

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McKee of Miles visited her father, Dr. O. M. Guest and family a few days of this week.

Ermore Smith and his roommate Carter Yeager of Lubbock, Tex. spent several days with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Smith.

Miss Louise Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Taylor of Eastland, has returned to her home after visiting in the home of her uncle, Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Taylor.

E. W. Krieger of Curry Chapel was a business visitor to Haskell Saturday accompanied by his family.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Travis Everett a fine boy, Saturday March 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Lusk of the Midway community were Haskell visitors Saturday.

Miss Elouise Roberts of T. C. U. Ft. Worth is the week's guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Roberts at the Tonkawa Hotel.

Miss Nella V. Wheatley of John Tarlton College, Stephenville, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wheatley the past week end.

Rankin Gammill of Lubbock visited Haskell friends last weekend.

W. O. Lewis, Rural Mail Carrier of Route One out of the city of Weonert was a pleasant caller at our office Monday. Mr. Lewis said that we were getting out a real county paper and that the subscribers on his route sure appreciated the Free Press. And he is also a paid up subscriber to the paper himself. We have a nice list of readers on his route and he is giving tip top service delivering the paper. Thanks to Mr. Lewis.

G. Glenn of Big Spring former resident of Haskell, was in the city Sunday.

Harry Stalcup and Bill McDonald made a business trip to Big Spring and Sweetwater the first of the week.

Mrs. M. E. Powers of Abilene, mother of Mrs. Date Anderson of Midway is visiting the family of her daughter.

I. D. Brumbelee of Wichita Falls is visiting his uncle W. M. Fee this week. Glenn Marrs returned last week from Baylor University where he has been in school.

Mrs. J. H. Stovall is reported to be suffering with the flu. Her many friends will be glad to learn that she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Josselot and children of Josselot Switch were Haskell shoppers Saturday.

Floyd Burleson and wife of O'Donnell are here this week visiting relatives. He formerly lived in the Howard community. He says he is through plowing and ready to plant feed.

J. K. Harvey a good farmer of east of town was doing his weekly shopping in the city Saturday. J. K. is always enthusiastic. He is one of our readers who appreciates our efforts in getting out the home paper.

W. A. Tamer and children of Cottonwood were shopping in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hughes of the Hughes Ranch on Point Creek were Haskell shoppers Saturday.

L. L. Chamberlain and brother J. C. Chamberlain of Vintress were in the city on business Saturday.

F. J. Trimmer a good farmer of the Josselot community was in the city Saturday on business.

E. E. Eastland of the Myers community was a business visitor to the city Saturday.

Walter Wheeler of Balfow was in the city Saturday stating that he has had quite a lot of sickness in his family caused from the flu.

C. O. Davis Route Carrier of Route One out of Balfow, Hatcheryman, Choir Director of the Balfow Church and general consultant for the city of Balfow was in Haskell Wednesday on business.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Forrester a fine boy Sunday night March 24th.

Miss Ella D. Koene came home last Saturday night from East Texas Teachers College, Commerce, where she has been continually since the beginning of last summer's term. She is at present teaching the Weaver school in the absence of the teacher.

**HASKELL SCHOOLS SCORE HIGH IN DECLAMATION**

There is a chance for some philanthropic man or woman in Haskell county to add to the splendid array of silver cups now the property of the Haskell County Interscholastic League. That of all round declamation contest, Haskell schools scored high in the declamation contest this year and would have carried off the all round cup had there been one offered. Haskell high school scored first place for senior girl, second place for senior boy; first place for south ward junior boy; second place for north ward junior boy; and third place for junior girl. The first three winners in each division are given ribbons, thus each of the four independent divisions had from one to two winners from the Haskell schools.

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**NEW MID**

Miss Marjorie Belle Wright of Rochester spent Saturday night with Pauline Bevel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Teaff and Mr. and Mrs. Royce Stephens of Dennis Chapel, visited J. O. Jones Sunday afternoon.

The baby of J. H. Bevel is on the sick list.

Quite a number from this community went to the singing at O'Brien Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Cummins of Knox City visited their daughter, Mrs. H. G. Newberry, Saturday.

School was dismissed Wednesday for the funeral of Mr. John Kay, brother of Miss Fannie Kay, teacher of the Primary room of New Mid.

Uncle Jessie Speck who has been confined to the Knox City Sanitarium was brought home Saturday.

Mrs. C. H. White was carried to a Wichita Falls Sanitarium last Thursday where she underwent an operation.

**SMITH CHAPEL**

There was a fairly good crowd out to Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hines of Rule visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McGuire Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Stephens visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fisher Monday night of this week.

The party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick McKennon Friday night was enjoyed by a host of young people.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Teaff visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Scott Sunday night.

There is still some sickness in the community. Mrs. D. H. Craddock has been real sick for the past week, but is better at this writing.

Several of the young people attended the West Side Singing Sunday which met at O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rainey of Harp. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Randolph of Thalia, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Galloway of McAuley and Mr. Gus Randolph of near Lubbock all visited Mrs. D. H. Craddock this week.

**POSTER**

The party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Caldwell, Friday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Mr. M. M. Clark and Carl Clark returned home from the Fat Stock Show Saturday. Mr. Will Harrell also attended the Stock Show.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Fowler of Howard.

Mrs. Walker Watson and daughter, Dorothy Kate of Rochester spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. J. E. Adams.

Miss Mary Belle Parr of Gilliam visited Beulah Jenkins Sunday night.

Christine Milstead spent Sunday with Adelle Hewitt.

ghter Miss Grace, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Harrow, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Harrow, Miss Juanita York and Miss Novice Powers attended the singing at O'Brien last Sunday.

Miss Oleta Beasley of the Corinth community spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Edna Florence.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Harrow spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harrow of Rochester.

Mrs. Oleta Parson and little daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Windfield of Mineral Wells spent the week end with Mrs. York.

**GAUNTT**

Mr. and Mrs. Alford Fowler and Miss Ma Mac Medford of Howard visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fowler last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Lillian Wheeler is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Chaffin and family of Cottonwood this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Kimbrough Jr. of Balfow visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Threest, Sunday.

Several from this community attended the negro minstrel at Rule Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fowler and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carrigan, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Carrigan of Post last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. J. T. Stafford of Howard visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fowler, Saturday night and Sunday.

The farmers are very busy at this time putting their land in shape for planting. Some are planting their feed.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Foster and children and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Foster of Pleasant Valley, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Foster.

**ROSE**

We are sorry to report Mr. Charlie Matthews real sick with the flu.

Mr. Skinner and wife of Dallas are visiting his brother and family of Rose.

Luther Kenamer and mother left Wednesday for a few days visit near Plainview, Texas.

John Gulley and wife of Wellington spent Monday night with their niece, Mrs. T. M. Patterson and family.

Miss Ada Matthews is visiting her brother Otis Matthews and family of Pleasant Valley.

Miss Ozelle Dishong spent Tuesday night with her parents in Haskell.

Dick Frierson was a pleasant caller in our community, Tuesday evening.

G. R. Lemmond of Young County visited his niece, Mrs. T. M. Patterson and family Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Newby were shopping in Haskell Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Rose were in Haskell on business, Friday.

Lorene Henshaw is visiting at Winters, Texas.

**PLEASANT VIEW**

Rev. Fox Filled his regular appointment here Sunday and Sunday night.

Johnny Gaines has recovered from an attack of the flu.

Mrs. Tony Mays and daughter, Thelma, visited Mrs. John Gaines last Thursday.

Vernice Irick had three teeth kicked

out by a school boys horse last Monday afternoon.

Misses Florence Gaines, Claudia and Audrey Griffith, Walter Rogers and Charlie Griffith attended the party at Raymond Suggs last Friday night.

Mrs. George Gaines is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charlie McAtee who is very sick.

Mrs. Frank West and Mrs. F. B. Paddy went to Rochester on Monday of this week.

**Citation By Publication**

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County—GREETING.

You are hereby commanded, that you summon, by making publication of of this citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in a newspaper published in the nearest County to said Haskell County for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, John Gebhard whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Haskell at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas, on the Fourth Monday in April, A. D. 1929, the same being the 22nd day of April, A. D. 1929, then and there to answer to Plaintiff's First Amended Petition filed in said Court, on the Docket of said Court No. 3932, wherein Fred L. Gebhard, plaintiff and Harry W. Gebhard, Dr. Albert G. Gebhard, Ed A. Gebhard, Carrie Ingle, B. B. Ingle, Lottie Yater, Dr. R. E. Lee, Yater, Johnnie Gebhard, Wade Gebhard, Tom Gebhard, John Gebhard, Mary Alice Gebhard, Jamie Gebhard, Lewis J. Gebhard, defendants. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to wit:

That plaintiff and defendants are the joint owners in fee simple of the following described land and premises situated in the County of Haskell in the State of Texas, to-wit: Sections 21 and 24, Block 1, H & T. C. R. R. Co. lands in Haskell County, Texas, the same consisting of 352 acres, that plaintiff is the owner of one equal undivided one eighth part of said land and premises and that the defendants own the balance of the said land and premises.

That plaintiff and defendants are the sole owners of said land and premises so far as is known to this plaintiff and the estimated value thereof is \$10,500.00.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays the court that the defendants be cited to appear and answer this petition and that he have judgment for the partition and division of land and premises hereinabove described, that commissioners be appointed and a writ of partition issue, and for possession of that portion that by judgment of the court may be ascertained and declared to be the property of the plaintiff. In the event a said commission is so appointed, shall find and determine that said land and premises are not susceptible of the fair and

equitable partition and division and that injury would result from such subdivision, then and in that event plaintiff prays that a commission be appointed by the court with power and authority to advertise and sell all said property that such an order of sale be issued and the proceeds sold in accordance and provision of the law, and the proceeds of such sale after the payment of costs in this behalf incurred be divided among the parties at interest herein in proportion to their respective interests, and for such other and further orders and relief, special and general in law and equity that he may justly be entitled to.

Herein fail not and have you before said Court, on the said first day of the

next term thereof, his Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, this, the 14th day of March, A. D. 1929. (Seal) Lois Estrom, District Court, Haskell County, Texas.



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# Farm News

By W. M. FREE  
Field Editor

Tuesday, March 19th.

**Yustus News** is the popular Rural Route version of No. 2 out of the progressive crop of Rochester and his route runs through some of the best farming sections of Haskell county. And on this Route lives many of our most successful farmers who own their homes and are happy and contented. Mr. Alvis has been on this route so long that he has become a fixture in the minds of his patrons and they appreciate his excellent service because many of them have expressed themselves regarding this good man.

**J. M. Hicks.**

Coming south from Rochester on Route Two is a nice home which is being remodeled and enlarged and around this home lies fine farming lands. J. M. Hicks is the possessor of this beautiful farm home and he is well known and has many friends where he has lived so long. The family was not at home as we passed that way and we failed to get any details more than we could observe. But we can vouch for Mr. Hicks being a successful farmer.

**J. C. Alvis.**

J. C. Alvis who lives near Rochester on Route Two made the statement that he was getting ready to plant corn. He and his brother Vestus Alvis owner of the farm on which he lives are farming together. J. C. is a Haskell county boy who took for himself a wife not a great while ago and has settled down to farming and has become one of our good citizens. He has the 100 acre farm he is cultivating all broken and is just waiting for spring to show up to plant his crop.

**M. L. Lewis.**

Many of our citizens who have won distinction among men as successful farmers were first tenant farmers, but through good management and hard work have become home owners in Haskell county. Mr. Lewis living on one of the farms of G. F. Mullino south of Rochester is making steps toward the goal of independence and happiness in owning his own home. He has lived on this farm three years and is known as a good farmer. He was not at home but was busy with his farm work when we called. Mrs. Lewis has quite a lot of chickens mostly Rhode Island Reds which contribute their production to the family expense. Mr. Lewis we learned has his ground all broken and is ready to plant when the weather gets warm.

