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## Pioneer Settler Recalls Early Days

I have been asked by the Slatonite reporter to contribute some reminiscences of early days, in Slaton, for this issue of the paper.

Will say that I first came to Slaton in 1911, D. C. Hoffman and myself drove through the country from Texico, N. M., the latter part of April, 1911, to Slaton. We liked the looks of things and went back with our minds made up to sell out and move to Slaton. Accordingly we started back with our families in a wagon, one hack and a buggy. We came through Muleshoe, Olton, Plainview, Hale Center and Lubbock, making the trip in three days.

In those days there were no plain roads to travel, only dim roads from ranch to ranch. We passed through many fenced pastures, and wire gates, often drop gaps. You then traveled for hours on the South Plains without seeing a human, often being out of sight of anything to remind you of man's work, unless you spied a windmill in the distance.

The railroad from Texico to Slaton had not been built. We shipped our household goods via Canyon. The Santa Fe was not completed even from Slaton to Post at that time. There was no depot agent at Slaton. I was told at Texico to watch out for my car here and when it arrived to just go in and unload. W. F. Maxwell was the first agent in Slaton. He came up while I was unloading my second car and introduced himself, stating he was the agent and had just arrived. Maxwell was a fine man and was liked by everybody who knew him. He was succeeded here by Mr. W. H. Smith, who is still our agent. We have never had but these two agents in Slaton.

In those days the trip from Lubbock to Slaton was made practically on the same route as the present road, the road turned as it does now on top of the hill, at the old Santa Fe wells it turned south. Where the beautiful cemetery now is there was then a house, a windmill, all fenced in with a small farm of a few acres. The house has of course been moved away, the windmill dismantled and the well filled up. This small farm was turned into our "City of the Dead."

Hoffman and wife, and two daughters, myself, wife and two sons camped for a few days two blocks north of what is now the Adams place swimming pool. When we bought lots mine was just southwest of the present site of the imposing High School building, where the small house and windmill now is. Dave bought the lot on the highway just south of the Harvey Austin place of today. Little did we think then that a fine high school would be built that near, or that a State highway would run that close to our property, much less have a concrete slab run right before our doors.

W. P. Florence was the first school superintendent Slaton ever had. He taught in a small wooden building at first. Soon we had to build several buildings, then we began to erect bricks, then more brick school buildings. I can't remember a time when we just had plenty of school room. The schools here have always been crowded.

I have had a small part in building all the schools, and churches, having contributed to every one of them, even the colored church. I have had a part in building the City Hall, and all other city improvements by taxation. I have owned and paid taxes on property constantly. My boys worked on the building of the Harvey House, Reading Room, etc.

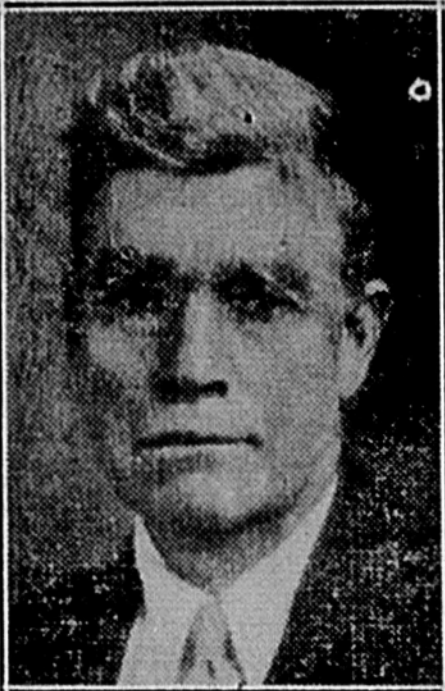
When I came to Slaton it was just a wide prairie. I have killed rattlesnakes right where the city square now is and where the City Hall now stands. Prairie dogs were plentiful right on the city square. Covey's of quail would rise and soar away. I have laid in my bed right where I now live and listen to the howl of the coyotes. We could drive from Slaton to the Canyon in any direction without crossing a fence. We didn't have many to cross going to Tahoka, Post or Brownfield.

I built and ran the only livery stable Slaton ever had. I used to drive all over this south plains with ranchmen, cattle inspectors, cowboys, etc. My place was the hanging out place,



Baptist Pastor, Rev. W. M. Turner

Rev. W. M. Turner, pastor of the First Baptist church, was formerly pastor of the Lorenzo church. He has only been on the field here a few months but brings to the pastorate the vigor of youth, and the faith to dare and go forward in the face of giant obstacles.



W. P. Florence, Pioneer Farmer, Plainsman, Teacher, and Now Commissioner

W. P. Florence has the distinction of being the first superintendent of schools at Slaton. He was among the first settlers, emerging above the Caprock, near this site, when these prairies belonged undisputedly to the prairie dogs, long horned cattle, cowboys and distant ranchmen.

He is now Slaton's trusted Commissioner, and as long as he lives will exert an influence for good in the community life. He and his family live on a farm just at the edge of town and take active interest in all progress and growth of the community.

or headquarters for these men as they came in from Lamesa, Tahoka, Post, Crosbyton, Brownfield, or rather from the then ranches in these counties, even from Snyder. Not only cowboys and ranchmen but I have taken care of horses for the cowgirls when they rode in from the ranches. I must have had satisfactory buggy's and teams in those days for I can cite you to several youngsters who used my teams and won their ladies. One was C. B. Beal, who was working for the Santa Fe, and is now the Western Union manager here. He was courting Miss Nell Whalen who is now his wife. Another was U. L. George, who wooed and won Miss Bess Nix. They now live in Lubbock. Another was a Mr. Wood, a brakeman, who used to take Miss Lee Nix out hunting and finally captured her for his wife.

Mr. Beal was a very sympathetic fellow. He would stay out late, so he suggested to me that when he stayed out late I needn't get up to unhar-ness for him, that he would do that himself. So I agreed to that. One Sunday night he came in and I didn't get up. Well, Mr. Beal no doubt understands telegraphy, but he sure didn't savvy horses and harness. I don't know yet where he started to unhitch but I know where he got through unbuckling straps. He unbuckled the bridle at the head, or top, the hames at the top, the shaft straps were unbuckled and left on the shafts. The traces he left fastened, but he got the horse out somehow without calling for help. That's something in his favor. He never grumbled at his bill, but unhitching one horse convinced him for all time that a "livery stable life was a hard life."

