 and 85, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpayers voters of said district desire the issuance of bonds on the faith and credit of said common school district in the amount of \$1,000.00, the bonds to be of the denomination of \$200.00 each, numbered consecutively from 1 to 20, both inclusive, payable serially on February 1st, 1923, and one each February 1st thereafter to February 1st 1942, 6 per cent per annum, payable annually on April 10th of each year, to provide funds to be expended in payment of accounts legally contracted in constructing and equipping a public free school building of wooden material, and purchasing a site therefor, within said district and to determine whether the Commissioners Court of this county shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds or any of them are outstanding a tax upon all taxable property within said district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and county and who are resident property taxpayers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof." And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

M. B. Howard has been appointed as presiding officer for said election and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same and he shall within five days after said election has been held make due return thereof to the Commissioners Court of this county as is required by law for holding a general election.

Said election was ordered by the County Judges of this county by order made on the 19th day of December, 1921, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order.

Dated the 19th day of December, 1921.

AL COUSINS, Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with Worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and a rickety, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 50¢ per bottle.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the City of Haskell, Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1922, the same being the 10th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and the transaction of such other business that may properly come before said meeting. 50-4tc

J. B. Post, Cashier.

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We will deliver anywhere in Texas, prepaid, a beautiful Christmas bouquet of roses, chrysanthemums, carnations, cut flowers, grown in Cisco, for \$3.00 and up—or a blooming potted plant, \$6.50 to \$10.00. Poinsettia to \$1.50; Geranium \$1 to \$2; Begonia \$1.50; Fern and blooms mixed \$2.50 to \$5.00. Still mail your check, enclose your card and who for. Flowers on all occasions. CISCO FLORAL COMPANY.

NOTICE!

I have the agency for Haskell County for the Singer Sewing Machine and carry all parts for the Singer and can adjust or repair your machine first class order. I am located a block east of the depot. Get a Singer Sewing Machine for a nice Christmas present for your wife. 40-5tp. G. W. PIERCE, Agent.

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On land at 9 per cent interest. If you want to pay an old loan or get a new loan call or write us. We will get you the best that can be obtained.

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Go In Comfort

GO at your pleasure—go where you choose and when you choose, with your family or your friends. Enjoy the boundless beauties of nature, the pure air, a lunch in a shady wood, a fishing excursion, a rest by a cool lake or stream.

You can in a Ford. Millions have learned by experience that to own and operate a Ford is not an extravagance; they have learned that the many pleasures derived from a Ford takes the place of other pleasures, and the saving thus made often pays for the car and its maintenance.

Let's talk this matter over. Get the facts and figures.

LYNN PACE

THANKS

We thank you one and all for the business you have given us during the past year just drawing to a close and we ask you to continue giving us your trade. We certainly appreciate it. We will always do our best to give you good, courteous service, and will always make the price right.

We hope that the New Year will bring you lots of peace, happiness and prosperity, and that the sunshine of good cheer will be with you every day during the New Year of 1922.

White Cash Store

J. F. POSEY, Proprietor.

WONDERS OF AMERICA

By T. T. MAXEY

Western Newspaper Union.

THE NATURAL BRIDGES OF UTAH

Forty-five miles north of Bluff, in Southwestern Utah, within a space of about five miles, are three natural bridges which are understood to be the largest of their kind in existence.

Named Sipapu (Gate of Heaven), Kachina (Guardian Spirit) and Owahomo (Rock Mound), these bridges were discovered in 1895. The three constitute a National monument, being so proclaimed by Presidential announcement in 1908.

The largest of the three has an extreme height of 222 feet and is 65 feet thick at the top of the arch, which is 28 feet wide. It has a span of 281 feet, the height of the span being 157 feet.

One has but to fix those figures in his mind to gain a fair idea of the immensity of these wonders which Nature fashioned from the lofty walls of White canyon.

Near the monument are some caves and ruins which are believed to have been the homes of a prehistoric race which inhabited this section.

These bridges are best reached by stage or team from the railroad station at Thompson, Utah, to Monticello, thence by pack-horse—a journey through a strange, deserted-looking, but interesting land.

Danger Ahead

Teacher: Johnny, if you don't behave I'll have to send a note to your father.

Johnny: You'd better not. Ma's as lealous as a cat.

To Stop a Cough Quick

Take HAYES' HEALING HONEY, a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues.

A box of GROVE'S O-PEN-TRATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup is enclosed with every bottle of HAYES' HEALING HONEY. The salve should be rubbed on the chest and throat of children suffering from a Cold or Croup.

The healing effect of Hayes' Healing Honey is inside the throat combined with the healing effect of Grove's O-Pen-Trate Salve through the pores of the skin goes to a cough.

Each package is packed in a tin can and the cost of the enclosed treatment is free.

Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

THANKS FOR PAST FAVORS IN THE

YEAR 1921

AND WE HOPE FOR A CONTINUATION

OF BUSINESS IN 1922

Brazelton Lumber Co.

F. M. SQUIRES, Mgr.

10 TO TIE THE YOUNGSTERS

Were Not to Be Trusted When Grandmother Dipped the Candies on the Old Farm.

There was another event that took place once a year in the big kitchen, so much more exciting than spinning (but instead of being allowed to sit at liberty, with directions and cautions, we had to be tied to the table legs with a clothes line or we would have been covered with grease. It was a mysterious proceeding, which began with my grandmother spreading a space on the floor with Albany Journals, and Ontario County Repositories and Waterbury Americans. Then she stirred the contents of a brass kettle that hung on the crane, and took up the Waterbury Americans, cherished souvenirs of her native town, and replaced them with ordinary Repositories. Next she brought four kitchen chairs and set them on the four corners of the rectangle of newspapers and connected them with two poles. Then she stirred the brass kettle again and looked at the clock. Then she proceeded to bring in a large number of rods, each of which was looped with six twisted wicks and laid the ends of the rods neatly on the poles. It was then that we were tied up with a little free rope allowed for limited range, before the brass kettle was emptied into the copper boiler.

And now the fun began, when my grandmother dipped the first two rods of wicks into the boiler of melted tallow, and we danced as much as the table legs would permit. It was two rods at a time and then two more, over and over again until the full-grown candles hung in rows, slender at the top and enlarging to a thick, pointed end at the bottom. It took some of the joy out of our young lives when the tin molds came and put an end to candle-dipping.—W. Henry Shelton in Scribner's.

FEW DIVERSIONS IN JAPAN

Youngsters Work Hard in School, and That is Probably Their Life's Happiest Period.

Almost all forms of recreation known to boys in America and Europe are forbidden to the Japanese school-boy. He is under social or economic restraints that restrict his play for long periods to such dull pastimes as keeping a diary, writing and collecting postal cards and attending a young men's club—which has far less interesting functions than a club in America, remarks the Detroit News.

Some of the more fortunate Japanese schoolboys may be permitted to make a walking trip during vacation. For them the trip is a memorable adventure. The annual Opening-of-the-River festival gives opportunity to watch the fireworks and lighted boats on the Sumida. In the evening he sits in his room, gazing from a window or playing on a flute that costs 10 or 15 cents. Lantern processions, by which the Japanese celebrate their many special days, are another diversion.

This has resulted in calling school days the period of "bitter learning"—regarded in later life as the student's happiest time, because when he leaves school he marries a girl in whose selection he has no word, and must earn his living with whatever tools are given to him.

Jokes in Architecture

The builders of the old churches in England were not so serious but that they now and then perpetrated a joke, even in stone. On more than one of their creations they carved in relief a scene representing a monk preaching solemnly to a flock of geese. The same humorous spirit is sometimes to be detected in the domestic architecture of early times. Here is an instance:

Just upon the boundaries of Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire formerly stood a rambling old farmhouse. The living room was long and low, and on the center beam that went across the ceiling was inscribed this legend: "If you are cold, go to Hertfordshire." This seemingly inhospitable invitation was explained by the fact that one-half of the room was in one county and one-half in the other. The fireplace was in Hertfordshire.

