

# Hedley Informer

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## FROM HONOLULU, H. I.

For a reader of these lines who recall geography and text books, of not many years ago, which described Constantinople as the most cosmopolitan city in the world. The description is no longer correct. It is probable that several American cities, notably, New York and San Francisco outstripped Constantinople in this respect some years ago, but Honolulu beats them all.

In this comparatively small city are Hawaiians, Chinese, Japanese, British, Germans, Koreans, Filipinos, Russians, Portuguese, Spanish, Hindus, Caucasian, Negroes and mulattoes in great numbers. The Americans are largely in the majority among the whites. There is, however, a very influential British and German element.

The tourists are often seen eagerly seeking a chance to snap up the Japanese mother with her baby strapped on her back. These youngsters are able to walk when of an age at which the child is in the cradle or at best a perambulator. However, the Japanese are a small race and the youngsters are older than they seem. It is apparently an easier way to carry their babies than that of the white man who carries her much heavier baby in her arms. Often one sees a Japanese girl so small one would think she had just learned to walk carrying her baby on her back or sister on her back. It is nothing prettier than the sense of what we call cuteness than some of these little Japanese tots dressed always in kimonos often of very bright colors, as they toddle along with hardy assurance. The Japanese child who starts to cry isn't lifted up into the arms of a fond mother and petted until the flow of tears and yelping is stopped. The writer has seen on a sidewalk pretty little Japanese kidlets fall down or hurt themselves and yelp and scream within easy hearing of their parents all unheeded.

Not all the Japanese in Honolulu wear kimonos. A few of the business men dress like Americans, and occasionally one sees some woman dressed like Americans wearing a picture hat. I have never seen a case in which the result was good. In most cases it was ludicrous and grotesque. This is describing Honolulu and the Japs as best I can. Will tell about the Hawaiians next letter.

Respectfully,  
Willard Thaxton.  
Co. K 1st Infantry Honolulu, H. I.

FOR SALE—Span of good work mules, 5 and 6 years old.  
C. W. Webster.

## LITTLE FOLKS MISSION

Hymn—They are Calling.  
Responsive Reading.  
Lesson Story—Mrs. Bain.  
Recitation—Ten Little Indians, Ina Moreman.  
Hymn—Suffer the Children.  
The Land We Love—Cleo Moreman.  
Little Lord Jesus—Leone Wimberly.  
Under the Stars One Night—Danny Masterson.  
Christmas—Grace Bryant.  
Each child bring offerings.  
P. S. R. PORTER

## MISS GRACE SHANNON DIED LAST FRIDAY

Miss Grace Shannon, aged 15 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shannon died at the family home near McKnight Friday, January 2, of diabetes. She was buried in the Rowe Cemetery Sunday. Rev. J. A. Long conducting the funeral. Miss Grace had been almost an invalid for several months, and death came as a relief to her suffering. The Informer extends sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

## DEATH OF BABY OF MR. AND MRS. EVERETT

The 2-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Everett died at noon Monday of acute indigestion after a short illness, and was laid to rest in Rowe Cemetery Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Bryant conducted the funeral service.

The Informer deeply sympathizes with the parents in their sorrow.

## FORMER MEMPHIS MAN DIES IN CALIFORNIA

The many friends of our former fellowtownsman W. T. Reed, will learn with regret of his death which happened in El Centro, California, on Friday of last week. Mr. Reed and family left Memphis a little over a year ago and have since made their home in the Golden State. The many friends of this good family will join the Democrat in deepest words of sympathy for the sorrowing family.—Memphis Democrat.

The above was a brother of T. C. Reed of near Hedley.

How about starting a monthly trade day in Hedley?

## CLUBBING OFFER

In this day of progress the man who would succeed must be informed about the world's doings. The local paper gives him local information which is needful, but it cannot cover the whole field. Hence the man who keeps step with the march of the times will take a general newspaper also.

The Fort Worth Semi-Weekly Record has taken front rank among the great publications of the South and West. It is specially prepared for the reader who has not the time or the opportunity to read a daily paper. First of all, it is a newspaper. The Record believes that the people of the country and village are as much interested in current events as the people of the city. In the next place, it carries features suitable for all members of the family—women and children as well as men.

Last, but by no means least, the Record's editorial policy comprehends the economic welfare of the farmer and stock raiser. The Record is an acknowledged leader in the discussion of public questions in their relation to agricultural production.

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**FORT WORTH RECORD AND THE INFORMER**  
Both One Year for \$1.75

## HOG TIPS SCALES AT 680 POUNDS

We have seen big hogs and little hogs, but Hicks & Kinsey bought one from E. H. Watt of Giles that is the fattest hog we ever saw. It tips the scales at 680 pounds and is so fat—well, go and see it for yourself. Truly this is a great country for hog raising.

## L. O. LEWIS ANNOUNCES FOR TREASURER'S OFFICE

In this issue appears the announcement of Leon O. Lewis of Clarendon as candidate for the office of Treasurer of Donley county subject to action of the Democratic primary. Mr. Lewis has resided in the county a number of years and is well known to a large number of people in this portion of the county. He is well qualified to fill the office he is seeking, and asks that the voters give careful consideration of his claims, promising if elected to fill the office to the best of his ability, honestly and conscientiously.

## BREEDLOVE-WHITE

Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Methodist parsonage Rev. G. H. Bryant performed the marriage ceremony uniting in wedlock Mr. Jim Breedlove of Armstrong county and Miss Mary White of the McKnight community. The bride is a charming young lady and popular among her many friends; the groom is a splendid young man who stands well in the regard of the people of his county. They left Wednesday night for Clarendon where they will reside in the future.

Congratulations and best wishes are extended the happy couple.

## B. W. M. SOCIETY

The B. W. M. U. Society will meet with Mrs. Horschler Tuesday Jan. 20. Our regular study of Bible questions and the Sunday School lesson will be our lesson.

PRESS REPORTER

## WIMBERLY BUYS KINSLAW BRICK

G. A. Wimberly closed a deal this week with Kinslow brothers wherein he becomes owner of the two story brick, the lower story of which is now occupied by the J. M. Rhodes & Co. general merchandise store. Mr. Wimberly believes in Hedley as is evidenced by the way he buys property.

## ROY KENDALL ANNOUNCES FOR OFFICE OF SHERIFF

In this issue we are authorized to announce the candidacy of Roy Kendall of Naylor Springs for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Donley county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

Mr. Kendall is 41 years old, has lived in Donley county 21 years, served as county commissioner two terms, is a good moral man and a good citizen. He proposes, if elected, to give 10 per cent of the income of the office to the churches of the county. Give his candidacy your careful consideration.

Build rent houses.

## BIRTHS

Born, January 3, to M. and Mrs. R. H. Story of Giles, a girl.  
Born, January 3, to Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Davis of Hedley, a girl.  
Born, January 1, to Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Spurlin, a girl.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dixon January 3rd.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pettit, a boy January 7th.

Born to Columbus Howell and wife, a boy, January 3rd.

Born, January 5, to Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Kempson of Naylor, twin girls, weighing 5 3-4 and 6 1-2 pounds respectively.

## W. M. AUXILIARY

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet Monday at 2:30 with Mrs. Sarvis. Lesson first eighteen chapters of Numbers. Leader Mrs. Bryant.

PRESS REPORTER.

## SHEPHERD WINS IN MEMPHIS P. M. PRIMARY

An election was held last Saturday at Memphis to decide who the people wanted for postmaster at that place. Seven candidates were in the race. The number of votes polled was 420. B. F. Shepherd and J. D. Bird were the leading candidates. The first received 204 votes and the latter 119. The other five received 101 votes. Shepherd liked nine votes getting a majority of all votes cast, and is therefore the people's choice, and will likely get the appointment. We congratulate Editor Shepherd on his victory.

## W. O. W. ELECTION

The W. O. W. Camp met last night and selected the following officers for the ensuing year: U. J. Boston, C. C.; D. C. McArthur, A. L.; J. M. Bozeman, B. L. A. Stroud, Clerk; A. E. Senter, Watchman, E. L. Senter. The meeting were changed to the second fourth Monday nights month at the Bond hall.

Moving pictures in the brick tonight and Saturday night; as well as every Friday and Saturday night.

## ORGANIZING BOY SCOUTS

The writer is organizing a group of Boy Scouts of America and would be glad to purposes and work organization to the boys at any time. It is a nation wide organization. The object is to make physically, men join. If he has hood in him he will be the man and the question ment will have all boys get the true scout instinct being. They sport, clean and lines of that for into their good play the same all new to be obedient, these prepared at first aid to those things that should know to manly boy. Parents, investment, and you are sure to want your boy to become a Boy Scout.

B. L. Kinsey went with a shipment of hogs to Kansas City this week.

Come in and look through our Prescription Department and you will readily understand why you should let us do your prescription work. ALWAYS NEAT AND CLEAN.

Hedley Drug Co.,  
The Rexall Store.

FOR SALE—160 acres 12 miles north east of Hedley, 1 mile from good school, well improved, 3 wire fence, bois d'arc post, 3 room house, small orchard.

H. L. Dunn,  
Quail, Tex. Box 32 2 2m.

## GOOD GAIN

Clarendon school has the fastest that has Hedley with the best of the vis. Each some a quick arrangement to be made. **W CLEAN POSE**

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## Woolen Dress Goods and Silks

We have a big line of these in all shades and weaves. The biggest stock of Silks, Messaline, Crepe, Dechines and Brocaded silks have ever shown. The pla serges and diagonals on which we are offering the following reductions representing a big saving on desirable merchandise.

100 Charmones this sale 1.45  
Woolen Goods go at 1.15  
25 Silk & Woolen goods...  
100 Silk and Dress goods...85  
50c Silk & Woolen special...4P  
50c Woolen Goods & Silk...3

## KNIT GOODS

Knit goods, Sweaters, etc, go at ONE-THIRD OFF.

## RIBBONS

All ribbons go at ONE-THIRD OFF.

## Winter

One lot ladies vests wants to close out, extra special 19c per garment.



Story of a Hiroshima G. Levonia Masterson.

The Coming of Christ.

Dyer.  
Talk by President.  
Song—A Volunteer Prayer.  
The Society meets 8 o'clock Sunday.

We, C. W. all Whittington, have bought consolidated the Kendall smith shop with the shop at the latter stand, and are fixing up same in first class shape. When you need any work in this line come to see us at the Parker stand.  
Kendall & Whittington.

## THAT RAINY DAY

You have no doubt heard of the fellow that didn't know enough to go in when it rained. Foolish, of course, but how about people who know enough to go in but have no place to go. That's simply worse and more of it, isn't it? The rainy days of life come to every one, and wise is the man who prepares for it in advance. When storms of adversity strike you, there is no refuge equal to a snug sum in the bank.  
Open an account now, while the weather is fine.

We Want Your Business--  
We Know We Can Please You  
Capital and Surplus \$55,000.00

## FIRST STATE BANK



# FOR THE COMING YEAR

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**I**N this valley of life, on each side of which are the mountains of eternity, resolve to walk onward, taking the sunshine and the rain in good spirit, helping any one whom you will meet on the way.

**S**UPPOSE your life is in the home. Resolve to make that home brighter and better for your presence. Do not spoil the happiness of life that is every human being's heritage. Rather add to the joy of the hearth, so that when you go, never to pass this way again, a loving thought will be your meet.

**H**AVE you children? Then remember that once you were young. Be kind to them. Never let it be said that you needlessly turned a child's laughter to tears.

**I**F YOU have gossiped either over the back fence or over the tea cups, here is your opportunity to make a change for the better. Of course you cannot recall the unkind word that has gone on with snowball proclivities, growing to unrecognizable proportions. But you can resolve to guard your tongue and to think twice before you speak once.

**E**ACH day read one beautiful thought, do one beautiful deed. It may be just a phrase of your favorite author. The sunset or a sunbeam or a child's golden curls will give a picture, if you are looking for it. And as for doing something—that's easy!

**D**ON'T polish the waiting bench with "hard luck" stories. Stir yourself. Hard luck never caught up with a hustler. This is true of any kind of work. Resolve to fight your battle minus weak excuses.