**E. D. Allen.**

Taking the advice given by Horace Greely, E. D. Allen came from the state of Georgia several years ago and was transplanted in the great State of Texas and is now living on the Mullino farm south of Rochester. He and Mrs. Allen according to their young son whom we met at the home had gone to Haskell for the day and we failed to make his acquaintance. But we learned that he was through breaking his ground and was ready to plant when seed time arrives. Some of the farmers in the sandy sections do not plant feed or cotton quite as early as the farmers do on the tight land. Mr. and Mrs. Allen have a fine flock of chickens and two good cows. They believe in making a living at home.

**W. J. Thompson.**

It is always a blessing to be contented to live on the old homestead and W. J. Thompson is one of the number who is living on his mother's farm and is succeeding nicely with his business affairs on the farm. He has proven his ability as a farmer in growing successful crops. He killed plenty of hogs for his meat made plenty of feed for another year and has cows for milk and butter for the family and chickens for egg production and fryers. His mother Mrs. S. A. Thompson is living with the family. She is 77 years of age and has been a cripple 12 years from a fall but is just as happy and full of sunshine as can be, although she is not able to walk without assistance. She loves the family and idoles her grandchildren and they in turn love and adore their aged grandmother. This venerable woman was born in Alabama and came with her parents to Texas before the civil war and was living in Coryell county during the war. She was 9 years old when the war broke out.

**Mrs. S. H. Wade.**

It is proven beyond question that Mrs. S. H. Wade who owns a good farm in one of the best farming sections of the county is making a success managing her farm. The crop on her farm last year was very good, she does not farm herself but rents her farm to good tenants and keeps a good cow raises hogs for her meat and lard and keeps plymouth rock hens for egg production. She sold 45 dozen eggs a few days before our visit in one lot and stated that she had 20 dozen more on hand. She is also raising a fine bunch of fryers for home use. She had just finished a quilt and was taking down the frames when we arrived. She stated that she enjoyed quilting very much.

**Walker Watson.**

Digging a storm cellar in Haskell County is just a necessary as it was for Abraham to erect an altar in his travels from place to place. Walker Watson whose storm cellar was not satisfactory had just torn it out and rebuilt a cellar which meets his approval in every way. He has made it secure and safe and it will be a fine place for the canned fruits and vegetables to be stored away for safe keeping. He and the family were eating the noon meal when we arrived, but we had already had lunch at Rochester but these good folks insisted that we eat with them, but we will save that opportunity for a later date. Mrs. Watson who is a successful chicken raiser has about 150 hens of different breeds and they were laying nicely. They killed hogs for their meat, one of which would have dressed around 400 pounds. They own their farm and are striving to make a living always growing all of their family needs on the farm that they possibly can. This means success. G. A. Goble of Rochester was helping Mr. Watson with the work of his storm cellar. Mr. Watson gave us a check for the Free Press on this visit and said he could not do without the home paper.

**G. M. Wade.**

Very few young men are content to remain on the old homestead and earn a livelihood from the farm, but G. M. Wade is satisfied with well-doing and is farming the fertile soil of his mother's place and is making good and knows that he is on the road to success. He is getting along nicely with his farm work and is just about ready to plant his crops for 1929.

**S. F. Turner.**

It takes energy to get up early in the morning and get ready for a days work on the farm, but S. F. Turner has no worry about this way of living, because he was reared on the farm and knows what he is supposed to do to make a living. He was running a two-row outfit and getting his land in fine condition. He is cultivating about 90 acres and will be ready to plant all crops as the season rolls around. He has hogs for his meat next year and a good cow and plenty of red chickens. He is not worrying about hard times and looking for opportunities which never show up. He makes his opportunities.

**J. M. Thompson.**

One of the first men we met in Haskell County was J. M. Thompson who at that time was living near Haskell and we met him on our first trip out of Haskell in May 1916 when we at that time walked over the county in our work. He now lives north west of Poster and we received a warm welcome.

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at this home. J. M. has always tried to make a bountiful living and he is still on the job. We got a glimpse into his smoke house and there hangs some of the finest meats we ever saw put up by the sugar cured method which is proving very popular with the farmers. They have reared their children and are now back where they started. The children have gone out for themselves. Mrs. M. A. McFadden mother of Mrs. Thompson is living with them and she is 90 years old and is enjoying good health. Her husband was a confederate soldier and they were married before the war. She was born in Arkansas, but lived in Kaufman County, Texas, during the war which was at that time the frontier of Texas. Mr. Thompson is getting along nicely with his crop and is ready to plant when the season comes. He gave us his subscription for the Free Press while there. He stated that he liked the home paper best of all. He has three good cows, and sells 12 pounds of butter per week and has three good hogs for next years meat. He makes his living at home as we stated above.

**J. L. Goode.**

With baled cotton stacked upon his yard at home and his barn full of feed his smoke house containing plenty of meat and lard and the hens cackling from the poultry yard and five head of milch cows roaming over the pasture of course J. L. Goode is a satisfied home owner of 100 acres of fertile sandy land which produces a good yield each year. He has had his struggles like other men, but has met them bravely and has succeeded over every obstacle to become a land owner, and he won the fight and has nothing to regret. He has lived in Haskell and Jones counties since 1912, but now he is finally located in Haskell county on this good farm with modern improvements.

**W. L. Strickland.**

One hundred acres of good farming lands and a nice home is the possession of W. L. Strickland who is numbered among our many successful farmers. Mr. Strickland had gone to Anson when we made our visit but Mrs. Strickland and their two fine children were at home looking after the affairs. This is a happy family who enjoy the many opportunities the farm offers. Plenty of feed was produced on the farm for all needs, also Mr. Strickland keeps a few good hogs and sells them on the market occasionally and always keeps plenty of hogs for meat and lard. He has three good cows and sells cream and with a flock of fine Red chickens more is sold from the resources on this farm than it takes for running expenses and every year a higher aim is attained.

**S. S. Hooks.**

It is the pride of S. S. Hooks to realize after a number of years as a tenant farmer that this year he will cultivate his own farm which he purchased last year and moved to it the first of the new year. We have known him many years and we are very sorry to state that Mrs. Hooks has been ill

for the past year and confined to her bed most of the time, but we are hoping that she will soon regain her health. Mr. Hooks is doing quite a lot of work on his yards and is also doing a lot of farm work and will be ready to plant his crop in due time if nothing happens.

**J. D. Stephens.**

We called at the home of J. D. Stephens, he was in the field at work and Mrs. Stephens was sick and we failed to get a report on his farming. They have recently moved to this section and are farming on one of G. F. Mullino's farms. Mrs. M. L. Lewis was visiting her that afternoon.

**J. I. Cox.**

Sometimes it is best to change locations and J. I. Cox a good farmer who lived near Ballew last year moved to Rochester Route Two the first of the new year in order to get what he believed to be a better farm and a little more land to cultivate. He likes Haskell county fine and thinks that the new location will prove to be a better deal for him. He was busy with his farm affairs and we did not get to see him on this trip, but Mrs. Cox and the girls were at home and gave us some information regarding the farm.

**W. S. Taylor.**

The man who lives on his own farm is a king enthroned and should be the happiest man in all the world. W. S. Taylor who is a reader of the Free Press owns one of the best farms in the Rochester community and cultivates it in person. Mrs. Taylor was busy gardening when we called and has a nice garden plot in fine condition and was planting seeds and setting out plants. She is doing her part in making home happy. She has about 5 dozen White Plymouth Rock hens which are producing lots of eggs. She enjoys her poultry and her garden.

**R. T. Tibbitts.**

Another reader of the Free Press is R. T. Tibbitts who was busy with farm work getting ready to plant his crop when we called. He is a successful tenant farmer who is well on the road to the owning of a home and independence. He has three good cows and sells cream and lots of eggs from their fine flock of hens. He made plenty of feed to do him and meat and lard for the family. He is a successful farmer.

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**J. O. Jones.**

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**NOTICE**

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**ELECTION NOTICE**

Pursuant to an order issued by the City Council of the City of Haskell, Texas on February 27, 1929, notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1929 at the City Hall, the same being the place designated by law on the date

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quality orders. Odds and ends 12c  
each. C. O. Davis, Rule, Texas. 1tc.

Let us do your shoe repairing. Men's  
half soles \$1.00 up. Ladies' 85c up. Don't  
be misled on quality of leather, we  
gladly show you the difference. Elec-  
tric Shoe and Top Shop, C. Wheatley,  
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sonable prices. We will appreciate  
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**NOTICE**—There will be an Easter  
Egg Hunt, Saturday at 3:30 p. m. at  
the home of Mrs. Mack Perdue for the  
members and those who should be  
members of the Primary Classes of the  
Baptist S. S. 1tc.

**NOTICE POULTRY RAISERS**—  
After the 1st of April, in order to  
make room for a bunch of youngsters,  
we will only have two special matings  
and the hens in No. 3 pen, will be on  
our yard. All prices will be reduced:  
No. 1 Eggs \$5.00, No. 2 Eggs \$3.50,  
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Get them while they are fresh. A  
square deal always. R. W. Pritchett,  
The Rhode Island Red Breeder, Sager-  
ton, Texas.

Lucinda is the funny negro who  
spills the beans in, "Wanted—A Man,"  
at the High School Friday night. 1tc.

**Would You Know One  
If You Saw It?**

If you ever came face to face with a  
germ, would you recognize it? Of  
course it is not likely that you ever  
will see a germ, unless you own a tre-  
mendously powerful microscope, for  
you would have to magnify one over  
a thousand times to make it as big as  
a pin head. But you should recognize  
the fact that these tiny germs can get  
into your blood streams through the  
smallest cut and give you typhoid  
fever, tuberculosis, lockjaw, blood pois-  
oning, and many more dangerous and  
perhaps fatal diseases. There is one  
sure safeguard against these dangers  
—washing every cut, no matter how  
small, thoroughly with Liquid Borozone  
the safe antiseptic. You can get Liquid  
Borozone at Reid's Drug Store or Payne  
Drug Co.

**SAGERTON.**

The B. Y. P. U. had a party at the  
home of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Smith last  
Saturday night. It ended in a slumber  
party and at 3 o'clock Sunday morning  
they went for a sunrise breakfast.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Heathington  
are the proud parents of a baby boy  
born Thursday, March 22.

Mr. Hubert Magness visited in Sager-  
ton from Waco last week-end.

Many patrons and their children were  
at the county meet at Haskell the past  
week end.

Rev. W. J. Knoy of Stamford filled  
his regular appointment at the eleven  
o'clock hour Sunday morning at the  
Methodist church.

There was singing at the Methodist  
church Sunday afternoon.

The Epworth League gave a good  
program last Sunday night.

**Notice of Intention to Incorporate  
A Partnership.**

To Whom it May Concern:  
Notice is hereby given that Guy E.  
Mays, Mrs. Olivia Mays, Ben T.  
Bagwell and R. C. Lowe, composing the  
partnership known as Mays Dry Goods  
Company, intend to incorporate, with-  
out change of firm name, thirty days  
after this 6th day of March, 1929.

Guy Mays,  
Ben Bagwell,  
Mrs. Olivia Mays,  
R. C. Lowe.

been done for two reasons, (1) over  
production and (2) marketing twelve  
months supply in three months, thus  
forcing the world to carry his own  
child and then complaining because the  
world wants pay for it.

Conditions are changing. The chain  
stores are marketing their wares cheap-  
er on account of the fact that they  
either manufacture the articles them-  
selves or buy in great quantities. My  
that used to buy six to twelve months  
ahead now buy a few weeks ahead, re-  
tailers that used to lay in a year's  
supply now buy from hand to mouth;  
wholesalers that used to carry large  
stocks of goods now have but little on  
their shelves—if you want a dozen  
collars of any size or make you will  
find the average merchant has but a  
few of your size but will send and get  
them from the wholesaler. Everybody  
now works in harmony—except the  
farmer. He is the only one who does  
not show exhibition of independence  
and wise forethought for those who are  
depending upon him.