This article was contributed by G. L. Sledge.

## Retail Merchants Credit Association

Organized first in July 1923 with A. J. Payne as president, and Miss Ruby Reynolds as secretary. Miss Reynolds served several months before resigning, and Mr. A. J. Payne served as secretary, and as president too for a time.

In the August of 1924 J. J. Ross was elected as secretary-manager of Slaton Commercial Club, and became manager of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, in 1925, with Miss Pauline Shelby as secretary. Miss resigned, and Miss Dorothy Wilmesmeier was employed as secretary and served the Association until April 1st 1927.

Mr. G. O. Looney was elected secretary of the Association and served until June 1st, 1927, when he left the city, and Mrs. Lee Green was elected as secretary-manager.

Mr. A. J. Payne was president of the Association until February 12th 1930, when T. E. Roderick, was elected president. Mr. A. J. Payne having resigned.

Mr. T. E. Roderick served as president one year, Mr. Fred H. Schmidt was elected president, February 12th, 1931, and reelected in 1932.

The Retail Merchants Association office is in the city hall. This is a membership owned bureau. Has a board of directors selected each year at the annual meeting for the purpose of electing officers and directors. Is an incorporated Association, also affiliated with the State and National Associations

## Cooperation Gave Slaton Mercy Hospital

While the superstructure of this imposing building was made possible through the good graces of the Sisters of Mercy it may be said with perfect propriety that Slaton would probably be without a hospital today if, at that time, certain enterprising citizens had failed to 'see visions and dream dreams' of a bigger, better, more progressive town.

They wanted badly a good hospital for Slaton. With the Santa Fe shops here and the town growing all the time the need for an institution dedicated to relief of suffering, healing the sick, was great and to their everlasting credit it must be said that those progressive citizens believed firmly that, "if you get anything worth while in this world you must go after it with might and main." It is conceded that through the efforts of Slaton citizens the foundation of the hospital was laid, but they obtained their objective through the good offices of the Sisters of Mercy who made their dream a reality.

This wonderful achievement was wrought through unselfish cooperation of Gentile, Jew and Catholic and secured for Slaton one of her greatest assets.

In August, 1927, a delegation of wide-awake Slaton citizens held a conference with Father O'Brian. Those citizens were: Messrs. L. A. Wilson, J. W. Hood, W. E. Olive, J. T. Overby, S. E. Staggs, H. D. Talley, J. W. Nesbitt, and L. J. Strube.

Father O'Brian had been in Slaton only one month at that time. He had already realized the need of a hospital here. In that conference he promised the delegation that he would do his best to get some Sisters to build a modern, up-to-date hospital in Slaton.

In turn these citizens promised him that they would lend their heartiest cooperation. They would donate a site, raise a bonus, and put pavement to the new hospital. A year later Father O'Brian announced that he had fulfilled his part of the contract. That he had secured Sisters who would erect a modern hospital, costing not less than \$75,000, if Slaton would donate a site of two blocks, raise a bonus of \$20,000 and lay pavement to the site. Within two weeks they had the site and the bonus. And November 27, 1929 the hospital was dedicated.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith and daughters, Misses Aleen and Thelma, accompanied by Mrs. Floyd Brown and Kelley Surratt, spent last week end visiting relatives in Abilene.

Miss Maggie George has returned from a trip to Ft. Worth.

## Woman's Missionary Society

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Slaton, was organized in November 1911.

The purpose of the organization at that time was principally to aid the church in raising funds for the local work.

As the organization grew and its members studied the great missionary messages of the Bible and world-wide missions, and came in contact with the outstanding leaders of the State, they received a broader vision of missions and were inspired to branch out and include in their program, all the phases of the work fostered by the South-wide W. M. U.

Offerings for Home and Foreign missions and Buckner Orphan's Home were first added to their program.

Next more missionary education for the children and young people of the church was undertaken by organizing them into mission groups.

In 1921 a Sunbeam Band for the children and a Y. W. A. for the young women were organized; in 1924 the Junior Girls' Auxiliary was organized and a year later the Royal Ambassador Chapter for boys.

Realizing that all worth while achievements come through prayer, the women adopted the three seasons of special prayer for missions and some worthy offerings have come as results.

Regular mission programs and mission study classes have inspired the women to be more systematic in giving and as a result the state through the district and association are regularly met.

Among the active members at present is one charter member; Mrs. C. V. Young, also a great number of women who have nabored together through the years and kept the missionary torch lighted, ready to pass on to younger generations.

The following women have served as president of the organization:

Mesdames Hoffman, Patterson, J. W. Short, C. V. Young, J. S. McDonald, H. C. Burrus, J. P. Hardesty, E. C. Foster, L. A. Wilson, and W. O. Bowen.

Other faithful women served as secretary and filled various places in the organization.

The present officers are: Pres.—Mrs. W. O. Bowen; Sec.—Mrs. A. Dennis; Circle Chairman—Mrs. J. B. Huckabay, Mrs. Fred Stottlemire, Mrs. C. V. Young and Mrs. C. C. Young.

Young People's leader,—Mrs. G. W. Bownds.

Our Watchword, "We are laborers together with God" inspires us to "Launch out into the deep and let down our nets" for Christ's sake.

## ROTARY

Program for last Friday was a debate: Does Mortar hold Bricks together or apart.

This subject was so well handled that the judge took the decision under advisement.

Second part of the Program was Passing the Buck, or Let George do it. Claud Anderson started this interesting subject by passing the buck, to Bill Cates, Bill Cates, to Jim Elliott, Jim to John Hood, where the buck was supposed to end, but the passing got to be so nicely and easily done that it was passed to every member present, finally winding up with President Roy, who stopped it with a pleasant and helpful talk.

Today we will have our District Governor Andy Anderson with us who will use the time in taking Rotary to us. President Roy, ask's that we give our Dist. Governor a 100 percent meeting.

Watch out for next week's program, here it is:

A Village Editors Confessions—Reese Donald—10 Min.

Eagan Vs Eagan—Roland Anderson—10 Min.

What does President Anderson say in your December Rotarian—10 Min.

Get your December Rotarian, read up and let us have your answer next week.

E. W. Parchman of the local Penhandle Lumber Co., together with J. D. Fry, of the Amarillo office, spent the week end in Seagraves on company business.