**L**OOK at your face. Do the lines curve down or up? It's never too late to smile. A frowner is an unwelcome companion. If persons make an effort to miss you, change the lines!

**B**E HONEST! Even with yourself. Some beings can believe their own lies. Don't enroll your name on the self-deceivers' list. There is no hope for you if you do.

**H**AVE you been a little bit shaky toward any ideal of conduct that you have formed? Surely you must have a conduct standard! Well, what's the use if you have ignored it? Make it a potent factor in the coming year. And may that standard be the best ever!

**W**HATEVER your work, let it be done better than it has been done before. In this world each one is filling a place. If you haven't any special work, make it. Don't be a parasite.

**I**F YOU have cheated any human being of his right, be ashamed and be penitent. And don't stop there. Resolve to make restoration of that which you have stolen. This may be a word of praise; it may be a dollar and it may be many things. Who are you in this great scheme that you should withhold that which is due?

**D**ON'T be a doormat. The homely rug on which people wipe their dirty shoes has a place; but you are a human being with a spine and a heart and a soul. Doormats must not be on your next year's calendar.

**B**EING a human being, you have the ability to grow in all ways toward the superman, the ideal. If you grit your teeth and hold back as a recalcitrant, ignorant child, you are sinning. You cannot stand still; you either move forward or backward.

**T**HAT question of love—how are you going to answer it this coming year? If you have closed the door of your heart against it, be merciful to yourself, if to no one else. Let love for some human being enter your door with the new year. It is the greatest force in the world. Let it come into your life!

**W**HATEVER has befallen you in the past, remember that there is another chance. The new year is on the threshold. Open the door and smile a welcome to it. It is as rich in hope and possibility as you care to make it. The happy new year is up to you!  
BARBARA LEE.

## The Turn of the Page

FRANK FILSON

(Copyright by W. G. Chapman)

"ONE, 752," said the head guard, clapping an enormous fist on the young man's shoulder. "The chief wants to say good-bye to you."

The convict stepped out of his cell, his head bowed, his eyes fixed on the floor. Three years of discipline had made him ask no questions, to no reasons. He hardly dared to look at the pardon board had his petition.

"Eyes front!" said the guard mechanically, and the convict mechanically obeyed. But the guard's hand and the convict's eyes met in a hearty clasp.

"Pardons has granted you, Graves," he said, "I commend it at the moment. I know that you'll be bright in future. If you remember that the dishonor will be mine, and it will be much harder for the rest of us here's a letter from your mother, Mapleton," he added, handing the envelope to the prisoner.

Graves read it and the governor watched him curiously. The young fellow had impressed him favorably ever since he had entered the penitentiary three years before to serve a first sentence for forgery. He had been a model prisoner; but he seemed curiously hard. Even now he seemed unaffected either by the letter or by his release.

"Yes, sir, I'll run straight in future," he answered.

"Good," answered the governor. "And my advice to you is, go home to your mother. You have about thirty-seven dollars coming to you. Go home, face the world in your home town, be a man and begin your life anew. You will find people kinder than you imagine. Good morning."

He grasped the prisoner's hand again and dismissed him. Graves went out. Subdued and deferential though he seemed, he remained totally unmoved.

As a matter of fact, Philip Graves was deeply moved, but for all that he had not the least intention of returning home. He took the train to the capital and spent his money in two days of riotous living.

The second evening found him penniless. It was cold and dimly lit, and the long tramp through the dismal suburbs had not raised his spirits. He sat down on the sidewalk and buried his head in his hands. That was the first time he had ever seriously considered the future.

"Forging's a mutt's game," one of

the other prisoners had told him soon after he was brought to the jail. "Take my tip, lad, cracking a crib's the only thing worth while. Why, all you've got to do is to walk in after the lights are out, take your pick, and walk out again. But say, don't carry a gun, for that don't pay. Just trust to your legs if you have to get away quick."

Graves felt in his pockets. At the bottom of one, hitherto overlooked by him, was a dime. Graves knew where he could get all the whisky he wanted for a dime—if he chose the time when the bartender was not looking his way. He went there.

Graves tossed off the fiery liquid, set down the glass, and went out. New Year's eve! He had not thought of that. This was the evening for making good resolutions. The recording angel was writing the title at the head of a new page of life. What record would his page show this time next year?

He walked the streets until his head swam from the liquor. It was very dark and the rain fell steadily. Graves was wet to the skin. He walked an immeasurable time, until at last, looking up, he saw a house.

A flame of anger burned in his heart, hotter than the fire in his brains. Good resolutions! What were they for such as he? They were for the rich, for those who could afford to keep the laws! He was no fool to be bound by such a code.

He crept up the garden, felt a lower window, and found that he could raise it. A minute later he was groping inside a dining room.

Cautiously he struck and lit a match. Then he gasped in astonishment. For on the buffet, carelessly laid out, was a galaxy of silver plate. That central piece—that flat tray, which he could put under his coat and walk away with, must be worth a couple of hundred dollars alone! He would take it on his way out. He opened the door and crept upstairs.

There were two rooms at the head of the first flight. The door of one was closed; the second door was open, and inside, by the light of the lowered gas jet, Graves could see a table strewn with rings. He crept in and stood staring at them. There were nearly a dozen of them—diamond, pearl, sapphire, cat's eye, flashing emeralds and rubies. It was the dressing table of some wealthy woman who.

There was somebody in the bed! An old, white-haired woman who lay there, hardly breathing, flat, with white hands picking at the bed covers! Graves snatched up a handful of the baubles and turned. Suddenly two powerful arms caught him as in a vise and he looked up into the face of the middle-aged man.

"Come outside, you—you dog!" whispered the other. "Caught in the act, you dirty sneak-thief! Let me look at your face! So you would rob a dying woman, would you? I'm going to strip the hide off you before I call the police."

"I didn't know—" Graves babbled.

A feeble voice from the sick bed made both start.

"John!" whispered the sick woman.

"John! It's you, dear John! I knew you would come home!"

The captor and the captive stood motionless, thrilled by the pity in the voice.

"John, won't you come here and kiss your old mother?" pleaded the voice.

"I knew that I should live to see you again."

The middle-aged man whispered into the ear of the thief.

"Her son was killed in an automobile accident last week. Now's your chance. I'll let you go if—"

"You're coming to me, aren't you, John?"

"Yes," muttered the thief, and with unsteady footsteps he staggered toward the bed, found it, and sank down upon a chair. He felt the hand of the old woman close upon his.

"Are you John? Are you my boy? I cannot see. Tell me that you are John," the old woman whispered.

"Yes, I am John," the convict whispered back.

She said no more for a while but seemed to doze. Gently, by almost imperceptible degrees, the man in the room lowered the gas light till it was only a little twinkling flame in the darkness. And the thief sat motionless, his hand held tightly in the light clasp of the dying woman.

After a long time she roused herself. "Johnny," she whispered, "turn me so that I can put my lips to your ear." And the convict turned the shrunken old body reverently, and with a new and strange fearlessness. Then the old woman spoke again, and so low and weak were her tones that he could only grasp them by bending his ear till her lips touched it.

"Johnny," she said, "I want you to be a good boy after I am gone. I want you to be good for your old mother's sake, Johnny. There's nobody will ever love you as I have done—nobody in the whole world. You've been wild, Johnny, dear, and people have said hard things about you and called you hard names, but I knew that you were my boy Johnny, my good boy, and that you were good at heart. Promise me you'll always run straight, Johnny!"

Graves promised.

"Then I can go in peace, Johnny, dear. Kiss me." The dying woman half raised herself and Graves took her in his arms and pressed his lips



There Was Somebody in Bed.

reverently to her forehead. And not daring to stir, he remained thus half through the night.

The vital fires had burned themselves out; gently and imperceptibly the life had faded out of the old frame. The dead woman's placid smile seemed like a benediction.

Graves rose up. "I'm ready now," he said to the man.

"Go!" answered the man, pointing to the door; and the ex-convict shuffled along the carpet, his face whirling, his cheeks stained with tears. He halted at the door, hesitated, and shuffled back again. He went up to the man.

"I don't want to go," he muttered. "I want you to call the police. Say," he went on, in impassioned accents, "I've got an old mother like that in Mapleton, and she's alive and wants me to come home. Do you think if I went that I could ever become a man again? I've been in prison three years."

The man's hand fell on his shoulder, just as the head warder's had fallen. He seemed sorry for him; it was odd, to come to think of it, how kind men were to one another.

"My dear fellow, I believe that Providence sent you here—Providence, which is only another name for God," said the man. "Go back and face the world anew in your home town."

"Why, that was just what the governor had said!"

He held his hand out and the other took it and grasped it warmly. Suddenly Graves remembered. He pulled out from his pocket a handful of shimmering rings. He placed them upon the dressing table and walked lightly out of the room. He did not shuffle now, for his heart was filled with lightness and for the first time in years he was at peace.

"I'm going home!" he murmured.

The rain had ceased and the air was keen with frost. From the four quarters came the sound of distant bells. And then Graves remembered that this was the New Year.

The book was still open and the new page had been conspicuously begun.

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN AND

**By JULIA BOTTOMLEY.**

The immense variety in ribbons permits an unending variety in fancy bags, and they will play their usual prominent part at Christmas time. The rich brocades and heavy weaves in plain ribbons are used for opera bags and for the handsome shopping bags which city women find it convenient to carry with them when they have small purchases to make and intend carrying them home. Ribbons in lighter weight, such as the Dresden, in taffeta, which are found in so many beautiful designs, are chosen for all those bags that form accessories to the furnishings of the home. Among these, those with flowered patterns on a plain silk ground having wide borders of gauze are the newest and most beautiful of the season's offerings. Such a ribbon is shown here in the pretty corset bag pictured.

A new design in a shopping bag which may be made long enough to

When it comes to selecting gifts for men two facts should be in your mind. Men appreciate gifts to their personal comfort or attracted by their



ent and useful rather than by prettiness.

Here are pictured a few of the attractive things, made of materials which will be appreciated by all folks.

The closet bag shown in the picture is made of cretonne having a wide ground with red roses and green foliage. White tape serves to bind edges and fasten the compartments back. A yard of cretonne is required for it. It is fourteen inches wide and the remainder of the material will make the compartments enough left over to cover the



answer for a music roll as well, is pictured. It is made of brown ribbon and a figured ribbon stitched together. A narrow silver braid is placed over the stitching. The top of the bag is edged with the same braid and a little finish of silver ball trimming is placed along the bottom. The bag is not gathered at the top, but is provided with four cords by which it is held. It is laid in a few plaits at each side, held in place by an ornament made of the silver cord. A substantial ribbon is required for this novel design.

A collar bag of figured silk suitable as a gift to a man is provided with a pasteboard bottom, with sides two or three inches high. The lid of a round, oblong box is used for this foundation. It is covered with the silk. A strip of silk ten inches wide forms the bag; one edge is sewed to



the bottom around which the silk fits smoothly. The upper edge is gathered on an elastic cord run in a casing in the hem. Silver cord provides hangers and the bag is furnished with an ornament made of it at each side and a bit of silver braid outlining the support at the bottom. This is a convenience that any man will appreciate.

The fine art of Japan puts even the least expensive of Japanese fans in a class by themselves. If one must look for gifts which have an artistic value to make them attractive, and at the same time may be had at a small price, the products of the Japanese are more likely than any others to meet the requirements of fine taste. Here is a little group of fans which illustrate this fact.

A fan with white enamel sticks, finished out with gold, has a shaded ground in clear, beautiful blue, merging with white.

Carved sandal wood makes a fan for a lifetime, which depends for ornamentation upon the way in which the sticks are cut out in a lace pattern. They are held together by a narrow ribbon. The faint and delicious odor of the wood makes this a fan to treasure.

Nothing but a satin-like paper and brown wood sticks form the ground upon which some artist has distinguished himself in the last fan.

Such fans may be found ranging in price from about 50 cents to \$2.



The traveling case is cut from rubber cloth first and compartments are afterward tied together with narrow ribbon.

