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JOHNSON RELEASED ON \$500 BOND

Amarillo, Dec. 23.—Louis Johnson, who was arrested Tuesday on the charge of sending a black hand letter to S. J. Slade, demanding that he leave \$500 in the corner of the cemetery, was granted bond yesterday in the amount of \$500. He made the required bond and was released from custody.

County Attorney Underwood filed a complaint against Johnson charging him with having sent threatening letters for the purpose of obtaining money. The case will come up at the next term of County court and carries with it a penalty of a jail sentence not to exceed one year and a fine of from \$100 to \$1,000. The matter is also in the hands of the U. S. District Attorney.

JAP DENTISTS PULL TEETH WITH FINGERS

Paris, Dec. 24.—A newspaper here presents to its readers an account of the methods employed by the Japanese dentist, which although perhaps not quite new, is of sufficient interest to warrant its publication.

The dentist draws teeth with his fingers without the aid of any instrument. He takes the

HOXSEY FLIES TWO MILES HIGH

Los Angeles, Cal. Dec. 26.—75,000 people say Arch Hoxsey broke the world's record for altitude today. He went more than two miles in the sky. The carograph registered 11,474 feet, or nearly a thousand feet above the altitude record recently made by La Gagnoux at Pau, France.

head of the patient in such a way that the mouth must remain open. Putting the thumb and index finger into the patient's mouth the Jap draws five, six or seven teeth in a minute, as the case may be, the patient during this process being unable to close his mouth.

This remarkable prowess in extracting teeth is attributed to the training the dentist undergoes in early youth. To strengthen the fingers for the later work the tyro commences by practicing on nails which are driven into a plank placed on the ground. He has to pull out the nails without moving the board. At the beginning of this nail pulling a soft wood is used, and then harder wood up to oak or something still harder. An apprentice is not considered proficient in his art until he can draw the nails from the hardest wood without moving it.

Be informed by Informer.

The Local Parcels Post Bill

Contributed

The people of this country are laboring under the influence of several fallacies in regard to the Parcels Post question. Only one side has ever been presented to the consuming public, owing to the fact that mail order publications are interested in getting the Local Parcels Post bill through to build up the mail order houses, as naturally the more the farmers order by mail the more the mail order interests feel justified in spending for advertising in farmers papers, and so the system grows by what it feeds on.

The idea has become prevalent that there is very little opposition to the Parcels Post, and while to a certain extent that is a fact, nevertheless there are more than a million and a half mercantile concerns in this country that are opposed to it.

The bill that is now before Congress asks for a Local Rural Parcel Post system. That is, the Government is being asked to transport packages of about eleven pounds in weight along the rural routes, but this package must start, if Uncle Sam is going to carry it, at the local free delivery central station; which, in short, is asking a subsidy to help to help the retail mail order houses of the country develop at the expense of the small towns.

The census returns are now coming in and the returns indicate that the large cities are increasing in population while the small towns of the country are barely holding their own or decreasing, so that is evident that the drift of population is toward the larger cities. Population always follows trade. Too much centralization either in government or in cities, is a bad thing. Village life and the citizenship developed by it constitute the only hope for the perpetuity of the free institutions of this country. The most grave and serious dangers that now menace our future, result from the overgrowth of the large cities and the consequent degeneration of the average citizenship of the nation. In the place of the plain people, whose country environment has made them stable, steady-headed, self-reliant and independent in thought and character, we would have the volatile city multi-ude—a floating population anchored to nothing, owning no real estate or property, and blown about by every breeze of popular prejudice or passion—ready for any rash experiment, social or political.

There was so much opposition from all parts of the country and from the Express Companies to the General Parcels Post bill that its advocates withdrew it and dragged in this "wooden horse of the Greeks," labeling it the "Lo-

cal Rural Parcels Post." This proposition is supposed to please the farmer because he is supposed to get something for nothing. It is supposed (first) to please the country merchant, because he will be able to deliver his goods out on the rural free delivery routes without a wagon and horses of his own. (Second) It is supposed to please Uncle Sam, because his empty rural free delivery wagons will travel loaded. (Third) It is supposed to be against the express companies, because if Uncle Sam carries the goods they won't get the business. But when it is analyzed it can readily be seen that these suppositions are not true.

If the Local Rural Parcels Post bill were passed (first) the advantage to the farmer would only be temporary, because this bill would give a monopoly of the trade to the one or two great retail mail order houses that are equipped to handle it, and it would not be long before this mail order trust had its hand at the consumer's throat, choking greater profit from him, without any compensating return than the retail dealer, with his present multitude of competitors, will ever be able to do.

(Second) The local merchant is not equipped with the paraphernalia to get general business from the consumer unless the consumer comes to his store.