Mrs. Wilmesmire has been confined to her bed the past week from illness.



T. M. George, Slaton's Mayor

Mr. George was formerly a groceryman here. He was appointed to the Mayorality upon the death of former Mayor W. G. Reese, in August, 1930. In the next election he stood for reelection and is now serving his first term.



Mrs. W. P. Florence, wife of Commissioner Florence

Mrs. Florence represents the best in womanhood, and citizenship. She has, for many years took a lively interest in every move for the betterment of the community in which she was rearing her fine family of children.

She radiates cheerfulness, though she knows disappointment, and deferred hope. She has a warm welcome always for "worthy strangers" who choose to cast their lot with Slaton citizenship. She has always taken an active interest in church, welfare work club activities and is a school enthusiast.

## Christian Church Here, Organized By Small Group

The First Christian Church of Slaton had its beginning August 1, 1923, when seven members under the leadership of Bro. Jasper N. Bogue, District Evangelist of the Texas Christian Missionary Society, covenanted to form a congregation of believers to carry on the worship and work of the Lord together. By the last of August the number had grown to twenty-eight, and during a meeting held by Bro. Bogue in September, fifty-three more were added to the membership.

The congregation worshipped for a time in the building that is now the Palace Theatre. Then they moved to the old clubhouse building, and later to the City Hall.

Late in 1925 plans were made for the erection of a church building. And in October, 1926 the basement of the building was ready to be used. The house has not been finished, the congregation still conducting their services in the basement.

The present pastor is Rev. Alan Lynch, a fine young preacher who assumed the pastorate here four months ago. Rev. Lynch comes to Slaton from the pastorate of the Church at Spur, Texas. He is well equipped for the task and the Church looks forward to greater accomplishments under his leadership.

Mrs. Pete Abbott, of Lubbock, is at the bedside of her father, Mr. Butler, who is seriously ill. Mr. Butler was recently brought home from a Lubbock sanitarium after several days treatment there, and relatives and friends are deeply concerned over his condition.

## Tigresses Tie With Ralls Team

The Slaton Tigresses went over to Ralls on Wednesday afternoon to pay the Ralls basketball girls and the result was a tie, 28 to 28. The Slaton players were: H. Harper, Alexander, and Poteet, forwards, and I. Harper, Miller and Saage, guards. Helen Harper was the outstanding player for Slaton. The girls go to Shallwater for a tournament this week in which about a dozen teams are entered.

## Presbyterian Church Enjoys Progress

Great interest is centered around a church organization because of the people who compose its membership—really its history is the history of its people. You cannot express in words its complete history, but its character is expressed in terms of its spirit and deeds which are manifest along many lines.

Not until 1922 was there any organized Presbyterian church, U. S. A. in Slaton. About this date a small number of persons who believed in the distinctive doctrines of Presbyterianism formed an organization which has exerted a good influence in this community for the development of christian citizenship.

The members of the congregation have been loyal to all the causes whether at home or abroad because their vision has been world-wide. To promote these varied enterprises it has required a strong purpose to meet and master some of these adverse circumstances which were overcome by the men and women who had "a mind to work."

The church is alive to the need of humanity and accepts the challenge to give time, talent and life to the service of Christ and His Church. As a church we believe in a balanced program consisting of evangelism and education if man's lift is ever to be properly trained in Christian Character.

Another feature to be noted is the policy of the Presbyterian church which is democratic in that its members have equal rights and its leaders are on the same plane. These leaders are selected by the people and retain their official position as long as acceptable to the congregation. The church of Slaton at the present is fortunate in having an efficient official Board of elders and deacons whose administration of affairs has been very successful during the present pastorate of (Rev.) James Rayburn. The officers of the church are elected for a term of years—the present active elders are:

S. A. Peavy, W. T. Brown, R. D. Hickman, and the deacons are: K. L. Scudder, W. D. Eads, Jack Cooper, Clifford Simmons.

This splendid company of men work heartily in cooperation with the pastor in charge making it possible to promote the measures which concern the welfare of all. Yes its financial obligations are met promptly and altogether we might say that the people are striving "to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

## DR. KNAPP TO SPEAK

Dr. Bradford Knapp, President of Texas Tech, will talk on Christmas and what is should mean to us at the Slaton High School Auditorium Thursday night Dec. 22nd.

There will also be selections by the first Grade Rythmn Band, Pageant by second and Third Grade, Xmas Carrol by second and third grade, selection by two Glee Clubs together.

Time is 7:30 P. M. and everybody invited to come as this entertainment is FREE.

## WELFARE NEEDLE CLUB

The Welfare Needle club will meet with Mrs. Rhodes, Tuesday, Dec. 6, at 4 o'clock. All Daughters of Veterans between the ages of 10 to 14 are cordially invited.

Mr. C. B. Beal, local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co., succumbed to the ravages of pneumonia early Thursday morning, December 1st.

Miss Dorothy Nesbitt has returned spent the weekend in San Angelo with relatives.



# LOCAL NEWS

Miss Rorothy Nesbitt has returned from a Thanksgiving Day visit in Ft. Worth and is now confine at home with the flu.

Mrs. S. G. Sanders is reported very ill with flu. Mrs. Sanders was stricken about a week ago and early Tuesday morning, of this week, was thought to be recovering nicely, but soon developed a severe chill and is now thought to be threatened with pneumonia. It is understood that she had never gotten up from the first attack when the relapse occurred.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Petty and children were Lubbock visitors Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. McClintock have both had the flu but are now able to be back at their place of business. Mr. McClintock has been advised that his mother, Mrs. J. W. McClintock, is seriously ill at Bellview, Texas.

Mrs. Pete Abbott, of Lubbock, is at the bedside of her father, Mr. Butler, who is seriously ill. Mr. Butler was recently brought home from a Lubbock sanitarium after several days treatment there, and relatives and friends are deeply concerned over his condition.

Cletus Nesbitt has been confined at home this week with a pretty bad case of flu.

Mr. M. B. Tate has bought from Yates and Ely, the fruit stand in the Williams building and will be glad for his friends to call on him there.

Mrs. A. L. Brannon has returned home after a visit with her mother, Mrs. J. F. Utter, at Amarillo. Mr. Brannon went up there to spend Thanksgiving and accompanied Mrs. Brannon home.

