

Colorado Record.

CHRISTMAS 1908

With the Compliments of the Season the Record wishes its Readers Happiness, Long Life, Prosperity--and much of it



HAPPY LAND

Happy land! Happy land! Won't you come and join our band,
Blithe and gay, on the way
To Kris Kringle's Holiday?
Happy land! Happy land! Won't you come and take our hand?
Merrily, thus we go
To the Land of Mistletoe!

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—BYRON WILLIAMS



Colorado Drug Co.

Is grateful for the share of Holiday business accorded them and during the next week will offer Holiday Goods at marvelous reductions in order not to carry any over.

Colorado Cotton Oil Co.

Pay the highest price for Cotton Seed. Also exchange Meal and Hulls for your Seed.
R. G. ANDERSON, Mgr.

A. J. Payne
DRY GOODS - SHOES - CLOTHING

The Emporium of up-to-date things to wear. If it is not found here Dame Fashion has not approved it. In your mid-holiday shopping, don't forget the Daylight Store.

McCord-Collins Co.

Wholesale Dealers in Staple and Fancy Groceries.
T. SHIPLEY, Mgr.

The City Cafe

Caters to the most fastidious tastes. My line of Confections is the best. Fruits and Oysters specialties.
G. W. DUNN, Prop.

G. W. Nations

Everything in the Concrete line. Promptness and satisfaction.

J. M. RADFORD GROCERY CO.

The pioneer wholesale house of the Colorado country.
CLAUDE GILL, Mgr.

Texas & Pacific Telephone Co.

Covers West Texas with its wires. Talk is cheaper. Service is prompt.
ROBT. M. WEBB, Gen. Mgr.

Colorado National Bank

Capital.....\$100,000
Surplus.....\$100,000
THAT'S ALL

Western Windmill Co.

Is one of the fixed institutions of West Texas. Every year it widens its field and improves its service.
JOHN T. JOHNSON, Mgr.

A. J. ROE

Lumber and Wire

J. F. MCGILL

Dry Goods, Groceries, Clothing, Hats, Boots and Shoes. Place where the prices sell 'em

COLORADO STEAM LAUNDRY

Is doing better work and giving greater satisfaction than ever before. Why send your laundering away?

BURTON-LINGO LUMBER CO.

Has had an active part in the building up of the West and is now in better shape than ever to serve its patrons.
R. O. PEARSON, Mgr.

Western Telephone Co.

With its main and toll lines affords quick and satisfactory service to all the principal West Texas towns.

The City National Bank

Thanks its patrons for the liberal business of the past year and solicits its continuance for 1909.

Mr. Burks' Temple of Economy, No. 1

Wishes everyone a merry Christmas and happy New Year. His low prices will be continued all the year of 1909.

Jake's Restaurant

Reliance of the hungry since 1884. Ask first man you meet about Jake's place.

W. H. MOESER
Hardware, Tinning and Plumbing
COLORADO, TEXAS

J. P. MAJORS

Thanks the public for its liberal patronage, and wishes for all every blessing during the New Year.

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Colorado Record.

Fourth Year, No. 10

Colorado, Mitchell County, Texas, Friday, December 25, 1908

WHIPKEY PRINTING CO

OTHERS DECIDES RAILROADS

The verdict of the jury at El Paso, Texas, in awarding damages to a woman for injuries sustained by a bolt of lightning coming in the house over the telephone wire and hit her while she was talking, is one of the most remarkable decisions of this kind ever arrived at in Texas.

Rather, as might have been expected, than give a verdict in favor of the lightning for its effective work in bringing a woman's conversation to a close, the jury sat down and figured out a verdict for the plaintiff's husband, who demanded money for what had happened, and came out and reported that it was worth \$5000 to him.

If such a verdict is allowed to stand and the telephone company is forced to pay the woman for her injuries, then the damage suit industry in Texas is in its infancy, for it opens up fields new and pastures green never dreamt of by the damage suit lawyer or client.

If a telephone or a telegraph company can be made to pay for damage sustained by reason of the fact that it runs wires as a public service corporation into a private or business house, the limit of the length to which damage suits can be carried, is problematical. In such an event a telephone company can be made to pay for the destruction of a house burned by reason of lightning striking a wire and carried to the buildings, or it can be held liable if a "hot" wire of

the electric company falls upon one of its uninsulated strands and burns somebody or something in the places where connections are made; and it can be held responsible on a hundred and one other yet undiscovered causes.

It is hardly possible that the verdict will be allowed to stand in the higher courts, but such a verdict illustrates to what extremes a jury will go when a case is cleverly presented and a corporation is made defendant.

BIDS ARE ASKED

Postmaster Hazzard informs us that bids will be received up to and including Jan. 5th on the following routes:

Colorado to Cuthbert via Teville.

Colorado to Durham via Buford, Dunn, Ira, Sharon and Knapp.

Contractors must carry the mail on these bids until June 30, 1910. Parties wishing to make bids can get blanks at the post office.

SPECIAL POLICE NOTICE

This is to notify the public that the explosion of any and all fire works is strictly forbidden during the holidays, especially within the fire limits of the city of Colorado, and within the limits of Precinct No. 1, under penalty provided by law.

FRED MYERS,
Justice Peace Precinct No. 1.

EL PASO HERALD.

For Texas News. Best general newspaper in Western Texas. Sixty cents per month.

WOMAN TOUCHES HIM

A Colorado, Texas, cattleman, who refused to give his name, reported to the police station this morning that he had been robbed of \$250 in bills and a gold watch by a woman whom he had met in Juarez last night.

He stated that he had met the woman over there and that after they had "done" the fiesta, they came to this side. It was about 10 o'clock then, he said, and they parted. When he reached his room he found that his wallet containing \$250 had been taken from the inside pocket of his vest, and that his watch and chain were also gone.

After thinking the matter over he decided that his newly made friend had touched him, and he asked the help of the police in the matter, although it was small consolation they could offer him. He said he was surprised that she had not attempted to get his small change, as he had about \$10 in silver in his pockets.—El Paso Herald.

READ YOUR HOME PAPER.

No argument is needed to prove this statement correct. You also need a paper for world-wide general news. You cannot choose a better one—none adapted to the wants of all the family than the Dallas Semi-Weekly News. By subscribing for the Colorado Record and the Semi-Weekly News together, you get both papers one year for \$1.50; no subscription can be accepted for less than one year at this special rate and the amount is payable in cash in advance. Order now. Do not delay.

WINSTON NEWS

The people of this community are preparing for Christmas, hoping old Santa Claus won't get lost before reaching down here.

The literary society meets at Valley View every other Friday night, everybody cordially invited to attend.

The party at Mr. Thompson's was fairly attended.

Louis Haggerton and family, Jim Pagan and wife will move to the Judkins country to live.

Perry Irwin and wife will live in Miller Thomas' place the ensuing year.

Sunday school as the M. E. church is progressing nicely.

Messrs. Wells has moved to their new residences.

G. I. Cannon and family will move to Snyder.

Ben Bailey was seen in Loraine Tuesday purchasing some flour. It may be a fact that he is going to get married and the scribe sees where he is right in supplying himself with provisions.

Miss Johnnie Whatley spent Saturday with Miss Dee Mahoney.

Mrs. John Griffin and Mrs. E. J. Leggett were shopping in Loraine last week.

N. M. and C. J. Mahoney were in Loraine last week.

I will ring off by saying the communications composed by the Loraine, Westbrook and Shepherd writers, are simply sublime, which adds much to the Record as news. And is something that has been needed for a great while as I have been a correspondent for six years and was beginning to get lonesome and think they are far better scribes than the Winston scribe. Wishing all much success and a Merry Christmas, I am yours truly,

SUNSHINE.

[The Winston correspondent is the Record's "Old Reliable" and much it should miss Sunshine amid the worry and disappointment of the weekly treadmill.—Ed.]

DANGER IN DELAY

Kidney Diseases Are Too Dangerous for Colorado People to Neglect.

The great danger of kidney troubles is that they get a firm hold before the sufferer recognizes them. Health is gradually undermined. Backache, headache, nervousness, lameness, soreness, lumbago, urinary troubles, dropsy, diabetes and Bright's disease follow in merciless succession. Cure the kidneys with the certain and safe remedy, Doan's Kidney Pills.

B. F. Longacre, living in the south-western part of Merkel, Texas, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are certainly a good remedy for kidney trouble. I was troubled with sharp shooting pains across the small of my back and when I would stoop over I could not rise without taking hold of something. The secretions were also too frequent in action and unnatural. Hearing about Doan's Kidney Pills, I got a box and they cured the sharp shooting pains in my back and the kidney secretions are regular and natural. To endorse such a remedy is a pleasure.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, Sole Agents for the United States. Remember the name Doan's—and take no other. 12-18

TO THE PUBLIC.

You are hereby notified that on and after Sept. 1st, 1908, anyone caught camping, fishing, hunting or otherwise trespassing in and upon premises owned or controlled by me, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. W. R. FELKER, Proprietor H S Ranch. (8 28tf) By H. L. RANSOM, Mgr.

SHEPHERD ITEMS

Well here we come again with eyes brighter than ever before. 'Cause we have just heard some real good news from a far off friend.

Christmas too is nearly here and we have an invitation to share the contents of an express package. And I'll tell you now Mr. Editor we already feel a tingling of the nerves, such as are felt only at Christmas times.

Christmas tree and Christmas gift and Social Gatherings of the young is about all we can hear nowadays broken occasionally by the mournful plea of the old gobbler.

Cotton picking has been some what slow during the last few days on account of the cold weather.

Some of our Shepherd folks are talking of going to east Texas during the holidays.

Mrs. Bettie House was shopping in Colorado Saturday of last week.

Robert House and sister, Miss Winnie were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lewis last Sunday.

The quarterly meeting at Shepherd the 16th inst. passed off quietly enough and we must say for those who were not there that they missed a treat for a sermon.

Rev. Simeon Shaw, our presiding elder, preached one of the best sermons that day that it has been our pleasure to listen to.

Bro. Martin, Methodist preacher from Loraine attended the quarterly meeting at Shepherd last week.

R. F. Hargroves of Herbert and Bro. Baker of East Colorado attended conference in our midst last week.

Shepherd's Singing Class met last Sunday afternoon with a very good attendance. Our class will meet again the second Sunday in January, everybody come out and join us and let's have a good class here again.

Several of our young folks enjoyed a singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Cox last Sunday night.