The only man the farmer is fooling  
now is himself. Right-minded and in-  
telligent men know that the farmer  
knows better but does not desire to do  
better. I have spent much time and  
money cabling to the world, pleading  
in his behalf for higher prices. That  
again I will never do until he gives me  
an incentive by planting less cotton  
and more foodstuff. I have foolishly at-  
tended conventions trying to bring  
about a reduction of acreage, but the  
next one I attend will be a convention  
called by the farmers themselves to  
prove to the world that they have re-  
duced their acreage and are giving their  
wives and children freedom and an op-  
portunity to enjoy something in their  
lives besides servitude.

The man who upholds the farmer in  
continuing his present methods is an  
enemy. I apologize to the world at  
large for the defense that I have put  
up for him all these years.

I firmly believe the best friend the  
farmer will have will be the banker  
and merchant who refuse to finance  
him when he plants nothing but cot-  
ton. I own thousands of acres of land  
and will let it lie idle before I will per-  
mit the farmer to plant it all in cotton.  
The best friend the farmer has is the

man who will help him to help him-  
self and his greatest enemy is the man  
who leads him to believe that he is  
oppressed and that the world owes him  
a special favor.

I pray the time will soon come when  
he will realize what he owes to his  
family, to his Maker, to his country,  
and to himself, that he will understand  
that no one is going to do anything for  
him that he himself will not do for the  
other fellow. I want him to have all  
the happiness, pleasure and prosperity  
that he is entitled to, but no special  
privileges. I pray that I live to see the  
day when he will rest a just reward, be  
able to look every man in the face and  
tell him where to lead in. As misery  
loves company let me suggest that in  
the three years following the farmers  
18,000,000 bale jamboree of 1926, not  
only is the farmer broke, but exporters,  
importers and mill men have suffered  
severely.

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**WHY PITY THE FARMER?**  
(Continued From Page 2)

1927 and 1928 moderate crops put cot-  
ton above twenty cents. Cotton does  
not deteriorate rapidly, and if the far-  
mer produces more than the world  
needs the new crop will meet the tail  
end of the old crop.

**Merchandising vs. Cotton Marketing**

From this time on I am going to  
take the position that the farmer is  
perfectly satisfied with the price, or he  
would not over-plant. Never again will  
I advise friends, customers, spinners or  
merchants to buy cotton unless the  
producer believes in it himself and  
plants and holds accordingly. During  
my 43 years in the cotton business the  
farmer has sold all or part of each crop  
below the cost of production. That has

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**CARELESSNESS** is a very expensive habit  
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AN EDITORIAL

There is a manifested interest in terracing in Haskell county which is outstanding and its benefits to our farmers can not be easily estimated. The light rains which have been falling this spring have been held by the contoured rows and terraces and is now in reserve to bring up the seed when they are placed in the ground and need moisture. Now is the time while our virgin soil is not impoverished, to conserve it from washing and erosion, which will save the enormous expense of rebuilding the soil. In the Farm and Ranch of last week the following article was given in that valuable paper concerning the abandonings of New York farms which we here in reproduce because of the fact it will cause us to think just what depleted soil will lead to.

Abandoned Fars in New York During the last forty years, according to a survey made by Cornell University, more than 4,000,000 acres of once fertile land in the State of New York have been abandoned; that this immense acreage is being added to at the rate of 200,000 acres per year. The survey further shows that these acres were abandoned only when they became unprofitable to cultivate because the fertile top soil had been washed away, and in many places the fields have become ditched so badly that they have become worthless and practically beyond reclamation.

The State of New York is now encouraging the planting of trees on such of this abandoned land as will sustain them. The rest will be out absolutely useless to either man or beast. Proper terracing a few years ago would have prevented this enormous waste. This abandoned land was one time conservatively estimated to be worth \$400,000,000.00.

BRUSHEY

Sunday School was well attended last Sunday. Some few farmers have their mules plowed and are still hoping it will rain soon. Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Suggs entertained the young people with a party last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Suggs and Mr. Forcen went to Archer City Saturday in response to a message stating that Mrs. Suggs' sister was dead. They returned Sunday afternoon after the funeral services.

Marie Conwell, Vernon Rouston and Ruby McAfee spent Sunday with Bonnie and Ruby Suggs and R. W. McClellan.

Uncle Harry Williams visited Mr. J. R. Hicks Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Patton were shoppers in Monday Saturday.

Ruby Suggs turned a hard roadster over Saturday morning but fortune favored her as she and the car both escaped injury.

There were twenty six members of our W. M. U. present at the Workers Conference at Rochester Monday and won the banner of nattendence.

COOK SPRINGS

The outsiders are getting a play for the close of school. A Fortunate Calamity. The characters are: Mrs. Merkle, a proud mother, Irene Pointer, Alta, her daughter, who has a desire to gain riches, Oma Taylor, Ruth, her other daughter is just a plain girl who cares nothing for wealth, Ruth Davis, Bernard Gullian, Ruth's lover, Fred Davis, Albert Campbell, a rascal and Alta's lover, Ernest Hamilton, Joe Brown a witty officer, Sidney Westbrook, Rastus Johnson, an honest coon, Earl Westbrook, Omah Johnson his wife, Libbie Davis. This is a good snappy play full of fun no admission will be charged.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Acree made a trip to Rochester Monday. Miss Ellis visited the school this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Westbrook are at Stamford at the bedside of her brother, Jim Gaffey, who underwent an operation.

Mrs. Johnson has been on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. George Bird and family of Four Corner spent Tuesday with Mrs. Davis and children.

Quite a few called at the home of Miss Vita Caffey Sunday night. Earl Blair spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. Acree.

Brice Weaver of Rule spent Wednesday with his aunt, Mrs. Rock. Mrs. Wilson and Miller visited sick relatives at the Stamford Sanitarium Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wheeler of Haskell and Mr. and Mrs. Dunnam of Gauntt spent Sunday with Mrs. Davis and family.

Paul White is on the plains. Mrs. Caffey and children Vita and Truly spent Saturday night in Rochester the guest of her daughter.

Mr. Kirneman and son Terrell are working in Big Spring.

SOCIETY and Club

Lucky Thirteen Club.

The Lucky Thirteen Club met with Miss Madalin Hunt on Friday evening, March 22. Exeter time was carried out in the decorations, score cards and favors.

Among fruit tree blossoms nestled little white bunnies. On the tables were Easter baskets filled with candy coated nuts in the form of Easter Eggs.

A plate lunch of creamed cheese sandwiches, frozen fruit salad, olives and ice tea was served to the following members and guests: Misses Nettie McCollum, Elaine Mills, Ermine Daugherty, Helen Harbison, Agnes Cox, Eunice Huckabee, Maybelle Taylor, Jones, of Abilene, Madaline Hunt, Mrs. Roy Killingsworth, Mrs. Lola Bledsoe and Mrs. Courtney Hunt.

Farewell Party For Mrs. Harry Stalcup.

Last Thursday afternoon the Viola Humphreys Circle gave a farewell party for Mrs. Harry Stalcup, in the home of Mrs. John Ellis. The spacious living room was made lovely and inviting with flowers and ferns.

Two Violin numbers by Miss Maxine Simmons accompanied by Mrs. D. Scott, and the readings by little Miss Gene Conner, started the afternoon program in a very pleasant way. Several jolly games and contests caused much merriment, as the last game was being played, in which each one had to tell what they would take if they were going on an aeroplane journey. Mrs. Stalcup was showered with handkerchiefs and other gifts and told to take them with her to her new home.

Plates with delicious ice cream, gold cake and little yellow Easter baskets filled with tiny pink easter eggs, carrying out the color scheme of pink and yellow, was passed to the following: Mesdames: John Ellis, Tom Holland, Earl Roberts, Mack, Fardine, E. V. Davis, J. K. Stoker, D. Scott, B. M. Whitaker, C. M. Conner, R. J. Reynolds, J. A. Gilstrap, W. E. Kirkpatrick, Leon Gilliam, R. J. Paston, John Couch, K. D. Simmons and H. C. Oates.

Celebrates

Fifth Birthday. Monday, March 25, Warren Pumphrey entertained several of his friends in honor of his fifth birthday. Several parties were played before they opened an Easter Egg hunt. The Easter Rabbits had left over twelve dozen eggs on two vacant lots, so all the children found plenty of eggs.

Several kodak pictures were taken of the guests and little bust with their Easter Eggs.

The guests were then ushered into the dining room where a birthday cake with five candles was in the center of the table. After the candles were lighted and blown out by the guests, ice cream and cake were served to: Paul Arnold Kuensner, Adrein Fields, Beverly Gayle King, Frances Shook, Joan and Lucille Stephens, Ernest and Mildred, Sistrunk, Charles McDonald, David Ballard, Ernestine Johnson, Gladys and Hazel Davis of Haskell, Clyde Lynn Gordon of Rose, Edythe Myrtle Montgomery, Ray Overton, Jr., Ervin Overton, Ray, Frances Myrtle and Alfred Eugene Perry all of Post, Jack Westbrook of Rule, Jim Bob Webb of Rose, Alfred Eugene Perry of Post and John Fred Phillips of San Angelo were the youngest guests enjoying the party as neither are hardly five months of age. The guests deposited their gifts on a table and it looked as if santa had been there. On departing the guests wished the honoree many more happy birthdays.

H. H. S. Home Economics Department Buys Victrola.

During the Haskell County Interscholastic League Meet last Friday and Saturday, March 22 and 23, Mrs. Ed Sprovels and her class of Home Economics girls of Haskell High School served lunch at the high school on Friday and sandwiches at the Fair Park on Saturday and cleared enough money to buy a victrola for their department. The victrola was in place last Tuesday and the young ladies with their teacher enjoyed a victrola concert before going into the lessons of the day.

J. A. Couch Given Surprise Dinner Party.

Quite a surprise awaited Mr. J. A. Couch last Friday evening when he arrived at his home from his office. Friday, March 22, happened to be Mr. Couch's birthday and Mrs. Couch remembered the day without discussing it with Mr. Couch and he did not think of it until friends began to drop in and Mrs. Couch invited all to the dining room where the table was laid for eight. A large bowl of pink snap dragons centered the table and pink tapers were lighted during the delicious five course dinner. Guests were Messers F. L. Daugherty, R. J. Reynolds, W. M. Reid, J. D. Hughes, J. U. Fields, R. C. Couch, Judge Bruce W. Bryant and the honoree, Mr. John A. Couch. Mr. R. C. Couch was master of ceremonies and preluded all toasts with witty repartee. Judge Bryant gave a splendid toast to the honoree and then the men retired to Mr. Couch's den and enjoyed a smoke before the ladies arrived. These were the wives of the dinner guests and an evening of "8" was spent. The gentlemen presented Mr. Couch with a handsome desk set.

Mrs. John Oates Honored.

On last Tuesday night, Mrs. W. M. Reid gave a hot tamalla supper honoring Mrs. John Oates, who is leaving Haskell Monday April 1st with her family for Sweetwater, where they will make their future home. After the supper the party repaired to the home of Mrs. W. H. Murchison where they spent the evening playing bridge. They spent the night with Mrs. Murchison and the next morning a lovely breakfast was served the honoree, Mrs. John Oates, Mrs. W. M. Reid, Mrs. J. E. Bernard and the hostess Mrs. W. H. Murchison.

Methodist W. M. S. In Beautiful Easter Service.

On last Monday afternoon the vice president of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church, Mrs. C. L. Lewis sat in the chair and heard splendid reports from all of the officers and dispensed with all other business before turning the meeting over to the director, Mrs. W. A. Kimbrough. This was one of the loveliest and most inspirational meetings of the year. The chancel rail of the main auditorium was covered with trailing spring vines and here and there were vases and bowls of peach blossoms and Easter lilies.

The opening song was, "Take Time To Be Holy." The devotional was given by Mrs. Wallace Cox, theme, "She Has Done What She Could," references taken from Mark 12:31-44; Luke 7:36-50 and John 12:3-8. Mrs. J. L. Southern sang very sweetly, "Christ Arose." The first story of Easter Morn was given by Mrs. Ethel Irby. The Easter Promise, the 14th chapter of St. John was given by the director, Special Prayer, Mrs. Elizabeth Martin; The Christian Message for Women, Mrs. J. U. Fields.