The small box for handkerchiefs or ties is made by pasting cretonne over a strong pasteboard box. The top is padded with a sheet of cotton wadding. A set of three boxes for ties, gloves, handkerchiefs, with a larger one for shoes, makes an elegant present where one wishes to give so much. But one single box will be appreciated.

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## Harry King Tootle

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**SYNOPSIS.**  
A motherless girl, who has spent her life in school, arrives in Belmont, Ill., to take a position in the office of the political boss of the town. David Kerr, a young man who is anxious to prevent his daughter from marrying a man who is not her equal, is in the office with Judge Gilbert, Kerr's chief rival for a valuable franchise. They are the opponents of Joe Wright, editor of the reform paper.

### CHAPTER III.

Judge Gilbert was about to enter the front door, having accompanied Mr. Kendall as far as the gate. A carriage stop in front of the house. The man who got out and stepped up the walk recognized in the man who came out of the door. None the less he did not walk toward David Kerr of yesterday; he walked in every motion as he came toward the light cast by the porch lamp. He was David Kerr of ten years ago. Realizing that only something could bring the master of Belmont back out at night, and to his office, too, the lawyer went down the steps to meet his visitor.

"Good evening, Mr. Kerr," was Gilbert's greeting. "This is an unexpected pleasure. Amos. Can I see you in my office, and moved to the courthouse?"

"But you still came to see me, Amos."

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"After that how long was you on the bench?"

"Six years."

"Is that so? I hadn't an idea it was that long. What made you give that up?"

"I had a family on my hands and needed more money. I didn't run again, you remember, because I wanted to be attorney for the new street railway company."

Kerr seemed to be revolving something in his mind, for it was some time before he reminded Gilbert of a step in his rise which he had not mentioned.

"I thought you was lawyer for one of them crowds that was fightin' for a franchise."

"Well, we got the franchise."

"That was what Kerr wanted to bring out."

"Exactly. And you're still their lawyer."

"Yes."

"Many's the time I've opened that book to show a man the plot of an addition and out would drop your other handkerchief. I guess the mirror in your room wasn't big enough to hold a handkerchief on your wash day." He looked about the library, absorbing its quiet elegance. "Things mighty different now, ain't they?"

"Then I was struggling to get a start."

It seemed to be a monologue Kerr was delivering. His questions were answered, but he made no sign that he heard. His remarks were delivered at random, and he never took his gaze from the fire, except the one time he had looked about the room to note the contrast of the present with the time when Gilbert had first come to Belmont.

"But that time you wanted to get married to a mighty nice girl."

"Yes, that was about the time I was elected prosecuting attorney."

"Exactly," then after a pause, "and you got married."

Gilbert could not understand the drift of the conversation, but he recognized that Kerr was reviewing the past step by step.

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"Gloria thinks I'm the social leader of Belmont; that the whole town hangs breathless on what I say shall be the fashion at pink teas."

"Hasn't she often wanted to come back?"

Kerr was not to be hurried. He began to pace up and down in front of the fireplace. When he paused, the lawyer, to secure a continuation of the story, said:

"Well?"

"This morning she came home." Now Judge Gilbert understood; yet he could scarcely believe it possible.

"What! Gloria here?"

"Yes, here," echoed Kerr. "Come home, that's what she calls it. She's been visiting school friends since she came back from Japan, and had just started to California when the party fell through when they'd got to St. Louis. So she jumped on the train and came to Belmont unannounced—to surprise me."

So here was Gloria in Belmont. It was more than embarrassing. Gilbert recognized that it was tragic. Kerr never mentioned his daughter, and Belmont had almost forgotten her existence. Much that the boss had told the lawyer was news to him. Gloria Kerr, the little girl, had been allowed to slip out of his mind and he had come to regard the political leader, just as every one else did, as a thing apart, as a power almost as impersonal as the force of gravity or the freeing of water. The easy boss was regarded as just as much a Belmont fixture as was the river which flowed past the town, and those good people who laid aside the rose-colored spectacles of Belmont's laissez faire doctrine felt that it would be just as easy to remove one as the other.

The lawyer in Gilbert now rose to the surface and he began to question Kerr just as he would a client. The girl was here. The only thing now to discuss was what to do with her.

"She can't help but learn the truth!" Gilbert exclaimed at last.

He sank back in his chair, overcome by the weight of the problem. On the wall, where he could see it,

hung the picture of his own daughter, Julia, now away at school, and the bitterness of the whole thing was brought home to him all the more poignantly because he, too, was a father.

The hopelessness of Gilbert's tone when he declared Gloria would learn the truth if she remained roused Kerr to his old self. When he had entered the room he seemed crushed beyond recovery. Now he suddenly developed all the spirit, all the calm resourcefulness, which he had ever displayed when listening to the report of some political revolt which would call forth hitherto latent strength.

"She must not know," he replied with all his old dominance. "Listen to me, Amos Gilbert—that girl must be recognized. I know what people say of me, and I've abided by the verdict. I ain't been no hypocrite. I've played a man's game, and I've dealt with men. I ain't asked nothin' of your women folk, but now I do. I'm bringing Belmont a girl any way you could be proud of. She's got to be took up by the right people—I've kept

forgot about her. I gave her plenty of money, but she never knew anything of my transactions. She thinks I made it all in real estate."

"Then she doesn't know—"

"That's the hell of it—she don't." Kerr could sit still no longer. He pulled himself out of his chair and stood with his back to the fire and directly facing Gilbert. "All these years I've acted a lie. I've made Gloria believe I'm the leading man in Belmont. I am—but not in the way she thinks. It wasn't because I loved her; I can't say I do, 'cause I don't know her well. I ain't been east to see her for a couple of years. It was pride made me tell her that; that's what it was, pride. I wanted my girl to have what I'd missed. I didn't want her to know."

He lapsed into silence, which he finally broke himself with the explanatory remark:

"Gloria thinks I'm the social leader of Belmont; that the whole town hangs breathless on what I say shall be the fashion at pink teas."

"Hasn't she often wanted to come back?"

Kerr was not to be hurried. He began to pace up and down in front of the fireplace. When he paused, the lawyer, to secure a continuation of the story, said:

"Well?"

"This morning she came home." Now Judge Gilbert understood; yet he could scarcely believe it possible.

"What! Gloria here?"

"Yes, here," echoed Kerr. "Come home, that's what she calls it. She's been visiting school friends since she came back from Japan, and had just started to California when the party fell through when they'd got to St. Louis. So she jumped on the train and came to Belmont unannounced—to surprise me."

So here was Gloria in Belmont. It was more than embarrassing. Gilbert recognized that it was tragic. Kerr never mentioned his daughter, and Belmont had almost forgotten her existence. Much that the boss had told the lawyer was news to him. Gloria Kerr, the little girl, had been allowed to slip out of his mind and he had come to regard the political leader, just as every one else did, as a thing apart, as a power almost as impersonal as the force of gravity or the freeing of water. The easy boss was regarded as just as much a Belmont fixture as was the river which flowed past the town, and those good people who laid aside the rose-colored spectacles of Belmont's laissez faire doctrine felt that it would be just as easy to remove one as the other.

The lawyer in Gilbert now rose to the surface and he began to question Kerr just as he would a client. The girl was here. The only thing now to discuss was what to do with her.

"She can't help but learn the truth!" Gilbert exclaimed at last.

# The ONLOOKER

## HENRY HOWLAND

### Blissful Ignorance



With trouble's marks upon his brow,  
He said full pensively:  
"I wonder what she's doing now,  
And if she thinks of me?"

"I wonder if she sits alone,  
As I am sitting here,  
Where shadows which are dim are thrown,  
And there is lack of cheer?"

"I wonder if her heart is sad  
Because we rarely meet?  
I wonder if she would be glad  
If I knelt at her feet?"

"I wonder if she ever sighs  
For my impatient wooing?  
I wonder if she ever tries  
To guess what I am doing?"

"I wonder if she ever frets  
Because the hours are long?  
I wonder if she ever lets  
Herself indulge in song?"

"I wonder if she sits alone  
And wishes she might place  
Her little hand within my own,  
Her cheeks against my face?"

While he sat musing she was freed  
From every dismal thought  
And gladly let another feed  
Her candy he had brought.

**Sisterly Sympathy.**  
"Mrs. Dowdler was here this morn'g  
She said she saw you at  
grand opera night before last." 5  
"Yes, my husband and I go re- 18  
f twice a week." 18  
"She seemed to think it w- 17  
ole the way some of the lad- 18  
dressed." 40  
"Oh, did she? I thought 40  
very dressy crowd." 43  
"She objected to the low 25  
that some of the women he 56  
said she wouldn't think o- 53  
in public in that way." 45  
"I don't blame her. If I 25  
like the upper side of a w- 40  
ould feel just as she doe- 25  
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**Narrow.**  
"You had a narrow escap- 25  
e," said Mrs. Woodruff. 05  
"How?" her husband ask- 21  
ed. 00  
"The minister was here, t- 25  
just before Harry got h- 25  
school, so he doesn't kn- 1  
for you said this morning j- 1  
gan shaving yourself to red- 1  
uce cost of living." 1

**Aristocrat.** all new  
"Son, is your father's nothing 1  
"No. Pa is on trial ap- 1  
plies 'n restraint of trade." 1 these  
"Well, is your mother in 1  
"Nope. Ma is having a 1  
day for kleptomania." 1

**The Booster.**  
The booster boasts  
His town and wife,  
When he's abroad,  
You bet your life:  
Away, he boasts  
His wife and town,  
But, when at home,  
He runs them down.

**A Friend.**  
"I saw a friend of yours, the other 1  
day." 1  
"Did you? Who was he?" 1  
"Puffington. He was telling us how 1  
he picked you out of the gutter and 1  
set you on your feet." 1

**The Sufferer.**  
This O is the size of the headache 1  
that he had when he started for the 1  
banquet. 1  
And this O is the size of the head 1  
ache that kept him out of church. 1

**Progress.**  
"Is your son making headway in 1  
college?" 1  
"Oh, yes. He's wearing a fraternity 1  
pin and inhaling his cigarette smoke 1  
now." 1

**The Real Thing.**  
"Pa, what's altruism?" 1  
"Being defeated for office and hop- 1  
ing the man who was elected will no 1  
make a botch of it." 1

**Ineffective Work.**  
The success a man wins by workin', 1  
his friends never amounts to much 1  
so matter how hard he works them. 1

Who  
"I hear Wigley  
through the manufac-  
"Nope. But he starts  
to wealth in that way. Is  
company was what really b-  
his fortune."  
"What's the subsidiary?"  
"The match factory."

**A SURE CURE FOR**  
And all forms of s-  
terine. It is also a  
Ringworm, Eczema,  
Chaps and Old Itch!

"Enclosed find on  
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Testimonials at drug  
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**KNOW**  
He—I've a su-  
and I are going  
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**KNOW**  
Sore Eyes, Gr-  
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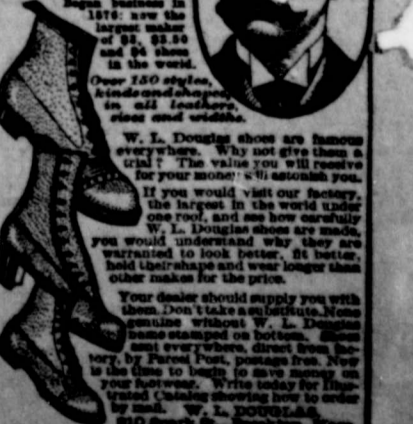
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### MOST CORRUPT IN THE WORLD

Russian Police, From Chief to Merest Messenger, Are Declared to Live on Bribes.

"The Russian police," declares an Englishman who has spent much of his life in the land of the Czar, "are the most corrupt in the world. There is a definite tariff on thieves over there; pickpockets are practically licensed. The police go regularly to entertainments where crowds congre-

gate to receive their premium from the thieves. Practically every police official from the chief down to merest messenger is bribed. They not only graft upon the thieves, but from fallen women as well. The government is helpless to deal with the situation and it is allowed to go unchecked.