Have your prescriptions filled at TEAGUE'S DRUG STORE, by a registered Pharmacist.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Sledge have as their guests his niece and her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Joy, of San Antonio. Mrs. Joy is also a cousin of Mrs. Clara Williams.

Mrs. L. M. Williams is enjoying a visit with her father, Mr. John Dyess, from near West Station, Texas.

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Joe Walker, barber, is confined at home with flu.

Miss Ina Fay White has returned home from the hospital much improved.

Master Alva Sims Wilks who underwent a major operation at Mercy Hospital some days ago is reported as progressing favorably.

Miss Nora O'Brian and her little niece Margaret Mary McCarthy spent

Thanksgiving in Amarillo with her brother, Reverend B. O'Brian, and her sister Mary Ann who is surgical supervisor at St. Anthony's Hospital.

Mrs. M. G. Grachawsky and children, of Newton, Kansas, spent Thanksgiving visiting friends in Slaton.

Mrs. Wilmesmire has been confined to her bed the past week from illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cosgrove and children spent Thanksgiving at Morgan with his mother.

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Messrs. M. L. and M. W. Abernathy are back on the job after a siege of the flu.

Mrs. W. H. Weaver and children of

San Angelo spent Thanksgiving with her sons in Slaton.

Mrs. W. H. Yandell is back on the force in Slaton Steam Laundry. Mr. Yandell has been working in Lubbock for several months.

Mr. J. L. Gassaway, of San Angelo spent Thanksgiving with friends in Slaton. Tom returned home with him.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Green and children, of Tatum, N. M., spent Thanksgiving with her brother and wife, Mr. Dave Houston.

Miss Maggie George has returned on a trip to Ft. Worth.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dave Houston spent last weekend with Mrs. Houston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Starnes, of Snyder.

Mr. E. R. Burns spent Thanksgiving

Day with his family. Mr. Burns is working in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Linus Stahl accompanied by Miss Clara Stahl visited in Amarillo last week. Mrs. J. A. Reitman and daughters, Joann and Bobby Lee accompanied them home to spend Thanksgiving.

G. L. Sledge was the recipient of a nice package of shelled pecans Monday, sent by his son, U. S. Customs officer Robert Sledge, of Brownsville, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper had as their Sunday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Thad Murley and children, of Spur.

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**ROTARY**

Slaton Rotary Club No. 1992 was organized February 19, 1925, with 25 Charter Members as follows: Roy McCurdy, John Davis, Robt. H. Tudor, John J. Ross, Floyd C. Rector, Frank Lanham, Will Abbie, Alex Delong, Tom Overby, Jim Wood, Sam Staggs, Roy A. Baldwin, Allen J. Payne, Arch Owen, Jack Calloway, Ben Smith, Harry McKirahan, Frank Miller, John W. Hood, Harry G. Stokes, Pit Pitman, Joe Teague Jr., Fred Anton, Bob Murray, Bill Clark.

Out of these 25 charter members there are only four left in the club today they are, Roy A. Baldwin, John W. Hood, Harry Stokes, and Allan Payne. Bob Murray was first President, from Feb. 1925 to May 1925, he was followed by W. H. McKirahan, who served from July 1925 to July 1926, Pres. McKirahan attended the International Rotary Convention at Cleveland. 3rd President was Floyd C. Rector, who served from July 1926 to July 1927, and he attended the 4th President was Sam E. Staggs, who served from July 1927 to July 1928, and he attended the International Convention at Minneapolis, 5th President was John W. Hood, who served from July 1928 to July 1929 and he attended the International Convention at Dallas, 6th President was W. H. (Bill) Smith who served from July 1929 to July 1930, 7th President was Lloyd A. Wilson who served from July 1930 to July 1931 and he and Bill Smith attended the International Convention together at Chicago in 1930. 8th President was T. E. "ROD" Roderick who served from July 1931 to December 1931. 9th and

the President who is now serving is Roy A. Baldwin.

The first Secretary was Floyd C. Rector, who served from February 1925 to April 1926, then Claude Miller who served from May 1926 to September 1926, next and one who is serving now is Allen J. Payne.

There have been 115 Rotarians who have joined Slaton Rotary since the organization and at present the membership is 21.

The first meetings were held in the Masonic Hall, then to the Basement of the Methodist Church and from there the Club moved to its present, quarters the County Club House. Meals are and have been served from the different Church ladies organizations and City Line Club, and P. T. A. Clubs.

The object of Rotary begin and end with the Rotary ideal of service. For the purpose of making an outline for the use of Rotary Clubs and individual Rotarians the six Objects are summed up and interrelated as follows:

1. Acquaintance: To bring about

understanding.

2. Fellowship: to establish good will.
3. Friendship: to encourage Brotherhood.
4. Fair Dealing: to create Confidence.
5. Service and Helpfulness.
6. Motto of Rotary is, "Service above Self" He profits most who serves best.

**NUPTIAL MASS CELEBRATED AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH**

On Thanksgiving morning a Nuptial Mass was celebrated at St. Joseph's Church by the Very Reverend T. D. O'Brien when Miss Ella Steffens became the bride of Mr. Edwin Verkamp—both of Slaton community.

As the bride and groom entered the Church the wedding march was beautifully played by Mrs. J. Cosgrove.

The bride was daintily dressed in white satin, carrying a bouquet of white roses. The bridesmaid, Maria Verkamp wore a very pretty peach colored dress and carried a bunch of pink carnations. The Matron of honor was Miss Lena Steffens, dressed in

pale green, also carrying pink carnations.

Mr. Joe Steffens acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. E. Verkamp will make their home in Wilson community. All their friends wish them every luck and success.

**ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN HONORING SLATON CITIZEN**

Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Williams entertained, Wednesday evening, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Smith B. McClain, of Crain, Texas.

The guest list follows: Mr. and Mrs.

C. E. Willis; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sharman; Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Dunn; L. L. Rice and Fannie Castleberry; Mrs. Nora Frazier; J. L. Rice; Bob Sharman; Miss Tilly Pohl; and the honorees, Mr. and Mrs. Smith B. McClain. Delightful refreshments of pie 'a la mode with coffee was served.