A half dozen of the "jolliest of the jolly" of Shepherd's young folks attended singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner of East Colorado last Sunday night and they all report a nice time and lots of good singing.

Judging by the frequency of their visits, there must be something more attractive than singing over at Colorado, especially the eastern part of town for some of the boys who attend from Shepherd.

It is reported in our midst that our trader, Louis Higgins has a Shop of some kind for trade now.

If any of you Record readers want to know how far it is from Colorado to Shepherd just ask Claude White and Louis Higgins they can tell you for they stepped the distance last Saturday night.

The Socialists of our community held an interesting meeting at the school house last Saturday night.

Several of the young men of our community attended the W. O. W. Lodge at Colorado last Thursday night.

Miss Flossie Lewis of near Colorado is visiting her cousin, Miss Winnie House this week.

W. D. House was a pleasant caller at the home of Rev. White last Sunday afternoon, and if we can judge the future by the way a fellow acts we presume that something is going to happen before long.

Of course we would not in-

time a wedding but there will be a preacher present.

We have heard several compliments passed on the Shepherd correspondent for all of which Britt Eyes is very thankful.

And now dear readers and kind Editors if you will pardon us for sending you such a sorry letter this week we will now bid you a kind adieu and wish for you the most joyous Christmas of your lives. As ever,
BRIGHT EYES.

RAISE PEANUTS

Claude Gill of the J. M. Radford Grocery Co. in the interest of farmers wrote to the Terrell Peanut Factory at Terrell asking about the peanut industry and received the following letter:

Terrell, Texas, Nov. 30, '08.
J. M. Radford Gro. Co.,
Colorado, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Replying to yours of the 21st relative to peanut culture we beg to say that up to the present time there has been very few peanuts raised in Texas other than the Spanish peanut variety. We find that the average yield is forty bushels to the acre. But in some places the yield is much heavier than this, especially in west Texas near Abilene. Reports from there this season are that they are threshing from sixty to eighty bushels to the acre.

The least price we have paid for peanuts in the past ten years is fifty cents per bushel, f. o. b. shipping point, and the highest has been one dollar. We think you can safely count on an average of from sixty to seventy cents, taking one year with another. The average yield of hay per acre is from one to one and one half tons to the acre, and when properly cured is equal to alfalfa for feeding any kind of stock and is claimed by dairymen to be a better food for milk cows than anything else on the market. At least it is sold for about the same as alfalfa.

We do not think the farmers of your section would make a mistake in planting peanuts, as we are sure that the returns would be greater than any of the other staple crops now being raised in Texas.

If you desire any further information write us and we will be glad to furnish it if it is within our power. Yours truly,

Terrell Peanut Factory.

The Record takes the position that it is more profitable to raise peanuts, in the Colorado country than cotton and the above letter will bear us out in our position.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

This is to notify the public that the firm of Ferguson & Person has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Ferguson retiring, and the business will be conducted under the firm of B. F. Person. All accounts due the old firm are now due and payable to B. F. Person, and B. F. Person assumes and will pay all bills made by the old firm. All the accounts of the old firm are NOW DUE and we insist that they be settled at once.

Respectfully,
W. A. FERGUSON.
B. F. PERSON,
For the old firm of Ferguson & Person.

LADY WANTED

Honest industrious woman wanted to introduce our large line of fancy and staple goods, waists, trimmings etc. among friends, neighbors and town-people. We also manufacture a full line of perfumes and toilet articles, soaps. Should be able to earn \$20. or more weekly. Dealing direct from the mills our prices are low and patterns exclusive. No money required. Write us for full particulars. Standard Dress Goods Co., Dept. 9 Binghamton, N. Y.

It's so, if you saw it in the Record.

To My Friends and Customers:

Deeply grateful for the liberal patronage and expressions both of friendship and satisfaction in the service I have striven to give you, I wish for each individually all the material blessings they so richly deserve. May the year 1909 be a red letter epoch in your lives, and may the honest endeavors of youth and manhood be rewarded by an age of happiness and ease.

In this connection I desire to correct the undignified rumor that I am going to leave Colorado. This is absolutely without foundation.

Here have been spent the busiest years of my life; here have been built the volume and reputation of my business; here my family have been feared and here are rooted the strongest affections of my life.

J. P. Majors, Reliable Jeweler, is a fixed business institution in Colorado.

J. P. Majors.

The Loraine Department.

An Interesting Budget of News from our Enterprising Neighbor to the East.

BY MISS IRENE GARLAND.

Miss McCarty was the guest of her parents at Roscoe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Garland spent a few days with their brother and sisters here this week. They were enroute to Dekalb and other points in north-east Texas where they will spend the holidays.

Miss Bettie Lightfoot was the winner of the diamond ring which was given away by the Loraine News. Miss Lightfoot has done some good work for the paper and proved herself a "hustler."

J. W. Lightfoot and other enterprising business men have succeeded in opening main street and getting the much needed crossing on the east side of the T. & P. Depot. This is a piece of work which has been badly needed for a long time and will be a great convenience to the public.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Robertson were shopping in our little city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Walker entertained with an elaborate turkey dinner a number of their friends Thursday, Dec. 24th. A delightful day was spent and the guests were loud in praise of Mrs. Walker's excellent cooking.

Arlie Martin is home for the holidays and is helping at Hilliard & Martin's drug store.

W. C. Brown left Friday for Coleman where he will spend the holidays with his parents.

Misses Georgia Mewshaw, Christine McMurray, Gertie Murphy and Mrs. Perry, Prof. Helm

and wife represented the Loraine public school at the Teachers Institute at Colorado this week.

Mrs. H. H. Echols left Saturday night for Dekalb, Texas, in response to a message from relatives announcing the death of her sister, Mrs. Ellridge Keller, who came to Loraine about three months since, in hope of regaining her health but consumption had laid its deadly hand upon her and she only lived a few days after her removal from this place about two weeks ago.

The Bazar which was held in the front windows of Mr. Holmes' store by the Ladies Home Mission was a success, many beautiful things being sold for the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Harri Cameron of Winston are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Thomas, this week.

Dr. Shook was held prisoner in his room a day or two last week by a slight illness, but we are glad to state is himself again.

Dr. Copeland made Colorado a business visit Tuesday.

Abbie Pratt made Colorado a business call Monday.

Mrs. Dees is entertaining her daughter, Mrs. Woodard during the holidays.

Mrs. Adelle King and her pupils will give a piano recital at the opera house on the evening of January 8th. All lovers of good music and refined entertainment should not miss this opportunity.

The wedding bells are ringing in Loraine and the music of their

ringing is exceedingly sweet.

G. W. Willingham of Silver Creek made our city a business call Saturday.

T. O. Cowan made a business trip to Colorado Wednesday.

D. T. Wheeler left Saturday night to spend the holidays at his old home in Alabama.

J. T. Paschal of Pedland N. M. visited his sisier, Mrs. J. H. Briscoe several days of this week.

Dot the Miners Daughter at the opera house tonight, will be better than at the first performance, don't fail to see "Aunt Hap" and "Ebony."

Miss Bertha Starling entertained a number of friends at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. M. Perry Friday evening. Games and music filled the hours with pleasure.

The presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian church met here Thursday till Friday. A number of ministers and representatives of the churches were present and large congregations were in attendance at every service.

Mrs. George Pridgen Jr., who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. T. Pridgen left Friday for Big Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Flaniken are entertaining their sister, Mrs. Murphy and her little daughter, of Denver, Colorado.

Miss Zellner of Abilene came in Saturday to attend the marriage of her brother, Henry Zellner to Miss Winnie Davis Wednesday night.

GET BUSY SOMEBODY.

The star mail routes out of Colorado, which the Commercial Club was so anxious to retain, are likely to be lost to the town in default of bids for the contracts. The time expires January 15th, and unless we do something the routes will go some other town. Get busy somebody.

A GOOD ONE.

In "Don't Tell My Wife," the comedy to be played Thursday Dec. 31 a mother-in-law is determined that her son-in-law shall continue to be the hero he represented himself to be before marriage. Then, his troubles really begin. In his effort to successfully deceive his wife and mother-in-law this character, Captain Bennett, gets himself into almost inextricable difficulties which while serious for him are very laughable for the audience.

The story is natural and does not even border on the impossible. It is also clean and wholesome in tone. There is not a "naughty" line in it which will prove satisfactory to local playgoers who never did take kindly to the "problem" play or the Frenchified farce.

The company is composed of 16 people carefully selected for the roles, with costuming and scenic investure in keeping with the high quality of the production.

CITY COUNCIL MEET

Believing it to be to the best interest of all parties concerned, the Mayor called a meeting of the council Tuesday morning in the store of W. H. Moeser.

Present and presiding C. H. Earnest, Mayor; and aldrmen W. H. Moeser, F. M. Burns, M. C. Knott and J. E. Pond and Secretary, E. Keathley.

An order was passed changing the time of paying taxes and making the limit the same as that of state and county taxes and making the change permanent. Joe Key was made street commissioner at a salary of twenty dollars per month. No further business the meeting adjourned.

Ernest Keathley, Clerk.

Lithographed vendor's lien notes for sale at Record office.



RICHARD JOSE in "Don't Tell My Wife" at Opera House, Thursday, Dec. 31st. One night only.

The Colorado National Bank

Capital \$100,000

Surplus \$100,000

OFFICERS

A. B. ROBERTSON, Pres.

H. B. SMOOT, Vice-Pres.

T. W. STONEROAD Jr., Assistant Cashier.

F. M. BURNS, Vice-Pres.

W. J. HATCH, Cashier.

DIRECTORS

A. B. ROBERTSON, F. M. BURNS, H. B. SMOOT, C. M. ADAMS, GUS BERTNER, R. H. LOONEY and W. J. HATCH

Transacts a General Banking Business

AS A BEGINNING

Of a Strictly Cash Basis for our Business Next Year, we will

From this date on our books will be closed and we will sell strictly for cash to every one. And by this method we will be enabled to make prices that will equal any sale regardless of cost prices. We've got the money with which to buy our goods and will not be undersold by any one.

Our Gents' furnishing Department is complete.