Elk Shed Antlers Yearly.

Once a year elk shed their horns. As soon as the old ones are gone new ones start. This process is repeated every year, the only difference being that an upper prong appears each time. Thus an elk's age can be told by the prongs in one of his antlers.

The shedding is apparently a painless occurrence. As an antler falls off a clot of blood forms at its root. In the first six months of its growth there is a soft skin over the antlers; this is known as the velvet. As long as the velvet is there the antlers remain somewhat soft and sensitive, but when the velvet peels off the antlers become hard and dry up, and they lose all feeling.

The Wrong Clock.

The endeavor to conserve daylight has had unforeseen results. A Scotch farmer's son returned from the city with an alarm clock. The "old man," on asking was informed that it was to be used for "waukenin' folk in the mornin'."

"Impm," he replied, "did ye no see one clocks that wud gar ye gang tae yer bed at night? I can wauken ye at a stick in the mornin', but a' the ticks in Scotland'll no bring ye in at night."—Edinburgh Scotsman.

SET HARD TASK FOR ARTIST

Chinese Demand Absolutely Perfect Work From Men Entrusted With the Carving of Jade.

The high standing of jade is no modern thing. The primitive weights and measures of the Chinese world were computed from jade tubes, and the earliest bars or intervals of music known to that nation were determined by hollow bamboo canes of accurate length, afterward made in jade tubes having stops within to be pulled out at the will of the player.

The Spaniards and the Mexicans have as great respect for the stone as the Chinese, and they make great use of it. The Chinese value their jade carvings so highly that they cannot often be prevailed upon to part with them.

When an unusually large piece of jade is found in China, there is called a council of artists to determine into what shape it had best be carved, as, owing to its extreme hardness, the form selected must follow somewhat the outline indicated by the natural formation of the specimen.

The artist chosen to perform the delicate task is not altogether to be envied. It is true that if he succeeds he will be highly honored and rewarded, but success depends upon his work being approved after it has been subjected to public criticism for a whole year. If, at the end of that time, his work should be condemned, his reputation as an artist is irretrievably lost.

The task itself is no light one. With a thin piece of finely tempered brass wire, the artist may work for a week without having anything to show. Twenty years have not been considered too long for a single piece of carving.

SHARK FISHING IS EXCITING

In Australia the Element of Danger Adds to Its Attraction for the Sportman.

Shark fishing is a sport in Australia that has found many devotees among Englishmen because of the lure of danger. As the native practiced it, there were times when the sharks had all the fun, as in large numbers they could transform the sport to native hunting, remarks an exchange.

Fishermen are sometimes the victims of the vicious tiger sharks, most dangerous of the species, with their swift lunges through the water and powerful jaws. They are hated and feared with equal intensity.

An English sportsman describes his efforts to catch a shark and his failure after all his hooks were gone. The shark would take the hook, allowing himself to be drawn almost to the rock where the sportman stood. Then the shark's sharp jaws would sever the line and he would swim slowly until another hook could be dropped in. A stout hook was attached to a line by a chain, and with this the shark was drawn half way out of the water. Then a wave tossed him about and the line passed through his jaws, to be cut at one slash. After this several hooks, attached to a brass line, were taken by the shark, but could not hold him.

Parents' Problems.

Parents, as intended by nature, are the ultimate judges of their own sons, declares Good Housekeeping. They are the courts of last resort. They are the guardians, with the double responsibility of protection and guidance. They must not fall in the direction of growth. In order that personal prejudice and constant contact may not warp their attitudes, the boy must become to them a laboratory problem. He must be analyzed to discover his hereditary, physical, mental and environmental constituents. His composition and the materials that enter into it, his actions and reactions, the thought-processes that go into the creation of his mental behavior, the crystallization of habits of doing, feeling, and acting—all must be considered objectively, and controlled during the devious process of boy-formation.

Wonder Wood.

The next time you go to church listen closely to the organ. You will hear some tones that boom in the bass and some soft mellow tones that seem to curl around you or wander gently out into the air. You won't know where they come from, but the organist will tell you that they are "wood tones" and he will explain that certain pipes of his instrument are made of wood. The American Forestry Magazine tells us that the credit for finding the possibilities of wood for producing tones belongs to a Philadelphian. When the roofs of the city were covered with shingles, Gettlieb Hittleberger lay awake one night and listened to the patter of the rain upon them. He noted a good many different sounds and from his study of them he worked out the wood pipes of the organ.

Facts About Famous Persons.

Somebody who writes for the Argonaut has collected a number of insignificant facts about significant persons. Oliver Wendell Holmes used to carry a horse chestnut in one pocket and a potato in another to ward off rheumatism. Edgar Allan Poe slept with his cat and was inordinately proud of his feet. Robert Browning shuffled his feet so constantly that he wore holes in the carpet. Sardou imagined he had a perpetual cold. Count Tolstoy was very rich, but he wore the cheapest clothes he could buy. Ernest Renan wore his finger nails abnormally long.

BEGINNING The NEW YEAR

We are beginning the New Year with a large and better selected stock of drugs and druggist sundries than we have ever carried before and we are in a position to supply your every need.

We are indeed grateful to you for the splendid business you have given us during the past year and will appreciate a continuance of the same through 1922.



ATTICS RICH IN TREASURES

Storerooms of Ancient New England Houses Hold Dearly Prized Memories of Days Gone By.

Ascend to a typical New England attic and view the conglomerate collection before your eyes. In one corner, perhaps, is the enormous pall which years ago held an ample supply of rich wedding cake or pound cake. On the long wooden shelf above it reposed at one time fruity mince pies and plum pudding to last the family throughout the entire winter.

Lift tenderly the cover of yonder trunk and inhale gratefully the fragrance of sweet lavender and attar of roses that is wafted upward. Should you unearth a wedding gown, undoubtedly you will find a veil which completed the costume, a veil so lovely with the needlework and exquisite embroidery that to gaze upon it is a joy.

But fortune indeed favors those who find within their attics one of the lustrous shawls brought long ago from the Orient. From India there were the gorgeous affairs of vivid scarlet worked in designs of black and gold, from China shawls rich with elaborate embroidery and those of camel's hair with its white center and staid border of palm leaves in blue and black.

One of the most interesting treasures remained unnoticed in one attic for more than forty years, one of the three most important pictorial wall papers ever designed. The paper is soft gray with each scene framed like a picture, and depicts the escapades of Don Quixote and Sancho Panza from the time they left home until their return.

Habitual Constipation Cured

in 14 to 21 Days
"LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN" is a specially prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It Stimulates and Regularizes. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE POST COMMUNITY

Well, Christmas has come and gone and this community celebrated our Savior's birthday by having a nice, but not expensive Christmas tree with Santa Claus, and a short, but nice program by the children and Bro. W. H. Hughes made a short but very interesting talk.

A small purse was donated to Bro. Hughes with some presents and also a bushel of apples and oranges each and about 35 pounds of candy and pecans were distributed to the children by the community, besides other articles.

Our box supper at the Post schoolhouse on Dec. 16, was well attended and they had a real nice program, but the boxes did not sell for as much as they should have.

Prof. Lee Humphries and family are spending the holidays with relatives at Dublin.

Thelma and Earl Livengood are spending their vacation with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gypson from Grand Saline, Texas, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Livengood, Mrs. Gypson's mother.

Miss Beryl Adams was married to Mr. Brimberry at Ranger, December 18th. May the sunshine ever light their pathway.