The Monday Bridge Club met Nov. 28 in the home of Mrs. R. L. Vivial. Delicious refreshments were served. Miss Virginia Wilmesmire was a guest.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. R. G. Girkpatrick on December 12th.

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**A. KESSEL**

One of the substantial citizens of Slaton, both from a business standpoint and from real citizenship, is Abe Kessel, owner and proprietor of the Kessel Store, on Texas Avenue.

In 1915 he joined the throng of young business men seeking opportunity and cast his lot with the citizens of the Plains. He tried Lorenzo, Post, Amorillo, and Slaton, where he found what he believed then, and thinks now, an ideal town for the growing of a successful business. Even the depression has not changed that opinion. He said recently, "My faith was in Slaton when I went into business here, and still is. All my investments are here, in buildings and stocks."

Kessel has accumulated here one of the leading businesses of the town, the Kessel Store, handling everything in the dry goods line for family use. And good, or bad times, Mr. Kessel always gets his share of trade. Besides the Slaton store he owns the Kessel store, at Lubbock, and an interest in the Kessel store at Roswell, New Mexico.

Mr. Kessel is a real booster. He is for everything in the way of progress for Slaton. He constantly contributes to the Red Cross, Christmas Seals, or any other worthy cause. He is a director of the Board of City Development, and president of the Jewish Congregation, at Lubbock. He is chairman of the committee on Boy Scout Work, and takes a lively interest in many other features of Slaton's development. "They are my hobby," he says.

He came over from Lithuania, in 1908. His father operated a tannery there and Abe was his assistant.

In America, he found work as a clerk in a grocery store, at Birmingham, Ala., where he remained until he came to the Plains and went into business for himself.

You ask, what is his business motto, or how has he managed to grow a strong business that withstands the storms of time when so many others were forced out of business?

Well, here is what he says in answer to that same question: "I don't know. Just constant, day and night attention to my own business. I never worry one minute about my competitors, what they do, or don't do, but always figure on how I can make a small profit—not a big one—and at the same time give my customers the best service they can find anywhere. My customers are the main thing—and I never, never, show any partiality. I treat them all alike.

There is only one way Kessel will neglect his business. "When my friends need me" he says. "I never give business a thought until I have done all in my power to do.

Hundreds know that's true too, for Abe Kessel's deeds of kindness are common-talk in Slaton. He doesn't tell it, but the recipient does.

He says Mrs. Kessel has been a great aid to him. "We work together, hand in hand."

The Church of Christ had its beginning in Slaton in 1913, when five women and one man began to meet for worship in the home of Mrs. J.W. Wallace.

This was continued for a period of time, and then a hall was secured in which they worshiped until 1917 when they purchased a lot and erected their first building.

By 1921 the congregation had grown until a larger house was needed. It was replaced by a new building to which an addition was made in 1925 completing the present structure, which consists of an Auditorium with a seating capacity of five hundred, and seven class rooms.

Evangelists who have held meetings for the Church are: Lee Mansfield; Joe Warlick; G. W. Cypert; Claud McClung; L. E. Carpenter; F. J. Berry; T. E. Milholland; L. R. Wilson; and Wright Randolph.

Those who have served as Ministers of the congregation are: S. A. Ribble, J. C. McDonald, T. J. Kimball, F. J. Berry, J. E. Mullins, and Albert Smith, who is now in his second year of work with the Church.

The present membership numbers a few more than two hundred, and meets for worship at Eleventh and Division Street.



Mrs. Curtis Dowell and Miss Helen Melton, sisters, who operate the "Vanity Fair" beauty shop.

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**CIVIC AND CULTURE CLUB**  
The Civic and Culture Club is the pioneer women's club of Slaton. The club was organized early in 1915 as the Home Economic Club, and later added civic work to their activities, and was named Home Economic and Civic Improvement Club. Then called Women's Culture and Civic Club. In 1918 the name was changed to Civic and Culture Club.

The ex-presidents are Mrs. E. L. Blundell, Mrs. R. A. Baldwin, Mrs. C. V. Hall, Mrs. B. M. Holland, Mrs. Edward A. Tonn, Mrs. W. E. Smart, Mrs. J. W. Wallace, Mrs. M. A. Pember, Mrs. A. L. Robertson, and Mrs. E. N. Pickens is now serving as president.

Those that have served as secretary, Mrs. Clyde Pogue, Mrs. J. P. Robertson, Mrs. C. F. Anderson, Mrs. Lee Green, Mrs. J. G. Levey, Miss Ora Kuykendall, Mrs. J. F. Anton, Mrs. Ed. Tonn, Mrs. W. E. Smart, Mrs. W. R. Lovett, Mrs. S. E. Staggs, and Mrs. J. A. Elliott.

Club motto: "No profit grows where is no pleasure taken."

Club colors, Green and White.  
Club Flowers, Rose.

The club has been meeting regularly on the second and fourth Saturday of each month since 1917. May 22 1917 the vote was taken to federate with the State Clubs, and carried unanimously.

The club has a course of study they complete each year such as Sociology, The West through Literature and Travelog, The Contemporary Short Story, Contemporary American Literature, Texas History and Music, Geography and Biography, Chautauqua Courses, and The Westward March of American Settlement.

There are four of the charter members now members of the Club, Mrs. S. H. Adams, Mrs. R. A. Baldwin, Mrs. W. E. Smart, and Mrs. R. G. Shankle.

There is a limited membership of 24 members.

The first meeting in May is "Guest Day."

The Junior Civic and Culture was organized and sponsored by the senior club and is doing the same work, that of following some course of study with a view of broadening the view points, and cultivate the talents of its members, and assist in all civic work of the city.

By Elizabeth Hanes

Echoing from over the hills of time the injunction, "Organize, Educate and Agitate", has reverberated around the world and as a result humanity everywhere—both men and women—are organizing themselves into groups. These groups, especially when federated, become powerful factors in shaping the trend of our civilization.

IN AN ADDRESS at a banquet given in her honor, in New York, Feb. 7th, 1920, Gail Laughlin, first national president of the "Business and Professional Women's club," voiced the two fundamental reasons for organization: "The opportunity to throw into the melting pot of public opinion all the varied views of business and professional women, and the

power through organization to make the opinion and desires of this group of women a force in the world, both in the solution of problems which especially concern them and in all the problems which concern the community.