We sell the famous John B. Stetson hat and the Ditmann shoes, best on earth. A complete stock of men's wearing apparel. **Groceries Are Our Hobby. Listen!**

Evaporated Fruits	Remember the loved ones at home. We have a splendid assortment of	Beans	Coffee
Apples per pound..... 10c	Oranges, Apples, Nuts and Candies	20 pounds Pink Beans for..... \$1 00	5-pound bucket Coffee for..... 85c
Peaches per pound..... 10c		20 pounds Navy Beans for..... \$1 00	5 pounds Lucky Blend Coffee for..... 85c
Figs per pound..... 10c	No Christmas is complete without these sweets for the children and those of all ages as well	16 pounds Lima Beans for..... \$1 00	7 pounds Our Special Coffee for..... \$1 00
Prunes per pound..... 10c		Jelly	Can Goods
Raisins per pound..... 10c	No hot air in the above---figures talk only in cold and impassioned tones. Don't grip your money, thinking a "better thing" still will come your way. The better are still---but it's the stillness of death.	5-pound jar Apple Jelly for..... 35c	3-pound can Tomatoes per dozen..... \$1 25
Pears per pound..... 12c		2-pound jar pure Fruit Preserves for..... 35c	2-pound can Tomatoes per dozen..... \$1 00
Just arrived—A large supply of East Texas Ribbon Cane Syrup—pure and delicious—none better		2-pound jar Apple Jelly for..... 25c	3-pound can Hominy per dozen..... \$1 20
10-gallon keg per gallon..... 50c		Greeley Potatoes per sack..... \$1 75	3-pound can Krout per dozen..... \$1 20
5-gallon keg per gallon..... 50c			2-pound can Strawberries per dozen..... \$1 20
3-gallon keg per gallon..... 55c			2-pound Blackberries per dozen cans..... \$1 20
1-gallon can for..... 65c			Can Corn per dozen..... \$1 10
			Flour and Meal
			Highest Patent Flour per 100 pounds..... \$2 95
			Meal per sack..... 70c

B. F. PERSON

The Name Is The TRADE-MARK

**LOCAL HAPPENINGS
and
PERSON A MENTION**

Mr. Shaw of Westbrook moved into the house lately occupied by John Rix last week.

Mrs. C. S. Ellis left this week for Ala., where she will spend the holidays. She will return here as Mr. Ellis will move to Oklahoma the first of the year. All regret to lose these good people.

Miss Exa McLure came in Saturday from Kidd-Key for the holidays.

J. W. Prude of New Mexico is visiting his brother John Prude.

Misses Shell Merrell and Dera Wulfjen of the Ft. Worth Polytechnic College are at home for the holidays.

Attention: City taxes delinquent after January 31st 1909. Pay them before then.

J. J. Kendrick of Plains, Youkum county was a visitor last week and left a nice order for stationery.

Mrs. Ward Gross and Dimple are visiting relatives in Snyder during Mr. Gross' absence north.

Monte and Oma Hasting are at home from school for the holidays.

There will be a Christmas tree at the east Colorado Presbyterian church tomorrow night.

The trade in holiday goods this week has been good.

The salary of the postmaster at Loraine has been raised to \$1,100 per annum.

Eloize Rogers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rogers of El Paso is here for the holidays with her many friends. She is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Key.

Our good friend K. M. Watkins of Dallas came out to spend the holidays with home folks in the Cuthbert country. He was accompanied by his wife and paid the Record office for a social call.

Say, why don't you return my big saw? T. H. Rowe.

J. N. Wilson, proprietor of the Clyde nursery was in Colorado this week and is very enthusiastic about the possibilities of this country for fruit raising. Mr. Wilson has been in the nursery business there twenty years and is acquainted with the conditions obtaining in west Texas. The stock from his nursery is always true to the agents' talk.

Pay your taxes before January 31st, after that date they will be delinquent.

Prof. Latimer, our Shepherd correspondent paid this office a pleasant call this week.

Forrest Payne of Austin College, Sherman, is spending Christmas at home.

Mrs. Inez Byrne paid the Record a business visit this week placing two ads in the want columns.

Mr. Phillip Hale of Arkansas, father of W. H. Hale, has moved to Colorado and is living south of town.

Attention is called to the organization of the Ministers Alliance of Colorado spoken of elsewhere in this issue. The plan of a union meeting of all the churches to be held next summer is a good one. Where each church holds a meeting of its own from one two to three weeks it means in Colorado a continuous protracted meeting from May to Oct. but this plan will give us a good meeting of some three or four weeks duration and where all can take part and concentrate their efforts for great and lasting good.

W. R. Patterson of Red River county, a cousin of county treasurer Patterson is a holiday visitor with relatives.

J. L. Phenix of Chickasha Ok., nephew of J. O. McCreless is prospecting in this part of the great west.

Wedding bells and orange blossoms will ring and bloom in Colorado early in January. Don't ask us for whom.

Ward Gross left this week for a trip through the states of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, to visit the implement factories.

Mrs. T. S. Tabor and children of Thurber are holiday guests of S. C. Knott and family.

The limit in which to pay city taxes has been extended to concur with the state and county limit, January 31st 1909.

Ed Britton of La Grange Ga., brother of L. T. and O. D. Britton of the Lone Wolf community came in this week on a visit and has decided to locate in Texas and will farm out there with the Britton boys.

G. W. Momack, the merchant prince of Cuthbert, was in for more printed stationery this week.

SERVICES AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Holmes Nichols will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday at the usual hours. Topics: 11 a. m. Characteristics of God's Earthly Priesthood. All are cordially invited. Strangers welcomed.

COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION

The Mitchell County Singing Convention will meet on the 1st Friday and Saturday in January, at Buford, six miles north of Colorado. Loraine now holds the banner as the best singer in the county, but the Cuthbert class will make a heroic fight for it at this meeting. Good singers will be present and everybody is invited to come to Buford.

**A Necessity
IN EVERY HAPPY HOME
Is a Vehicle
of some kind**

Everybody can not own an automobile, they cost too much and have many limitations. The buggy will ever remain the standard means of travel.

Have You One?

This is the season to buy a BUGGY, and our line is just now

A Little Bit Smarter,

A Good Bit Neater,

A Great Deal More Stylish

And a Whole Lot Cheaper

than can be found elsewhere. High grade, up-to-date style, durability Vehicles are my specialty, and I'm an expert in my business. If you are seeing Bargains, they are here on wheels. Hence they must go.

**C. C. Wyatt
Colorado, Texas**

GOOD PRINTING

Is the kind you get at the Record Office

**A Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year**

For things that you need for Christmas call on or phone

J. W. SHEPPERD, Phone NO. 100

and remember that our sale lasts until midnight, Dec. 24.

New Pecans
Walnuts
Almonds
Filbert and
Brazil Nuts

Cleaned
Currants and
Raisins

Don't forget
Golden Gate
Coffee, Tea
Spices and
Extracts

All gu'ranteed
to give
satisfaction
or money
refunded

Fine Fruits and
Vegetables
Malaga Grapes
Bananas
Red Apples
Oranges, Coconuts
Grape Fruit
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Lemons

Crisp Celery
Lettuce, Radishes
Cauliflower
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Turnips, Cabbage
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Potatoes
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Asparagus
Tangerine Oranges
New Dill Pickles

Sifted Peas
Brussel Sprouts
Water Cress
Cucumbers
Beans and Radishes
Cauliflower
Egg Plant
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COLORADO, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1908

Important Notice to Advertisers:

On January 1st 1909, our contracts with local advertisers will have expired, and no ads will appear on the first page of The Record after that date. All obituaries, Cards of Thanks, Resolutions of Respect and Personal Endorsements, will be charged for at the rate of Five Cents per line—six words to the line. Please bear the above in mind.

ALTOGETHER FELLERS:

Hail Christmas tide! Thou joyful feast!
Let every heart grow jolly;
Let ever room with green be dressed—
Bring mistletoe and holly.
And while the air is vibrant with
Happiness and goodly cheer;
With thankful hearts look up to Him
Who keeps us year by year.
Without the door let Worry stalk,
And if for cold he hap to die;
We'll truss him on a carving fork
And bury him in a Christmas pie.

Christmas Gift!

Avant dull care; we'll have none of you!

The nearest connection Texas can make with the Haines murder trial, is that a former Texan is on the jury.

When eggs are 40 cents the average Texan looks upon the prohibition of the nog as a very reasonable thing.

Japan and the United States are getting up a regulation case of the slobbering spoonies, but both keep a knife up the sleeve while kissing.

The fellow who celebrates the birthday of the gentle Savior by getting drunk and playing the devil generally, is—well size him up and put your own estimate on him.—Sterling City Record.

A government engineer has reported unfavorably on spending any money on the navigability of the Colorado river, but inspires a grafting hope by the assurance that "all the rivers of Texas run in the right direction." No doubt he meant—down hill.

Representative A. M. Kennedy of McLennan county, the leading candidate for speaker of the house, is an ardent advocate of the repeal of that part of the anti-pass law prohibiting railroads exchanging mileage for advertising. Mr. Kennedy has the Record's vote and influence without solicitation.

During the next year the Record earnestly desires a regular correspondent at every postoffice in the county. They can make the paper immensely better by short, crisp letters every week. Newspaper writing is largely an art, in which practice makes for constant improvement, but the standard of perfection has never been fixed. The paper is proud of its present correspondents and wants a dozen more like them. Won't you help?

The lease contracts at the Record office are the best; get one.

"Gooseneck" Bill McDonald has moved his citizenship from Terrell to Fort Worth. Who can doubt the eternal fitness of all things.

The German press is slinging over Castro, the Venezuelan president and ex-cowthief, preparatory to swallowing him, feathers, in'ards and all. Castro has \$60,000,000 and is looking for a location. Hoch!

Clarence Ousley of the Fort Worth Record is in Georgia investigating the conditions in that state under prohibition. He is looking for facts, draws no conclusions, and the man who reads is worse muddled than before.

The Fort Worth Record in a homily on "How to raise Babies" lays down the postulate that "the average mother is her child's worst enemy." That fellow has no family. Sher man, anybody could tell Ousley didn't write that joke.

The order of Postmaster General Myer that all letters addressed to Santa Claus, without destination or without being in the care of some one, be sent to the dead letter office, may be good department business, but it will be almost a tragedy in the faith and hope of childhood.

Senator Bacon of Georgia is seeing things. He is a prophet of the Balaam stripe, cursing or blessing with optimistic disregard for the signs. In his last apocalypse, he sees Democracy triumphant and rampant, on a quartering field of azure. To the Republicans he reads a doom to which the "mene, tekell uphar-sin" of old Belshazza was as a maiden's sigh to a Kansas cyclone, for fierceness.