There is to be a rabbit drive here, December 29th, to start at Post.

Our community, like most every other is needing rain for stock water, for a great many are having to haul water.

Mr. Editor we hope you had a Merry Christmas and wish you a Happy New Year.

Many foreign countries are clamoring for Tanlac. Its fame is world-wide. Tanlac is sold in Haskell at Reid's Drug Store and everywhere by all leading druggists.

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The tax payer had much rather see the battleships scrapped than scrap him.

A Boston man disinherited his nephews because they were peddlers. For once they are probably fighting mail.

A Washington City bellhop makes \$100 a week in tips, says a news item. That tempts us to take a correspondence course in bellhopping.

The average man has more trouble selecting a Christmas gift for his wife than she has in buying for everybody on the family's exchange list.

Some people ridiculed love at first sight, but in these days it sounds very plausible when you consider that one now gets so much per sight.

Some women are attracted by the man with a past, some by one with a promising future, but the fellow for whom they all fall is the one with a present.

Home Even says he can't understand why it is so hard to get two prize fighters together who are forever claiming to be consumed with a desire to get a crack at each other.

At last a Hobenzollern has been wounded. But the news loses most of its interest when we read further and see that it was only by means of a flying ship, which struck Bill Hobenzollern on the head while he was chopping wood.

Thousands of oil paintings and other works of art that are being dumped on the market by Europeans are said to be the only imitations or copies of masterpieces. Evidently the owners purchased them because of the fame of the artists rather than on the merits of the pictures themselves.

Getting Over The Difficulty

Conductor (new to the job): I'm sure the old boy just here has paid his fare twice. Think I had better tell him about it? Motorman: No! Ask him for it again.

The New Year

THE year that has just closed means something different to most everybody. To some it has brought a great joy; to others a great sorrow; to many, both grief and gladness in full measure.

To youth the New Year means a long, pleasure-filled evening and the writing of a new date on their letters. They look neither forward nor back. They make resolutions because it seems the correct thing to them to do.

Older folks involuntarily look back a bit on the even of a new year—not systematically, but with a general sweeping glance that usually makes them a bit uncomfortable at things left undone or failures to make good as they had intended.

The New Year may not present very bright prospects to some, but those same older folks know that there is something better in store than what the immediate future seems to offer—know that unhappy things can't last—that they are pretty sure to lead to something greater and better—know that even if they can't understand the reason for sorrow and trouble that there is a reason—know to deep down within themselves, though outwardly they resent and rebel against fate.

Older folks know that the year is bound to bring happiness and relief to those who are now bearing sorrow and trouble. Mrs. J. E. Leslie in the Detroit News.

The Gift Chance

Junior was in the habit of coming to the table with a dirty face and, of course, had to be sent away. One time his mother, nearly losing patience, said: "Junior, why do you persist in coming to the table without washing? You know I always send you away." "Well," said Junior, meekly, "once you forgot."

Elsie Wins a Grandpa

By HUBERT R. PLAIN

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Bright as a dollar, Elsie Danvers had a great idea in her busy little head. She was only nine years old, but she knew more than most children of twelve, and thought more deeply and more to a purpose than some people of twenty.

Under her arm she carried a small cardboard box, neatly done up in wrapping paper and carefully tied. To her way of thinking it was a very important belonging. When she came to the neat little cottage known as the Hyde home, she found its splintered occupant, Miss Susan, resting on a rustic bench after her exertions in trimming the rose bushes.

Miss Hyde liked the Danvers people greatly, and little Elsie particularly well. Miss Hyde received her little visitor with a welcome smile. She at once noticed the serious face, usually so sunny. She made room for Elsie on the garden seat.

"Miss Hyde," spoke Elsie at once, "I heard some people telling about the parcels post."

"Have you something you wish to send, Elsie?" asked Miss Hyde.

"Yes, ma'am, I have," said Elsie in a prompt, business-like way. "I heard mamma crying the other day while she was telling the minister's wife about my granddaddy. I never knew I had one before. He hasn't been very good to mamma, but maybe he doesn't know how she loves him, and how she puts some flowers on his picture whenever his birthday comes around. On my birthday two friends gave me the same present—those little speaking dolls, you know. Well, I'm sending one of them as a present to grandpa in this box, and I've written him a little note in it telling him about poor papa and all of us, and I want you to direct it—I've got his name and everything: Mr. John Marsh, Rushville—and send it for me through the parcels post."

"I will do just as you say, dear," she said, "and nobody shall know about it except you and I."

Elsie parted with her precious package with supreme confidence in her good friend. Miss Hyde took it down to the postoffice and mailed it. She did some thinking on the way. She had heard of stern, hard-hearted old John Marsh. Mrs. Nellie Danvers, the orphan child of a brother, had been adopted by the old man. Later he also took charge of Eunice Ross, a distant relative. Mr. Marsh did not seem to disapprove of his ward's marriage to Albert Danvers. Yet, while they were off on their honeymoon he had written to them, forbidding them to ever approach him again in any way.

Nellie had written, pleading for an explanation. It was coldly refused. The next thing she heard was that her uncle was arranging to will his fortune to Eunice. Then she was shocked to hear of the death of the latter. Since then old John Marsh had shut himself in to a miserly, cheerless existence.

"John Marsh, Rushville," received the parcels post package two days later. He carried it into the house, opened it, and read the tiny childish note it contained. His eyes glared. He gritted his teeth as he gave the squeaky doll a fling through a doorway, into the room Eunice had once occupied.

All the same, he did not sleep very well that night.

A squeak, clear and distinct, sounded through the house. Noiselessly the old man arose from his bed and reached the sitting room. In the one beyond, where he had flung the doll, was a light. He seized a gun he kept always loaded, crept to the open doorway, and made out two masked men ransacking a desk that had not been opened since Eunice died.

"Bang!" John Marsh fired and the burglars disappeared. The old man found a bag left behind by the burglars filled with money and papers secured from his own wardrobe. Then, as he began to pick up the papers strewn about from the desk Eunice had owned, he made a startling discovery.

What had estranged him from Nellie was a letter apparently in her handwriting shown him by the plotting Eunice. Addressed to her lover, it referred to her uncle in sneering terms, telling how she cared only for the fortune he might leave her. Now, among the scattered papers, John Marsh found evidences of Eunice having laboriously practiced to counterfeit Nellie's handwriting.

Towards the end of the week, as Elsie was sitting in the garden, an old man opened the gate. Carefully re-packed, he carried the parcels post package.

"Why," shouted the little miss, all smiles and dimples—"I know who you are—grandpa—'cause that's the box I sent, and—oh, I must tell mamma!"

It was a tearful, yet happy interview, that which followed between uncle and niece. All was explained, and when Mr. Danvers came home that evening, he learned that all the family were to return to Rushville, where he was to have a free, glad-some life caring for the old man's property.

"Dear little child," said John Marsh, fondly stroking the golden-haired fairy who had brought all this about—"my fortune saved, my old-time happiness back to me, all through you and that blessed parcels post."

Pierre Rideau's "Treachery"

By CELIA ROSE

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Helene sat in her little room in the convent, straining her ears for the sound of the owl's hoot without. She had packed her few possessions in a bag; everything was ready for her secret departure from the only home that she had known during the past eight years of her life.

Bereft of her mother at the age of twelve, her father, a wealthy manufacturer of Montreal, had placed her in the care of the nuns of St. Anne. True, twice a year he had paid her a flying visit.

So the years had rolled by happily, and then, ten months before, her father had appeared some weeks before he was due.

"Helene," he said to her, "you are a woman now and ready to take your place in society. I have arranged a wealthy marriage for you."