"You see, the government officials know that if they attempt to interfere they would be killed. If the Czar tried to bring about any reform he would be assassinated by the police and their agents. The officials know

that it would bring down the entire governmental structure about their ears, so they let the grafting go along unmolested. It is like that all over the empire, a veritable cancer. Bad as the police graft in America is, it is nothing in comparison to Russia. The empire is honeycombed with it.

"Almost everything can be done in Russia with bribes and the same thing has been going on for centuries. Even in the middle ages the peasants lived under a system of graft similar to that of today."



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**WEEKLY WIS**  
 Many successful real estate dealers have taken their first lesson in buying, selling, value and market, from the Classified page.  
 The owner-advertised property is usually sold, "worth the money" and no agent's commission to pay.

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**THE HEDLEY INFORMER**

J. CLAUDE WELLS, Ed. and Pub.  
 Published Every Friday  
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Entered as second class matter October 28, 1910, at the postoffice at Hedley, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Four issues make a newspaper month.

Advertising locals run and are charged for until ordered out, unless specific arrangements are made when the ad is brought in.

All Obituaries, Resolutions of Respect, Cards of Thanks, Advertising Church or Society doings when admission is charged, will be treated as advertising and charged for accordingly.

- Watch Hedley grow!
- Build rent houses.
- It is now the right time to put out trees.
- Beautify your home by putting out trees.
- How about starting a monthly trade day in Hedley.
- A business man of Hedley says unless he can get a house to live in soon he will have to leave. Doesn't that show that Hedley is badly in need of more residences? The demand is greater than ever.
- About twenty new subscribers this year is the record the Informer has made. Many old subscribers have paid up lately. In fact we have but few on our list that are behind very far. One subscription is a small amount, but hundreds make a nice sum if all will pay up; and we need the money.

Need a little cash to finance that proposition?  
 A want ad may find the fellow who has idle cash which he would be glad to invest.  
 It's worth trying.

**PUBLIC ROADS**

**WASTE ROAD BUILDING FUNDS**

Department of Agriculture Points Out Need of Constructing the Right Kind of Roads.

The office of public roads of the department of agriculture is making a strong effort to focus the mind of the country on the fact that maintenance and effective repair are of equal importance with the actual improvement of bad roads. Investment of money in new roads does not become real economy until provision is made for keeping these new roads in condition after they are built. If a new road was built and then allowed to fall into disrepair, much of the original investment is simply wasted.

Europe, generally speaking, is ahead of the United States in the matter of road improvement, but Great Britain is struggling with a problem similar to the one that confronts the people of the United States. In England, Scotland and Wales there are no fewer than 2,149 separate authorities who between them, administer 175,487 miles of roads, or an average of only 82 miles apiece. In Scotland, apart from the big cities there are over 209 burghs, one-half of which have but ten miles of road apiece to maintain. Needless to say, such a minute mileage is insufficient to keep the road plant fully occupied all the year around, and renders the employment of a skilled engineer impossible for economical reasons.

Officials of the office of public roads when called upon for assistance by the various states are pointing out that road building is an art based on a science, and that trained men and experienced men are necessary to secure the best results from the expenditure of road funds.

Statisticians have found that although the average expenditure on the improvement of roads exceeds one million dollars a day, a large portion of the money in the United States is wasted because of the failure to build the right type of road to meet the local requirements or the failure to provide for the continued maintenance of the improvement.

The various states and counties within the past six months have taken a greater interest in road improvement than ever before in the history of the United States, and there is now a strong movement to conserve the roads of the country where they are improved. Scientific maintenance will be one of the chief features of the work of the office of public roads throughout the present year.

**THE MOUSE TRAP**

Another Proof That All's Well That Ends Well, in the Course of True Love.

Jane Harding had just completed dusting the sitting room and absentmindedly took a book from the table. Seating herself in the chintz-covered chair by the window, she

opened the book at random and these words met her gaze: "The man who makes the best mousetrap will find a beaten path to his door even though he live in the midst of a forest." Jane reread the lines again and again, and finally her eyes wandered to the garden, which stretched in colorful beauty beyond the window. She remained immovable for several minutes engaged in deep thought, and then a voice softly called her name. She dropped the book and hastened to answer the summons of her invalid mother. It was many hours before Jane returned to the sitting room, and then she opened the old mahogany desk, in the far corner, and began to add up the bills which had arrived in the morning's mail. Since the death of her father, two years previous, Jane had assumed the responsibilities of the household and had never revealed to her mother that there was comparatively little money remaining in the bank after the funeral expenses had been paid. She sighed as she placed the three figures, representing the doctor's bill, to the column, added it up carefully and then wrote out the checks. When this was completed she gave the little boy next door a bright new penny to post them.

Jane was only twenty-five, unusually pretty and possessed of a naturally buoyant nature that knew no quelling. She passed through the hedge into the garden, her thoughts concentrating themselves on a plan by means of which the family coffers could be refilled. The quotation from Emerson recurred to her and she repeated it softly while gathering a bouquet of spice pinks. "Since I cannot make mousetraps, I shall have to substitute something else. Now what can I do baking? My pies, cookies and layer cakes are always delicious and sell readily at the church fairs, so from now on I shall supply anyone who cares to buy my wares." These were the thoughts of Jane as she pulled one pink after another until the bed was almost shorn of its fragrant treasure. She buried her face in the cool blossoms and re-entered the house to minister to her mother's needs.

The next day Jane wrote notes to her friends informing them that she would fill any orders to furnish pastry for parties, picnics or for general use. She also asked the postmaster to recommend her to the cottagers who came to Hillside during the summer months.

One morning the postmaster, while handing her the mail, said: "Miss Jane, there's an artist living in the Porter bungalow and he will be glad to have you serve him with pies and cakes. He wants bread also, so if you can spare him a loaf now and then he will be glad to buy it. I told him how you couldn't be beaten when it comes to baking, so the next time you make pies or cakes bear him in mind."

"Thank you, Mr. Martin, I shall," smiled Jane as she took the several letters, which proved to be orders. That afternoon she packed a small basket containing a loaf of bread, a rhubarb pie and some cookies, instructing little Jimmy Case to deliver them at the Porter bungalow.

Two days later Jane, in a blue gingham frock and white apron, with sleeves rolled above her elbows, was rolling out the yellow dough for sugar cookies when a man stood in the doorway and timidly knocked. "Will you come in, please?" said Jane. "My hands are covered with flour and I dare not open the door."

The man responded to her request and entered the kitchen. "I knocked several times at the front door and, getting no response, decided to take a chance on coming to the back. You see, I knew some one was here, for there is no disguising the odor of cookies when they are baking."

Jane laughed. "Won't you sit down?" she asked. "No, thank you, I had to come to the post office, and thought I would stop and ask you to supply me with more of the very excellent pies and cakes you so kindly sent a few days ago. I am a sojourner in the Porter bungalow, so please take pity on me and send them soon."

"What would you like to have?" Jane inquired. "Two loaves of bread, six pies and twice as many cakes as you sent before."

"You are expecting company, then?" Jane inquired. "I shall send them up tomorrow morning."

"No, I never bother with visitors

when I want to work; and that reminds me that the light is perfect today and time is fleeting, so if I want to accomplish anything, it behooves me to return to the hill."

Jane watched his long strides as he walked from the house to the artist, and she had recognized any of the earmarks of his profession. His hair was cropped, his face lacked the pallor and the inevitable wrinkles was missing. He was strong and wholesome looking, and Jane thought him the finest example of the genus homo she had ever seen.

Jimmy Case being away from home for the day, Jane was forced to deliver the basket to the artist. Seated in a freshly laundered, flowered dainty frock and a broad-brimmed leghorn hat, she walked toward the bungalow. Thus Jane reasoned: "He must have something to eat; artists were always hungry and very poor. Therefore, she would not charge him her regular prices. Too bad that he, also, was ill favored by fortune. If only people would buy his paintings; but they never did appreciate talent until after the death of the artist." By this time she had reached the bungalow crowning the hill, among the grove of poplar trees.

She found the artist so absorbed in his work that he failed to notice her approach. So, tempted by a desire to watch him painting unobscured, she quietly entered the room and stood for some seconds while she applied the brush with strong strokes. Presently he turned and felt some one watching me. Do sit down."

Jane sank into a chair and for a minute he gazed at her critically finally saying: "I wonder if you would allow me to paint you?"

Jane blushed. "Of course I would. Whenever you like." He thanked her profusely also for bringing the pastry, and then Jane rose to go. Hatless he escorted her to the edge of the hill and ordered her to sit on the grass and eat. "I would call for them two days later."

Jane was kept extremely busy with the care of her mother and filling orders, for each time the artist came he wanted more pastry. Jane could not imagine how anyone could possibly have such an enormous appetite. Perhaps he did not have anything else to eat. Poor man! she must make the prices lower than ever.

The artist soon acquired the habit of spending many of his evenings with Jane, and on the day his painting of her was completed he came down and begged the fair subject to return with him to view the results of his handiwork.

Jane stood enraptured before the exquisite picture and finally gasped: "Surely, you can sell this one?"

"Sold it?" he snapped. "Who said I couldn't sell my pictures? I wouldn't part with this one for a kingdom."

"Aren't you foolish, if you need the money?" she inquired.

"What gives you the impression that I need money?"

Jane hesitated, then stammered: "Why—why, all artists are poor, aren't they?"

He laughed heartily. "You dear, dear girl, this is delicious," and coming nearer he took both her hands in his. "Knowing me to be in the depths of poverty, will you share it with me? For I love you beyond all expression, Jane."

She gladly cast her lot with his, only to find out later that he was immensely wealthy.

When searching through the bungalow one day for a lost book, Jane opened a closet door and there found stacks and stacks of stale bread and cakes. Then she knew why he had purchased them. The pies she discovered later on the bank of the creek running at the base of the hill. When she confronted him with tearful accusation of the base deed he said: "It was not because they weren't tempting that I threw them away, but I never eat pastry; besides, they served their purpose, furnishing me with an excuse to see you, dearest."

She sighed. "And I imagined that my baking was the mousetrap that caught you."—Buffalo Express.

LOST—A sow pig, black with little white spots, about 34 months old. Finder please notify H. A. Bridges.

**OUR RIVERS AND HARBORS**

The Brazos River One of the Most Important Commercial Streams in Texas.

The opening of the Panama Canal has given a tremendous impetus to gulf port commerce and greatly stimulated interest in water navigation and waterway improvements in Texas. The international canal now in course of construction connects the Texas rivers forming one of the most gigantic systems of commercial waterways in the world as well as drains a vast area of the most fertile land on the American continent.

Texas has eight large rivers on which steamboats have plied on regular schedules, many of them going as far as two or three hundred miles inland and the restoration and extension of navigable conditions can be secured at a minimum cost. We have ten harbors which have received government recognition and five ports that are regularly made by ocean-going vessels.

The Brazos river is 950 miles in length and waters a valley unexcelled in fertility and in agricultural possibilities and as a commercial stream can be easily improved and cheaply maintained. The government engineers have designated Waco, which is approximately 300 miles from its source, as the head of navigation on the Brazos and the work of improving the river for light draft boats is now under way.

At the mouth of the river is Freeport with a harbor unexcelled in natural advantages by any port on the Atlantic coast and a port where no wharfage or dock charges exist. The river deposits now being actively mined afford an enormous local source. The deposits contain seventeen million tons of sulphur and every year is now being installed to develop the field to a value of 300,000 tons per annum.

The vast tonnage of the Brazos they will employ in this port and the Intercoastal Canal will be a splendid feeder for the port an immense outgoing water tonnage. These of the river system railroads enter the port and the extension of the railroads are being built where the commerce of the Trans-Mississippi valley can be handled without congestion.

When the Brazos river is made navigable to Waco it will afford a saving of millions of dollars in freight per annum and will shipments as well as on originating the same and its advantages will be extended far into the interior, benefiting at least a million people.