Following are the delegates elected to the Plainview Conference: Mesdames J. M. Gose, Cate, C. L. Lewis, E. Gaston Foote and Jim Isbell, To the Seymour

Conference: Mrs. Lee Glaziner. One of the lovely potted Easter lilies was presented to Mrs. F. G. Alexander by the society. Mrs. Alexander is lovingly called, "Mother Alexander," by many of the members of the Missionary Society as well as those of the church. And she literally is the mother of the local organization as she is the only living charter member. This inspirational and deeply spiritual meeting was closed with the Lord's prayer in unison.

Mrs. Geo. H. Morrison Presents Pupils In Recital.

On last Tuesday evening at the Magazine Club Library, Mrs. Geo. H. Morrison presented her beginner and intermediate class in piano recital. The little tots did well and showed that they had given much time in practice. The five finger major positions of the Dunning Class was of unusual interest. Mrs. Morrison was assisted by pupils of Miss Pemberton's music class and by six numbers from Mrs. C. M. Kaigler's expression class. An evening with little children in classical art is an evening well spent at any time and those present on the above occasion were well entertained. Those appearing on the program on Tuesday evening were: Mary Louise Parks, Ruth McKnight, Rosellen Morrison, Dorothy Josslet, Wynona Frances Post, Janice Rogers, Milam Jones, Freddie Vern Lee, R. C. Couch, Jr., Noka Bailey, Mary Joe Morrison, Mayre Lena Tubbs, Ruth Josslet, Geraldine Conner, Dorothy Herren, Frances Fouts, Ruby Lillie Dinsmore, Elsie Gholson, Dosselle Jones, Helen Ballard Winnie Thompson, Laura Marie Hammer, Lois Virginia Fouts, Audra McKnight, Geneva Golden, Norma Gilstrap, Clara Edwards and Anna Belle Stanton.

Miss Felicia Siegel Given Birthday Party.

Miss Felicia Siegel was honored by her mother with a lovely birthday party in her home last Friday night. Spirited indoor games were played throughout the evening and a splendid time had by all present. Before the guests departed, they were served brick ice cream and cake. Guests were:

Wilda Pippin, Anita Collier, Arnie Maud Taylor, Lois Stoker, Annabel Burt, Irma Mask, Lucia Mask, Contine Guest, Winnie Thomason, Lillian Kriger, Madge Hambleton, Frances Smith, Katie Darnell and the honoree, Felicia Siegel and John Oates, Jr. Marvin Gholson, Clinton Herren, Doyle Eastland, Marvin Henshaw, Chad Ashbuckle, Robert Darnell, Rex Pelkey and James Mullins.

West Everett.

Mr. J. D. West and Miss Violet Everett were joined in wedlock's holy bonds by Rev. Hibbett at his home in Rochester last Thursday, March 21st. Following the nuptial ceremony Mr. and Mrs. West left for Argie the home of the bride where they spent a few days with the family.

The bride is one of the teachers in the O'Brien School. She is highly accomplished and most useful young woman and has made a splendid record in her school work. The young man who has won the heart and hand of this young woman is one of the best citizens of the O'Brien community, where he has resided for a number of years. His fine social qualities and high sense of honor makes him very popular wherever his acquaintance extends. They will reside in O'Brien where the groom is engaged in farming and the bride will continue her teaching in the school of that city. These young people who begin their married life so auspiciously deserve all that kindly fate can give and we sincerely hope that unbounded prosperity and unalloyed happiness may be theirs.

Honoring Miss Thelma Stephens.

On March 12th at the home of Mrs. Jesse Josslet a miscellaneous shower was given honoring Miss Thelma Stephens.

The decorations were artificial flowers, simple, but neatly arranged throughout the home. After several games the honor guest was presented with a chest of beautiful gifts from her friends. Refreshments of hot chocolate with whipped cream, sandwiches and divinity candy were served. Plate favors were stick candy tied to peanut shells.

which contained the announcement of the wedding of Mr. Artist Howard and Miss Thelma Stephens. The guests present were the honoree and Mesdames Len Toliver, Walter Rogers, Estel Gilliland, Louis Isham, Clay Kimbrough, Jr., P. J. Josslet, J. L. Toliver, Bill McDonald, A. Thomas, A. J. Josslet, Gilbert Amoss, Mrs. Higgins, Miss Cecil Stephens.

J. T. Kirby one of our habitual readers was in the city Wednesday for supplies for the family needs. He lives on the Grisson farm north of town. According to a statement witnessed by his neighbor T. J. Manis, he has been the busiest man in that part of the county since the first of the new year. He has bedded 150 acres of land built a barn with assistance of one carpenter, dug a cellar 6x10 feet, dug and walled a cistern 8x16 feet built a hot fence walled a cistern for his neighbor and has had plenty of time for recreation and was in no rush, just took his good easy time. J. T. never

frets or worries unless he is out of job.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Maxwell of the Cottonwood community spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Hayden McDonald, Mrs. Maxwell and Mrs. McDonald are sisters.

Nature Thought of Everything

Nature thought of everything when the human body was made. When the body is about to become ill, nature planned danger signals to warn us. When if our children grind their teeth when they sleep, or lack appetite, or suffer from abdominal pains, or itchy about the nose and fingers, we should know that they have contracted worms. That if we are wise, we buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and safely expel the worms. Thus we avoid the danger of very serious trouble. White's Cream Vermifuge costs only 35c a bottle and can be bought from Reid's Drug Store or Payne Drug Co.

MAIZE

Will have plenty of good Head Maize Monday at \$24.00 per ton.

M. A. Clifton

Special Easter Offering of new



The four delightful Frocks sketched are typical of the beautiful models included in this group. Georgettes, flat crepes, and printed and plain chiffons in gorgeous new spring colors.

\$10.95 to \$39.95

The Mode's Newest Accessories to Complete Your Easter Costume

A remarkable collection of accessories and costume Jewelry is offered here to complete your Easter costume. You will want to choose several articles from our showing.



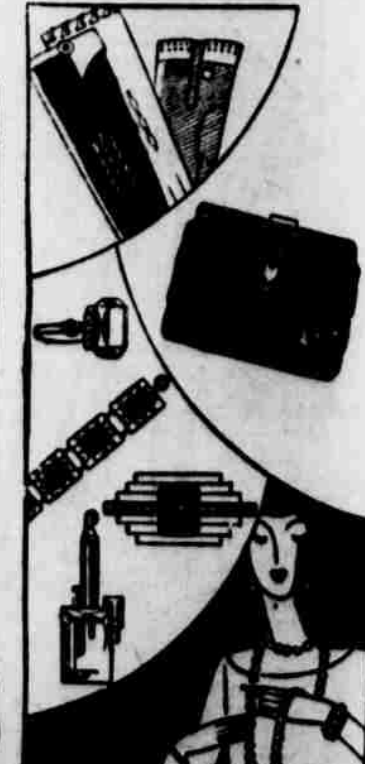
Easter Millinery

In all the beautiful new shades for spring. Small, medium and large head sizes. \$2.95 to \$12.95

In Our Beauty Shop-

We offer the services of skilled operators and modern facilities in providing you every known beauty service. Make your appointment now for Easter work. Prompt and attentive service at all times.

GRISSOM'S



The Genuine THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT Price 25 cents. Prepared from medicinal herbs and roots of highest quality, finely powdered, carefully combined. Easy to take; dry on the tongue, or made into a tea. Costs only 1 cent a dose. for CONSTIPATION, INDIGESTION, BILIOUSNESS.

**D Club**  
 Home Demonstration  
 at the home of Mrs. C. A. ...  
 with ten old members present  
 new member added to our  
 Miss Gunn being on materials for  
 interesting lesson on materials for  
 The hostess served re-  
 parts of Angel food cake and hot  
 to those present which was en-  
 very much. All members are  
 to be present at our next regular  
 day, April 3. We will meet at

the home of Mrs. Stella Josselyn.  
 There is going to be a ntertain-  
 ment put on by the club in the near  
 future, watch for the announcement,  
 and come and see "The Twelve Old  
 Maids."  
 -Reporter.

**An Unusual Matrimonial Contract**  
 That a mutual contract and verbal  
 at that is worthwhile, when both  
 contracting parties are reliable and sincere  
 was well proven when J. D. West, far-  
 mer and Miss Violet Everett, teacher  
 of O'Brien entered a matrimonial con-

tract four months ago to save pennies  
 from their every day transactions in  
 their business life until the amount of  
 \$1.50 had been reached when they  
 would procure a marriage license from  
 the county clerk of Haskell county  
 and become man and wife for better  
 or for worse. In this week's issue of  
 the Free Press you will find an account  
 of the wedding which took place Thurs-  
 day March 21, and the license were  
 procured from Jason W. Smith, County  
 Clerk, on March 18. Miss Everett  
 had saved up 40 pennies and Mr. West  
 had saved 113. We can not help but  
 believe that Mr. West bought much of  
 his needs from the variety stores  
 where pennies were given in change.  
 Any way this happy couple have begun  
 life anew by keeping a vow to each  
 other.

**Senior Meeting**  
 The members of the Senior Class of  
 Haskell High School had a meeting  
 last Thursday and voted to have caps  
 and gowns for the graduating exercises  
 and baccalaureate sermon.  
 The second order of rings and pins  
 has arrived and are being given out.

**The Gypsy Ramblers.**  
 Last Thursday afternoon the "Gypsy  
 Ramblers" hiked to Bledsoe's and  
 cooked their supper over a merry little

camp fire. Some of the girls and Miss  
 Mills left early to go on a Junior pic-  
 nic. The rest enjoyed the moonlight  
 stroll back to town.

The following went on the hike: Mrs.  
 Wimbish, Miss Mills, Red Gig, Tony,  
 Bill, Janie, Pam, Fats, Curly, Thursday,  
 Bob, Jubbie and Jackie.

The farm editor and Rev. H. R.  
 Whatley made a brief trip to Rule Fri-  
 day morning and visited the hatchery  
 of C. O. Davis and also inspected his  
 Week's poultry house of four sections  
 which is just about complete. He is  
 running his hatchery in full capacity  
 and is badly behind with his orders for  
 baby chicks. His custom hatching is  
 reaching peak production and he is  
 wondering how he can handle the in-  
 crease of he should have any. The  
 people are waking up to the fact that  
 the eggs, cream and other things grown  
 on the farm helps out with the  
 family budget of expenses. Selling eggs  
 and cream is the slogan we should  
 adopt.

Mrs. R. J. Earnest is in Ft. Worth,  
 the guest of her daughter Mrs. H. H.  
 Hester.

Miss Lois Earnest, District Clerk,  
 has returned from Sweetwater where  
 she attended the funeral of her uncle.

**"O CHO SAN" PRESENTED  
 BY SCHOOL CHILDREN**

The Fifth and Sixth Grade Glee  
 Club of North Ward, under the direc-  
 tion of Miss Allene Mitchell, presented  
 their operetta, "O Cho San," last Fri-  
 day evening at 7:30 at the High School  
 auditorium.

The scenes were very colorful with  
 cherry trees in full bloom, green grass,  
 Japanese lanterns and Japanese cos-  
 tumes. Alta Mary Stalcup took the  
 leading role as O Cho San, the daugh-  
 ter of a wealthy merchant. Then, there  
 were seventeen other characters be-  
 sides the full chorus of twenty-five  
 Japanese children. The Glee Club was  
 accompanied on the piano by Sue  
 Couch.

O. D. Cook took the part of Tano,  
 O Cho San's brother. Maxine Sim-  
 mons was O Waki San, best friend of  
 O Cho San. Gorman McDonald as  
 Sabuno, Tano's friend; Opal West, as  
 O Taki San, younger sister of O Waki  
 San, and Ethel Irby was the story  
 teller, who amused the children with  
 his unusual tales of the sea.

A. M. Ferguson and Sam Johnson of  
 Sherman were here on business the past  
 week.

C. G. Gay and H. M. Rike were in  
 Wichita Falls last Saturday on busi-  
 ness.

T. E. Ballard made a business trip  
 to Knox City Wednesday.

Mrs. John A. Couch returned Mon-  
 day from Seymour where she visited  
 her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Andrus.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Couch are in  
 Abilene this week end visiting his  
 mother Mrs. J. A. Couch Sr. and other  
 relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Payne left  
 Saturday for Dallas where she will  
 have her eyes treated by a specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Cearley and daugh-  
 ter Miss Grace at the Gauntt commu-  
 nity were shopping in the city Wed-  
 nesday.