Then he went on to tell her that she was to marry Pierre Rideau, the only son of his great business rival, within a year. His firm had been forced into a tight position, he confessed, old Rideau held the trump cards; nevertheless, Rideau was willing to make an alliance between the two houses and thus convert enmity into friendship. So it was all arranged.

Then Helene burst into tears, begged to be allowed to spend her life in the convent that was so dear to her, and finally indignantly refused to be bartered thus. Her father went away in a fury.

That was three weeks before, and now the last week of her stay at the convent was drawing near. And meanwhile a wonderful thing had happened, so wonderful Helene could hardly convince herself that it was true. She was in love and she was loved.

It had come about in the strangest way. Helene had been gathering wintergreen in the great forests, and suddenly she had come upon a young man, bent on the same errand, in the same path. And, seeing her, he approached respectfully and asked her to direct him to the Point St. Charles, since he was lost. It turned out that he was an artist from Quebec, and was spending the late fall there, to recover his health. Helene showed him, and then she had done so he must needs walk back with her again.

So they met again and again, Helene reckless now, with her departure at hand, and he evidently falling more and more deeply in love with her. And then one day he had been unable to restrain his emotions, and, falling upon his knees, pressed her hands to his lips and covered them with kisses, and begged for permission to tell her of the sentiments in his heart.

When she had timidly hidden him arise, and he, growing more bold, had taken her in his arms and kissed her. Helene, falteringly, told him her story.

"Why, that is easy," he cried. "Come with me and I will take thee on my sledge to Montreal, and there we will be married."

Then he made the proposition which thrilled her with its daring. What ties bound her? he asked. Was not their love the most precious thing in the world?

And suddenly, as she recalled this, and waited, half hoping, half dreading, she heard the call. Then she fastened the cord to the bed, as he had told her, and, taking her little bag, she flung it down on the soft snow. A moment later, desperately daring, Helene found herself swinging out into space and down to two arms upstretched to her.

Then, lying in his arms, all the past became a blank to her.

At the bend of the road his sleigh was waiting. Her lover placed her in the sleigh and leaped in beside her, and soon they were traveling merrily over the frozen ground.

The forest ended; now they traveled more swiftly. A delicious drowsiness overcame Helene. She awoke with a start to find that they were entering the suburbs of a large city. She had not even asked where he was taking her until the sleigh stopped at the door of a mansion, brilliantly lighted, set in a large garden. Then her lover leaped from his seat and the bell pealed; the door flew open and on the threshold her father stood.

She sprang to the ground, terrified, overcome with anguish at this treachery. But, returning, her lover took her gently in his arms once more and kissed her.

"I am Pierre Rideau," he said.

Human Nature's Daily Needs. I am indebted to the Guardian for this story, which comes via the Morning Post: "A certain bishop," says our contemporary, "whose diocese need not be named, was lately presented with a magnificent cope, the result of much labor and money of admiring friends. His lordship naturally expressed his great delight and appreciation of the gift. He is reported, however, to have remarked to a friend (needless to say, not one of those who were responsible for the gift—and very much sub rosa): 'I should ever so much rather have had a dozen new shirts!'"—Scottish Chronicle.

A Compromise. "How did Bob Hunter come out of his dilemma in regard to those two girls?" "He decided to love the poor one and marry the rich one."

THESE WANT ADS ARE GETTING RESULTS. WANT ADS. Illustration of a man's face.

COLORADO Fancy lump coal for sale by Haskell Electric Gin Co. yard at the gin. FOR SALE—One fine registered Duroc Jersey gilt. Phone or see J. H. Post. LOST—Leather overcoat. Khaki lined. Was lost off wagon Friday morning. Finder please notify Arthur Hays. FOR SALE—Will sell the raw lands, on J. L. Montgomery and John McCann surveys, owned by B. J. Abbot. See R. W. Herren, Sr., agent, Haskell, Texas. 53-4tp. FOR SALE—Registered Duroc Hogs, all ages, papers furnished. See Bob Malone. 52-2fc. FOR SALE OR TRADE—Dodge touring car in good condition. Will sell cheap for cash or trade for Ford. See V. C. Dulaney at Electric Gin. FOR SALE—New and second-hand typewriter. Also typewriter ribbons for all models. T. C. Cahill. 46-4tc. FOR SALE—Blacksmith shop, located 10 miles west of O'Brien, fine territory, good trade already established. W. H. Day, O'Brien, Texas. 53-3tp.

Christian Church. The heating plant has been installed in the new building and all services will be held there Sunday. Every member of the church is urged to be present next Sunday morning, especially. We are not going to ask for money, nor talk about money, but if you are interested in having a preacher next year, you should come, and your presence will go a long way in determining who you will have, and your absence will have its weight also in the matter. All are urged to come, both in and out of church. A warm welcome awaits one and all. We will have preaching at 7 o'clock also. P. W. Walthall, Pastor.

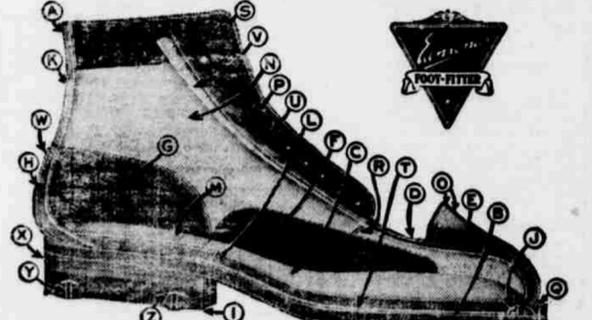
Parent-Teachers' Association. The Parent-Teachers' Association of Haskell will meet in regular session Thursday, January 5th, 1922, at the North Ward school building. There will be a business meeting and program on "Proper dress for school girls." The association meets every first Thursday at the North Ward school building, unless otherwise announced. The programs are well planned and interesting. There has been some much needed equipment installed at East W. I., which is very much appreciated by teachers and pupils. The patrons of all wards are urged to come to the meeting and help make the association a success. Report.

Resolution of Respect. Weinert, Texas, Dec. 28, 1921. To the officers and members of Weinert Lodge No. 677, I. O. O. F., Weinert, Texas. We, your committee to draft resolutions of respect in memory of our departed brother, W. A. Marr. Whereas, our Supreme Grand Master, Almighty God, has seen fit to break the chain and take from us our beloved brother, therefore be it resolved, that while we know that a loved one is gone, a voice we loved is stilled, a place is vacant in our midst which can never be filled, yet we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well. He lived an odd Fellow life, a useful life, a moral life and an honest life. That our heartfelt sympathy be extended to the relatives and friends, and we commend them to Him who alone can comfort them in this time of sorrow. That our lodge charter be draped in memoriam for sixty days, that a copy of these resolutions be spread in the minutes book, a copy be furnished the family and a copy be sent to the Texas Odd Fellow. Respectfully submitted in F. L. & T. E. L. Riddling, Ed Howard, E. Meyer, Committee.

Hugh Welch, who is attending Medical College in Galveston, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch. Misses Dave Maude and LaVerne Cummins, students at State University Austin, spent the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Cummins. H. E. Holmes and wife of Stamford spent Christmas day with R. C. Whitmire and family. Jno. W. Pace and son made a business trip to Crowell the first of the week. Uri Baker, who is attending A. & M. College, spent the holidays with home folks. Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Cummins had as their guests during the holidays the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Belton. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Roberts returned Tuesday evening from Byers and Wichita Falls where they spent Christmas with relatives. Miss Vivian Smith who is attending State University at Austin spent the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Meadors of Throckmorton visited Miss Estelle Tennyson during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Ballard of Colorado, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Morton, and other relatives.