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# Our Pre-Inventory Sale

## JUST ONE MORE WEEK OF THIS BARGAIN MAKING SALE--The Last Day is January 16th

**ON ACCOUNT** of the very mild Fall season and the short crops, the people have not bought the Winter goods they will require. We never carry over our goods from one season to the next, hence we are going to clean up this season, notwithstanding the short crops. We have not hired an expensive expert salesmanager to conduct this sale, but we are taking what we would have to pay him from the price of our goods and giving it to our customers. When you attend this sale you will agree that you have never seen such Bargains as we are offering you in **STANDARD NEW CLEAN MERCHANDISE AS WE HAVE NO ACCUMULATION OF JUNK TO DISPOSE OF**

As Usual this a Strictly **SPOT CASH SALE**. No Tickets Made at Sale Prices During This Sale

### NOTIONS

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| Mennen's and Colgates<br>25c Talcum for     | 15c |
| Good Iron Pins<br>per paper                 | 1c  |
| Boss Ball Thread<br>6 balls for             | 5c  |
| Good Toilet Soap<br>7 bars for only         | 25c |
| Good Safety Pins<br>2 cards for             | 5c  |
| One lot of Ladies Hand-<br>kerchiefs, 2 for | 5c  |

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At prices that will clean them out

### MEN'S CLOTHING

We handle the Schwab Guaranteed Line

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| \$20.00 Suits for | \$14.95 |
| 18.00 Suits for   | 12.95   |
| 16.50 Suits for   | 11.95   |
| 15.00 Suits for   | 10.95   |



### MEN'S WOOL SHIRTS

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| \$3.00 grade<br>go at | \$2.25 |
| 2.50 grade<br>go at   | 1.85   |
| 2.00 grade<br>go at   | 1.50   |
| 1.50 grade<br>go at   | 1.20   |
| 1.25 grade<br>go at   | .95    |
| 1.00 grade<br>go at   | .85    |

These are the NOXALL Shirts, good full well made, and cut of the best flannels. Blues, greys, tans, browns and maroons

**OUR COLDEST MONTHS** are January, February and March. Right now at the beginning of January you can get Winter goods that you will need so much these three months at a fraction of their real value. In the face of a short crop, tight money conditions, etc., you owe it to yourself to lay in your dry goods and groceries for the next three months at the reductions we are naming. **REMEMBER THIS IS ALL CLEAN FRESH STOCK TO SELECT FROM.**

### Staple Dress Goods

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| All the Calico you want, no restrictions, per yard                            | 4c    |
| An Extra Good 10c Outing, special per yard                                    | 8 1-2 |
| Several pieces Duckling Fleece<br>Kimona Outing, worth 15c, special per yard  | 11c   |
| A counter full of Gingham worth 10, 12 1/2, 15 and 20c, your choice, per yard | 10c   |
| 15 pieces Suiting 25 to 35c per yard, goes at                                 | 18c   |
| Quilt size 3 lb Cotton Bats goes this sale per roll                           | 35c   |

### The Greatest Cut of All READY-TO-WEAR

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| Coat Suits, Long Coats and skirts. These are extra special values, and as we buy these garments direct from the manufacturer we give you better values than you can obtain elsewhere. |         |
| \$22.50 Coat Suits go in this sale at   | \$15.00 |
| \$18 and \$20 Coat Suits go in this sale at   | 13.00   |
| \$17.50 Coat Suits go in this sale at   | 11.95   |
| \$12.50 Coat Suits go in this sale at   | 8.95    |

### SUITINGS

One counter of Suitings, Poplins, Ratinas, London Stripes and similar Suitings, worth 50 to 75c, sale price per yard... **35c**  
The place to get school dresses for your girls.

### KIMONAS

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| Beautiful patterns and well made, 1.25 special at | 85c |
| The 1.00 kind go this sale at                     | 65c |

### MEN'S HATS

Stetson and Beavers. All new stock—no junk—at prices that is a big saving to you.

### Star Brand Shoes

A very unusual opportunity to buy Star Brand Shoes, guaranteed to be All Leather. This is why we sell so many.



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| \$5.00 grades go in this sale at | \$4.25 |
| 4.50 grades go at only           | 4.10   |
| 4.00 grades go this sale at      | 3.55   |
| 3.50 grades go this sale at      | 3.15   |
| 3.25 grades go this sale at      | 2.85   |
| 3.00 grades go in this sale at   | 2.65   |

And similar reduction on all lower priced shoes in stock. Remember this is all new clean stock, no junk, and we stand behind every shoe we sell.

### Blankets and Comforts

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|--------------------------|--------|
| \$6.50 all wool Blankets | \$4.40 |
| 5.00 all wool Blankets   | 3.75   |
| 4.00 all wool Blankets   | 3.15   |
| 3.00 all wool Blankets   | 2.35   |
| 2.00 Comforts go at      | 1.45   |

### Men's Tuff Nut Gloves

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| \$2.00 Gloves go at | \$1.65 |
| 1.75 Gloves go at   | 1.50   |
| 1.50 Gloves go at   | 1.30   |
| 1.25 Gloves go at   | 1.00   |
| 1.00 Gloves go at   | .85    |

### GROCERIES

We are not quitting the Grocery business, but for the next two weeks we will give

#### Wholesale Prices

|                             |        |
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| throughout this department. |        |
| Blue Ribbon flour, 100 lbs. | \$2.75 |
| Mill Run Bran per sack      | 1.35   |
| Sugar, 25 lb sack for       | 1.30   |
| \$1.00 bucket of Coffee     | .75    |
| 1 25 bucket of Coffee       | 1.00   |
| New South Syrup, bucket     | .50    |
| Everybody Brand syrup       | .50    |
| Tomatoes, per case          | 2.25   |
| Kraut, per case             | 2.00   |
| 12 lbs pure comb Honey      | 1.60   |
| 5 gallons Oil               | .65    |
| 10c box Crackers, 3 for     | .25    |
| 5c box Crackers, 6 for      | .25    |
| 25c package Oats for        | .18    |
| 25c k C Baking Powders      | .17    |
| 25c Bottle Catsup for       | .18    |
| 1 lb Peachy Plug Tobacco    | .40    |
| 1 lb Star Plug Tobacco      | .43    |
| 13 Granger Twists           | .25    |
| 1 lb W. N. Tinsley          | .56    |
| 1 lb Thick Tinsley          | .53    |
| 1 lb New Hope               | .45    |
| 7 packages Durham           | .25    |
| 50c Broom for               | .40    |
| 4 lb Fancy whole Rice       | .25    |
| 25 lb extra dry salt        | .19    |
| 4 packages Corn Starch      | .25    |
| 10 lb Compound Lard         | 1.05   |
| 25c Bottle Snuff            | .21    |
| 16 lb Navy Beans            | 1.00   |
| Irish Potatoes per bu       | 1.25   |
| 4 pkg Macaroni or Spagetti  | .25    |

And many other items that for lack of space we cannot mention. Everything goes at like reduction.

Remember this is all new stock, fresh and clean, nothing shopworn. Buy your supplies while you can get them at these prices.

### BOYS SUITS

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| \$6.00 Suits go this sale  | \$4.85 |
| 5.00 Suits go this sale at | 3.95   |
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| 3.00 Suits go this sale at | 2.45   |

### Trunks and Suit Cases

Reductions mean money to you on trunks and suit cases. They are the best line we ever had at the original price, but at the cut price it is like finding them.

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We have a big line of these in all shades and weaves. The biggest stock of Silks, Messaline, Crepe, Dechines and Brocaded silks have ever shown. The pla serges and diagonals on which we are offering the following reductions representing a big saving on desirable merchandise.

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| \$2.00 Charmonces this sale | 1.45 |
| 1.50 Woolen Goods go at     | 1.15 |
| 1.25 Silk & Woolen goods    | .85  |
| 1.00 Silk and Dress goods   | .85  |
| 65c Silk & Woolen special   | .48  |
| 50c Woolen Goods & Silk     | .35  |

### KNIT GOODS

Knit goods, Sweaters, etc, go at ONE-THIRD OFF.

### RIBBONS

All ribbons go at ONE-THIRD OFF

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One lot ladies vests and pants to close out, extra special 19c per garment.



### Men's and Boys OVERCOATS

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### Men's and Boys Odd Pants

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| \$5.00 Pants   | \$3.95 |
| 4.50 Pants for | 3.65   |
| 3.50 Pants for | 2.85   |
| 3.00 Pants for | 2.45   |
| 2.50 Pants for | 2.00   |
| 2.00 Pants-for | 1.45   |

and similar reductions on the lower grades.

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## IMPORTANT CROP IN SOUTH

No Such Risks From Frosts as Menace Farmers of So-Called Corn Belt—Only Necessary to Pulverize Soil to Absorb Moisture.

(By G. H. ALFORD.)

The long seasons of the south make it peculiarly adapted to the cultivation of the corn crop, since there is never any risks from early frosts catching corn as there is in a large part of what is now termed the corn belt. The rainfall is sufficient to produce maximum crops and it is only necessary to pulverize the soil and fill it full of vegetable matter and food for from 5 to 15 inches deep so that it will absorb the rain and conserve the soil water by frequent and shallow cultivation.

Fertile soil and good seed are essential to success in corn growing. Thorough preparation of the soil before the seed is planted will insure to expect a good crop. The soil should be so prepared that the farmers in the reason of climatic conditions are natural fitness for the crop, easily adapted in production, and the doing of this is not a question of mere application of so much fertilizer per acre.

The results of the experiment stations seem to indicate that at the usual rate of corn and commercial fertilizers, the profitable production of corn on commercial fertilizers is almost a needless undertaking, unless the corn is grown in a systematic rotation with nitrogen-gathering crops. The station says: "That the use of commercial fertilizers 'not be used with profit.' The station states: 'In no case has there been an increase in the crop beyond sufficient pay cost of fertilizers.' The Virginia station says: 'In no instance has nitrogen application given a return equal to its cost.'"

The application of a medium amount of the fertilizer on average land will usually pay a profit. Barnyard manure is a valuable fertilizer. It increases the amount of available fertility of the soil, adds humus to the soil and improves the mechanical conditions.

The average yield of corn in the south is about 15 bushels. It is an easy crop to improve in yield and in quality. The yield in an acre can easily be doubled with very little increase in labor or expense by planting better and more prolific seed in addition to increasing the fertility of the soil and by better methods of preparation and cultivation.

The variety should be adapted to the conditions of the soil and climate. The soil should be so prepared that the corn is to be grown. Therefore, we should avoid sending north or south of our latitude for seed, but should take at the start the best corn attainable that has been long grown in our latitude and through careful selection, year after year, bred up.

The average corn grower plows, sows and cultivates one-fourth to one-third of his corn acreage without receiving anything for his labor. This is because of the vacant hills and barren stalks attributable to poorly seeded seed.

The method of planting must be adapted to the section and nature of the soil. Where the soil is high and dry, or where very dry weather is likely to prevail during the growing season, planting corn in the water row is usually best. The soil should be well drained, it is important to plant the corn on a shallow cultivation to the best advantage. In low lands, it is usually best to plant on beds and give the corn a ridge cultivation.

The result of the experiment stations seem to indicate that it makes no particular difference in yield whether the corn is planted in hills or in drills.

The distance apart in rows and drills must be settled for each locality and each particular soil. The amount of moisture and fertility of the soil must be considered in deciding the distance in the drill. Where the soil is light and dry, weather usually dry during the growing season, best results are generally obtained by having the rows four or five feet apart, with one stalk every three feet

apart in the row. Where such thin planting is necessary it is generally preferable to plant soy beans, peanuts, or some other crop between the corn rows.

The cultivation of the corn crop should always be level and shallow, except in low, undrained lands, where it may be necessary to plant in ridges and to keep the middle clear to assist in drainage. The first cultivation should be made before the corn comes out of the ground, and the best implement to use is the harrow to merely break the crust and allow the corn to come up easily and uniformly. Then follow with a harrow or weeder, going both ways, and after the corn gets six or eight inches tall, the two-horse cultivator, which enables the operator to cultivate both sides of a row at once, is the best implement to use.