S. A. Moser, who lives just out side  
 the city limits north of town was one  
 of the first men in the county to ter-  
 race his farm. He has tried it out  
 thoroughly and says it pays. He is  
 not only holding the water which falls  
 on his farm but he is enriching the soil  
 through rotation and conservation.

Mrs. S. B. Lain, one of the county's  
 most efficient teachers called Friday at  
 our sanctum and subscribed for the  
 Free Press for a year in advance.  
 Mrs. Lain paid us a nice compliment on  
 the paper and we are pleased to have  
 her on our mailing list.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sills have return-  
 ed from the Grand Lodge IOOF at  
 Beaumont and a visit to Houston, Gal-  
 veston, Ft. Worth and Dallas.

V. W. Meadors, manager of the Has-  
 kell County Abstract Co., accompanied  
 by Dennis P. Ratliff, attended a meet-  
 ing in Dallas last week of the agents  
 of the New York Title and Mortgage  
 Co., which company is represented in  
 this section by Mr. Meadors. Between  
 eighty and one hundred agents from  
 throughout the state were in atten-  
 dance at the meeting, which was in  
 session for two days.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis and Tom  
 Jr. have returned from Ft. Worth  
 where they were guests of Mr. and  
 Mrs. James Williams.

Miss Christine Ballard was the guest  
 of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hull of Colorado  
 City, last week end.

Little Miss Martha Frances arrived  
 March the 3rd at the home of Mr. and  
 Mrs. Virgil Meadors and needless to  
 say she is a very welcome visitor.

Miss Lucy Martin, student at South-  
 western University, Georgetown, visited  
 her mother Mrs. Elizabeth Martin and  
 family last week end.

Mr. R. W. Herren is at the Tonkawa  
 Hotel recuperating from a recent ill-  
 ness that necessitated his staying for  
 several weeks in a Ft. Worth Sanitar-  
 ium. The Free Press joins a large circle  
 of friends in hoping that Mrs. Herren  
 will soon regain his health. His daugh-  
 ter Mrs. George Thomason returned  
 from Ft. Worth with him.

The Midway Home Demonstration  
 Club will serve a plate lunch in Has-  
 kell on March 23rd. The place will be  
 at Grissom's Store building on the  
 north west corner of the square. Itc.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Gose and son  
 Joseph, left Tuesday for Decatur to  
 attend the funeral of Dr. Gose's brother,  
 Mr. S. M. Gose who died in San Antonio.  
 The deceased has been a promi-  
 nent Wichita Falls resident for many  
 years.

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**FOR RENT**—Four-room apartment,  
 connecting bath, gas connection, two  
 blocks north of square. Telephone 182.  
 J. L. Talbot.

If you need a refrigerator of any  
 description be sure to see the stock of  
 good used refrigerators at the West  
 Texas Utilities office before buying.  
 Priced to sell. Itc.

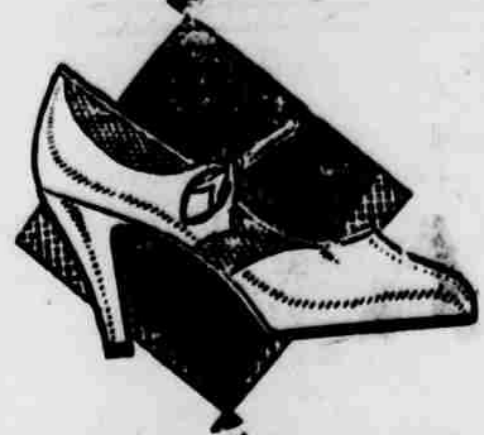
See all the excitement caused by one  
 little mouse in "Wanted—A Man"  
 Friday March 29. Admission 10c and  
 25c. Itc.

**FOR SALE**—Good Barred Rock  
 Cockerels, only \$1.50 each, while they  
 last. Scott W. Green, Sr., near Gilliam  
 school house. 2tp.

**Notice to Senior Leaguers**  
 In stead of our regular worship at  
 6:30 p. m. next Sunday the League will  
 meet at 6:30 a. m. with the other young  
 people of the city in the Easter Sun-  
 rise service at the Baptist Church.  
 Don't get lazy. Set your alarm and  
 be there promptly at 6:30.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 We wish to express our heart felt  
 gratitude to those dear friends who  
 ministered so lovingly to us during our  
 recent bereavement in the death of  
 our dear son and brother. Most espe-  
 cially do we wish to thank our friends  
 for the beautiful floral offerings. May  
 God bless each in His own way.  
 Mrs. M. E. Kay  
 Miss Fannie Kay  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jno. R. Martin  
 Roy Kay Martin  
 Louise Martin.

**Nine-Tenths Preventable**  
 Nine-tenths of all th ediseases of the  
 American people can be traced directly  
 to constipation, doctors say. Constipa-  
 tion throws into the system poisons  
 which taint and weaken every organ  
 of the body and make them easy  
 victims for any germs which attack  
 them. Prevent constipation and you  
 will avoid nine-tenths of all diseases,  
 with their consequent pain and finan-  
 cial losses. Herbine, the good old vege-  
 table cathartic, will prevent constipa-  
 tion in a natural, easy and pleasant  
 way. Get a bottle today from Reid's  
 Drug Store or Payne Drug Co.



Smart as the new season—  
 and as fresh as tomorrow's news  
 —comes our wonderful selection  
 of Shoes. Of particular interest  
 is our feature showing at—

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BEAUTIFUL SHOES

# Feed! Feed!

CHICKEN, COW OR MULE

Complete stock at all times of Feeds,  
 all kinds of Field Seeds and Cotton Seed.  
 Also most up-to-date service station in  
 city.

**Cash Grain Store and  
 Service Station**

(Old Banks Service Station)

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# HASKELL AT F. G. Alexander & Sons

Haskell's Leading Store for Over 38 Years

Our Easter Special  
 has been a real success. Last week hundreds  
 of customers come bought and went away pleased. Only a  
 few more days to buy at Special Prices.

## New Silk Underwear for Easter!

- STEP-INS**  
 With Contrasting Border Trimmings.
- PETTICOATS**  
 With Lace and Rosette Trimmings.
- PRINCESS SLIPS**  
 In Various Styles.
- BLOOMERS**  
 Short Ones with Ruffles and Novelty Trimmings. Regular Bloomers in all Colors and Sizes. All Very Fine Grade.



Choice  
**98c**  
 5-10-25c Dept.

**BIG TOWEL**  
 Size 22x44 Three For  
**23c 65c**

- Ladies Silk Hose, Regular \$1.00 Sellers—  
**69c**
- Stamped Embroidery, 15c and 19c Sellers—  
**9c**
- Cups and Saucers, Special Price, set—  
**79c**
- House Brooms, a dandy good one—  
**39c**
- Easter Eggs, Fresh and Pure. 12 for—  
**10c**
- Children's Socks, per pair—  
**25c 29c 39c**



**Your Easter Hat**  
 Many New Styles came this week. Specials—  
**\$1.95 \$3.45 \$4.95**



**Your Easter Shoes**  
 New Styles in Colors and Blacks  
**\$2.95 TO \$6.95**

**Voile Gowns**  
 Tailored and Lace Trimmed. Pastel Shades—  
**98c**

**English Prints**  
 36 Inches Wide  
**24c**

**Ginghams**  
 32 Inches Wide  
**12c**



**EASTER HATS**  
 Drop in and select your Easter Straw. You will be more than pleased with our showing at—  
**\$2.00 TO \$7.50**

Final Clean Up  
 Spring Coats  
**\$9.95 \$14.45 \$19.95**

WHY FITT THE FARMER?

"The Farmer Has Only Himself to Blame for His Condition"

BY MIKE H. THOMAS President, M. H. Thomas & Co. Dallas

In this arraignment of the cotton farmer Mr. Thomas brings to bear the wisdom of experience gained in 13 years in the cotton business. An interesting article by an interesting personality.

I was born on a farm in Dallas County. Ever since I moved to town my voice has been raised in behalf of the farmer. I have done by best to help him market his crop as profitably as possible and my sympathy has always been with him.

But I regret to be compelled to openly declare myself no longer his supporter.

I transfer my sympathy to his family for I do indeed feel sorry for the wife and children of the southern farmer. But I can no longer consent to give the farmer himself anything but the severest criticism for his willful and wanton abuse. His wife is compelled to work 365 days in the year, while he does not work over 200. The man who lives in town—the banker, the merchant, the doctor, the lawyer, the ditch-digger—works 300 days out of the year while this aforesaid farmer demanding farm relief is really too lazy to scratch when he itches. He refuses to produce anything to eat and plants cotton alone.

I traveled the 100 mile trip from Dallas to Hawkins in Wood County frequently last fall and there was not one hog to the mile. The farmers bring only cotton to town to sell, except in the rarest cases. Many of them buy vegetables, butter, eggs and chickens—when these foods are on their tables at all.

I firmly believe that every citizen in the United States is entitled to equal opportunities and to share honors equally—but only in proportion to service rendered and since everyone else is working 300 days in the year and the farmer about two-thirds of that time, he is getting all that is due him. If he is not satisfied with his share, and wants more, let him earn more by working more, not by whining and praying for someone to please pass a farm relief bill for his benefit.

The farmer has only himself to blame for his condition, and if he is foolish enough to plant cotton and go hungry he should cease to use but himself. He can plant less cotton and more to eat and receive more money but, instead, he plants everything in cotton and then commences to pray to the Lord to please destroy himself. He plants so that his family will not starve.

Farmer Well Informed But Negligent

I have been told by many that the farmer is ignorant and does not know any better. This is all a mistake, for with the automobile and radio he is just as well informed as any man in the city. He is daily advised by the market authorities, the statisticians and the marts of trade, and he is in possession of all the facts as soon as they are developed. He is in no wise kept in darkness, so there is no excuse whatever for ignorance in the United States. There are in every precinct, public schools with able teachers and instructors in the arts and sciences, as well as in agriculture.

The United States Government not only issues all kinds of press reports and pamphlets of its own, and broadcasts over the radio from time to time, but it also provides highly trained county agents to study local problems and conditions and give direct assistance and instruction to the farmer. It issues information before planting season each year showing whether conditions relative to each crop warrant an increase or decrease in acreage of that crop, whether prospects are pointing to over-planting and warning against over production.

Newspapers like the Dallas Morning News have spent millions endeavoring to get the farmer to diversify and live at home; public speakers have traveled the entire belt in a sympathetic effort to get him to live at home, plant less cotton and become self-supporting.

The farmers say no one is interested in him, but that is not true. Ninety-five per cent of all the successful men in town were raised on farms. These men are fully informed on the part that the farmer plays, and know that the Great Creator of the Universe made the farmer the cornerstone of prosperity. The Bible says that "the husbandman that laboreth must be first partaker of the fruits" and when the farmer does not make a profitable crop we get to very unhealthy financial condition and sooner or later must pay the price. There is no reason why the farmer should be a favored son; everyone must work according to the law of God, which says we must earn our living by the sweat of our brow.

Farmer Passes the Buck

For sixty years I have been fooling myself, thinking that the farmer was very much abused. I confess that we have isolated cases where he has been abused and mistreated by some cold, cruel-hearted merchant or banker, but those are exceptions. We also have a few farmers who really conduct their farms on business systems, studying the wants of the world, producing everything that they need at home, and who desire to improve themselves and cultivate their crops. These farmers are always prosperous and are not kicking screaming for some one to pass a law to buy their overproduction.

But generally the farmer sells everything that he brings to the market for

cash and buys on credit, thus forcing the world to carry him. If there is a failure he is never the goat, as he looks well into it that the other man must carry his load. In other words, he always places the monkey upon the back of the other fellow and then, should the banker or merchant want either protection or legitimate interest, complains that he is being hurt up.