Smith & Grissom. Attorneys-at-Law. Office in Pierson Building, Haskell, Texas. McConnell, Radliff & Radliff. Attorneys-at-Law. McConnell Bldg., Haskell, Texas. Jas. P. Kinnard. Attorney at Law. Haskell, Texas. Sanders & Wilson. Land Lawyers. Loans, Abstracts, Real Estate and Insurance, Notary Public in Office. Phone 81. Sherrill Bldg., Haskell, Texas. Clyde F. Elkins. Attorney at Law. Rooms 5, 6, 7 and 8, Sherrill Bldg., Haskell, Texas. Well's Furniture and Undertaker. Automobile Hearse.

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HERS NEW IDEA OF BIGAMY

His Pleasant Home Life Inspires Much New Man to Seek Even More Happiness?

Hercules, the apartment house porter, was deep in a newspaper when Mrs. Uptown entered the lobby and he looked up when she spoke to him while waiting for the elevator to come from the upper floors, says the York Sun. Finally he laid down his paper with a sigh. Mrs. Uptown asked him what he had been reading.

"I suppose his widows feel pretty good they've found it all out," murmured Mrs. Uptown, giving the porter another push.

"They shouldn't feel bad, they shouldn't," opined Hercules. "The porter should think that she made a nice home that he wanted to leave his happiness by having another."

And the second should think that of the other women in the world he had her out to bring more joy into their life, she should. It was a compliment to them both, it was.

"Is your married life happy, Hercules?" asked Mrs. Uptown.

"It is that," replied the porter. "Well, shall we expect you to—"

"Oh, no, ma'am," said Hercules, going over his shoulder to make sure nobody was listening. "It's a compliment to the ladies—but I'd like to be made, I would."

NO BELIEF IN JIMSON WEED

Cherokee Indians imagine Child Partaking of It Will Have Its Memory Quickened.

The Cherokees have an interesting superstition about the Jimson weed, which they believe to be endowed with occult power of improving the memory and inducing stability of character, according to the House Beautiful.

When a child is born, Jimson weed is beaten up and a portion put into a bowl of water taken from a fall cataract where the stream would make a constant noise. This is given to the child to drink on four successive days, with the intention of making him quick to learn and giving him a retentive memory. The juice of the cataract is believed to be the voice of the Yumeyi Gumbo, the river god, teaching lessons which the child may understand, while the stream itself is revered for its power to seize and hold anything cast upon its surface.

The name Jimson weed, a contraction of Jamestown weed, was bestowed upon the plant in Colonial times because certain soldiers, making its acquaintance for the first time at Jamestown, Va., ate sprouts of it and consequently became delirious. The seed pods have a narcotic effect and, if eaten in quantities, are very poisonous, causing a fatal stupor.

Witch Hazel and Witches.

The witching power of the witch hazel has received a scientific jolt, but the great mass of Americans, English and other peoples will never hear of it, or listen to it, and even though they should read about it, they will keep on believing just the same in the witchery of witch hazel. Old beliefs will stand up under any number of scientific jolts.

The hazel was bewitched, hence its name. Witches have always made their wand out of this early-blooming yellow-flowered shrub. Whether it has magical qualities because witches use it, or whether witches use it because it has magical qualities, cannot be determined. But if a man needs a lightning rod in order to find hidden water or buried treasure, he must cut that divining rod from a witch hazel bush. Men's faith in goblins, hobgoblins, spooks, wraiths, elves, efrits, sprites, fairies, brownies, harpies, nymphs and muses is no firmer grounded than it is in witch hazel.

Paint Kitchen Shelves.

Never use shelf paper on kitchen or any other sort of shelves. Experts on household science say it is a fifth catcher and one of the best invitations to insects to inhabit your closets. The best possible way to finish your shelves is to paint them and then finish with a coat of enamel. This gives them a hard, smooth finish, which you can wipe off with a damp cloth when you choose. If you want a more decorative effect than you think you can produce with pure white shelves, select some sort of colored enamel and paint. A bright, light blue would be attractive, or you might find a soft green to your liking.

Unbreakable Glass.

Ordinary glass is very sensitive to temperature changes of a sudden nature. A drop of water on a hot lamp chimney is very apt to set up strains that will result in instant fracture. A glass is now manufactured that is absolutely immune from sudden temperature changes, says the Popular Science Monthly. Two semi-metallic substances enter into its composition that have different points of expansion. A tube is made from each of the glasses. The tubes are then placed one within the other and fused together. A very rugged glass results.

Old Year—New Year

New Year, New Year, What do you bring? Your bag might hold something! Old Year, Old Year, What will you do With all the hope That I gave you? There is a moment When you meet, Like two travelers On one street. Old Year, New Year, In the sky, Out where the winds And ghosts go by. Old Year, Old Year, What do you see, Meeting the New on The Milky Way? You look from me Like a thief, Larkspur joy and Juniper grief, But you leave me One bright hour, Glad like an on A crimson flower. This is mine Eternally, You may not Take it from me! New Year, New Year, What do you Hear as you pass him In the blue? Old Year, Old Year, Where do you go, Out on that path Men do not know? LOUISE DRISCOLL in N. Y. Times.

To Travel Heavenward

TO BE strong and true; to be generous in praise and appreciation of others; to impute worthy motives even to enemies; to give without expectation of return; to practice humility, tolerance and self-restraint; to make the best use of time and opportunity; to keep the mind pure and the judgment charitable; to extend intelligent sympathy to those in distress; to cultivate quietness and nonresistance; to speak little and listen much; to adhere always to a high standard of thought, purpose and conduct; to grow in grace, goodness and gratitude; to seek truth and righteousness; to work, love, pray and serve daily; to aspire greatly, labor cheerfully and take God at His word—this is to travel heavenward.—G. Kleiser in Y. M. C. C. Central.

To Welcome the New Year.

A PRETTY ceremony handed down from the past is to open the front door promptly on the stroke of midnight for the passing of the old year to join the centuries of the past, and for the entrance of the baby new year, who is just about to commence his earthly career.

NEW YEAR'S EGGS.

The Persians still exchange presents of eggs at New Year's just as we do at Easter. But the rest of us now do our giving of presents at Christmas parties, though we may give to each other on January 1. In Scotland and England everybody calls on everybody else New Year's day, and drinks punch. Here in America calling has gone out of style, but if we do nothing more, we at least shout "Happy New Year" to everybody we meet on New Year's morning. When we shout that, we mean good luck to them for all the new year through.



NEVER AGAIN Ostrich — New-fangled breakfast food, eh? Well I swore off from that stuff the first of last year!

PUMPKIN PIE.

Stew the pumpkin and rub through a colander. Beat the yolks of four eggs light; add a cupful of sugar and beat until you have a quart of the stewed pumpkin. Pour in a quart of milk, a teaspoonful of nutmeg, and cinnamon. Fold in the stiffened whites of four eggs. Line a deep pie plate with puff paste, then fill with the pumpkin and bake in a moderate oven till done.

SHORT LIFE IS LONG.

As the cartoonists have it, a year comes in as a baby and 365 days later dies as an old man. How fortunate it is that the human comes in as a baby and not as a poor.

Bessie Changes Her Mind

By WESLEY J. HUNTER

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Bessie Thurston had two lovers, and therefore two rivals, practically enemies. It had come about through a ripe, insidious influence in a clear field for Rodney Thorpe. He had finally established Bessie's own until Willis should appear upon the scene.

Goat was a jackanapes, according to Rodney's prejudiced ideas. He was the son of a wealthy family, and never worked a day in his life, and was shortly to go abroad as secretary of a consulate. This gave Rodney "high diplomatic ideas," and the apparent right to wear a semi-military coat with two gilt buttons on the neck-band, which some of his girl admirers designated as "too cute for anything!"

"It's got to come to an end," said Rodney definitely one balmy evening. "And now's my chance to end it," he added, as he reached the Thurston home to find Bessie alone in the garden.