The Marfa New Era is a good paper, bright and sensible, doing always the proper thing at the right time. Its Christmas cover last week emphasized the suspicion (just its ghost) that Brother French (foin awld Oirsh nem that) had anticipated the holiday festivities a bit and had piled his dates and sentiments in the same column. We'll leave it to you, offering the following editorials which appeared cheek-by-jowl, as evidence:

"Shut the door.
Pay your poll tax,
Merry Christmas.
Heads I win, tails you lose.
Have your eggnog ready.
Christ the Lord is risen today.
Praise God from whom all blessings flow."
He then announces no paper next week.

Whatever legislation may be enacted restricting and prohibiting the sale of whiskey, it should not be overlooked that the profits of the business is its vital breath. Take off the revenue, divorce it from federal protection, let it become as cheap, abundant and undrugged as water, and the neck of the hydra will be broken.

EDITORIAL CHANGE

At the annual meeting of the Record's directory, A. H. Weston was promoted to the editorship of the paper, F. B. Whipkey remaining strictly its business manager.

Mr. Weston has been tried out in this office during the past two and a half years as associate editor and general Poo Bah, and has thoroughly demonstrated the elements of ability and reliability, and while the undersigned is responsible for the expressions of the paper, yet Mr. Weston will have full control of this department. This arrangement is effective January 1st, 1909.

WHIPKEY PRINTING CO.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

There having been four issues of the Record this month and fifty-two during the year, completing the volume and fulfilling the terms of advertising contracts, there will be no paper on Friday, January 1st. The next issue will be January 8th.

Another reason—the office has been swamped with job orders for the past month, which must be cleaned up for the new year.

We've given our readers a good paper fifty-two times this year, and we crave their indulgence for one omission in order to begin the new year unhampered and in better trim to give prompt and satisfactory service.

Hoping to greet you all on January 8th with renewed energy, a brighter hope, a firmer faith and a larger charity, the Record wishes for all "the time of their lives."

Some of the Texas congressmen have become a trifle gunshy over the coming state prohibition shindy, and are not spitting on their hands and taking a half-Nelson hitch on the issue. They scent the battle from afar all right enough, but are not pawing up the ground and neighing for the fray. They have lost nothing that can be found in a family scrap.

Chief of Police Barron of Waco strongly favors a law making burglary a capital crime, arguing that every burglar entering a house was prepared and will kill to effect his escape. Let's see—The Napoleon code made highway robbery a capital crime in order to stop it; did it? On the safe assumption that dead men told no tales and that the criminal could be executed but once for a dozen crimes, he always murdered his victim before robbing him.

It requires no gift of prophesy to foresee trouble and a new alignment on the political chessboard, say nothing of the general shakeup in friendships, in the coming fight on state prohibition. Already there are signs of outpost, munitions, and sounds of whetting knives. There exists in Texas an anomalous state that will tend to complicate the fight, bitter enough under most auspicious conditions. Many zealous but timid friends of prohibition, believing the time had not yet come for a decisive conflict, and fearing the reactive effect of defeat upon their personal popularity or business, will sacrifice their convictions for social peace or business success. The politicians are beginning to practice the art of side stepping, and others are looking for neutral ground. But there won't be any; it will be for or against, with the campaign pitched on any plane that promises the best chance of success.

DO IT NOW

Order your mesquite cord wood from M. T. Crawford, \$4.50 from car. But remember that a cord best mesquite wood makes only 80 cubic feet loosely pitched in a wagon bed. I sell you 64 cubic feet of stovewood for \$3.75.

M. T. CRAWFORD.

PARSON, SPARE THAT TREE

One (rite) Reverend Doctor McAuthor, pastor of some very influential institution somewhere, (Kansas most likely) has just broken into odious notoriety, and taken up a lonely club against a rising sea of troubles. He proposes to abolish the Christmas Tree. Yessir! He has forbidden them in HIS church and the homes of his flock, (all bachelors and rheumatic spinsters we hope) on the grounds that it is a frivolous practice and "destroys our forests."

Now, we submit; what ought be done with a man like that? If this question were asked of the millions of merry children who look forward with eager eyes to the little tree, or of those greater millions whose conception of paradise and the "glad tidings of great joy" is the vision of the tree at Christmastide that bears for the loneliest and least of the Master's little ones, the golden fruit of happiness and charity; we ask, if this question were put to them all just now, and the answers gathered into one voluminous shout, it would be:

"Away with him; away with him! Release unto us Barabbas!" (Now Barabbas is a robber; he despoils our beautiful forests one day in every year.)

A church without the spirit of the Christmas tree, misses the finer essence of the Master's obligation of service in its childlikeness, and he who takes up arms against the great army whose battle cry is "Peace and Good-will" will go down in ignominious defeat.

"Abolish the Christmas tree? Not while the oldest of us can almost hear the stamping of the reindeers and the jingle of the bells. Not while it lights up the happy home with glowing tapers; not so long as it is a sign and symbol of good cheer and merriment; not so long as bright-faced children stand around it with glowing faces, radiant with the happiness it brings.

"Abolish the Christmas tree? You might as well stop the sleigh unharness the deer, confiscate the toys, shave Santa Claus' beard, and send him away to a monastery.

"Parson, spare that tree! It were well to pause before your Quixotic lance is shivered against the solid phalanx of Santa Claus' loyal friends."

EASY TO MIX THIS

What will appear very interesting to many people here is the article taken from a New York daily paper, giving a simple prescription, which is said to be a positive remedy for backache or kidney or bladder derangement, if taken before the stage of Bright's disease:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and again at bedtime.

A well known druggist here at home, when asked regarding this prescription, stated that the ingredients are all harmless, and can be obtained at a small cost from any good prescription pharmacy, or the mixture would be put up if asked to do so. He further stated that while this prescription is often prescribed in rheumatic afflictions with splendid results, he could see no reason why it would not be a splendid remedy for kidney and urinary troubles and backache, as it has a peculiar action upon the kidney structure, cleansing the most important organs and helping them to sift and filter from the blood the foul acids and waste matter which cause sickness and suffering. Those of our readers who suffer can make no mistake in giving it a trial.

Mortgage notes at The Record office.

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COLORADO, TEXAS

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THE PALACE MARKET

C. L. GRABLE, Prop.

Phone No. 96.

LUMBER YARD

Mr. Editor: One of my competitors says he has "the middle man knocked out." Too bad, ain't it? Another says he is "selling very cheap." Ah, the third one says he "can save you money." My, my, Mr. Editor, what is left for me to say, only that I

HANDLE THE BEST OF LUMBER AND WILL NOT BE UNDERSOLD

As to a windmill it's a fact, all others must go 'way back To get a seat, and have cold feet, for the Challenge has them beat

C. C. GRAVES THE CHALLENGE LUMBERMAN

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O. B. PORTER, Mgr.

Colorado, Texas

A GOOD SPEECH

At the meeting, a few weeks ago, of the Commercial Clubs in Colorado Mr. Cunningham of Fluvanna spoke as follows:—

Mr. President and Gentlemen:

When notified by the Secretary that I had been placed on the program for a short address before this body, my first thought was that my inexperience as a speaker would compel me to decline. But on considering that subject assigned me, which is a Report of Commercial Club Work and Progress of Our Town. I thought that I might perhaps venture to tell you of what we are doing in Fluvanna along this line. As Fluvanna is too young to be found on the map, and some of those present from a great distance may not know of its location, I will first say that it is located in the Northwest corner of Scurry county, and is the terminus of the R. S. & P. Ry., the grade of which will soon be completed. On account of its being the terminus of a railroad and comprising within its exclusive trade territory several of the best western counties, the town has grown very rapidly since it was located last April commercial club work has found a great field of endeavor. Our Club was organized shortly after the establishment of the town. Its work has been very enthusiastic and successful. One of its first accomplishments was the opening of a dirt road at a cost of eight hundred dollars to connect Fluvanna with an inland town in an adjoining county, thereby diverting to our town exclusively almost the entire trade of a whole county. The opening of this road required the conquering of a great bluff between the two towns, but nothing was too great for our club,

and the road stands today a monument to its work. One of the greatest results of commercial club work, so I have found by our experience at Fluvanna, is the bringing closer together of business men, the sustaining of interest in the town's welfare and development of the country, and the uniting of all in the bonds of a common purpose. This has and always will have a beneficial effect on any town, and in our instance it has had its part in the location of some of our best business enterprises. Few towns can boast as can Fluvanna, of a complete system of water works at such age, although an abundance of water is found at a depth of 100 feet as pure and sparkling as any one could wish to see. One of the main objects of club organization is the making known to the outside world of existing opportunities, and to this our club is giving special attention. It is preparing to keep constantly before the people the fact that Fluvanna is the terminus of the R. S. & P. Ry., and is to remain so for a number of years at least; that because of the vast territory, rich and unsurpassed, which is tributary to our town, we will ship out over the railroad the first year 500 acres of maize and Kaffir corn, which now has an established market at prices which insure an era of great prosperity for our people; also 200 cars of potatoes, 10,000 bales of cotton, and at least 50,000 head of cattle. This might seem larger to a stranger, but by visiting Fluvanna one can find people in town every day trading from Scurry, Kent, Garza, Dickens, Lynn, Terry, Lubbock, Dawson, Gaines, Crosby, Hockley and Borden counties, a trade territory unequalled in the state. For years we have had our eyes

on two bright stars situated at the terminus of railroads—Angelo and Stamford. And Fluvanna, likewise favored, is now going to give them a race for being the Queen City of the West, a friendly competition that will do all good. There are great things in store for all of Western Texas, Fluvanna in particular, so let's keep our shoulders to the wheel of Western progress and development.

GOOD FOR TEXAS

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Leading interests in the Colorado Southern Railway company, including Edwin Hawley, who is said to be the largest individual stockholder, and Frank Trumbull, president of the road, announced today the sale of the road to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company.

The acquisition of the road by the Burlington gives the Hill system—the Burlington being owned by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroad companies—its long desired outlet to the Texas coast.

CARVING THE TURKEY

Some Suggestions As to How to Do it Right.