Says Harvey Firestone in Men and Rubber: "THINKING is the most difficult thing in the world. Everybody tries to dodge it or find substitute for it. We try to buy thoughts ready made, and guaranteed to fit. There are many elaborate schemes of fooling oneself into believing that 'talk is the same as thinking,' but the easy way is to be so busy all the

time that there is no time left over for thought."

THAT Utterance was, perhaps, more prophetic than it's author knew. In the new era just now casting its first dawning rays of light across the world's economic fabric there is, at least for those who think, more than a gentle hint that our vaudeville days of 'pomp and pride' are over. That the last curtain has already been dropped on the stage that bred idleness, pleasure-mad, thrill seeking, work hating, throngs who had come to believe, without thinking, that they were the chief actors in life's drama. Those days are gone for at least twenty years, maybe longer. And are we blue? I'll say we are.

BUT FOR THOSE who have learned long ago that work, plenty of it, is the chief elixir or life it only means that for the present they are down—but not out by a jugfull—and that real thinking will pull them up and out as it has in the past. The work-days ahead will breed the super-man and the super-woman. "Necessity" as it has been, is still, "the mother of invention," and in the new era will vitalize the thinking of those who 'love to work' because of the service they can render and because they know work is both a body and men-

tal tonic. But for those who hate work the new era will be rank poison but it will do them good.

Many people of the earth—men as well as women—prefer ready made thoughts pickled, or canned in some other factory, ready for instant use. This demand comes from divers sources. Thoughts armoured in English become wonderful winged instruments; sometimes sweet like honey, and sometimes having terrible stings. Marshalled thoughts in action win battles, elections, perform great engineering feats and signal victories in needed reforms. Since this demand for ready made thoughts must be, and is, supplied, there is no better way to keep the source wholesome than for real thinkers to go into the wholesale business in the new day ahead. They are better equipped for it than other groups and for the same reason their responsibility as "Watchman upon the tower" is greater.

**AN EXPLANATION**

Due to unavoidable delays and hindrances, and more especially to lack of news space in this issue. The Slatonite, much against our own will, goes to press on time, as usual, but we are compelled to leave out several good articles which therefore will appear in next week's issue.

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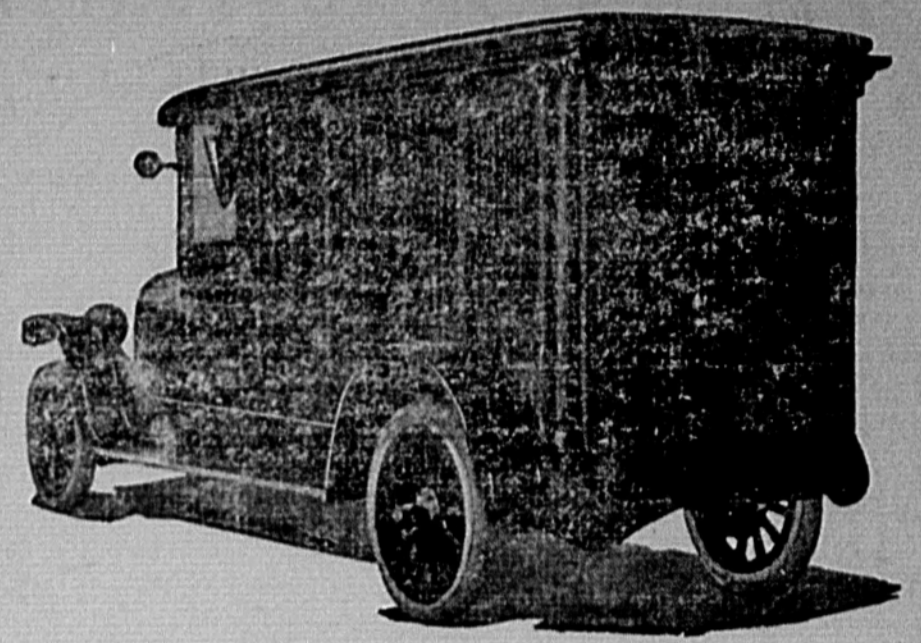
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## Good Literature Is Aid To Citizenship

We give below a paper by Mrs. Harvey Austin, read before the East Ward F. T. A. Mrs. Austin formerly taught in the Slaton Schools, and handles her subject efficiently.

Most important for a democracy to fulfill are its fundamental obligations to children. The first inherent right is a normal home with wholesome surroundings. Children are entitled to room to play and places to call their own. They have a right to good health, mental and physical, as far as it is purchasable.

Most of all they are entitled to an education. Whether they are country or city bred, whether they are children in institutions or enjoying the blessings of their own home, education must be open to all of them on an equality that will best fit them for useful living.

Because education begins at birth, and good health even before it, parents must be educated too. They must learn from books, and in school how to live with their children and to keep pace with the new generation. Unless we take pains to give these things to our children—health, home life—play in wholesome play, and sound education—we pay for it at the other end in suffering and hospitals and jails.

Since the best preparation is to be found in books, and the carefully chosen one, it is in hands of you as parents to be informed as to the best way of promoting good reading and the best books on the market for children. First come picture books. Picture books surely have something to do with the beginning of reading. They are the child's introduction to books. The days of dull primers and meaningless syllables are over. The modern child reads from attractive books full of interesting stories and bright pictures. So we must develop an interest in books from the beginning and see that all of a child's book experiences are pleasant and stimulating ones.

Next comes attractive little picture story books with the stories printed in good, clear type, so that when children begin to read they may, with some assistance from grown ups, read these books.

Then comes the age when we must help our child to make his own decisions until he is able to make his own. In this age, we must carefully supervise his reading—unsuspected of him.

Education, and the reading of books is the greatest part of education, depends so largely on the development of character that the two must go hand in hand. Reading is not only a joy but at times a means of attaining knowledge. It is difficult to teach a child that perhaps the subject matter he is reading may be dull and re-

quire concentration and attention, but the ultimate end which he reaches is worthwhile, when his modern life is so varied.

Poetry should be taught to be appreciated by all children very early. They may not understand it, but its rhythm and sound will appeal to them. What young person can read, "Lady of the Lake," "Evangeline," "The Idylls of the King," without being stimulated to chivalry and great deeds? Never more than today has youth needed these dreams. In a world where all moves at top speed, where no one has much time, if we do not stimulate children's imaginations and the dreams of youth, and show them the things of real value, then we cannot be surprised when their lives degenerate into this mad scramble and they become the tools of this age instead of its mastery.