He ridiculed and censured Bessie's indigence for "the spoiled society pet," as he denominated her.

"I think we had better meet later, when you are more rational," suggested Bessie.

"No, you shall hear me now," declared Rodney.

Rodney's brow darkened. "I must have my answer—yes or no?" he persevered.

"Later in the evening," At that moment Gould came sauntering on the walk.

"No—now!" "Then—no!" Rejected Rodney was positively rude as he brushed by the newcomers.

After that he evaded Bessie, and her friends as well. One evening he made a wide detour to evade Gould and Bessie, who were idly drifting in a frail boat on and, Rodney fancied, looking serene and happy.

It was a rapid, touching flight. Rodney finally seated himself on the banks of the river three miles down the stream.

Perhaps an hour went by when a cry caused him to look up. Suddenly he saw a boat skimming through the channel separating two islands and heard down directly to the spot where he was.

Ruth Outwits a Bandit Gang

By JOHN RENWICK

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"You had better get out of here, if you don't want trouble."

"I've got something to tell you, if you don't want trouble yourself, you had better listen to me."

"What? Threatening me, are you? Vamoose, or I'll quicken up that dog trot habit of yours considerably, Git!"

and Martin Bayne made a run for the doorstep where his rifle lay.

With a dejected air, but quite sprightly, ragged, loping Coyote Pete hastened his steps from off the Bayne domain. He had disappeared by the time its proprietor turned around ready to carry out his threat.

"Why, father, wasn't that rather cute?" inquired his daughter, Ruth, stepping through the doorway. She was pretty as a picture.

"Rude!" repeated the machican carelessly. "It's the only way to treat such cattle as that. There isn't a worse buffer on the range. He's been wire-cutting, riding, and is a beggar when he isn't on the verge of the hellum tremens. It's all your fault, his coming here. You encourage him by giving him a snack whenever he takes the fancy to wander by, and now he's making a regular station of it. I'll be back before midnight. Expect your company about dark, don't you?"

"I think so; I hope so," replied Ruth.

Before the evening was over she expected to welcome her lover, Rodney Morse.

It must have been half an hour later when there came a timid tap at the door. Coyote Pete, his threadbare cap in his hand, stood on the step in an humble attitude.

"Why, won't you come in?" asked Ruth in her usual cheerful, generous way. "You look tired, and—perhaps hungry?" she inquired gently.

"Not this time, Miss," replied Pete. "You see your father don't welcome me very heartily, and I don't want to trouble. But you're the only coffee on the range ever takes time to give me a bite when I need it, and I wanted to do you folks a good turn. Your father wouldn't listen to me after I'd tramped twenty miles to give you a warning."

"A warning?" repeated Ruth vaguely.

"I understand your young son and some friends are coming through on the stage this evening."

"Why—yes," replied Ruth slowly.

"Well, I overheard two half-heads down on the Taylor place talking early this morning, planning to join the other had chances, hide between here and the railroad, and hold up the stage coach."

In a moment Ruth became aroused. Within a quarter of an hour she and Pete had arranged to outfit the bandits. He had been gone two hours when the horse he had gone away with came back riderless.

Instantly Ruth buckled a belt about her slender waist, spring to the saddle and was soon on the trail. Ruth had gone about twenty miles when at a bend in the road she drew rein promptly near some high bushes.

A flicker of light, like that of a match, suddenly flaring in among some heavy timbers ahead, had attracted her attention. Ruth tied the horse and began a detour of the vicinity.

Within five minutes, true daughter of the frontier that she was, she understood the situation completely. She had viewed four men smoking and reclining in a natural hide-out. It seemed that during some recent storm a large tree had been bent over and half uprooted by the force of the wind.

Ruth crept cautiously around to the spot where the top of the tree was caught. Her experienced eye told her that this, once released, would shoot back to its original position with catapult force. For nearly an hour she hacked and clipped.

Rip—snap—crash! Like a stricken giant rising from the dust, the great tree at last tore from its fetters. There were shouts of dismay and frantic yells of pain as the roots sank back into place, shutting the buffed plotters into a prison.

Ruth ran out into the road. The stage coach came to a stop. Her lover sprang out, and Ruth was inclosed in his loving arms.

Friday, Saturday Special Christmas Left-Overs at Big Reductions. These include Roasting Grill, Percutores, Chaffing Dishes, Hot Plates, Tiffany Snow-Wind Clocks, Leather-covered Desk Clocks, Manicure Sets, Toilet Sets, Perfume Sets, Statues, Vases, Hot Water Bottles and many other things. ALL IVORY ONE-THIRD OFF TWO DAYS ONLY—SEE OUR WINDOW PAYNE DRUG CO. "The Rexall Store"

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS Subject to the Action of the Democratic Primary July 1922 For Sheriff, Haskell County: J. E. Moody, YALSBOROUGH Wright-Simmons A number of weddings were solemnized in this city during the holidays, and last week during the rush and jam of Christmas week, we failed to mention the weddings of two of our most popular young couples—Mr. Clyde Wright of Byers and Miss Mae Simmons, and Mr. Will Lees of the Midway community and Miss Middle Norman of Rule. The Wright-Simmons wedding was solemnized at the home of Rev. McHenry Seal, pastor of the First Baptist church, at 6 o'clock, December 18th. Only a few relatives and intimate friends were present, the happy young couple leaving Sunday night for a short visit in Byers before returning to spend the holidays with the bride's parents. The bride is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Simmons of this city, and her friends are numbered by her acquaintances. Mr. Wright was formerly station agent for the Wichita Valley at this place, and made many friends during his stay here. He has been transferred to Byers, where he and his bride will make their future home. We join the many friends of this young couple in wishing them a happy and prosperous journey over the sea of life. Lees-Norman On Sunday, December 18th, at the home of Rev. Chas. M. Powell of Rule, pastor of the First Baptist church of Rule, Miss Middle Norman became the wife of Mr. Will Lees, of the Midway community. The bride is the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Norman of Rule, and is one of that city's most popular young ladies. The groom is the son of Mrs. W. M. Lees of the Midway community, and is well known as a young man of sterling worth—a fit companion for the charming young lady whom he has chosen for his life partner. Mr. and Mrs. Lees will make their future home in this city, and we join their many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy life.

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SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

County of Haskell.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 28th day of January 1922, at Midway schoolhouse, in Pinkerton Common School District, No. 6, of this county as established by order of the Commissioner's Court of said county, of the date the 16th day of May 1907, which is of record in book designated Record of School Districts, pages 7 and 8, and thereafter changed by order of the commissioner's court of said county, of date February 11th, 1909, which last order is recorded in Book 1, page 39 Record of School Districts, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property tax-paying voters of said district desire the issuance of bonds on the faith of said common school district in the amount of \$2,250.00, the bonds to be of the denomination of \$112.50 each numbered consecutively from 1 to 20, both inclusive, payable serially, one on February 1st, 1923 and one on each February 1st, thereafter to February 1st, 1942, and bearing 6 per cent interest per annum, payable annually on April 15th of each year, to provide funds to be expended in payment of accounts legally contracted in (a) constructing permanent repairs and finish equipping the public free school building of said district, of wooden material and to determine whether the commissioner's court of this county shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds or any of them are outstanding a tax upon all taxable property within said district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and county and who are resident property taxpayers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the Issuance of Bonds and Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

H. A. Self has been appointed presiding officer for said election and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same and he shall within five days after said election has been held make due return thereof to the commissioner's court of this county as is required by law for holding a general election.

Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this county by order made on the 27th day of December 1921, and this notice is given in pursuance of this order.

Date the 27th day of December 1921.

AL COUSINS,
Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas.

Mitchell Wyehe and D. U. Baker, who have been attending A. & M. College, are enjoying the holidays with relatives and friends in this city.