The turkey is not usually carved in a scientific manner, but it should be, for the carving is a very important part of the feast. There are many carvers who actually dull the appetite, they go at the work so clumsily. But there are others, who whet the appetite—make the mouth water and the eyes shine—as they run the keen knife through the savory muscles and along the bone. Don't let anybody carve the turkey. It is the work of a genius. The customary method of laying the turkey on its back, plunging the fork down into its white

breast, and then sawing heavily into the ligaments and joints, is all wrong. Carving a turkey is not a struggle, it is a deed of grace, which is as happily done as the prestidigitator does his little trick on the stage—no turmoil no confusion, no worrying with conditions. There is no scraping of bone, no digging frantically into a joint. It is all as gentle as gathering a bunch of lilies.

You lay the turkey on the side, raise the leg and second joint with a fork, and sever them from the body with a slip of the knife; then the wing the same way. It is all done without a ruffle or a scuffle. There is no fierce glare in the carver's face. He is as tranquil as the eventide. Turn the turkey on its back, cut down the thin slices of the breast, then turn up the other side and repeat. Why, it's actually beautiful the way it is done, and then how much the action is entitled to a treatment in which grace and skill abound. When sitting down to the turkey—don't get a haggler to carve it. Let him look on and learn first how to carve.—Ohio State Journal.

One of the most remarkable documents before the present congress is the report of the secretary of agriculture, just made public. It is marvelous exposition of the condition of this country. It shows that the value of the farm products of the United States for 1908 reached the most extraordinary total in the nation's history—products of the mines, including mineral oils and precious metals. The farmer contributes 87 per cent of the raw materials used in those manufacturing industries which depend mostly or considerably upon agricultural materials, and these industries use 42 per cent of all materials used in all industries.

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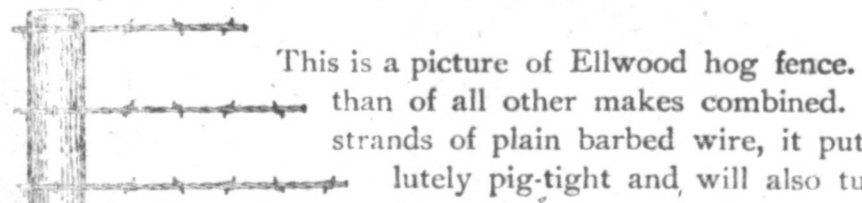
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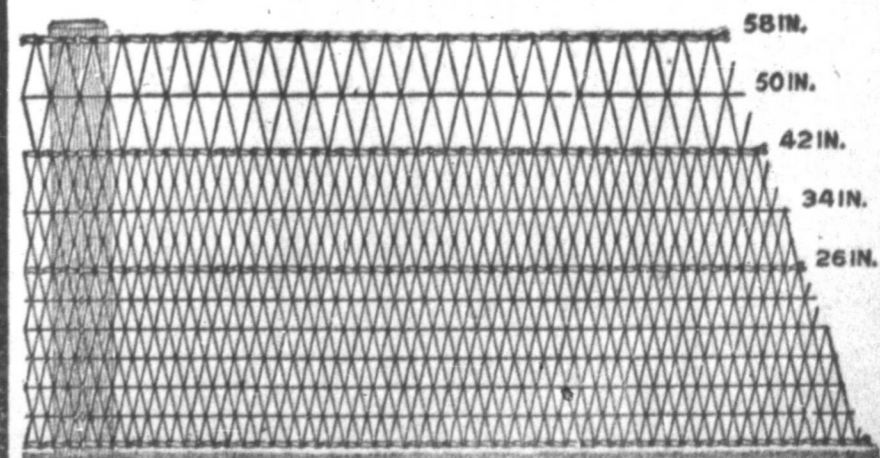
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ON THE TRAIL OF THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY

By WILLIAM T. ELLIS

This Distinguished American Journalist is Traveling Around the World for the Purpose of Investigating the American Foreign Missionary from a Purely Disinterested, Secular and Non-Sectarian Standpoint. Illustrated with Drawings and from Photographs.

THE IDEAL MISSION FIELD IS IN NORTHERN KOREA.

Seoul, Korea.—To get close to the actual acts of missionary work in any country, as well as of the true political and social conditions, it is necessary to move out from the capital or port cities and to sojourn for a time in rural parts. So I have been out seeing the real Korea, itinerating among country villages where there are churches, and in the meantime seeing at first hand what is said to be the most picturesque people in the orient. The "how" of missionary work in this country may be set forth by a recital of this concrete experience.

Sometimes the missionary on tour puts his outfit on a little Korean pony and then, mounting on top of it, rides. At other times he walks. Women missionaries often travel in chairs, borne by coolies. In the present instance we walked, and two coolies carried our packs containing folding cots, bedding, food and cooking utensils. It is impossible for most white persons, to subsist in health upon the Korean diet of rice and pickled vegetables. As to the matter of sleeping—more of that later.

The Orient Which Changes Not. A pedestrian tour through rural Korea is better worth while than the same amount of time spent in Seoul. The first afternoon we traveled for five hours over the narrow paths between rice fields which serve for roads in Korea; they are the "waysides" of the familiar parable of the sower. Wheeled vehicles are unknown outside of the cities, though

Yet they had never seen this particular "Moksa," or "shepherd," before. The field is that of Rev. Dr. H. G. Underwood, one of the missionary veterans of Korea, but he is absent on a furlough, and his duties have fallen to Rev. Ernest F. Hall, a young man who was for several years assistant pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, New York city. Mr. Hall is still supported by the Fifth Avenue church as its representative in Korea. Many times during the days we were together I wondered how often he thinks of the contrast between Fifth Avenue congregations and these Korean villagers, who, in truth, personify the simple life.

The best room in one of the largest farm houses in the village was made ready for us by the easy process of the family's tumbling out, since the room was absolutely devoid of all furnishings except a chest for best clothes and treasures. From the ceiling, which was a lofty one for Korea, being seven or eight feet high, hung various articles, such as a cheese-shaped hat box. The entrance to the room was through a paper-covered doorway four feet high by two wide. There was a small window, likewise of paper, on either side of the room. The dimensions of the latter were 8 feet by 12, so that the missionary congratulated himself on our roomy quarters. Eight by eight is the normal room.

Christianity's Remarkable Growth. While we were at supper a Korean Christian entered with the news that in a small village two hours far



A Korean Village.

the Koreans have a ponderous two-wheeled ox-cart which they claim was the original wheeled vehicle. Unlike Japan, where only a hand plow is used, the Koreans cultivate their fields with oxen. The last of the rice crop had been gathered and the threshing floors of the farm houses in the villages were busy places. There are no solitary farm houses in this country; the farmers live in villages and go out to their fields early in the morning.

The Missionary with a Gun. In many of the villages through which we passed, churches are established; and occasionally we stopped to speak to some native Christian. The "Moksa," or missionary, is a person of distinction, and his passage an event. Of course, all speech, is in Korean; there is no such widespread knowledge of English as in Japan.

As we traversed the country-side the absence of the shrines and idols that mark every Japanese highway was noticeable. Now and then we saw a neglected booth, erected for the propitiation of some evil spirit. At a pass in the mountains we came to a tree with staves heaped around it; it supposedly embodied an evil spirit, and every traveler casts a stone at it. The hillsides are covered with grave mounds, regarded as sacred, and before some of these are tablets, now and then sculptured crudely into human form. Broadly speaking, however, Korea may be regarded as a country without a religion.

The country itself is beautiful, largely mountainous, but with fertile valleys. There are many wild fowl, geese, ducks and pheasants, and it is quite usual for the itinerant missionary to carry a gun to provide the meat for his meals. In the interior the missionary occasionally bags a deer or a wild boar; and there is always the possibility of meeting a tiger. Some missionaries, who are a hundred miles from a beefsteak, eat pheasant three times a day because they cannot afford bacon or ham.

From Fifth Avenue to Korea. After a 15-mile tramp, we reached at dusk the village which was our destination. The welcome that was given to the missionary was really beautiful to behold. Old men and young, with little children in their train, came forward with beaming faces, and with the ancient salutation of "Peace." They caught the missionary's hands, squeezed his arm or affectionately patted his shoulders

ther on where no missionary had visited, a group of believers (that word is commonly used in Korea) had recently sprung up, numbering ten families. They had been visited each Sunday by the Christians from our village and given instruction, but they wanted the missionary to visit them and establish a catechumen class. Mr. Hall's program was too full on the present tour to admit of this. In our stopping place the elder further reported, there were 40 candidates for baptism to be examined. This particular community illustrates the phenomenal Christianization of this country, which is now less than a generation removed from the rank heathenism and a seclusion which earned for it the title of "The Hermit Nation." The settlement comprises 38 houses and of these 25 are Christian.

Practically the entire village turned out for the evening service, most of them carrying Bibles and hymn books. The singing was led by the missionary, there being no organ. The congregation is dependent upon his visits for new tunes, though they retain with surprising correctness the ones formerly learned. Mr. Hall also taught the people, by having them repeat the words after him, the first question and answer of the Westminster Shorter Catechism, which has lately been rendered into Korean. The time-honored figure, "drank in every word," best expresses the attitude of the congregation toward the sermon.

While the missionary preached, I watched the people. All except the children were in white. Many of the women, who were curtained off from the men, had babies on their backs or at their breasts. Some of the men wore the wide, horn spectacles of the Chinese scholar. All except the few unmarried ones had their hair done up in top-knots, with a brain squeezing black net band around their heads. Most wore the horse-hair inner caps.

The children wore clothes of many colors—pink, yellow and green predominating. Candidly, all would have looked better after an application of soap and water; the Korean has not yet fully learned the godliness of dirt. None of the people showed the foreign influence in their clothes, as is the case in Seoul, where even the top is beginning to disappear. In the latter place I saw a boy in church whose dress consisted of Japanese imitation of American shoes; stockings with black, yellow and green

stripes fastened with a purple garter; white, baggy Korean trousers; a red coat, tied under the arms with lavender ribbon; a pale green sweater peeping above it at the neck, and a brown plush scarf about his throat somewhat like the hangings of an old-fashioned pullman car. His headgear was a Japanese military cap. Korean children, like their elders, sit on the floor during service with the foot of one leg crossed over the thigh of the other; and, like their elders, they are quiet and attentive.

Putting Converts Through the Mill. After the service was over, the elders gathered around the missionary and proffered formal request that he come as soon as possible and spend a few days in teaching them the Bible. Mr. Hall had to put them off with a vague promise, as his field is too large for him to do more than look over it. I was interested to note that, while elsewhere missionaries have to adopt various devices to attract hearers, such as English classes, cooking classes, etc., in Korea the people seem to want simply the Bible; and the missionaries, are unable to meet the demand for the teaching of it.