It is always much easier and more satisfactory to prevent the growth of weeds or destroy them soon after the seeds germinate than it is to attempt their destruction after they have attained a firm, fast hold. The sectional steel harrow, or the weeder, on light lands full of humus and so on are the implements to use in cultivation.

The later cultivation after the corn gets tall is the small-tooth, one-horse cultivator. Worked in this way the roots are unharmed and the moisture is kept right where they seek it.

Many carefully made experiments have shown that the stalks, leaves and shucks of corn have a feeding value equal to the grain. Of course, if we let the stalks stand in the field until the grain is fully matured the

stover will be of very little value. But if the corn is cut while the fodder is still green and untouched by frost that is, as soon as the ears are well glazed, and is cured in the shocks, the fodder is of far more value for feeding.

The most important and valuable invention in the connection with the corn crop in recent years has been the invention of the silo, into which the green corn is cut, preserved in a succulent state for winter feeding and for tiding over a drought in the summer when the grasses fall in the pastures. The silo is indispensable to the breeder of either beef or dairy cattle.

More corn brings into use the pastures and idle lands of the farms. It is a basis for the cheaper food supply for the masses. Therefore, the production of an abundant supply of corn is one of the essentials of good farming. The south will be prosperous when the necessary corn is grown within her borders.

Where it is common only to gather the grain and then turn the cattle into the field to glean the fodder, that, standing in the frost had become practically worthless, the cattle ranging over the soft and wet ground, puddle the soil and do serious injury to it in the future cultivation. Then, too, the land is left bare all winter and loses fertility in winter rains, when it should have the green cover crops on it at all times.

Modern machinery has greatly lessened the labor of cutting and shocking the corn. We now have machines to cut and bind the corn, and we have the huskers and shredders that separate the corn from the stover and tear up the whole stalks and leaves into such a shape that not only is a far larger portion eaten, but the waste part is in such a shape that it makes valuable bedding.

**SAND FOR THE SICK CHICKS**  
Kansas Farmer Saves Many of His Little Fellows by Use of Gravel—Remedy for Lice.

(By J. D. HUNTER.)

I see so often in the paper of people being troubled with white diarrhoea in their chicks. Three years ago we lost most of our young chicks with this disease and I concluded it was the want of sand, so this year we have sieved sand for them when they are one day old and put a little bran on millet and wheat and corn chop, all mixed, equal parts, on the sand—just a little so they will get more sand than the mixture, and this year I have 150 and have scarcely lost a chick. I had 56 little ones and did not lose one until I ran out of sand, when one died and the others looked bad, so we got the sand right away and they picked up immediately. For mite lice we use a pint of grease and one quart of coal oil and a pint of crude carbolic acid and take a swab or turkey wing and fill all the crevices in the chicken houses with the mixture and we have not seen any of the lice since two years ago, barring one or two times in the summer when I went right at the roosts with the mixture and they quickly disappeared.

**Locate Borers.**  
The drops of gum which exude from the roots of the peach trees show where the borers are.

## The Basement Philosopher

By KENNETH HARRIS

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With a dragging footstep and a general air of lassitude, the janitor entered the boiler room and seated himself in the dilapidated rocker near the furnace, first ejecting his Scandinavian assistant who had been dozing in that particular seat. He did this by tilting the chair abruptly forward and sliding the stupefied underling on to the cement floor.

"Is that the way you watch the gauge, you tow-headed, milky-eyed mutt?" the janitor demanded. He rolled some cut plug tobacco between his horny palms and grimly surveyed the muttering northerner, who was slowly gathering his sprawled person into an upright position. "That's your idea of qualifying yourself for a first-class engineer's certificate, is it, you dumb, dopey square-head? Whose alcohol lamp have you been getting to now, I'd like to know? Can't turn my back for a pleasant evening's visit with my wife's wealthy relations without you curling your big, ugly carcass up in my chair and snoring like a drove of hogs, can I? Let me catch you at it again and I'll take that slice bar and make you see your native roring-boring Alice. Everything's all right, is it? Lucky for you it is, or I'd not let you sit in the wheelbarrow."

The janitor crammed his tobacco into the bowl of his pipe, lit it and emitted a smoky sigh. "I feel a little better now," he said, with an abatement of his truculent tone. "Forgive my harsh words, Nels, my friend; but I have been tried. I sure have. Five minutes ago I was wearing a clean collar and using stiff, starched and hand polished conversation to a leathery, elderly lady that ain't got no more use for me than a pig has for a pluck parson. She's got an idea that my wife might have done considerable better than what she did when she married me. I don't say

"I'm glad to see you realize it," she says, "but I doubt if you'll ever improve much for all that."

"Wouldn't that jar you? It's well I'm a reasonable man or I'd come out here and bust in that bone head of yours to get even. And two days more of it to enjoy! If it was just her talking—just her!"

"Who is it? I wonder at you now, as little sense as I know you've got. Do you suppose any human hundred-and-ten-pound, vinegar-tongued haridan could hand me out a spiel like that and get away with it? Not on your picture postcard. It's money that's talking, Nels, my friend; money in the bank, drawing four per cent interest, and when money talks, you've got to scoop your hand behind your ear and listen with respectful attention. No, Nels, it ain't just my wife's aunt that's insulting me. It's her savings account and a municipal bond and a farm mortgage and a house and lot, and I'll take a good deal of bawling out from them sort of things if I've a chance of getting my mitts on 'em in due course of time."

"But them two days is the limit," said the janitor, knocking the ashes out of his pipe. "If she was the wealth of the Indies and the United States treasury vaults, I'd have her trunk in the wagon the day after tomorrow. She's got forty-six hours—twenty-seven hundred and sixty golden minutes to take me by the ears and rub my face in the mud, and then, the stuff's off. I'm a patient man when I've got to be, but there's a point when I rise up on my hind legs and show 'em what's what if I've got to smash every dish on the table and wake up the folks in the next block. Seven twenty-five Wednesday morning and the place is clear of her."

"Unless," added the janitor, after a moment's pause, "unless she concludes to stay a few days longer."

**BRAIN WORK AND LONG LIFE**  
Two Would Seem to Go Together Provided That Element of Worry Can Be Eliminated.

English judges, according to Lord Alverstone, are often at their best between sixty-five and eighty. The scientific explanation of this is that

the old lady ain't right either, but how was I a-going to help it? Once my old woman makes up her mind to do a thing, there ain't no use arguing with her about it. I seen that at the time. I didn't know her as well as I do now, but I was wise to that all right.

"Nels, my friend," continued the janitor, after a few reflective puffs at his pipe, "I'm going to give you some good advice. I take back what I've been saying about them frugal habits of yours. Go right on nourishing yourself with cold water and cabbage soup. Stick to that red vest and bottle green coat of your grand-daddy's and save money; then you go and take a trip back to the old country and give the girls there a chance at you. You've got to a marrying age now and some female or another is going to cop you out sure, so you might as well take the curse off as far as you can by going where your wife can leave her relations a matter of two or three thousand miles behind her. If my wife's aunt was in Scandahovia or Shanghai, I'd be a happy, carefree man this minute, but having her as close as Indianapolis and knowing that any time a year, she may hop on the train and come to see us is quinine in my whiskey and hair in my pipe; it's a thought to chill hot victuals and make my feather pillow feel like a gunny sack full of half bricks; it puts an ache in my bones and a fever in my brain, makes the cold sweat stand out on my forehead and fills my mouth with dust and ashes. It's fierce!"

The janitor shook his head mournfully. "You shouldn't have thought it was dust and ashes in my mouth this evening, though," he went on. "You'd have supposed it was butter that was due to stay there until I swallowed it whole or spat it out. There she sits, looking like a Philippine curio in a missionary museum, with her old gimlet eye boring into my depraved and degraded soul, and me feeling as if I was the biggest mistake in a small size that ever happened. Me, with my forty-two inch chest and my noble and commanding presence! Me that's reduced the arrogant tenant to humbleness! Me, Mike, limp as a lurch counter dishrag, picking and sorting out my words and smiling till my cheeks is stiff while she's asking my wife if I drink as much as ever."

"I hate a fool," says she.

"They're sure poor company for an intelligent person, ma'am," says I.

Judges use their brains constantly and with great concentration, and are at the same time relieved of worrying about their material welfare.

Worry hastens death, but hard mental work is a tonic and life-strengthenener. If you want to live to a good old age, use your brain. Mental exercise keeps the brain well supplied with blood. With the source of vital energy well nourished, it acts as a tonic to the whole system. Those, on the other hand, who are deficient in mental exercise deprive their brains of a sufficient blood supply.

The same study which found judges doing their best work between sixty-five and eighty, cited the English agricultural laborer, who, after a life of hard, outdoor work, but practically without intellectual exercise, frequently goes to pieces between the ages of sixty and seventy. For most people a bit of serious meditation or concentrated thought would prove a more vigorous tonic than physical exercise.

Work your brain hard and keep young. Any man who devotes himself to serious thought without worry about the future will be more productive of a high order of work in his last years than at any earlier period.

—Leslie's.

**Dog a Bit Ahead.**  
A Maine man tells a story of a friend of his in the west who was induced by a stranger to buy what was claimed by the latter to be the best wolf dog in the country. A few days later the man took his new purchase and started out early in the morning to try him out. The dog soon picked up the scent and started off, the man following on horseback. The dog was soon out of sight, but the man could hear him bark occasionally and followed on. About noon he met another man coming from the opposite direction and inquired if he had seen a wolf and a dog anywhere, to which the man replied that he had.

"And how were they going?" queried the man. "Was the dog nearly onto him?"

"Well," answered the other, "if I remember correctly, the dog was just a trifle ahead."—Harper's Magazine.

**European Wines.**  
The total production of wine in 1912 in the following countries: Spain, France, Italy, Luxembourg, Roumania, Switzerland, Algeria, Tunis, is estimated at 2,781,985,000 gallons, against 2,498,322,000 gallons in 1911, an increase of 11.4 per cent.

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time blushing more furiously than be-  
fore.

"I-I deceived you," she stammered.  
"It—it wasn't a business letter I was  
expecting. Will you please see if there  
is something for me among the love  
letters?"

### Why Japs Are Undersized.

Every one is eager to add to his  
fund of information concerning the  
Japanese, and there are not many lay-  
men who can tell why the Japs are  
undersized. Japanese surgeons have  
made measurements of their army,  
which show that the smallness of the  
stature is due entirely to the almost  
dwarfed condition of the legs. This  
is no doubt due to the fact that from  
childhood the Japanese practices an  
unnatural way of sitting upon the legs.  
When a Japanese child is old enough  
to sit upon the floor his legs are bent  
under him. This in time dwarfs the  
growth of the limbs. Actual deformity  
is less common among the peas-  
ants than among students, merchants  
and others of sedentary habits. There  
is no doubt the coming Japanese, who  
are rapidly acquiring Occidental cus-  
toms, will change this habit of sitting  
upon the feet.

### WIFE WON Husband Finally Convinced.

Some people are wise enough to try  
new foods and beverages and then  
generous enough to give others the  
benefit of their experience. A wife  
writes:

"No slave in chains, it seemed to  
me, was more helpless than I, a coffee  
captive. Yet there were innumerable  
warnings—waking from a troubled  
sleep with a feeling of suffocation, at  
times dizzy and out of breath, attacks  
of palpitation of the heart that fright-  
ened me.

(Tea is just as injurious as coffee  
because it contains caffeine, the same  
drug found in coffee.)

"At last my nervous system was so  
disarranged that my physician ordered  
'no more coffee.' I capitulated.

"Determined to give Postum a fair  
trial, I prepared it according to direc-  
tions on the pkg., obtaining a dark  
brown liquid with a rich snappy fla-  
vor similar to coffee. When cream  
and sugar were added, it was not only  
good but delicious.

"Noting its beneficial effects in me  
the rest of the family adopted it—all  
except my husband, who would not ad-  
mit that coffee hurt him. Several  
weeks elapsed during which I drank  
Postum two or three times a day,  
when, to my surprise, my husband  
said: 'I have decided to drink Postum.  
Your improvement is so apparent—  
you have such fine color—that I pro-  
pose to give credit where credit is  
due.' And now we are coffee-slaves no  
longer."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle  
Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Well-  
ville," in pkgs.