A TONIC

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value.

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AN ORDINANCE

City Hall, City of Haskell, Texas, Dec. 16th, 1921.

The City Council of the City of Haskell, Texas, was convened in regular session, in the City Hall, in the City of Haskell, on the 15th day of December, 1921.

Present: Sam A. Roberts, Mayor, J. R. Oates, Councilman, O. B. Norman, Councilman, J. E. Grissom, Councilman, M. H. Hancock, Councilman, and Marvin H. Post, City Secretary, when an emergency proceeding were had, to-wit:

It was moved by Councilman Oates, and seconded by Councilman Grissom, that an ordinance entitled:

"An Ordinance determining the necessity of levying an assessment against the property owned by the owner thereof, in the City of Haskell, Texas, abutting upon streets or parts of streets herein-after named, for the total cost of improving said streets, fixing a time for the hearing of the owners of said property concerning same, and directing the City Secretary to give notice of said hearing as required by Article 1013, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, declaring an emergency," be placed on its first reading.

Ayes 4, Nays None. Motion carried, and the ordinance was read in full by the Secretary.

Moved by Councilman Oates, and seconded by Councilman Grissom, that the ordinance pass its first reading.

Ayes 4, Nays None. The motion carried.

Moved by Councilman Oates, and seconded by Councilman Grissom, that the ordinance be suspended and that the ordinance be placed on its second reading by caption.

Ayes 4, Nays None. Motion carried. The ordinance was read by caption.

Moved by Councilman Oates, and seconded by Councilman Grissom, that the ordinance be placed on its third reading and final passage by caption.

Ayes 4, Nays None. Motion carried. The ordinance was read by caption.

Moved by Councilman Oates, and seconded by Councilman Grissom, that the ordinance be passed finally.

Ayes 4, Nays None. Motion carried. The ordinance follows:

An ordinance determining the necessity of levying an assessment against the property, and the owners thereof, in the City of Haskell, Texas, abutting upon streets or parts of streets herein-after named, for the total cost of improving said streets, fixing a time for the hearing of the owners of said property concerning same, and directing the City Secretary to give notice of said hearing as required by Article 1013, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, declaring an emergency.

Whereas, the City of Haskell, Texas, has adopted the benefits of the provisions of Chapter 11, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, by a majority vote of the legally qualified property tax paying voters, residing in said City, at an election held on the 23rd day of October, 1920, and

Whereas, the City Council, of said City, did on the 1st day of November, 1920, after said election pass an ordinance, declaring the results of said election, and declaring the provisions of said Chapter and Title applicable to and governing said City in all respects, which ordinance is of record in Vol. 1, Page 361, et seq., of the Minutes of said City of Haskell, and

Whereas, thereafter, to-wit, on the 15th day of December, 1921, after ad-

vertising for competitive bids, the City Council awarded a contract for the construction of certain sidewalks herein-after specified, to Wilder Kenan, Contractor, which contract is of record in the Minutes of said City Council in Vol. 1, Page 398, et seq.; and

Whereas, on the 15th day of December, 1921, the City of Haskell, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 11, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, did on the 15th day of December, 1921, by its City Council, in certain streets or parts of streets in said City, to-wit:

The West Side of Clark Street, between Walton and Standefer Streets, and

Whereas, the said Contractor has executed the proper contract, and the Chairman of the Street and Alley Committee, has in accordance with the ordinance ordering the improvement of the above mentioned street, filed his report with the City as to cost of said improvement for which the abutting property owners thereon are liable and as to the ownership of said property;

Therefore, Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haskell, Texas, that the report of the Chairman of the Street and Alley Committee, having been duly examined, is hereby approved, and

That the total cost of constructing sidewalks in front, along, or around any of said property shall be assessed against the owner thereof and his or her property.

The Assessment shall be a personal liability of the owners of such abutting property and shall constitute a lien thereon superior to any other lien or claim except State, County or Municipal taxes, and shall be enforced either by the sale of said property in the manner provided by law in the collection of ad valorem taxes by the said City, or by suit against the owner in any court having jurisdiction.

No assessment shall be made against any owner of abutting property or his property in any event in excess of the actual benefits to such owner in enhanced values to his property by means of such improvements as ascertained at such hearing.

The total cost to be paid by said property owners, and assessed against them and their property abutting upon said street shall be in three equal installments, as follows: One-third cash, due upon the completion and acceptance of the work by the City, the balance shall be payable in two equal installments on or before one and two years, respectively, after the date of the Certificate of Assessment, deferred installments shall bear interest at the rate of Eight (8) per cent per annum, provided that any property owner may pay before maturity by payment of principal and accrued interest, and

Whereas, according to the report and statement of the Chairman of the Street and Alley Committee, the amounts to be assessed against the abutting property and its owners is as follows:

West Side of Clark Street Between Walton and Standefer Streets

	Blk.	Lot	Sq. Ft.	Cost
Thomason & Thomason	24	5&6	608.00	\$189.84
Thomason & Thomason	24	3&4	840.00	\$193.20
Lee Pierson	24	2	420.00	\$96.60
Haskell Nat'l Bank	24	1	420.00	\$96.60

Fresh Vegetables

WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS

Fresh Sliced Bacon, 45c per Pound

A Market for Surplus Hogs Every Day in The Year.

Cash Meat Market

Now, Therefore, Be it Further Ordained, that a hearing shall be given to said owners, or their agents and attorneys, and all persons interested in the said matter, as to said assessment, and as to the amount to be assessed against each owner, and his property, by reason of said improvements, and shall be given a right to contest the regularity of the proceedings with reference to the improvement, and the benefits of said improvements, to their property, and any other matter with reference thereto, which hearing shall be held in the office of Marvin H. Post, City Secretary, in the City of Haskell, County of Haskell and State of Texas, on the 5th day of January, 1922, at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time all of said owners, their agents or attorneys, or persons interested in said property, are notified to appear and be heard, and said hearing shall be adjourned from day to day until fully accomplished.

The City Secretary is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing by inserting a copy of this ordinance at least three times in some newspaper published in the aforesaid City, the first publication to be made at least ten days before the date of the hearing. The City Secretary is also directed to give further notice of said hearing by mailing to said owners, their agents or attorneys a copy hereof, whenever the address of said owner, agent or attorney, is available on the tax records of said City.

The fact that the above mentioned street is in urgent need of the said improvement, constitutes an immediate and imperative public necessity that the rule requiring ordinances to be read at three several meetings be suspended, and that this ordinance take effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained.

PASSED, this the 15th day of December, 1921.
APPROVED, this the 15th day of De-

Stockholders Meeting
Notice is hereby given, that a meeting of the stockholders of the Haskell National Bank at Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of the said bank in the City of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1922, the same as the 10th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and the transaction of such business that may properly come before said meeting.

O. B. Norman, Cashier.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets for Cough and Headache and work of Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box.

"A Shine In Every Drop"
Get a Can TO-DAY From Your Hardware or Grocery Dealer

December, 1921.
Attest: *Sam A. Roberts*
Mayor, City of Haskell, Texas.
Marvin H. Post
Secretary, City of Haskell, Texas.

Speaking of Women—

Ivan Cobb points out that feminine shopping does not necessarily imply buying. It means hard work for everyone concerned—but seldom results in a transaction involving money.

As a country minister once declared: "King Solomon said, and I partially agree with him—" We only partially agree with Mr. Cobb on this subject.

Is it true there are still some aimless shoppers left. But they are in the minority. Today most women—as well as men—are well-informed buyers, with a sound basis for comparing stores and values. Buy buying goods of recognized merit they save themselves the throes of old-time "shopping trip" and at the same time get a better and bigger money's worth.