It is expecting too much to expect our children to read the whole of Dickens, Thackeray, and Scott of their own accord as we were required to do. But we can expect a part of it and if in story form we acquaint them with great writers and stories, when they are older and read them they will feel at home in their pages. If we give them the best stories when they are young, they will be able to distinguish what is good and what is not worthwhile.

Every child should be taught something about foreign people. We know too little of the thought of these far distant races and the beauty of imagery in which they hide their precious thoughts.

I think every child should read a certain amount of every kind of literature to create a background by which he can judge good and bad literature. If we like the study of human beings in literature it is because they are real. Much that we do in life is influenced by what we read, and we are apt to use the influence of these characters into our own lives. The all important thing is that children should read and read good books. An atmosphere where books are a part of everyday life is the surest way to bring to the children of today the realization that here is a joy which they must work to secure:

First—A sense of security in their own taste.

Second—In having learned to do something.

Third—An opening to a land of romance, a whole world of adventure, interpretation and delight that will enrich their entire life.

How can we be sure that, with the counters of the bookstores piled so high with the gaudy jacketed recent stories, we will not forget the more soberly bound but time proven tales that children love? How can we make our money stretch to buy not only the stories and verse, but also the book on electricity or on "early explorers,"

or on scouting, or on the stars for which our young intellectuals of today are pleading?

There are different book sets containing verse and literature from the world literature for children from the first of folk and fairy tales on through the myths of many lands leading up to the great classics. Many thoughtful mothers who are afraid for their children, afraid of the gaudy literature, and that her child will never discover the treasures such as Hawthorne's "The Golden Fleece," will be thankful for this set of books. They will realize by such stories a child acquires a taste for the best so that his standards will be high when he later on goes exploring in the larger world of books. In these books we pass through the realms of fairy-land and romance to the stories that never grow old, and on to the more realistic tales of courage and heroism that belong in every child's library.

Many children who love the most modern will still curl up in delight to listen to these old tales. In homes where these sets are, many other books should come also. Not that they need supplementary but the child who reads them will demand more. Then there is another fascinating set of books. This set of books is rich in material from children's classics, also in modern reading material. The author is a mother who has gathered material from fifty different countries. The child who wanders about in these books will be started early toward the world-mindedness which is being more and more demanded of us all. His attitude toward other countries will be such that if the

Swedes and Spaniards have Fairy tales as good as ours, perhaps they have other things too.

No one can deny that American children will be far better suited for their future citizenship if they have thrilled to the deeds of courage of the men and women who wrestled our nation for us out of the pathless wilderness which they find in good books.

There are books we find that foster the highest type of patriotism and admiration for men and women

who have served their country not in war but in ways of peace. We find short biographical sketches of Robert Dallas, who through his steamship lines has done more to prevent war and to foster peace between the United States and the Orient than any man of our day, of Neils Hansen who traveled to far Siberia to find and bring back home a species of alfalfa that would withstand the below zero cold of the great American Northwest, and the extreme dryness of the American desert; of Samuel

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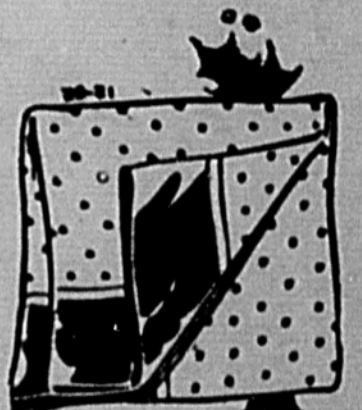
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## Chamber of Commerce News

By A. J. PAYNE, Secretary

From the files and minutes in the office of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce, it is found that A. J. Payne was the first President back in 1922 with Sam E. Staggs acting as Secretary with the following Directors: J. H. Brewer, J. F. Frye, Sam E. Staggs, W. R. Wilson, J. W. Nesbitt, H. D. Talley, and C. C. Hoffman. Payne was President till the fall of 1924 when W. H. Smith was elected and he was succeeded by John W. Hood in 1927. Mr. Hood was succeeded by Horace Hawkins in 1929 and Mr. Hawkins was succeeded by W. H. Smith in 1930. On April 12th 1929 the Board of City Development was appointed and held their first meeting April 16 1929 at which time officers and Directors were elected. The City Charter authorized appointment of the board was adopted at a special City election held on Tuesday, March 19, 1929, by a vote of more than 14 to 1 for the charter.

Mr. J. H. Brewer was elected the first President of the Board of City Development and Mr. T. E. Roderick as the first Vice-President and Mr. L. A. Wilson was elected Secretary. Mr. Brewer and Mr. W. H. Smith served as President of the B. C. D. and Chamber of Commerce till April 22, 1930, at which time and at a regular meeting, Mr. Smith was chosen as

President, and Mr. P. G. Stokes as Vice-President, of the B.C.D. and C. of C. Mr. Smith was succeeded as President, April 14, 1931 by John W. Hood, who served till May 24, 1932, and on that date Mr. S. A. Peavy was elected for the ensuing year.

Mr. L. A. Wilson resigned the office of Secretary January 1931 to accept the office of Secretary at Vernon, Texas, and A. J. Payne was elected to succeed Mr. Wilson Jan. 1931. Mr. Wilson served as Secretary for nearly five years. The personnel of the Board now stands S. A. Peavy, Pres.; G. J. Catching, Vice-Pres.; R. D. Hickman, Treasurer; Directors, E. R. Legg, H. G. Stokes, H. G. Sanders, C. A. Bruner, C. F. Anderson, C. A. Porter, J. W. Hood, K. L. Scudder, J. S. Edwards, Fred H. Schmidt, O. Z. Ball.

So much for the organization of the Board of City Development and Chamber of Commerce, and now we will turn to some of the work of this organization

What the Board of City Development and Chamber of Commerce has done for the City of Slaton among other things is the securing of the Compress Co. here in 1922, next the bringing of the Cotton Oil Mill, and by diligent effort on the part of the Board of City Development and Cham-

ber of Commerce, the improvement to the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., amounting to no less than \$80,000 as well as 100 telephone poles being placed out as far as Morgan, Community, McClung and as far as Mrs. Binion's and J. T. Pinkston's.