The successful and outstanding men of today are men who started without a penny working day and night and housed every cent they made until they got a foothold. You never hear the merchant who overbuys asking for a law to be passed that will take care of any articles that he has overbought, nor does he "cuss" the farmer for not buying his surplus stock. He recognizes that it is his own mistake—not anyone's fault—but his own. He does not ask anyone to assist him in carrying a surplus stock to assist him in carrying a surplus stock without offering them an inducement by lowering the price. When he purchased the stock he naturally thought that he would meet with a good demand, if disappointed he sacrifices it if he wishes to place it on the market or keeps it on the shelves until the time arrives when the world wants it.

The cotton mills also have fat and lean years. They are not demanding that laws be passed to take care of their surplus, or to finance them. And there is no reason why the farmer should not carry his part of the burdens of this country.

Men and women in town, in the same walks of life, must pay rent or get out, the owners of property must pay taxes or give up the property. But the farmer has no house rent to pay, he has the privilege and oppor-

tunity of having his own garden, meat, lard, milk, butter, eggs and chickens, and in many cases has free wood. The bookkeeper, typist, drug clerk, dry goods clerk, mill hand and ditch-digger must dig up the cash for all these necessities, must work 300 days out of the year, and have neither the time nor the opportunity to produce anything outside of their salaries. Yet they are not asking that a law be passed to help them.

Farmer Controls Own Destiny

Every farmer has both the opportunity and the time to produce a good living and his feed at home, and if he does not the blame is his own. I have pleaded with the farmer for thirty five years to live at home and never to come to town without bringing more to sell than he comes to buy, thus making his cotton crop a surplus cash crop which he is not forced to sell at a disadvantage, and enabling him to use the proceeds for luxuries, improvements and investments.

The banks do not have any doubtful paper on German or Bohemian farmers. This is not because they are superior to the American farmer intellectually, but because they know that they must earn their substance by hard work. The Great Creator will help us to work out of trouble, but He will never help us to cry out or whine out.

Now, if the southern farmer is not satisfied with the price of cotton, all he has to do is to reduce his acreage and, as he controls the price by his production, he will have no trouble in advancing the price throughout the world to where it will bring him happiness and prosperity. In 1926 his over-production put cotton to ten cents; in

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A MESSAGE TO BAPTISTS

The local Baptist church has a membership of five hundred. This means that there are five hundred persons who are obligated to attend church and Sunday school every Sunday, unless there is a providential hindrance. It is not too much to expect every member to be loyal to his church. At present our Sunday school attendance stays near the 300 mark. By all means we should have 500 every Sunday morning. Let's change our way of doing and take on a loyalty that will build one of the greatest churches in the land.

To every person that is not lined up with some other church, we extend a hearty welcome to attend our services and help in the great work we are trying to do. We would not be little enough to attempt to pull people away from other churches. If you believe in the doctrines of a certain church, you should be loyal to that organization. We are after Baptists and others who have not joined other churches. If you are for our work make it known by your presence.

9:45 a. m.—Sunday School. We must have our 400 present.

11:00 a. m.—Preaching Service. Subject: "A Touch Of the Divine Hand"

6:45 p. m.—All B. Y. P. U.'s meet. Every one on time with good programs.

The Sunday night services will be dismissed for the annual "Cantata" rendered by the Harmony Club, at the First Christian Church.

HEAR THE BAPTIST BAND SUNDAY MORNING

Why regular calls at this Sign save money.

Ten-minute monthly inspection at the Exide Service Station will mean longer and better service from your battery . . .



BATTERIES are like teeth. You will get longer and better service out of them if they are inspected regularly by an expert.

Get into the habit of stopping here once a month. It takes so little time—just about long enough to smoke a cigarette—yet it will save money in battery cost.

Frank Kennedy

Exide BATTERIES

COURTNEY HUNT & CO.

---where the smartest of Easter ensembles may be chosen.

EASTER-DAY

The Fashionable World again Wear Smart Clothes for this event. Since Smart Individualistic Costumes are again the very Smart Vogue. No longer is it possible to feel well dressed or to be well dressed, if you wear just anything. Clothes have again become the symbol of ones station in life, for men, women and children alike.

Your Easter Frock Must be Subtly Flattering

Choose your own color, choose your favorite material, Elizebeth crepe, georgette or chiffon, but remember in either event it must be flattering. We show numbers of such frocks, all new, bright and colorful, and you will be surprised at the prices. They are priced especially low for Easter.

\$ 9.95 \$10.95 \$19.75 \$22.50 \$12.50 \$15.00 \$29.75 \$39.75



Easter Hosiery

For Every Easter Costume

The Sheerest of the Sheer

2-Thread Chiffon

\$1.95 to \$2.95



The shades are those that are new for spring. Easter is the opening of the fashionable spring season—and she will be happy with a gift of these beautiful Sheer Chiffon Hosiery.

Easter Footwear



You will find here the new in footwear for Easter. A slipper for any costume and priced—

\$4.95 \$6.50 \$7.50 \$9.50 to \$12.50

EASTER HATS



The New Coal Pastel Shades In Hairbraids

—bearing to the larger shapes are here priced—

\$4.95 \$6.50 \$9.75 to \$12.50

Announcing PRE-EASTER SILK CLOSE OUT EVENT

Hundreds of yards to go before Easter. Printed Crepes, Printed Chiffon, Printed Radiums, Values \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50

\$1.95

Beauty Shop

Frederic Permanent

Marcel Wave \$9.00 Round Wave \$8.00



### Church Sunday

#### CHRISTIAN CHURCH TO HAVE EGG HUNT

The teachers and officers of the Cradle Roll and Junior Departments of the Christian Sunday School are planning for an Easter egg hunt for all classes in these departments. Children are asked to meet at the church at 3:30 Saturday afternoon. Bring any number of eggs.

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Easter Sunday

There has been quite an increase in attendance here since the spring weather began to open up. Both services were well attended last Sunday. The Christian Endeavor also had a fine service and a good attendance. Next Sunday we hope to have more than a hundred at Sunday School and church services. Every member is urged to be present and bring some friend who is not a church member. Don't fail to do your part.

At the morning service the Pastor will preach on "The Last Words From the Cross and The First Words From the Tomb." The evening services will be moved up so that the Christian Endeavor will meet at 7 o'clock and the church service at 8 o'clock.

#### ASSOCIATIONAL B. Y. P. U. TO MEET AT O'BRIEN SUNDAY

The Haskell Associational B. Y. P. U. will meet the First Baptist Church of O'Brien, next Sunday, March the 31. Walter Henderson of Munday is president of the organization and has arranged an interesting program. Let all the B. Y. P. U. members come. The program will start promptly at 3 o'clock p. m.

#### JUNIOR CONGREGATION HAS RHYTHM ORCHESTRA

When the Junior Congregation of First Christian Church heard whisperings of an orchestra in the senior congregation, they were determined not to be outstripped by their elders. They together with their Superintendent Mrs. George H. Morrison, and other leaders who have the direction of their work in hand, got together and held a Council of War. The result was that on last Sunday morning the children opened their service at eleven o'clock with a full grown Rhythm Orchestra.

It has been a source of inspiration to the whole church to watch the growth and activities of The Junior Congregation for the past two years. Little more than two years ago Rev. Forrester, Mrs. Forrester, Mrs. Geo. H. Morrison and some other leaders in the church's activities came together in a conference to determine the best means of reaching and holding the young people for the church. It was the opinion of all who attended this conference that if the church is to hold the young people through the High School age and beyond that they would need to be reached and tied up to the Church before they reached that age. Out of that conference came the organization of the Junior congregation.

This work has been carried on successfully for the past two years, and as the work advances the whole church is awakening to the realization of its own entire service. They do not go into the main auditorium after the general assembly of the Church School, but gather at eleven o'clock in their own assembly room in the basement. There they have their own song service, their own devotions, their own children's sermon or message delivered by one of the women in charge. They even have their own communion service for those who are members of the church. And that leads to say that one of the fine results of the work has been that all who have reached accountable age are members of the

church. For the past year there have been more baptisms from the Junior congregation than from the adult service. They have their own offerings, and are setting the pace for the whole church in their support of all the missionary, benevolent and educational work of the church. They are being taught to support the cause of Christ at home and throughout the world. So far as First Christian Church is concerned the Junior service has passed the experimental stage and has become a definite part of the regular work of the church.

If there are children in reach of this church who are not in some regular children's service on Sunday at eleven o'clock they are cordially invited to visit this Junior service and worship with these children. They will be under a most capable leadership and will have a happy time.

#### COOPER CONDUCTS REVIVAL AT RULE

Unusual interest is being centered in the revival which is in progress at the Rule Baptist church. Rev. L. L. Cooper of Fort Worth is doing the preaching, and Joe Miller, also of Fort Worth, is helping in the meeting. C. O. Davis of Rule is conducting the song services.

Rev. Mr. Cooper is an expert on church work and the different phases of Sunday school activities. These services are in the form of a stewardship, enlistment and enlargement campaign, reaching the ultimate and chief objective in evangelism.

#### RULE METHODISTS TO START REVIVAL

A two weeks' revival meeting will begin at the Methodist church of Rule, Easter Sunday. Rev. C. B. Thompson, pastor, will conduct the services, and his son, Rev. Mr. Thompson of Elbert, will conduct the song services.

The Epworth League has a dandy play they want you to see, "Wanted—A Man," High School, Friday night 10

## SOCIETY and Club

#### Mrs. Joe A. Jones Club Hostess

On last Tuesday afternoon the Merrie Dames enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Joe A. Jones as club hostess. Easter motifs were used for decorations and menu. Painted rabbits were the tally cards. At the conclusion of a number of games of "42" the hostess served a dainty salad plate to club members.

#### Party Honoring Christian Endeavorers

The Christian Endeavorers of the Presbyterian church were the honor guests at a party given at the manse Tuesday evening by Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Baker. The rooms were decorated in green and yellow crepe paper bows and streamers. Seven tables were arranged for players of a variety of games, a different game being at each table such as: hearts, forty-two, rook, anagrams, touring, etc. After a series of games, the players gathered in one room and there they enjoyed the game of "Coo-Coo," this being a series of humorous stunts which caused a great deal of merriment.

In the contest of "Telegrams," each wrote a telegram, the words being made from letters contained in the word "Presbyterian." Miss Maurice Eaton had the best for the girls, and Irvin Frierson for the boys. Refreshments of ice-cream and cake were served to the following young people: Mary Pearsey, Mary, Olla and Ollie Frazier, Beatrice Thomason, Foy and Maurice Eaton, Ruby Pruitt, Ozele DeShong, Ollie and Mollie Hester, Edna and Rachel Solomon, Alice and Velma Frierson, Addie Mae Whitaker, Venita Larned, Ethel and Pauline Frierson, Myrtle and Dixie Orr, Lucile Dansby, Lucile and Louise Roberts, Flossie Hester, Julian Frazier, Irvin Frierson, Joe Thomas, Edd Hester, Ed Crane, Garland Orr, Gilbert

Wilson, Mrs. J. T. Hester, Mrs. H. S. Wilson and the host and hostess.

by the Senior League at the II Friday night

day for the first time in many months.

Sarah Ann Mason is the club gossip in "Wanted—A Man," the play put on

Uncle John Williams of the White Chapel community was in town Satur-

day for the first time in many months. He has been confined at home most all of the winter with serious illness. His many friends were glad to see him in the city again.

## Master or Servant—Which?

If you are a cotton farmer and nothing else; if all the energy of yourself and family is expended each year in the production of a large crop of cotton; if you are calling upon the energies of your soil year after year to the growing of cotton and nothing else; if you are forced to place your entire year's financial success, sweat and toil upon the fluctuations of the cotton market, then cotton is your master and not your servant as it should be.

We believe that old Mother Nature intended for cotton to be used in the Southland as a "prop," a "fall-back-on," a surplus, a remover of mortgages and a payer of debts, and not to be the entire production of our farms, out of which must come not only the funds to pay debts and mortgages, but also the funds to buy seed for the farm stock, supplies, clothing for the family and food for the table.