Postum now comes in two forms:  
Regular Postum—must be boiled.  
Instant Postum—is a soluble powder.  
A teaspoonful dissolves quickly in a  
cup of hot water and, with cream and  
sugar, makes a delicious beverage  
instantly. Grocers sell both kinds.

"There's a Reason" for Postum.

## UNLOOKER by HENRY HOWLAND

### HAPPY DAYS for MA



Mother's gettin' thin and so  
She's quit appearin' sad;  
She sings all day to let us know  
That she is feelin' glad.

Father's work is hard to do;  
He makes an early start  
And comes home when the day is through,  
Worn out and sad at heart.

His clo's are old and out of style,  
He wears his last year's hat,  
For mother's had to spend a pile  
To keep from bein' fat.

He scolds around a lot 'cause I'm  
So hard on pants and shoes,  
And every day, 'most all the time,  
He seems to have the blues.

Before he gets one month's bills paid  
The next month's bills come in.  
But mother says she's not dismayed—  
She's glad and gettin' thin.

She does not care about the cost  
When there's a goal to seek;  
For nearly four weeks now she's lost  
Almost a pound a week.



**The Poet's Mission.**  
"I can't see," the poet's wife com-  
plained, "why you don't give up writ-  
ing poetry and go in for something  
that might be more profitable."  
"My dear, you don't understand the  
poet's mission."

"I suppose I don't. I wish you'd tell  
me what it is."

"Can't you see how great a boon I  
am conferring upon posterity? A  
hundred years from now orators will  
be quoting my lines without mention-  
ing me, and it will be supposed that  
they themselves are the authors of  
them, just as orators of the present  
day embellish their speeches with  
quotations from poets who have long  
been dead, without taking the trouble  
to mention the fact that they were  
borrowing."

"But how will that help you?"  
"It won't help me at all. But do  
you want oratory to become a lost  
art?"

### AN INCONSIDERATE HUSBAND.

"Oh, dear, ex-  
cuse me," she  
said, after at-  
tempting for the  
third time to hide  
a yawn. "I had  
hardly any sleep  
last night."  
"I hope the baby  
wasn't ill," her friend replied.

"No, my husband sat up until nearly  
one o'clock reading a novel, and it  
was almost two before I could be  
sure he was, sound enough asleep to  
make it safe for me to search his  
pockets. Some men have absolutely  
no consideration for their wives."

**Painful.**  
"I was the victim of a painful sur-  
prise last night."  
"How was that?"

"At dinner I sat next to a Boston  
girl, and supposing she would be  
frigid, I asked her to cool my soup a  
little by blowing on it."  
"What happened?"

"I was roasted to a cinder."

### Advice.

Look before you leap, young man,  
But keep this fact in mind:  
The ones who never leap at all  
Are those who are obscure and small  
And left to lag behind.

Cross no bridge ere it is reached.  
But, young man, don't forget  
That there are bridges to be crossed;  
The ones on whom this fact is lost  
Are likely to get wet.

### Cautious.

"Well, we have been engaged for a  
week."  
"Yes, it was just a week ago tonight  
that you asked me to be yours."  
"Have you told anybody?"  
"Not a soul."  
"Then I'm afraid I'll have to give  
you up. I don't want to marry a  
freak."

**A Future Possibility.**  
"What's the matter with the 4:30  
aeroplane? It's 20 minutes late."  
"The chief aviator has just informed  
me by wireless," replied the station  
agent, "that they've been held up by  
a lone aerial highwayman."

## "I BELIEVE PE-RU-NA SAVED MY LIFE."



Mrs. Charles Anspaugh, R. R. 1,  
Kimmell, Noble Co., Indiana, writes:  
"Peruna has been a godsend to me.  
I can feel safe in saying that it saved  
my life, as I was all run down and was  
just miserably when I commenced tak-  
ing your Peruna, but am on the road  
to recovery now. I cannot thank you  
too much."

Those who object to liquid medi-  
cines can now procure Peruna Tab-  
lets.

Ask Your Druggist for Free Peruna  
Lucky Day Almanac for 1914.

### Pain in Back and Rheumatism

are the daily torment of thousands. To ef-  
fectually cure these troubles you must re-  
move the cause. Foley Kidney Pills begin  
to work for you from the first dose, and ex-  
ert so direct and beneficial an action in the  
kidneys and bladder that the pain and tor-  
ment of kidney trouble soon disappears.

### Q. E. D.

"Ten years ago," said the professor  
of mathematics, "I killed a fly that had  
got into my office. If I hadn't killed  
that fly, she would certainly have  
laid 1,500 eggs. From these eggs  
would have come other flies, who  
would in turn have increased and multi-  
plied so that by now we should have  
550,637,841,296 more flies. Obviously  
they would have made life an inferno.  
Therefore, it is certain that by the kill-  
ing of that fly I did the world a great  
service."—New York Evening Post.

### RINGWORM ITCHED TERRIBLY

1545 Alsquith St., Baltimore, Md.—  
"My children were afflicted with what  
they called ringworm of the scalp  
contracted from a house-cat they were  
playing with. The ringworm formed  
on their scalps about the size of a  
silver dollar and their hair fell out,  
leaving a round scale or crust on their  
scalps. Their hair fell out in round  
spots. There was terrible itching, and  
they scratched till the blood came.  
They were very fretful and could not  
sleep at night, and they were very  
cross.

"They were treated for several  
months with no improvement whatso-  
ever. I was told they would never  
have any hair and would always be  
bald. Then I began using Cuticura  
Soap in connection with Cuticura  
Ointment and the first week I could  
see the wonderful remedies were  
doing all they were claimed to do and in  
six weeks' time they were entirely  
cured. They all have a beautiful  
growth of hair." (Signed) Mrs. Sadie  
Pollock, Jan. 1, 1913.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold  
throughout the world. Sample of each  
free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-  
card "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston."—Adv.

### Expensive Tributes.

"People who once threw bouquets at  
that man now throw eggs."  
"With eggs at 50 cents a dozen?"  
exclaimed young Mrs. Torkins. "My!  
They must think a lot of him."

### IF HAIR IS TURNING GRAY, USE SAGE TEA

Don't Look Old! Try Grandmother's  
Recipe to Darken and Beautify Gray,  
Faded, Lifeless Hair.

Grandmother kept her hair beauti-  
fully darkened, glossy and abundant  
with a brew of Sage Tea and Sulphur.  
Whenever her hair fell out or took on  
that dull, faded or streaked appear-  
ance, this simple mixture was applied  
with wonderful effect. By asking at  
any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and  
Sulphur Hair Remedy," you will get a  
large bottle of this old-time recipe,  
ready to use, for about 50 cents. This  
simple mixture can be depended upon  
to restore natural color and beauty  
to the hair and is splendid for dandruff,  
dry, itchy scalp and falling hair.

A well-known druggist says every-  
body uses Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur,  
because it darkens so naturally and  
evenly that nobody can tell it has been  
applied—it's so easy to use, too. You  
simply dampen a comb or soft brush  
and draw it through your hair, taking  
one strand at a time. By morning  
the gray hair disappears; after an-  
other application or two, it is re-  
stored to its natural color and looks  
glossy, soft and abundant.—Adv.

### The Menu.

"Did you have a homily when your  
minister came to dinner?"  
"No, he had fried chicken."

Dr. J. C. Venet's "Dead Shot" pills  
and Worms in a very few hours.  
Adv.

The village gossip never has time  
to take a vacation.

**Looks Like It.**  
"Isn't that girl stuck on herself?"  
"You would think it to see how  
she's glued to the mirror."

Walters' tips are not the only things  
in the world that are won by waiting.

## ROYALTIES' TIPS ARE LARGE

Crowned Heads Expend Large Sums  
for Gratuities to Those Who  
Have Served Them.

When a man begins to grumble at  
the tipping habit in New York, says  
the Times, he should thank his stars  
he does not belong to the nobility.  
The sums paid out by royalty in tip-  
ping servants while on a visit would  
support several families for a year.  
For instance, the late King Edward's  
tipping bills ran into the thousands  
each year. He made it a point that  
when visiting a friend, even for a few  
hours, never to leave without be-  
stowing notes among the servants. It  
is said that when he visited for the  
week-end he seldom left less than  
\$1,000 to be distributed as tips.

When the king went to a shooting  
party each beater received \$5 and the  
head keeper \$25 or more, according  
to the duration of the visit. The  
kaiser is said to be the most liberal  
tipper among royalty of Europe. It  
is said that every servant in a house  
which he visits is sure to be remem-  
bered. The day before a visit comes  
to an end a secretary hands the chief  
steward an envelope containing the  
amount to be distributed, and he  
makes sure each servant receives his  
allotted share. Even the employes  
of the stable are remembered.

**Not So Classy.**  
First Old Fellow—Hullo, old chap,  
how are you?  
Second O. F.—First class; how are  
you?  
P. O. F.—Steerage.

**The Great Danger.**  
She—Has Jack's auto got him into  
any serious trouble yet?  
He—Well, I understand he has be-  
come engaged to the girl he's been  
taking out in it.—Boston Transcript.

**WHENEVER YOU NEED  
A GENERAL TONIC - TAKE GROVE'S**

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is Equally  
Valuable as a General Tonic because it Acts on the Liver,  
Drives Out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up  
the Whole System. For Grown People and Children.

You know what you are taking when you take Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic  
as the formula is printed on every label showing that it contains the well known  
tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It is as strong as the strongest bitter  
tonic and is in Tasteless Form. It has no equal for Malaria, Chills and Fever,  
Weakness, general debility and loss of appetite. Gives life and vigor to Nursing  
Mothers and Pale, Sickly Children. Removes Biliousness without purging.  
Relieves nervous depression and low spirits. Arouses the liver to action and  
purifies the blood. A True Tonic and sure appetizer. A Complete Strengthen-  
er. No family should be without it. Guaranteed by your Druggist. We mean it. 50c.

### Secret of Creation Out.

Marion, aged six years, was looking  
on while her aunt manufactured a rag  
doll.

"Auntie, why don't you put in the  
eyes?" she asked.  
"The eyes are put in last, dear,"  
replied auntie.

"Oh, that's why we can't see how  
God makes us," said Marion; "he puts  
our eyes in last."

A married woman says the way to be  
happy with a husband is to learn  
to be happy without him most of the  
time.

Men who never have occasion to  
buy an umbrella are pretty good hus-  
bands.

## PUTNAM FADELESS DYES

Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye. You can dye any garment without ripping apart. WRITE FOR FREE booklet, calendar, blotters, etc. MONROE DRUG COMPANY, Quincy, Ill.

### The Hobo Fashion.

"If I ever have to choose a disease,"  
said Weary Walker, "I'll pick neuras-  
thenia."  
"What's good fer it, Weary?"  
"Complete rest."

### ARRESTED.

Further arrests are being made daily—  
not of persons, but of pain. Its Hunt's Light-  
ning Oil that so many people are talking  
about because it arrests and stops pain, and  
affords almost instant relief in cases of Neu-  
ralgia, Rheumatism, Headaches, Burns, etc.  
Just try it if you want pain to quit quick. Adv.

### New Excuse.

Mrs. Givem—Why do you beg?  
Weary Willie—The income tax  
makes such a delay in collecting me  
coupons.

### Overdid It.

"So she married him to reform him.  
And what is the result?"  
"He's so good now that he's shocked  
by the gowns she wears."

Be sure that you ask for Wright's Indian  
Vegetable Pills, and look for the signature  
of Wm. Wright on wrapper and box.  
For Constipation, Biliousness and Indiges-  
tion. Adv.