Early the next morning, after a night which in the interest of delicacy would better be passed over without comment, the missionary began the work of examining the 40 applicants for baptism. The three "leaders" of the local church, and a visiting elder from Seoul, sat on the floor of our sleeping room, and the candidates were brought in one by one. The first was a man of 40 who had learned to read in order to read the Bible, a common experience among the Korean converts. The next was a boy of 12, son of Christian parents. Then came a young man of 28, with an old man. A bright boy of 12, with his hair up in a top-knot, in token of being "a man," had been married a year to a girl of 15, also a believer. Although married, these children reside with their own parents; the missionary instructed them to do so until they have reached the marriageable age fixed by the church, which is 16 years for a girl and 18 for a man. Many such practical problems as these arise among a people fresh from rank heathenism.

After watching the examinations for several hours, and having the questions translated to me, I must say that the fitness of the candidates for church membership is very rigidly guarded. The examination is much more rigid than a person has to undergo in order to become a member of a church in America. I told the missionary that I would not risk it myself; he requires almost a theological education on the part of converts. This strictness is necessary, however, to keep the people from joining the church from un-Christian motives; it would be easy otherwise to turn Christianity to political uses in Korea. I was pleased to note that the strictness of the examination was abated in the case of some ignorant peasant women. One had been a believer nine years, and the leaders testified to her piety; so, although she could not read nor answer many of the questions, she was taken into the church.

All day long the missionary worked over these examinations, and at five o'clock he had only got through 26 persons; the others would have to wait until his next visit. Fourteen of the candidates were passed for baptism and 11 retained in the catechumen class for a while longer. Just before dusk a leader went out and blew a whistle to summon the village to church, and the people laid aside their labors and assembled for the baptismal service. This was simple, brief and impressive. I think I shall remember the sight of the procession of white-robed villagers with Bibles and hymn books under their arms, filing down the hill from the church at sunset.

When we hastened away from the village, the people gathered with many good wishes. The simplicity, open-heartedness and affection of these child-like Christians is really affecting. Because I was with Mr. Hall they considered me a missionary-in-law, I suppose, and they sent me off with such demonstrations of interest and such repeated benedictions as do not often fall to the lot of a journalist. It was a new sensation. I really liked it so that when on the day following, a boy carrying on his back two 15-foot timbers of telegraph-pole thickness (a Korean coolie will carry four times his weight and six times his bulk) stopped me with beaming face and squeezed my arm, I took it for granted that he had seen me at church and I responded with the salutation of "Peace," which I had learned.

As we went on our way from each village some of the elders would accompany us, as the Ephesian elders accompanied the Apostle Paul. The custom is an oriental one, as is also the constantly repeated salutation of "Peace! Peace!"

Summing up the whole trip, three facts especially impressed me. 1. The receptivity of the Koreans toward Christianity, in eagerness and sincerity. 2. The thoroughness of the work of the missionary, and the vigilance with which church membership is guarded. 3. The remarkable fact that the missionary has no time to go after people or do any pioneer evangelistic work; the church is propagating itself. Here, in two decades, has been created a native church that is wholly self-supporting and self-extending. I have no doubt that if the present missionary force in Korea were quadrupled or sextupled at once, practically the whole nation would become Christian in less than a score of years.

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This is the last chance you will have to see this dusky band of entertainers for some time, as they go abroad next season for an extended tour.

The personnel of the company this season includes such well known names as Clarence Powell, Pete Woods, Happy Beauregard, Fred Simpson, William Robson, Billy King, J. W. Cooper, Alonzo Moore, Sidney Kirkpatrick, Charley Scott, Marsh Craig, Ben Johnson and a host of others. The beautiful new electrical First Part, "The meeting of the Alumni," is a radical departure in minstrelsy, aces and aces beyond anything attempted by competitors, really it is the acme of perfection. There is a big singing and dancing act, "Plantation Pastimes," in which the full strength of the company appear. Cooper and his wooden headed family keep the audience in roars of laughter. Clarence Powell, the corpulent comedian, who talks about his family, has several new ones for you to think over.

Moor, a Hindo importation, has an act the like of which you have never seen before. Craig is as big a mystery as ever, and the beautiful and screamingly funny musical burlesque, "When the Troop Struck Town," is along entirely new lines.

The parade will occur at noon.

The Kansas City Star says: Attention has already been called to the fact that the next president will have appointments to make in the supreme court. That the majority of the justices may change in the next four years has not, however, been generally understood. Justices are permitted to retire at the age of 70 on full pay. Of the nine members of the court, five are now above 70 and one will attain that age before 1913. Their present ages are as follows: Chief Justice Fuller, 75; Justice Harlan, 75; Justice White, 73; Justice Brewer, 71; Justice Peckham, 70; Justice Holmes 67. The next president may therefore determine the tendency of supreme court, not merely so far as personal fitness is concerned, but toward certain broad questions. Pre-eminent among these is that of Nationalism as contrasted with state rights. This involves the ability of the federal government to regulate the corporations, a matter of the greatest importance to the republic.

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THE SOCIETY REALM

Mrs. J. G. Merrill, Editor

Colorado is famed for its brilliant social functions but the entertainment given by the Gentlemen's Euchre Club, Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Adams in honor of the Ladies Card Club eclipsed all former efforts in elegance and hospitality. The wives and husbands of both clubs and a few outside friends were invited there being about ninety present. The guests were presented to the receiving line by the host who stood at its head. Messrs Bell, Prude, V. W. Allen, Merritt, and McKenzie were also in this. After all had arrived, score cards appropriately decorated for both ladies and gentlemen were passed and sixteen tables of enthusiastic euchre players entered heartily into the game. At eleven o'clock Mrs. Adams announced an intermission and then elegant refreshments of roast turkey, creamed oysters, jelly head and butter, pickles, olives and coffee were most generously served by the young ladies who had kept score and in other ways helped to make the evening the success it was. These were Misses Mitchell, Lillie Allen, Lillian Liles, Ethel Stokes, Elizabeth Menzes, Lois Prude and Jeanette Earnest. The dainty dresses and beautiful faces of these rosebuds was an added touch of beauty. After supper three more games of euchre were played and then the prizes were awarded. Mrs. Artie Bailey won the club royal, in a cut with Mrs. J. L. Allen, this was a handsome cut glass bowl. The lone hand an elegant hand painted chop plate, went to Miss Bess McMurry. In the guest prizes Mrs. Ingram and V. W. Johnson cut for the royal, another beau-

tiful chop plate, which was won by Mrs. Johnson. The guests lone hand, a pretty plate, went to Miss Looney. The ladies may well look to their laurels as hostesses for such pleasure is rarely enjoyed as the evening spent as guests of the gentlemen's euchre club. Some of the costumes worn Thursday evening were exquisite enough to demand description, while all were beautiful and becoming to the ladies whom they adorned. Mrs. Brooks Bell was charming in hand painted silk with trimmings of pink and green. Miss Elsie Bertner was beautifully attired in a blue satin princess with trimmings of blue lace and applique. Miss Looney's princess costume of blue mouselaine with trimmings of lace was becoming. Miss Eva Hamner never looked more beautiful than upon this occasion. Her gown was a pink satin empire. Mrs. J. B. Gray of El Paso had on a beautiful satin empire, with lace yoke and sleeves. Miss Arneti wore a red silk empire trimmed in persian bands. Mrs. Radford was also in an empire gown of purple mouselaine with persian trimmings. Mrs. Lindsay was beautiful in green crepe de chene with trimmings of black. Mrs. Arnie Bailey's gown of lace over blue satin was especially pretty. Miss Isla Wulfjen was lovely in blue satin. Miss McMurry in white over pink. Mrs. Allen in flowered silk. Mrs. Bertner in black lace over white. Mrs. Ferguson in blue mouselaine with trimmings of red.

The Hesperian club met last week with Mrs. A. J. Payne and a splendid Christmas program given. The next meeting will be January 8, with Mrs. Leslie, with this program.
Leader.—Mrs. Majors.
Roll Call.—Quotations.
Parliamentary drill.

Lesson Act 3 scenes 1 and 2. Does Hamlet love Ophelia or is this a Minor event in his life.—Mrs. Collier.
Character sketch, Philippino.—Mrs. Bell.
Botticelli.—Mrs. Leslie.
Ghirlandajo.—Mrs. Dolman.
Venocchio.—Mrs. Doss.
Discussion.—The works of these artists.

The high school literary society met on Thursday this week and the usual good time was had by the hilarious youngsters. Several new members were received and initiated and the usual business transacted.

Mrs. R. D. Ingram and children left Wednesday for Weatherford where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Ingram's mother and sister, Mrs. Hensley.

On Friday morning at ten o'clock the fond mothers and a few fathers gathered at the Kindergarten rooms to enjoy the Christmas party which they had been invited early in the week. In the center of the room was the Christmas tree beautiful with trimmings of paper chains, silver stars, and lanterns made by the babies themselves. After singing their Christmas songs, Miss Olenbush told a pretty story and then the gifts were distributed, a lovely calendar for each mama, a match scratcher for the papas of the "big" people. These were decorated in holly and paintings with pictures of Madonnas and were really artistic. The children have done splendid work and all are delighted with Miss Olenbush as a teacher. The price of tuition after Christmas will be \$2 and a connecting class will be taught. Miss Olenbush left Saturday morning for her home in Waco to spend the holidays. Miss Terrell will also spend Christmas away.

Friday evening Misses Reaville and Higginbotham gave a joint recital at the auditorium, while Miss Stowers held an art levee afterward. There were a number of Miss Reaville's pupils who played and each did so well that their teacher was made glad while the parents were equally proud of their children and their instructor. Miss Higginbotham's pupils likewise reflected credit upon her teaching. She is an elocutionist of unquestioned ability and knows how to teach as well as recite. At the close of the program a picture of Lee and his generals appropriately framed in gray was presented to the high school by the U. D. C. chapter as a Christmas gift. Mr. Newly made a beautiful little speech in presenting this in which he expressed his admiration of the U. D. C. generally and the schools appreciation of the gift. All were then invited to look at the paintings which adorned the walls, the work of Miss Stowers' art class. This it was a pleasure to do, each being a thing of beauty, to be convinced that her pupils have done good work one has only to see this artistic and beautiful collection of pictures. Colorado should certainly be proud of these teachers and the good work they are doing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Harness celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Tuesday and were entertained by their daughter Mrs. Anna Simon who had invited all the friends who had resided in Colorado for over twenty years. It was indeed a gathering of old timers. The cosy little home was bewitchingly decorated in green and red and looked very Christmasy with its red bells and mistletoe. The couple who for a half century had traveled life's road together stood together and received the

congratulations of their friends. Many beautiful gifts in gold, china, cut glass, embroidery and paintings evinced the love and appreciation of these friends to their old neighbors. Mr. Harness made a talk telling of his early life and the trials experienced on the Texas frontier. Some old time music was given by Miss Claudia Rogers and Miss Reaville, Home Sweet Home, Swanee River and Coming Through the Rye, sounding very appropriate.