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## Easter Dresses



Just unpacked—Fresh from the manufacturers—and placed on display for the first time in our store today (Thursday). Bought especially for our customers who desire something new in an Easter frock.

We believe that every one of these new dresses will go Friday and Saturday at the prices we have marked them.

**\$13<sup>75</sup> to \$24<sup>75</sup>**

## Easter Hats—

We have also received a special shipment of New Easter Hats—to be placed on sale for the first time—Thursday, Friday and Saturday. All the shades and colors that are favored of spring are included.



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Now is the time for the thrifty and fashioned wise women to select their entire hosiery wardrobe for spring. We have a complete line of Vanette Hosiery of the finest quality, that were made to sell at a much higher price. Picot tops, reinforced heel and toe. New spring colors, including Tea Rose, Lido Sand, Pastel, Ivory. Special the pair—

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  - Lettuce** <sup>Per Head</sup> **6c**
  - Peaches** <sup>Choice Dried</sup> <sub>10 lb box</sub> **\$1.11**
  - Fresh Beans** <sup>Per</sup> <sub>Pound</sub> **19c**
  - Coffee** <sup>Maxwell House</sup> <sub>3 Pounds</sub> **\$1.46**
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FORTY-THIRD YEAR

## LEAGUE WINNERS IN LITERARY EVENTS

There are three honor leagues to be met in the interscholastic league meet, individual school, county, district and state. Following is a list of winners with schools represented.

Writing: Class A. Ruth Serv; Class B. 1st. Luther Green, 2nd. Muriel Flowers, Sagerton; 3rd. Edna Johnson, O'Brien.

Grammar School Essay: 1st. Morgan, Haskell; 2nd. Virginia Sagerton. Rural Essay: 1st. Williamson, McConnell; 2nd. Younse, Bunker Hill.

Impromptu Speech: 1st. Amelia, Sagerton; 2nd. Merle Flowers, Sagerton; 3rd. P. O'Keefe, Bunker Hill.

Debate Team: 1st. Girls Team, Sagerton; 2nd. Haskell; 3rd. Rochester.

Boys' Debating Team: 1st. Sagerton; 2nd. Post; 3rd. Sagerton.

Memory: 1st. Bunker Hill; 2nd. Haskell North Ward; 3rd. Rochester.

## HASKELL CITIZEN DIES SUDDENLY

C. O. Crandall, one of our best known citizens died suddenly Saturday night about 8 o'clock at the family residence in this city. He was reported to have eaten supper and was sitting in the rocking chair in the living room and just a few moments before he passed away his wife asked him how he felt and he stated that he felt much better than he had felt in some time and a few moments later he was heard to gasp and he passed away without speaking.

Mr. Crandall was about 56 years of age and has lived in the city of Haskell a number of years and he has never looked very strong, but was able to work most of the time. He was a member of the Methodist Church and was a Christian gentleman, quite unassuming but affable and companionable. His genial qualities readily won friends who were bound by strong ties as acquaintance ripened. He was a man of many noble traits, yes, a good man and he will be keenly missed by loved ones and friends.

The funeral which was largely attended was held at the residence in the city Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. E. Gaston Foote, pastor of the First Methodist Church, assisted by Rev. H. R. Whitley of the First Baptist Church after which his remains were laid to rest in Haskell's beautiful burial park beneath a bank of flowers of richest hues and sweetest fragrance, placed there by loving friends in token of the high esteem in which he was held.

He is survived by his devoted wife and five small children and a daughter by a former marriage. Mrs. Catharine Stoker of this city and also two brothers Rev. E. H. Crandall of Jexarkana and Charlie Crandall of Roswell, New Mexico who with his son Roy were here for the funeral. May he who can pour balm into bleeding hearts comfort the bereaved in this dark hour of sorrow.

R. C. Couch made a business trip to Rotan Wednesday.

## SCHOOL TRUSTEES TO BE ELECTED

Trustees for the Haskell Independent School District are to be selected at an election to be held in this city on Saturday April 6th. The Board of trustees is composed of seven members who serve two years each.

Members of the board whose terms expire this year are: Sam A. Roberts, Oates and E. I. Christian. Old members of the board who will serve this year are: Courtney Hunt, R. C. Couch, T. C. Rogers, and W. E. Patrick.

## HARMONY CLUB TO PRESENT EASTER CANTATA

It has been the custom of the Harmony Club to present for the public a cantata on either Easter or Pentecost and sometimes both occasions for a number of years. All of the churches in the city coming together for these glad occasions and held programs. On next Sunday evening at 7:35 the Harmony Club will present a beautiful cantata, "Light in the Tomb," by Ira Wilson, directed by Mrs. Wayne Koonce and accompanied by Haskell's musicians, who comprise the Harmony Club.

The cantata alone will be worth the admission price to the best moving picture and stage plays, for this club has up their choral practice through the years and present to the public the best numbers available on special occasions. And in connection with the cantata there will be a beautiful and dramatic depiction of the Easter story by the agency, "Dead and Risen" by J. S. Mahan. This will be in four short scenes. Scene I at Pilate's Court, attended by Roman soldiers where Jesus is condemned and Barrabas set free. Scene II is a street scene where the people crowd to Golgotha. Scene III shows the three crosses and the attitude of the disciples and of the people. Scene IV and the last, shows the garden of Gethsemani and the tomb, and it is here while the holy men walk in the early Easter morning that the Angels announce that, "He is risen." Miss Pemberton will render a solo between acts and Mrs. Koonce will sing, "The Holy Spirit." Mrs. C. M. Kaigler will direct the cantata. An invitation is extended to all to be present.

## BASKET BALL TEAMS TO HAVE BANQUET

Thursday evening, March 28, at 7:30, a banquet will be given for members of the High School Basketball teams. Both boys and girls who wore the black and gold during the past season will be present. Also members of the school board and others interested in the game will attend.

Both the boys' and girls' teams made good records this year. They were both composed for the most part of Juniors and Sophomores and it is expected that both teams will be much stronger next year. Several of the outstanding players of the county are planning on transferring here another year and with this addition of new material Haskell should make it interesting for all teams of her class.

Food for the banquet will be prepared by the Home Economics Department and will be served in the Home Economics Department at the High School. Plates will be 50c each. Those interested phone Mrs. Sprowls or H. K. Henry for reservations.

## EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Easter Sunrise Service is an annual event to which all the young people in Haskell look forward. Last year it was held at the Presbyterian Church and this year it will be at the Baptist church.

"Sunrise on Easter Morning! What it means to Christians, and for this occasion a lovely service of song and story is arranged. Each young people's organization in the town is taking part and every young person in town is expected to be there.

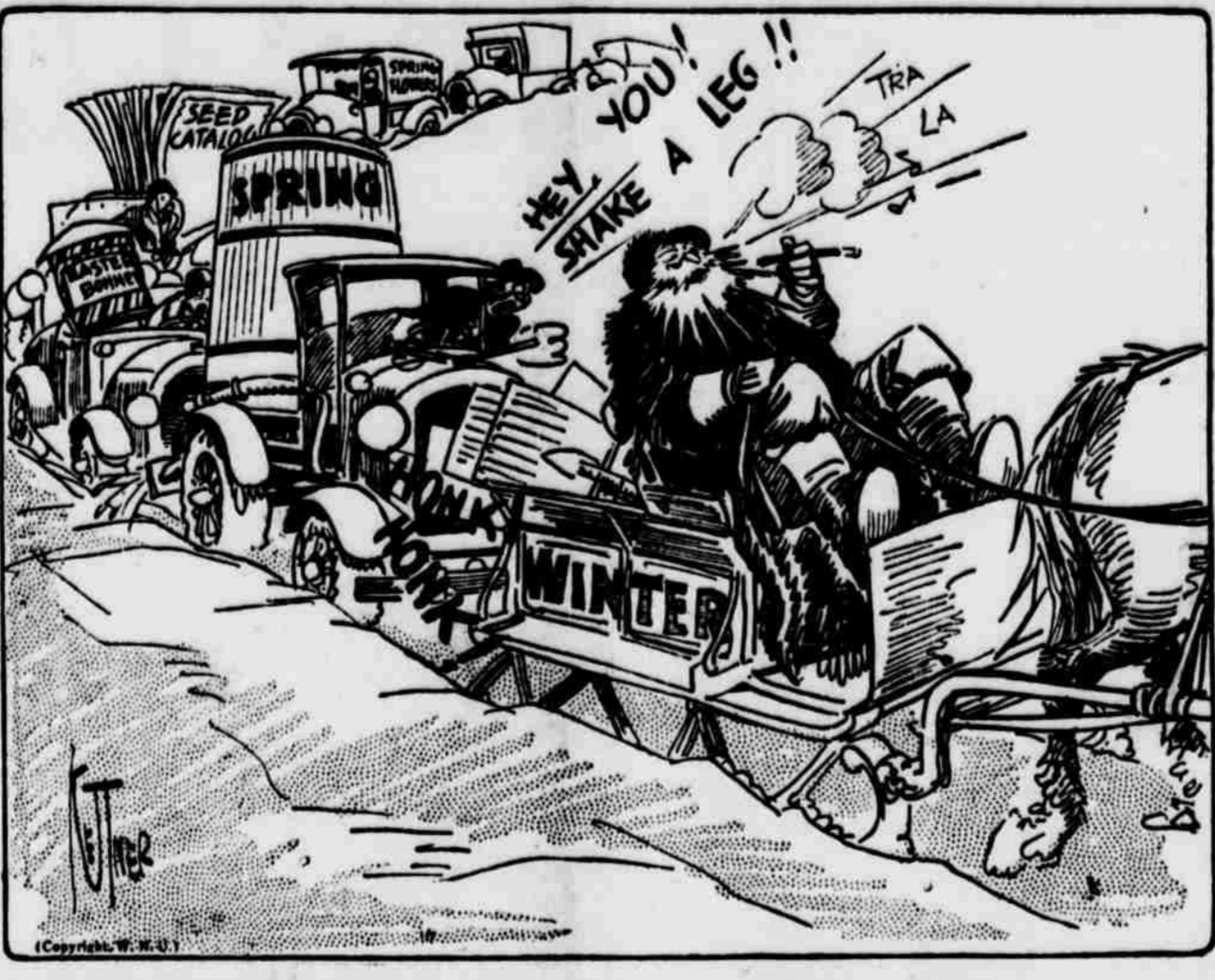
## TO HOLD TRACK AND FIELD MEET HERE

Saturday afternoon, March 30, a track and field meet will be held at Fair Park with Munday, Knox City, Rochester, and Haskell competing. This is probably the first meet of its kind ever held here. All of the above towns seem to have strong teams this year and those who are interested in track should see a worth while meet.

The local team had fourteen men to place in the county meet and with a win over their contenders Saturday they will feel more of their chances in the district. David Smith has been elected to captain the Indians in track.

The meet will start at 1:30 p. m. A large attendance is expected. All events may be witnessed from the bleachers.

## Holding Up the Parade



## LARGE CROWD HEARS CHAS. WEEKS TALK

Chas. Weeks of Los Angeles California who is putting on a demonstration of an intensive garden home proposition in the irrigated valley near Wichita Falls spoke here last Thursday night to a crowd which filled the district court room in the city to overflowing with representative farmers and their wives from every city and hamlet in the county and the people of our city also came in large numbers to hear Mr. Weeks. He spoke for more than an hour and was given the very best of attention. His lecture was illustrated with pictures from the Week's colony of California showing the things accomplished on the one-acre garden homes which now numbers more than 600. His ideals were practical and many of the things he has discovered and advocated can be used in our own state and county. Especially the poultry houses and the farming and gardening under paper. These things were made plain both through the pictures and his talk. He visited while here the Week's poultry houses we have erected in Haskell county and made the statement in his talk that the birds in these houses were the healthiest flocks he had seen in the state and he has been over many miles of this state since he has been working in Texas. He invited the people to visit his project in Wichita Falls and see for themselves the things he is setting in motion there. Many who heard the lecture expressed their appreciation of the things learned and much of his plans advocated will be put into effect right here in our county.