Most women read the advertisements that appear every week in their newspapers. They make a practice of keeping strictly up-to-snuff on new developments, innovations and improvements. They know just where to go for "this" and who in town keeps "that."

When they shop they generally know just what they want, where to find it, and how much to pay. Their knowledge saves them endless trotting, wearisome questioning and haggling.

The advertisements have taken the "hop" out of shopping.

Isn't That Worth While?

HELPFUL HINTS

ROAST PORK AND SAURKRAUT—Select a young lean piece of pork, about two pounds of pork, and cold water over two pounds of saurkraut, then pack it in around the pork. Dust the pork and kraut with salt and pepper, and put a few dots of butter over the kraut. Bake until the pork is very tender.

PUMPKIN MINCE MEAT—4 quarts of pumpkin, 2 pounds of sugar, 1 pound of seeded raisins, coarsely ground, 1-2 cup of vinegar. Stir well, until thick. When cool add a spoon each of cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg. This may be canned and used as needed. A little butter should be added when making the pies.—Mrs. J. C. Williams.

PECAN NUT PIE—Heat 1 cupful of butter, beat the yolks of three eggs and white of one with one cupful of sugar, add 1-2 cupful of finely chopped ground pecan meats, mixed with 1 cupful of flour, and add all to hot milk. When thickened, fill a pie lined with nice pastry, spread the filling 2 whites of egg, whipped with two tablespoonfuls of sugar, on the top, sprinkle with a few chopped nuts, and bake.

PECAN MACAROONS—Whip the whites of 2 eggs until stiff, add two cupfuls of sugar in which one tablespoonful of corn starch has been well mixed, and 2 cupfuls of ground pecan meats. Drop in teaspoonfuls on oiled paper on a tin, and bake in a moderately hot oven until browned.

SUNSHINE CHRISTMAS PUDDING
 1 cupful of best beef suet
 1 cupful of white sugar
 2 cupfuls of flour
 3 egg yolks
 1 cupful of sweet milk
 1-4 cupful candied lemon peel.
 1-4 cupful finely sliced citron
 1-4 cupful candied ginger
 1-4 cupful candied orange peel
 1-4 cupful of chopped almonds.
 2 tablespoon baking powder
 1-4 teaspoon salt

Shred the suet until fine; then add the other ingredients, cutting up the peels into fine bits, and also the ginger. Mix all the ingredients thoroughly together. Steam in individual molds, and serve with a yellow lemon or orange sauce.

SALTED PECANS—In place of the usual salted almonds try salted pecans. Put a tablespoonful of olive oil in a frying pan, add a few nuts, and stir and brown until crisp. Sprinkle with salt and a dash of cayenne if liked.

BANANA PUDDING
 3 large ripe bananas
 1 1-2 cupfuls sugar
 3 eggs
 1 lemon
 1 quart good milk
 1 teaspoonful butter
 1 teaspoonful vanilla
 1-2 cupful strawberry preserves
 2 cupfuls bread crumbs
 1-2 cupful preserved peaches or pears
 pinch of salt

Press the bananas through a sieve, and add the lemon juice. Add the preserved fruits, the yoke of the eggs beaten up well, and the grated rind of the lemon. Pour the milk over the bread crumbs and add also the melted butter and the salt. Bake or steam, as preferred.

GINGER COOKIES—1 cup brown sugar, 1 cup molasses, 1 cup butter, 3 eggs, 1-4 cup water, 2 teaspoon soda, 1 large tablespoon ginger, a little salt, 1 scant teaspoon cinnamon and cloves, flour to roll.

DATE PIE
 1 pound dates
 5 egg whites
 2 tablespoonful powdered sugar
 1 tablespoonful lemon juice
 1-2 cupful water
 1 teaspoonful vanilla
 pinch salt
 whipped cream
 candied cherries

SEED COOKIES—1 cup sugar, 1-2 cup butter, 1-2 cup sweet milk, 2 eggs, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 tablespoon caraway seed, 1 teaspoonful nutmeg, flour to roll. Mix and bake in usual way.

DATE COOKIES—Cream together 1 cup sugar and 1-2 cup butter; add 1-2 cup water and 3 well beaten eggs and 3 teaspoonfuls baking powder. Stir in 1-2 cup each of chopped dates and citron, flour to roll. When baked, ice and decorate with diamond-shaped pieces of the citron.

NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK FROM THE SAYLES SECTION

The party at Mr. Mathew's Thursday night was enjoyed by a large crowd. Mr. Roy Guinn made a flying trip to Throckmorton and Woodson Friday. Jason C. Williamson is visiting in Throckmorton this week. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bland, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bland and Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bland took Christmas dinner with Mr. Jessie Bland. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Kirby spent Saturday night and Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. G. W. Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Payne and Mrs. C. L. Corley spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lewis. Miss Stella Brighton is spending the holidays with relatives at Abilene and other points.

Mrs. Highnote is visiting her father, Mr. Easterling. Mrs. J. C. Williamson spent Monday night with Mrs. Guinn. Everyone seems to be enjoying a Merry Christmas. Miss Annie Mae Kennemer spent Monday with Misses Beulah and Ruby Wiseman. Misses Jewel and Freda Lake Johnson spent Tuesday night with Mrs. J. C. Williamson.

A large crowd from this community attended the singing at W. E. Bland's of Center Point Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Summers and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Harris Sunday. The young folks of this community are enjoying a series of parties this week.

ITEMS THIS WEEK FROM THE McCONNELL SECTION

Well, we have a beautiful Christmas day. I expect old Santa Claus got real cold last night. Thelma and Lela Bishop spent Saturday night with Lucille and Orice Watson of Stamford. Valentine Bland spent Friday night with Betty Cantner. Miss Lucy Gibson and her brother, Curtis, are visiting friends in this community. Miss Lillie Gibson and Frank Forsythe were married last Sunday Dec.

18, at Buie. Mr. Forsythe and wife left Friday night to visit Mrs. Forsythe's parents in Johnson county. The people of this community enjoyed the Christmas tree and program Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Washburn of Haskell spent Christmas with Mrs. Washburn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bain. Mr. Hayes and family of Haskell are visiting Mrs. Hayes' brother, Earl Bishop and family. Valentine Bland is visiting her cousin, Tena Bell Bland, in the Sayles community. Bettie Bishop is spending this week with her uncle, Mr. Hays and family of Haskell. Rev. W. H. Hughes filled his regular appointment at Post Sunday and took dinner with M. V. Bland and family. Ray Jones and family of Stamford spent Sunday with Lum Jones and family. Mrs. Bennett Ketrone and little son, Clovis, are visiting Miss Golda Mae Chapman. Lela Bishop is visiting her grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Danis of Post. Mrs. M. V. Bland and children visited at the home of H. E. Bland and family Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Thomas and little daughter, Maxine, visited Mrs. M. V. Bland Tuesday afternoon. Reporter.

Merchant Or Storekeeper --Which?

Merchants never let up on their quest for more business. When business is dull, they look over their stock and put on a publicity campaign to rouse this item and that item of seasonable stock at cash prices.

Storekeepers merely sit still and emit groans about "poor business" going daily from bad to worse.

Which Class Do You Belong To?

Nobody puts you in either class, it's up to you.

-REMEMBER-

—So long as people have the money to buy gas for the jitney, buy cold drinks, go to the show, ride the trains, smoke and chew—THERE'S STILL MONEY IN THE COUNTRY TO BE ATTRACTED TO THE STORE OF THE MERCHANT WHO GOES AFTER IT THROUGH REGULAR AND LEGITIMATE ADVERTISING.

THE FREE PRESS IS THE TRIED AND PROVEN MEDIUM FOR REACHING HASKELL COUNTY PEOPLE WITH THE LEAST EXPENSE.