At an early hour the guests were invited into the dining room where the decorations were most lavish and beautiful. The dining table was covered with a lunch cloth embroidered in red roses with a border of point lace. The red and green were continued here. Delicious pressed turkey with crackers, pickles, coffee and fruit cake were served. Those present expressed the hope that Mr. and Mrs. Harness might live to celebrate their Diamond wedding and that they might be there to enjoy the happy event with them.

On Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Jim Smith, Miss Claudia Rogers gave a musical recital which was greatly enjoyed by the parents and friends of her Kindergarten music pupils. The parlor was most beautifully decorated in greens. The big bay window as a back ground for the performers was draped in garlands with tinsel and yellow chrysanthemums with ferns and other pot plants artistically arranged. The little tots were beautiful in their dainty Christmas clothes and each of them did their part beautifully. Miss Mary Risinger who did the playing for the songs helped much to make the affair the success it was. She is a musical artist from a family of artists and her

playing is always delightful. Miss Rogers entertained about fifty of her friends at this affair and all are loud in their praise of the little folks' ability and the training received from their teacher.



"DON'T TELL MY WIFE."

There is no going back on the returns, as the election inspector would say, and the same will apply to the big success being recorded by Richard Jose, now touring with the farce-comedy "Don't Tell My Wife" which will be played here Thursday Dec. 31st. Jose is the sweetest ballad singer this country has ever known. Among the numbers he so beautifully renders none appeal to the older people in the audience like "Belle Brandon", a ballad that was copyrighted in 1843. When the singer begins you will see gray-haired people all over the house straighten up in their seats, and ere he concludes many of them have tears coursing down their cheeks at the memory it revives.

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MITCHELL COUNTY TEACHERS

Hold an interesting and profitable institute meeting in Colorado.

The Mitchell County Teachers' Institute convened at the Christian church in Colorado Friday, Dec. 18, 1908. The house was called to order by Mr. McDonald, who acted as chairman.

The following teachers were present:

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Helms, Mrs. Perry, Misses Murphy and Mewshaw, T. H. Halbert, R. B. and J. A. Hood, M. L. Hill, W. R. Wamack, J. T. Elliott, T. C. Brown, F. E. Baker, E. Sismore, J. E. Moxley, M. A. Cleveland, L. E. Seay, Misses Shaws, Gottlieb, McMurry, Terry, Percy, Hardin, Creath, Welch, and H. M. Mauldin.

Miss Ida Hale was elected secretary.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, enrollment was deferred to the afternoon session.

The program was opened by a pointed address by Judge Coe.

The regular program was then taken up and carried out in an interesting manner. The best of which, we think, was Mr. Hale's talk on morals. He charged that moral training should have the predominant place in the public schools.

The Institute enjoyed an able address by Mr. Brawley, in which he defined clearly the purposes and work of the state school for the blind. He is superintendent of that institution.

Then adjournment for dinner.

At the afternoon session Mr. Brawley again addressed the Institute, on the subject of education, in which he gave some interesting statistics of the comparative standing of Texas as to public education with reference to the other states of the Union. Among other things we recall the following: Texas ranks in length of school term 38th, in per cent of local tax 42nd, in scholastic age 46th, in illiteracy of natives 32nd, in illiteracy of foreigners 46th, in permanent school fund 1st, in system last; of every 100 scholastics in Texas 47 are out of school. These percentages show that Texas is far in the rear on public education, and it is hoped that every parent who reads this will think a little along this line, and we believe they will become more interested in education and keep their children in school.

Friday and Saturday's program was rendered by the teachers of Colorado aided by the other teachers.

The last three days program was rendered by all teachers other than Colorado teachers, but some of the latter aided.

Each program was gotten up with much care and most all vital subjects of school interest both of town and country was discussed and the entire program was interesting.

At the business session Tuesday afternoon M. L. Hill introduced a resolution asking Representative W. B. Crockett to aid and support a bill for compulsory education in this state, which was passed unanimously.

Mr. Hale was elected to represent this county in the summer normal.

Mr. McDonald was recommended for appointment on the state board of examiners.

The Institute closed Wednesday afternoon. There was general feeling that the work and exercises will result advantageously to all. It was an interesting and harmonious meeting.

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R. S. Ashburn, who has been here the past two weeks in the interest of the Columbian Woodmen, returned home this week and left his business in charge of J. A. Langley, who has been a Columbian Woodman for two years.

FARMERS' UNION NOTICE

The Farmers Union of Mitchell County will meet in Colorado on Friday, January 8th 1909. All local unions in the county are notified to have their delegates present, as much business of importance is to come before the union. C. M. REED, President.
W. H. GARDNER, Sec-Treas.

HAS MOVED

Pritchett & Sons have moved into the old brick livery stable building opposite the new depot, where their friends and customers are invited to come to see them.

Chas. C. Wyatt, the vehicle man, offers 10 per cent discount on all vehicles bought of him in December.

The "army of pacification" loaned Cuba by Uncle Sam, will cost that island about \$5,000,000, and dirt cheap at that.

A bill making warehouse receipts for cotton a legal tender, will be introduced before congress this session.

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To the brain-fagged business man, overworked clerk and drudging housewife, no form of amusement appeals as does the Minstrels. Their fun is natural, spontaneous and exhilarating free from rant and theatrics.

Undoubtedly the best known and popular minstrel organization before the public to-day is Richards & Pringle's, which appear at Colorado on Saturday night, Dec. 26th.

Each year they bring a brand new show, and each year the show seems a little better than their previous visit. There are a lot of new faces this season, but Clarence Powell still heads the fun fountain. They are forty in number, and every one of them is an artist.

There is a band of twenty and an orchestra of ten; and such a band and orchestra, well, they're worth going a long way to hear.

There will be a big parade at noon, and a free concert in front of the theater at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

THE City Meat Market
Gives you the kind of Steak that you want and cuts it just as you request it cut.
We have no cold storage vaults, but meats taken from our ice box will keep longer in the open air than stored meat which promptly disintegrates.
We ask for a reasonable part of your patronage.
ELLIS & BROADDUS
Phone No. 117

... THE ...
Alamo Hotel
... New ...
Management
Building thoroughly overhauled and everything is neat and clean. Table is supplied with the best the market affords. Clean and well kept rooms.
TOBE CRAWFORD, proprietor
First-Class Service Guaranteed
Colorado, Texas.

Hooper's Tetter Cure

(Don't Scratch) Is sold by druggists everywhere on a positive guarantee to cure Dan-druff and all Scalp Troubles, Tetter, Eczema, Itch, Ringworm, Chapped, Sunburned Face and Hands, Pimples, Itching Piles, Sore, Sweaty, Blistered Feet, Cuts, and all Irritations of the Skin. Does not stain, grease or blister. Two Sizes. 50c and \$1.00 bottles. Trial Size 10c. Mailed direct, on receipt of price.

HOOPER MEDICINE CO., Dallas, Texas.

WILL MOVE

The Western Union Telegraph Co., has rented the front office in the Record building and will move in on January 1st.

For Man and Beast

Our Lap Robes and Blankets give greater warmth, give better wear, look neater and give more genuine satisfaction to the user than any yet put on the market. You cannot do better than to make a selection from our elegant stock.

J. B. ANNIS

Next to McLure, Basden & Company
Colorado, Tex.



J. W. NUNN
GRAIN, HAY AND HIDES
Conducts a First-Class Wagon Yard and Blacksmith Shop in Connection. Mr. Logan Spalding has charge of the blacksmith Shop. He is a first class blacksmith and horseshoer.

Farm Implements

Have just received carload of Farm Implements, embracing Disc Plows, Stalk Cutters, etc., which we are going to sell

At Very Reasonable Prices

We Are Still Selling

Stoves at Cost

These are the Famous Bridge & Beach Stoves, Cookers and Heaters. I am going to quit handling stoves and will close out this car load at actual cost. Also a small stock of shelf HARDWARE goes in this sale at cost. I am going to discontinue this line of goods, too.

Groceries Cheap as the Cheapest

We meet all competition in groceries, and sell as cheap as any advertised special sales. We carry a large and complete line of groceries, and you can always get your grocery wants filled at our store.

We Want What You Owe Us

All persons knowing themselves indebted to me must come in and make some kind of settlement, as I must have my money. From this date my books are closed, and goods in this sale go for cash only

Y. D. McMURRY

THE OLD RELIABLE

For the CASH we save you nearly HALF

The Best of Their Kind

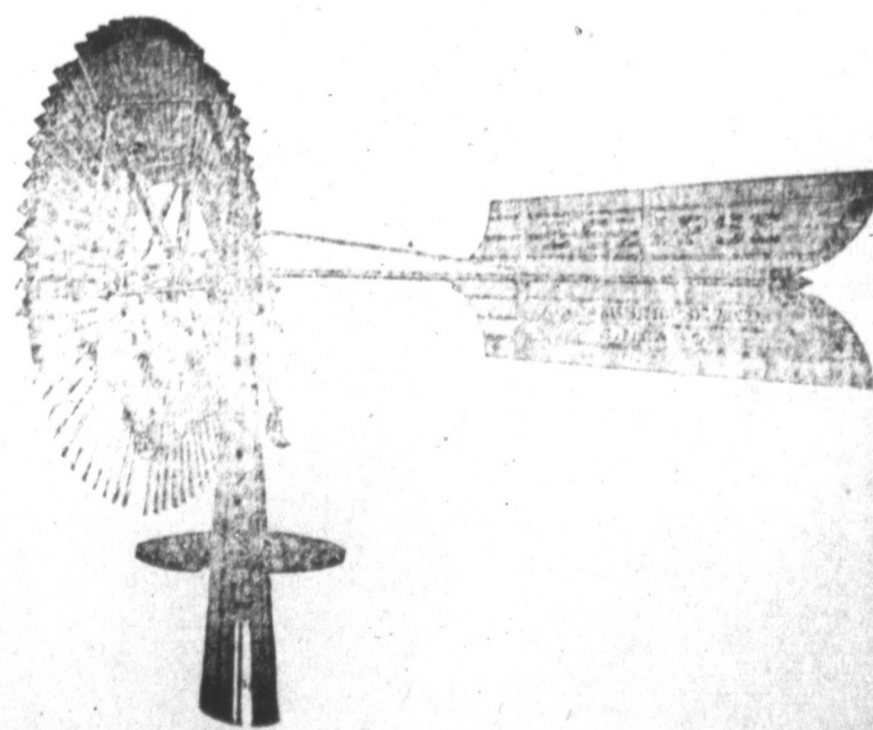


The Only Sweep Mill that Successfully Grinds Corn and Milo Maize on the Head.