Honest Joe Blake of the Gauntt community was in the city Wednesday on business. He is getting along nicely with his farm work but is praying for a good rain.

## DAIRY DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL TO BE HELD

A dairy development school will be held in Haskell during the coming weeks. The school will be held under the direction of H. K. Henry, Agricultural Teacher of Haskell. The first meeting will be held at 7:45, Tuesday night, April 2. At that time future meeting dates will be decided upon and also the phases of dairying to be studied will be chosen.

This class will be composed of farmers and boys attending school that are interested in dairying. Only those phases of dairying that the group will be interested in will be studied and the discussions will be in the form of testimonials, of members of the class. It is hoped that a large number of farmers will enroll for this course and that with the help and co-operation of the County Agent, West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and other agencies a plan whereby dairying in this section may become more profitable may be worked out. There are several possibilities of a course of this kind, one of the most important of which is the organization of a bull circle in this county.

## SCHOOL CENSUS SHOULD INCLUDE EVERY CHILD

The scholastic census of the Haskell Independent School District, which is being conducted at this time, should command the close cooperation of every citizen of the District, whether they have children in the Haskell schools or not.

The number of scholastics in the district as shown by this census will be the basis used for the allotment of State Aid for the next term of school. The state apportionment will likely be around the sum of \$1500 for each child of school age in the district, and it can be readily seen that every child of school age living in the district should be included in the census. The omission from the census of only fifteen or twenty children (a likely probability) would result in the loss to the district of several hundred dollars in State Aid.

Every citizen in the District should aid in this work, and all children of scholastic age who are overlooked in the census should be reported to Mr. Reynolds Wilson, who has the work in charge, or to Prof. J. Horace Bass. In this way, Haskell schools will get the benefit of all State Aid funds to which they are entitled.

## Christian Endeavor Convention Held At Stamford

The Christian Endeavorers of the Abilene district met in Stamford on March 22, 23 and 24 at the Central Presbyterian Church for their convention.

The theme of the meetings was "Crusade With Christ" and the text was 2nd. Peter 3:18, "Grow in Grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

On Friday night the delegates were received and the program began, after which an Easter Egg hunt was held in the basement. The program continued all day Saturday. Two of the most inspiring speakers of the day were Jack Huppertz, Dallas, General Secretary of Christian Endeavor and Huie H. Tucker, Abilene district president.

At 6:30, Saturday a fellowship banquet was held in the basement. Mr. Tucker was toastmaster of the occasion and entertainment was also furnished by the Presbyterian Orchestra. After the banquet the evening address on "Christian Citizenship," was given by Rev. M. L. Baker.

On Sunday morning, each Endeavorer attended the Sunday School of his choice and came back to the Central Presbyterian Church for the morning service. An address was given in the afternoon, by Rev. G. R. Forrester and the convention closed at 9:00 o'clock with the mishap.

Delegates were present from Abilene, Haskell, Albany, Sweetwater and Stamford. Those that attended from Haskell were: Misses Ollie and Ola Frazier, Lucile Roberts, Mary Pearsey, Foy Eaton, Beatrice Thomason, Mary Fraiser, Edna Solomon, Rachel Solomon, Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Baker.

## MUCH INTEREST SHOWN IN MEET

The Interscholastic League Meet of the county took place in Haskell last Friday and Saturday. In the opinion of those in authority this was in many respects the best meet ever held in the county. The high type of contestants in all events, both field and literary was evident to those who have been actively interested for a number of years in the past. The elimination contests of field activities, under director Dodson and assistant, Herman Henry have been in progress for weeks and the finals were played off last Saturday. The school fair, under the supervision of Miss Minnie Ellis, at the exhibit hall, Fair Park showed progress in all lines. Miss Ellis as local hostess for this county-wide annual affair, was well pleased with all departments. The literary events took place at the High School auditorium and the Baptist church, Friday. The declamation contests began at ten o'clock on the stage, which was brightened with baskets of spring flowers and dozens of gold lined silver cups, trophies to be won or re-captured by the winners of all contests. It is impossible to give each individual winner of blue ribbons and silver cups but will name the all round championship school, which received a cup, (Bunker Hill) and the A Class winner which was Haskell, and the B Class winner which was Rochester school.

L. A. Humphries of Lone Star was a business visitor to our city Wednesday of this week. Mr. Humphries owns a fine farm and is one of our leading farmers and citizens. He is a reader of the Free Press and advocate of schools and is a fine public spirited man always working for the best interest of his community.

## SPURWORTH LEAGUE TO PRESENT PLAY

"Wanted—A Man," is the name of the side splitting comedy farce to be given at the High School Friday, March 26. It is put on entirely by League girls.

Miss Jane Bowers is secretary of the Spinsters Better Day Club and heroine of the plot.

Mr. Gunter from Guntersville will surprise you and the play will keep you laughing.

The visiting Glee Club has some catchy and melodious numbers you will like.

The girls participating are: Marjorie Rogers, Irma Mask, Nancy Guest, Myrtle and Myrtice Evans, Wilda Phippen, Catherine Wingo, Frances Ratliff, Ruby Faye Thomason, Lena Belle Kemp, Janie Lyle Martin, Charlene Baughman, Madge Hambleton, Winnie Thomason, Naomi Potec, Geneva Golden, Martha Lou Rogers, G. W. Reynolds, Bessie B. Kaigler, Hazel McIver, Ruby Cox, Elizabeth Gilbert, Contine Guest, Annie Belle Burt, Georgia Martin, Wilda Phippen, Lucia Mask, Virginia Sills, Vannie Lee Marrs, Ruby Spurlock.

## CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY

Two aldermen are to be elected Tuesday, April 2nd, according to an election order issued by the City Council.

The terms of J. B. Post and Geo. B. Fields, present council members, expire April 1st, and the two members to be elected will fill these vacancies, and will serve for two years.

In addition to the election of two aldermen, voters will decide on the proposal for the City to levy an assessment not to exceed \$1200 per year for the maintenance of the Haskell Band. The election will be held at the City Hall.

## WORKERS CONFERENCE HELD AT ROCHESTER

Monday March 25, the Worker's Conference of the Haskell Baptist Association met at the First Baptist Church in Rochester with a large attendance. The program began promptly at 10 a. m. with W. M. Free conducting the song services which was followed by the devotional led by Ernest Marion of the Curry Chapel Church. Rev. H. R. Whitley of Haskell was on program to give a history of the Church but was detained by a funeral and I. N. Alvis, a pioneer Minister of Haskell, ably discussed this subject using a chart drawn by Rev. Whitley to illustrate the facts in his discourse.

Rev. W. H. Albertson of Munday was to discuss "How of Financing the Church," but after a few words he called Rev. L. L. Cooper of Fort Worth, to the floor who took his place on the program and his talk was very much appreciated.

Rev. George A. Curlee, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Childress preached at the 11 o'clock hour and the entire congregation was delighted with his message.

Luncheon was served in the Sunday School rooms at the noon hour and the great congregation feasted on the many good things to eat, the ladies of Rochester had prepared. Here is where the whole congregation was on program and all of them took part willingly.

The afternoon program was also very interesting. After a few songs by the congregation, a quartette was arranged by Mrs. George Hardbarger of Knox City which was enjoyed very much. And at the hour appointed Alfred Pierson of Haskell made a wonderful talk on local and the associational Sunday School. Rev. C. B. Stovall, pastor of The Gillispie church made an interesting short talk on the associational B. Y. P. U. Rev. J. H. Littleton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hamlin, made an interesting talk and invited the congregation to the District B. Y. P. U. meeting which will be held at Hamlin, April 8th and 9th.

Mrs. J. O. Bowden took charge of the women's work of the church and after an interesting program the attendance banner was awarded to the women of the Brushy church for the 4th time in succession. The next meeting of the Worker's Conference will be held with the Brushy Church Monday, April the 29.

## NEGRO JAILED ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Chas. Royal, negro, is being held in the county jail on a complaint of manufacturing and selling intoxicating liquor, his arrest having been made at Spur, Monday of this week by Sheriff W. T. Sarrels.

The arrest of the negro followed the seizure of over 60 bottles of beer during a raid conducted by the sheriff's forces several weeks ago, at which time it is alleged that Royal escaped from the house during the raid. He was traced to Jayton by Sheriff Sarrels, thence to Sweetwater, Spur and Dallas, seeming to be several hours ahead of the officers at each town, until Monday of this week when he was located at Spur. This time he was unsuccessful in eluding the officers. He will be held to await the action of the Grand Jury.

## DESIGNATION OF RURAL ROUTE CHANGED

Postmaster Wilson has been notified that a change in the designation of Rural Route B out of Haskell has been made by the Postoffice Department at Washington.

This route has been changed to Route 2, and all patrons served by this route should change their addresses to read accordingly.

## NEW SUPERINTENDENT FOR HASKELL SCHOOLS

C. B. Breedlove, who has been superintendent of the Rule schools for the past six years, has been elected as superintendent of the Haskell Public Schools for the 1926-30 school term, his election having been announced following the last meeting of the board of trustees of the Haskell Independent School District.

Mr. Breedlove is a man of wide experience in the school-room, and has built up the Rule school system to one of the best in this section of the state. His successor as superintendent for the Rule Schools has not been announced.

J. Horace Bass, who is succeeded by Mr. Breedlove, has served two terms as superintendent of the Haskell schools having made wonderful progress under his able direction, and today are rated among the best school systems of the entire state.

## LOCAL TALENT WILL RING OVER RADIO SUNDAY

According to arrangements, W. M. Free and daughters Misses, Mae and Faye of Haskell will sing over the radio at Abilene, Sunday March 31, at 2 p. m., Studebaker hour. This program was arranged by Gene Tonn our local salesman for the noted Studebaker automobile. The program will be principally sacred, with an orchestra taking part time.

## COUNTY TO GET FIVE OIL TESTS

Haskell county is due to receive considerable drilling activity this coming month if present plans of companies and independent operators go through.

There are five blocks of acreage due to get tests and locations will be announced this week it is rumored.

Meanwhile, Kouri et al have made a location for their No. 1 Bunkley to be located approximately four and one half miles northwest of the Superior production on the Reynolds Cattle company fee and about a mile east of the old Stamford Oil and Gas company 1,800 foot dry hole in the William Dennis survey. This well will be drilled at once and will be a complete test of all producing horizons found in this part of the country.

Superior Oil company has started drilling on their No. 3 Reynolds Cattle company and are down about 300 feet on this well, located 400 feet north of No. 1. They have also staked the location for No. 4, 400 feet south of No. 1. No. 1 and No. 2 are producing approximately 100 barrels of oil daily and making very little water.

Dixie Oil company's No. 1 Ballard in the Sara Smith survey is still a location but work will be started on this test in the very near future.

Edmondson et al No. 1 Reynolds Cattle company located center of north half of southeast quarter of section 94, E. A. Rose survey is drilling at 2,005 feet.

The Phillips Petroleum company No. 1 McKnight located 330 feet from north and 330 feet from east of 238 acre McKnight farm in the Henry R. Craig survey No. 158, 12 miles east of Haskell is dry and abandoned at 3,315 feet.

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## LON B. HESTER A COTTON BREEDER

One of the most interesting men in our county is Lon B. Hester a Haskell county boy who has distinguished himself as a real cotton breeder. We do not have the time to give a complete article in this week's issue, but watch the Free Press for a full account of this man's work which is doubtless the most efficient in the county on this line. He has an office, a hand gin, in short a complete breeding station is to be found on this farm near O'Brien and he has gained his knowledge from experience and not from books and his information is not second hand or stale. His cotton is known as the Hester Improved. This is a staple cotton with a turnout at the gin almost equal to half and half. Watch for this complete article.

## HOME COMING AND DEDICATION SERVICES HELD AT SWEET HOME

Next Sunday the Baptist Church at Sweet Home across the river west of Rule will dedicate the new church and have a home coming in connection with these services. An all-day program will be given with lunch at the noon hour. Sweet Home is a well established church and recently raised the old church building and erected a new one in its place, which is a stucco finish with beautiful room to accommodate all organizations of the church at the present time.