(Third) Last year the Government incurred a deficit that amounted to approximately \$27,000,000 in operating the rural free delivery system, which was limited to the carriage of mail matter and merchandise up to four pounds. A great many of the most successful routes are made on horseback, over country that is inaccessible to wagon, so that the deficit, in spite of the come received from the carriage of packages, would be very much greater than at present, and the taxpayers, as a whole, would have to pay increased taxes to make up the loss incurred by this subsidized system.

Any measure that jeopardizes the business of the local dealer jeopardizes just as strongly the business of the farmer, who depends upon the dealer not only to furnish his necessities but to take his produce. If the Local Rural Parcels Post bill is passed the small town will be eliminated and the farmer will be materially injured; the value of his property which depends upon his proximity to a town and accessibility to the railroad, will be decreased all the money will go to the large cities which are not interested in the welfare of the local community and our whole present system of development will be

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WANTED OATS BUT GOT CATS INSTEAD

Neligh, Neb., Dec. 26.—The substitution of a lower case letter "c" for the letter "o" used in an advertisement placed in the Sioux City, Omaha and local newspapers, has caused John C. Trothers, a grain merchant here, all kinds of trouble.

Trothers had run low on his stock of oats and desiring to replenish his supply he concluded to advertise. He uses a typewriter, but is not an expert with it. Preparing his advertisement, which he manifested, he wrote, "Cats Wtd.—Delivered on track at Neligh, 10,000 bushel of cats; will pay highest market price."

Not noticing that he had advertised for cats instead of oats, Trother sent the advertisement to newspapers and awaited result, which came sooner than he expected. Within a week cats of kinds and descriptions commenced to arrive, consigned to Trothers. Some were sent with the charges paid and others were sent collect.

They came from the East and West, the North and the South. The agent of the North eastern road became alarmed. He was being swamped by cats and wired the superintendent for instructions. That official, not knowing what else to do wired back: "Release all cats not accepted."

Still cats continued to arrive and still Trothers refused to ac-

CONVICT BANKER DIES AT HOME

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 26.—The joy of being home for Christmas resulted in the death of James Glowden, formerly president of the American National Bank of Abilene, Texas. Lowden has been convicted and sentenced to serve a five year term for violation of the banking laws and had just returned from the Federal prison at Atlanta on parole. His wife and son called him to dinner when he with a smile started to rise, but fell back dead. It was the first dinner his wife had prepared for him in two years.

cept them, but his troubles did not end there. Boys about town had learned that he was in the market for cats. They commenced to catch the strays and take them to his place of business. Some days during the past week he has been called upon to refuse as many as 500 cats brought by boys of the town and three or four times as many coming in by rail, shipped by freight or express.

Since the advertisements started it is estimated that fully 5,000 cats have been shipped into Neligh and the end is not yet. They are becoming a nuisance and the City Council is about to take action and order a slaughter of the animals.

Informer for information.

LAND INVESTMENTS

We have a good list of lands in Donley and Hall counties—the famous all-round farming land of the Panhandle. If you are wanting a home where you can raise almost everything we can fit you up.....

BRINSON & GRIMSLEY

Office Hedley Hotel

HEDLEY, TEXAS

Go to

Kendall & Gammon

For Saddles, Harness, Collars, Fine Robes Whips, all kinds of Strap Goods, and the Celebrated 5-A Horse Covers and Blankets. Also Automobile, Machine, Neatsfoot and Harness Oils of all kinds.

....WE REPAIR HARNESS AND SHOES....

KENDALL & GAMMON



TO OUR CUSTOMERS

And Our Friends

May the New Year hold for you Health, Pleasure, and Prosperity to the fullest extent, and we know THEN yours will be a Happy New Year. This is the earnest wish of

J. C. WOOLDRIDGE
W. E. BROOKS, Manager

HEDLEY x x x TEXAS

Lay in your Winter Supply of **GOOD COAL NOW** We handle the best to be had at the price

Cicero Smith L'b'r Co.

S. A. McCARROLL, Manager

SASH, SHINGLES, DOORS, BLINDS, **...LUMBER...** LATHS, PAINT, PAPER, POST, ETC. YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED HEDLEY, TEXAS

Remember that we have Everything in the building line and will be glad to figure on your bill when you get ready to build....

A. M. Sarvis, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon
Office upstairs Kinslow Bldg
Phones: Office 27, Res. 28
Hedley, Texas

J. B. Ozier, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon
Office at Stidham's Drug Store
Residence Phone No. 45
Hedley, Texas

R. E. NEWMAN
REAL ESTATE
Hedley, Texas

Insure your Stock
A small sum will protect you against loss of your horse or cow, and help you to replace them in case they die. I represent a good company,

The SOUTHERN LIVE STOCK INSURANCE CO.
and would like to insure your stock. I will take pleasure in explaining the matter to you.