**FREE TO ALL SUFFERERS.**  
If you are out of sorts, run down or out of the blues,  
suffer from indigestion, biliousness, nervousness,  
chronic weakness, ulcers, skin eruptions, piles,  
write for FREE book, THE MOST INSTRUCTIVE  
MEDICAL BOOK EVER WRITTEN. IT TELLS ALL ABOUT THESE  
DISEASES and the REMARKABLE CURE EFFECTED BY  
THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY. No. 102, 10-3,  
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if it's the remedy for your own ailment. Don't send a cent.  
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Promotes Digestion, Cheerful-  
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Recipe of Old Dr. SAMUEL PITTMAN  
Pumpkin Seed -  
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A perfect Remedy for Constipa-  
tion, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea,  
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ness and LOSS OF SLEEP  
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handle household necessities always in up-  
to-date style—work profitable, steady and  
easy.  
**No Experience Necessary**  
**WE TEACH YOU FREE**  
If you are ambitious for a business all your own  
for our plan—we will explain everything in  
many are making big money every week  
division and plan of Modern Merchandise  
can do the same—this is your opportunity—  
write of it—write today.  
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A toilet preparation of merit.  
Keeps the hair from falling out.  
For Restoring Color and  
Beauty to Gray or Faded Hair.  
50c and \$1.00 at Druggists.

## WINCHESTER

**"REPEATED  
Smokeless Powder Shells"**  
These shells cost a little more than black powder loads,  
but for bird shooting they are worth many times the difference,  
as there is no smoke to hinder the second barrel. They are  
by far the best low priced smokeless load on the  
market. When you buy, insist upon having them.  
**THE RED W BRAND**

## WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC

FOR  
**MALARIA** and as a **TONIC**  
general  
50¢  
\$1.00  
If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by Parcel Post  
on receipt of price. Arthur Peter & Co., Louisville, Ky. **OLDEST  
BEST**

### Make the Liver Do its Duty

Nine times in ten when the liver is  
right the stomach and bowels are right.  
**CARTER'S LITTLE  
LIVER PILLS**  
gently but firmly com-  
pel a lazy liver to  
do its duty.  
Cures Con-  
stipation, In-  
digestion, Sick  
Headache, and  
Distress After Eating.  
**SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE.**  
Genuine must bear Signature  
*Wm. Wood*

## WEST INDIES AND THE PANAMA CANAL

**FOUR CRUISES**  
FROM NEW ORLEANS  
to Kingston, Colon,  
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If Yours is fluttering or weak, use **RENOVINE.** Made by Van Vleet-Mansfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn. Price \$1.00



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Sheriff and Tax Collector:  
**ROY KENDALL**

County Treasurer:  
**L. O. LEWIS**

**Locals**

Subscribe for the Informer.

W. D. Bishop.

number of prospectors have in Hedley this week.

A. Crozier was up from Tuesday.

went to Oklahoma trip this week.

has sold his farm of Wildorado.

Asher of Quail was here of the week prospecting.

Darnell was down from Saturday.

returned Saturday to Wichita county.

Kinslow and wife went Monday.

S Ray was in from Windy Saturday.

and wife moved Tuesday to R. H. Jones' farm.

Miss Moore of Memphis is here to teach music.

D. C. Lowery has moved to E. R. Clark farm.

Panhandle Steam Laundry is

When your watch is sick and needs to kick take it to Stanley Jeweler.

J. Allen and family returned this week. They report a fine time.

Warren and Tom Conner were here from Clarendon time yesterday.

Myers and family have moved to the place south of town by C. A. Gatlin.

W. Moreman transacted business in Memphis Wednesday.

W. and P. C. Johnson were less visitors in Memphis of the week.

Drugs cost you no more of either kind. Why not? Hedley Drug Co.

Boys of Memphis are voicing the

down from Tuesday transacting

C. B. Ingram was in Hedley last week on business connected with his laundry at Clarendon.

J. C. Murphy and wife of Hereford are here visiting their daughter, Mrs. S. L. Guinn.

Mrs. E. M. Ewen and baby of Memphis visited her sister, Mrs. J. G. McDougal, from Monday until Wednesday of this week.

J. M. Whittington has moved to the residence vacated by J. I. Steel.

J. G. McDougal returned from Mississippi Sunday. He says he had a fine trip.

R. L. Duckworth has moved to the J. E. Blankenship farm north-east of town.

F. P. Neely was up from Memphis first of the week visiting his brother-in-law, A. N. Wood.

J. E. Blankenship has moved to his place he bought north of town from the Nat Smith estate.

Miss Mary Calloway returned Wednesday from a visit with her folks at Victoria.

Mrs. E. G. Dishman departed Thursday night for Whitesboro to visit a daughter.

Mr. Mosely and wife of Memphis came Sunday to visit A. N. Wood, Mrs. Mosely's brother.

D. C. Moore moved to his home near the school building last Friday from the Nat Smith place.

Mrs. Nimmo of Jack county came last week to visit her daughter Mrs. C. W. Horschler.

L. L. Palmer and family of Lelia Lake visited W. G. Brinson's family Saturday and Sunday.

Collier Barksdale left Wednesday night for Cary. His mother married a Mr. Cook of that place last week.

C. A. Gatlin and family have moved near Alanreed. We regret to lose this splendid family from our community.

Bring us your Prescriptions and have them filled with clean fresh drugs. We do not substitute. Hedley Drug Co.

Have your prescriptions filled by a Registered Pharmacist with clean fresh drugs at the Rexall Store Hedley Drug Co.

**Mules For Sale**  
Have a pair of good young mules to sell for cash or on time. C. D. Akers.

Bring your laundry to the Imperial Barber Shop, where it will be sent to the Panhandle Steam Laundry.

Invalids and lonely people desiring good reading may address Mrs. W. B. Nichols, 80 Goffe St., Quincy, Mass. adv

Brick, lime, cement, post, wire, lumber and builders material can be bought worth the money. J. C. Wooldridge.

Mr. Palmer was down from Lelia Lake this week to see about locating here, but he couldn't find a house to live in.

We have a few more tablets and tickets left. Some one will get the Doll when the tickets are gone. Hedley Drug Co.

T. E. Sansberry of Windy Valley shipped out this week for Roy, N. M. where he will make his future home.

LOST—A sow pig, black with little white spots, about 34 months old. Finder please notify H. A. Bridges.

My shop is located at Kendall & Gammon's for the present and hope to be in a first class shop before long. I invite the public to come in when wanting barber work done. E. L. YELTON.

Claude Heffner came last week to visit his brothers at Naylor. He is prospecting for a photograph studio at some place, having sold out at Plainview.

The Doll is ready to be given to some one as soon as the remaining tickets are given out to tablet purchasers. Hedley Drug Co.

B. G. Johnson and family moved this week to Bard City, New Mexico. The Informer will keep him posted about this country.

When you go to build a house, or barn or any out houses we want to figure your lumber and builders hardware bill. J. C. Wooldridge.

The road hands have been working this week on two roads leading into town. One from the north and the other from the west.

Neatness as well as accuracy is essential in the drug business. We have them both. Hedley Drug Co. The Rexall Store.

W. F. Suggert returned to his home in Dickens county last week after visiting his daughter, Mrs. Bert Whittington, several days.

**COW FEED**  
If it is cow feed you want we have all kinds—cotton seed, cotton seed meal, cotton seed cake, and alfalfa hay. Hicks & Kinsey.

L. A. Stroud has built a poultry house on the acreage he bought from J. G. McDougal. He expects to build a residence soon.

How about starting a monthly trade day in Hedley?

B. L. Kinsey went with a shipment of hogs to Kansas City this week.

We understand Mrs. W. H. Baker has bought a lot north of J. G. McDougal's on which she expects to build a residence soon.

Moving pictures in the new brick tonight and Saturday night; as well as every Friday and Saturday nights from now on.

Kyle Mitchell and wife returned to their home at Lockney Tuesday after a visit of several days with the family of J. A. and W. T. Simmons northeast of town.

We have just installed the best wagon scales made and tested them, and now have a big lot of coal coming, so come and buy coal from us. J. C. Wooldridge.

Mrs. Melton of near Alanreed visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Maldron, latter part of last week, returning home Sunday accompanied by her sister, Miss Lela.

I have decided to try and make an honest living in a good old easy fashion way, so am running a dray wagon. Give me part of your hauling. Paul Moore.

Come in and look through our Prescription Department and you will readily understand why you should let us do your prescription work. ALWAYS NEAT AND CLEAN. Hedley Drug Co., The Rexall Store.



**ROADS PAY FOR THEMSELVES**

Incidents Related Whereby Several Southern Farmers Profited by Improvements Made by State.

The direct effect that changing bad roads into good roads has upon land values and marketing prices, as well as the general economic welfare of the community, is shown in several concrete illustrations which were gathered by the United States department of agriculture. In Lee county, Virginia, a farmer owned 100 acres which he offered to sell for \$1,800. In 1908 his road was improved, and although the farmer fought the improvement, he has since refused \$3,000 for his farm. A nearby tract of 188 acres is sold to have been sold for \$6,000. After road improvement, the same farm was sold for \$9,000. In Johnson county, Alabama, the people voted a bond issue for \$250,000 for road improvement. The selling value at that time was \$6 to \$15 per acre. The selling price is now from \$15 to \$25 per acre.

In another state, two farmers living at equal distance from a cotton market learned by telephone that cotton had gone up in price one dollar per bale. The farmer on the bad road hauled one bale of cotton which was all he could get over that road. The other farmer on the good road was able to haul four bales. The man on the good road gained four dollars by the rise in price, while his neighbor on the bad road gained only one dollar. A farmer in Sullivan county, Tennessee, had 100 bushels of Irish potatoes which he intended to market during the winter. Owing to bad roads, he was unable to haul the potatoes at all. They rotted in the cellar. In the meantime, the price of potatoes at a market point went as high as \$1.40 per bushel.

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**ROADS AND COST OF LIVING**

Good Road Is Not Only Convenience and Pleasure, But Is an Actual Economic Necessity.

Until very recently the vast majority of people failed to understand that the good road is not a mere country dweller's convenience, or the means to motorists' pleasure, but that it is an actual economic necessity, says Suburban Life Magazine. That it costs the farmers of this country more for a ten-mile haul of produce from farm to town than it does to ship that produce from New York to London, is a fact. That it costs farmers abroad from one-half to one-tenth as much to haul a ton a mile on a road as it does the farmers of this country, is another fact. That practically every pound of fresh and bushel of wheat we consume must travel over a road at least once and sometimes twice before we eat it, is a third fact. The three are the answer to one part of the question: "Why does it cost so much to live?" Someone has to pay for the depreciation in the value of horses and vehicles caused by poor roads. Someone has to pay for the extra time it takes to haul cotton to market, when two mules are required to haul two bales ten miles in one day, when on a good road the same two mules could haul 24 bales in the same time with the same effort.

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**City Directory**

**CHURCHES** BAPTIST, Jas. A. Long, pastor. First Sunday in each month.  
METHODIST, G. H. Bryant pastor. Every Second and Fourth Sunday.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL every Sunday morning. T. R. Moreman, Superintendent.  
PRAYER MEETING Every Wednesday evening.  
**MISSIONS BAPTIST** Services 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Monthly business meeting Saturday before 1st Sunday at 11 o'clock. Also services at 7:00 p. m. same night. Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Regular weekly prayer meeting Thursday 7:00 p. m. Convention Normal Training Class meets immediately after prayer services. Everybody welcome to all services. C. W. Horschler, Pastor. K. W. Howell, Supt.

CHURCH OF CHRIST meets at Presbyterian church for Bible class and communion at 2:30 every Sunday afternoon.

On Every Second Thursday night J. C. Wells, C. C. U. J. Boston, Clerk.  
I. O. O. F. Lodge meets every Saturday night. O. B. Stanley, Secretary.  
Meets Saturday night on or before the full moon. G. A. Wimberly, W. M. J. W. Bond, Secretary.

**DONLEY COUNTY OFFICIALS**

Judge, J. C. Kijlough  
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District Court meets third week in January and July  
County Court convenes 1st Monday in February, May, August and November.

**TIME TABLE**

North bound  
No. 1.....7:15 p. m.  
" 7.....10:15 a. m.  
South bound  
No. 2.....9:05 a. m.  
" 8.....9:08 p. m.

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