The Sisters of Mercy Hospital was secured through the untiring efforts of the C. of C. and B. C. D. amounting to over \$225,000 and one of the finest Hospitals in West Texas any where. 35 blocks of City paving was started and finished by the efforts of these organizations, a free mail delivery was finally consummated, which covers the business section and a large part of the resident district.

There was \$1,000 cash given to the farmer in the way of seed wheat in the fall of 1930, at this time proved to be the salvation of the farmer, and the wheat that was paid in to the C. of C. by the farmer was ground into flour and given to the poor and needy of Slaton.

Many worth while things are being done all to numerous to mention here but one other outstanding thing done was the securing of the Regional Texas Panhandle-Plains Poultry Show

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which covers 54 counties from the top of the Panhandle to the T. & P. on the south. The third show will be held again January 18, 19, 20th of 1933.

### Slaton Nimrods Bring Home The Turkeys

This is the season of the year when Texas hunters find the woods and mountains enticing. Deer, turkey, squirrel and other desizens of the forest lure them on, and on, sometimes giving them a merry chase without accomplishing anything.

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J. F. Robertson, Santa Fe Copper-smith, and Bill Rust, engineer, brought home with them Monday, proof of their marksmanship. They went down on the Choncho river, near San Angelo, to hunt squirrels and turkey and returned home with a big turkey Tom weighing sixteen pounds. They were gone two days. Not bad at that. These gentlemen plan to take another trip soon, and say they will turn their attention to bird hunting.

Mr. A. W. Patterson's family, who lost the wife and mother recently, will make their home with the family of his married daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watt, 125 N. 4th street.

Miss Mary Ward who had her tonsils removed at Mercy Hospital has returned home feeling fine.

Robertson reports squirrel plentiful in that section of the state.

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#### Interesting Sidelights On Slaton's Library

The Slaton Library that is now a branch of the Lubbock County Library had its faint beginnings in the winter of 1924, when the commissioners of Lubbock county began to put the idea of a library before the people of the county. H. D. Talley, commissioner of this precinct, saw and spoke to different civic organizations about starting a city library, and early in 1925, the Civic and Culture club canvassed the town for book donations. The result was about 200 books in various states of repair and dispair.

A library board was then credited: Mrs. Irwin, President, representing the high school P. T. A.; Mr. Ray Pitman, sec., and treasurer, representing the C. of C.; Miss Ora Kuykendal, representing the West Ward P. T. A.; and Mrs Sam Staggs, representing the Civic and Culture club. This board, headed by Mrs. Staggs, assembled, cataloged and shelved the 200 books.

At first, the library, which was in

the room in the city hall which is now tended by different club members who took turn about. The Wednesday Study club and the Civic and Culture club provided for a librarian for a few weeks. After some dissatisfaction, the president of the C. of C. offered to pay for a librarian, and Miss Mabel Miller was employed for a few months, to be succeeded by Miss Frances Blundell.

During the year of 1925, the Commissioners Court provided for a Lubbock County Library, on petition of the qualified voters of the county. The library at Lubbock was opened January, 1926, and at the same time, the Slaton library was made into a branch of the main library. Miss Blundell, now Mrs. Bill Honey, of Amarillo, was retained as librarian. Miss Frances Hoyt Ford was county librarian, and she had one assistant at Lubbock.

Upon completion of the new club house, the Slaton library was moved to its present location. This was in April, 1926. There was one six-foot book shelf and two four-foot shelves. The library was open from 9 to 5 o'clock, and one month there was 273 books checked out, an average of about 9 a day.

At the time of its founding, the Lubbock County library was the 7th in the state of Texas. There are at present only thirteen counties thus served. Lubbock County library now has four branches, and 11 deposit stations. According to the library bulletin of 1931, it is the only one in Texas to have more registered borrowers than it has volumes. Last year there were 9,095 volumes, with a circulation of 98,397, and 9,416 registered borrowers, not including the 11 deposit stations.

The Slaton Library now has about 2,000 volumes, about two-thirds of which are already checked out. It is now supplying material for four study courses for different clubs in Slaton, and it has a list of reading certificate books for ward school children. It subscribes to three prominent magazines, and has recently established an exchange for old magazines. It handles Boy Scout Merit Badge booklets for the convenience of that organization, and it is just beginning a system of filing articles for the convenience of clubs and individuals.

Only within the last year or so, the Slaton library has made a great increase in the extent of its service. One month last year, a total of 2,115 books were checked out, nearly as many being checked in one day as were formerly checked in a month when the library was first started, six years ago.

The present librarian, Mrs. W. D. Donald, has been in charge of the Slaton library since June, 1928, when the first librarian, then Miss Blundell, resigned.

Miss Lola Mae Rozzell, present county librarian, recently succeeded Mrs. Rutillia Eubanks Branch, who had succeeded the first librarian, Miss Ford. The library is now open only in the afternoons on week days, except Saturdays, when it is open all day.

**MRS. MARY E. GRIGGS**  
**DIED SATURDAY, NOV. 26**

Mrs. Mary E. Griggs, 570 S 6th street, died Saturday, Nov. 26, at the age of 57 years. Mrs. Griggs' death was the result of an attack of influenza.

She was the wife of Mr. S. A. Griggs. Besides the bereaved husband she leaves a daughter, Mrs. Mullins, of Plainview, and a son, Rama Griggs, of Arizona. Mrs. Mullins was with her mother at the last but the son was prevented answering the death summons and was not present for the last good byes or the funeral service.

Rev. W. M. Turner, pastor, conducted the funeral service, held at the Baptist church, with the Foster Funeral Home in charge of ceremonies. The service was held Nov. 27, and interment made in Englewood cemetery.

The deceased was a good woman, kind and loving wife, a tender hearted and adoring mother. She leaves a host of sorrowing friends besides the broken hearted husband, daughter and son.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Green and children, of Tatum, N. M., spent Thanksgiving with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Houston.

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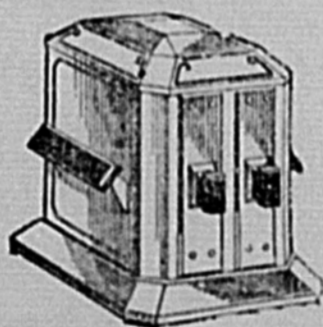
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