Bowsher Grinders, Eclipse Wind Mills, John Deere Implements, Riding attachments for walking plows.

Full line of Pipe, Casing, Cylinders and all kinds of Water and Steam Fixtures.

Don't Forget the Celebrated Pittsburg Perfect Wire Fence



Western Windmill Company

A Christmas Carol

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending o'er the earth
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good-will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet-bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold:
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And all the world give back the song
Which now the angels sing.

E. F. Sears.

A MINISTERS ALLIANCE

The local pastors of the town and ministers of the community met last Monday evening at the Baptist church in Colorado and organized a Ministers Alliance or pastors union.

Rev. Holmes Nicho's was chosen president and Rev. E. V. Bond secretary.

The object of the organization is for a closer union of the churches and the spiritual welfare of Colorado.

A strong resolution was adopted endorsing the fight made by the Baptist Standard and other papers against the race track gambling at the Dallas Fair. It was determined to fight this curse until the whole State will demand that race track gambling be eliminated from our great fair.

The plan of a general union meeting of all the churches to be held next July was discussed and it was decided to hold such a meeting and the secretary was instructed to try and secure the services of Dr. Geo. Truett of Dallas to hold the meeting.

The Pastors Alliance will meet every Monday evening at 3 p. m. at one of the churches in the city.

TAXPAYERS NOTICE

The time for paying city taxes has been extended to January 31st 1909, after which they become delinquent. This date is concurrent with the state and county limit. Don't forget it.

ERNEST KEATHLEY, Collector.

NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS

Drawing paper, examination paper and theme tablets at the Record office, must be cash. We can't afford to open accounts for 5 or 10 cents. Children remember to bring the money for these items. (stet)

If you wish to make your wife, mother, sister or lady friend a present that will be a pleasure for them the entire year, nothing more appropriate could be given than a year's subscription to the Ladies Home Journal. If for a gentleman, the Saturday Evening Post would be a most acceptable present. Mrs. A. L. Whipkey is the local agent, and will call if you wish to subscribe for either.

Plenty meal and hulls for local trade at oil mill.

Colorado Cotton Oil Co.

BUY YOUR FEED GROUND

I have installed a mill at the old Skating Rink building, next Coggins' stable, and am prepared to crush all kinds of feed for the public.

Keep for sale all kinds of ground feed, such as **Chops, Maize and Kaffir Corn.**

I buy and sell feedstuff of all kinds. If in the market, give me a call. I pay top prices.

A. L. SCOTT

FIRST CLASS PRINTING

Is the kind you get at the Record office, and you don't have to wait tediously getting your order filled. Our ample corps of competent printers turn out work promptly as promised, and your stationery is ready when you want it.

LOCALS

Miss Blanch Bell spends the holidays at Celeste.

Miss Exa McClure of the Kid Key College, Sherman, is at home for the holidays.

They were "made last night." Jacob's Candies, at Colorado Drug Co. 5c to \$2.00 box.

Miss Ophelia Arnett is home from the Kidd-Key for Christmas.

Mrs. C. L. McDonald has gone to Marshall to spend the holidays.

Walter Whipkey of the A and M College is enjoying Christmas with home folks.

Ten per cent discount for December at Chas. C. Wyatt's on all vehicles.

Mary and Louise Coe are home from Carlton College Bonham.

Many of the Colorado students in the different schools are spending the holidays at home.

The Record printed invitations last week for a cowboy ball for tonight at the Colorado Club room, also programs for a Terpsichorean round up, at Post City, Garza county, Friday night, Dec. 25th.

Ten per cent discount at Chas. C. Wyatt's on all buggies and vehicles bought in this month.

Mrs. L. C. Hightower and children left Saturday night for a visit with relatives in New Mexico.

The very air for the past week has been vibrant with the spirit of the season.

Mrs. Bravis Coe of Odessa is spending the holiday season with her parents.

Meal and hulls make cheapest and best feed. Plenty for local trade. Colorado Cotton Oil Co.

Miss Bell Dozier left this week for Hasting, Okla.

School closed Tuesday and almost all the teachers left for home or to visit friends. Miss Higginbotham left for Fort Worth, Miss Cox went to Rockdale Wednesday, Miss Potter left for Sherman Wednesday and Miss Wilson is visiting in Midland.

Walter Carter went to Longview on business Sunday night.

See Wyatt, the vehicle man, and get 10 per cent off on all vehicles for December.

Misses Martha Earnest, Marguerite Looney, Byrd Adams, Juanita and Eloise Shropshire came in from St. Mary's, Dallas, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Moreland visit their sister, Mrs. D. N. Arnett Tuesday going on to Robert Lee to spend Christmas with Mrs. Moreland's parents.

Miss Emma Dupree is home from Baylor.

Dudley Arnett and Earnest Bertner came in Wednesday from Galveston.

Meal and hulls for the local trade. Splendid feed and cheaper than plain cotton seed. Colorado Cotton Oil Co.

A. L. Scott, who buys all the feed he can get, announces that he now has a mill and will grind maize or kaffir corn heads for the public. Mill at old skating rink. See A. L. Scott.

Plenty of hulls and meal for local trade at the oil mill. Colorado Cotton Oil Co.

The Saturday evening Post is the prince among magazines for boys and men. Mrs. A. L. Whipkey is the agent.

The Colorado Steam Laundry has about 7000 dollars invested works 10 to 15 people, has a good weekly pay roll, merit, your trade and every loyal citizen should patronize the home laundry.

NEW MEXICO BARGAIN

120 acres good land in New Mexico on the P. V. Ry., 7 miles south of Roswell, in the artemesian well belt and apple country, one mile of the new town of Cumberland. Good house, well, windmill, all fenced. Will sell at a bargain or trade for Colorado property or land in Mitchell county. Will trade most any old way. Make me an offer.

L. W. JONES, Colorado, (1-15) or THE RECORD OFFICE.

THIS IS TO NOTIFY

the public that Compress receipts running from 29244-63 inclusive issued to I. Mincer have either been misplaced or stolen from the office, and we have this day issued duplicate receipts in blue to cover the above numbers marking each receipt "Duplicate" across the face of same, therefore original receipts become null and void, Oct. 30th, 1908. Colorado Compress Co.

Mooser sells it for less.

Try feeding hulls and meal instead of raw cotton seed. They are better and cheaper; plenty for the local trade.

Colorado Cotton Oil Co.

NOTE—Ladies' Suits Dry cleaned pressed \$1.00 every plait basted before being pressed. We are very prompt in turning out this work. MANUEL The Tailor.

\$1200 will buy one half section of splendid agricultural school land in one mile of Plains, Texas the county seat of Yoakum county. Purchaser assume all the indebtedness due State. Write Kendrick & Harris, Plains, Texas. Dec. 25.

Chas. M. ADAMS

Sole Agents in Colorado for Hart Schaffner & Marx Fine Clothing

"Viking" System Clothing for Boys.

Edwin Clapp's Celebrated Shoes for Men.

The Famous "Walkover" Shoe for \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00

The Perfect Fitting "Ultra" Shoes for the Ladies

Selz "Roal Blue" Shoes for \$3.50 and \$4.00

The Store of "Quality"

We carry in stock at all times a complete line of Carpets, Mats, Rugs, Art Squares, Linoleums, Trunks, Suit Cases, Valises, Telescopes, Tents, Wagon Sheets, Tarpaulins, Wide Duck for Hack Tops, Black Oil Cloth at the very Lowest Prices

We Pay Highest Cash Price for our Customers' Cotton

We Invite the Attention of Discriminating Buyers

throughout Mitchell and adjoining counties to the immense and well selected stock that we offer for sale, at prices that cannot be duplicated, quality considered. We ask you to bring your folks and make your fall and winter bill with us. We will furnish you with the best goods at the lowest prices, and to show you our appreciation of your cash business, we will give you a handsome and useful present which will be an ornament to any home. When you make a cash purchase, from 5 cents up, ask for one of our premium cards, and the amount of your purchase will be punched on same. When you have bought \$25 for cash we will give you a handsome cut glass pitcher, with six tumblers to match. For \$40 cash purchases, our premium is an elegant cut glass punch bowl, with twelve cups to match.

Chas. M. Adams
Colorado, - - Texas.

We are selling all Calicoes at 5c
Ginghams at 6c, 7c, 8c, 10c and 12c
Best quality Outing Flannels at 8c and 10c
Percales at 8c and 10c
Everything else in the house sold proportionately low.

Men's and Ladies' Suits

We are now showing our winter stock of the celebrated Hart, Schaffner & Marx clothing. We ask you to call and inspect same, whether you intend purchasing or not. We have placed in the coat pocket of each suit, a genuine seal leather bill book, which is yours when you buy the suit.

We still have a few Ladies' hand-tailored Suits, which we are offering at very attractive prices.

We Pay Highest Cash Price for our Customers' Cotton

We carry in stock at all times a complete line of Blankets, Comforts, Lace Curtains, Muslin Curtains, Bobinet Curtains, White Bed Spreads, Ladies' Tailored Suits, Shirt Waists, Muslin Underwear at the very lowest Prices

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Sole agents in Colorado for

Royal Worcester, Dowager and Bon Ton Corsets

Wilson Bros. Shirts and Neckwear

Hawes Famous \$3.00 Hats

Lion Brand Collars and Cuffs

Monarch Shirts

Dependon Dress Goods

Shawknit Hosiery

Buster Brown Hosiery

Monarch Hosiery

Hamilton Brown Shoes for the whole Family.

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