J. A. Moreman
Hedley, Texas



Don't Ring Off! Wait a Minute!

Suppose you are detailed from home over night; should a burglar pay your home a midnight visit or some one of your family become seriously ill, would not two minutes use of the telephone be worth a year's rent to you.

Emergency calls are our specialty. Let us explain our guaranteed service

Hedley Telephone Exchange

Many People

are willing to sacrifice themselves and their children to prejudice, or "what will people say?"

a foolish prejudice against the use of glasses

children with defective eyes often results in the greatest suffering—sometimes permanent disability of one who might otherwise become a power in the world.

CHAS. OREN
Optician and Graduate Optician
located at Jot Montgomery Drug Store, Memphis, Tex.

THE HEDLEY INFORMER

J. CLAUDE WELLS, Editor and Publisher

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY

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SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$1.00 PER YEAR STRICTLY CASH
ADVERTISING RATES FURNISHED ON APPLICATION

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

To keep boosting the town.
To tell the truth, except in the event of an ugly girl or sorry man getting married, or a mean scalawag dying.
To work for the best interests of our people, town and country.
To work, because we'll starve if we don't.
To improve the paper week after week.
To send the paper to every man in Hedley territory, if the \$ is paid.
To keep getting out a paper you will take pride in supporting and recommending to all your neighbors and friends.
Now get busy and get your neighbor to subscribe. Don't let him wait two or three years to see if the paper is going to stay before he subscribes.

FALSE ECONOMY

There are some who withhold from the local publisher the \$1.00 or \$1.50 that his publication cost, not considering, apparently, the real money saver it is to the family. The merchant often offers inducements that mean to purchaser a saving of three the price of the publication, and yet advantage there of is not taken because the paper is not in evidence in the household and knowledge is not acquired that leads to acceptance of his offer. No man ever took a weekly paper that did not in the course of a year, if a buyer of anything at all, save the price many times over if he availed himself of advantages its columns set forth and of which he would not be informed in any other way.—Western Publisher.

An Oklahoma exchange says: A certain young lady near town was scared nearly out of her wits Tuesday when it began to rain. She thought the house was on fire, as the noise was something unusual.

Which reminds the Informer of a man in the Panhandle who recently carried a bucket of water up to the top of the house and poured the water back to earth to illustrate to his children how it rains.

Encourage Laughter.
A famous doctor once said: "Encourage your child to be merry and to laugh aloud. A good hearty laugh expands the chest and makes the blood bound merrily along. Commend me to a good laugh—not to a little, sniggling laugh, but to one that will sound all through the house. It will not only do your child good, but will be a benefit to all who hear, and be an important means of driving the blues away from a dwelling. Laughter is very catching, and spreads in a remarkable manner, few being able to resist the contagion. A hearty laugh is delightful harmony. Indeed, it is the most pleasing of all music."

Ice Caves.
Now that a new ice cave, which is said to be the largest in the world, has been discovered in the Alps, it is appropriate to remark that any traveler who is anxious to see an ice cave without going south can visit one, without difficulty, from either Thun or Interlaken. It is situated half way down the precipice which falls from the Sigirswyl-grat into the Juststal. The approach to it involves no very difficult scrambling; but it is unwise to enter unless guided by some one who has been there before. The ice is slippery, as ice is apt to be, and there are ample opportunities of sliding down a slope to destruction.

Locals

For Overshoes see J A Adams.

Get your coal at Cicero Smith Lbr. Co

Dr. A. M. Sarvis was in Clarendon Tuesday.

7 bars good laundry soap for 25cts at A. N. Woods.

Chas. Kinslow was in Clarendon Wednesday.

Ladies' Underwear at low prices. J. A. ADAMS.

Start the New Year right by subscribing for the Informer.

Loren Bond is spending the week at Wellington with his uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Arnett spent Christmas at Esteline with her folks.

Mrs. R. A. Calahan and daughter went to Memphis Tuesday to visit a few days.

We have a nice line of both everyday and Sunday Shirts. J. A. ADAMS.

T. J. Graham of Clarendon was in Hedley Tuesday. He recently moved from Wellington.

James Mosley and wife of McKnight spent Christmas with the family of A. N. Wood.

Miss Corrie Johnson has been spending the Holidays at home from the Clarendon College.

FOR RENT—150 acres stalk field for sale or rent. Apply Mason Bros. Hedley, Texas.

Miss Ulmer Munn of Wise county is visiting Mrs. Watkins and other old acquaintances.

See our line of Shoes and get prices before you buy. J. A. ADAMS.

Miss Ethel Bond and her brother Sam are spending the week at McKnight with their aunt.

If the first twelve days of Christmas forecasts the twelve months of 1911, January and February will be cold, March windy, April calm and cloudy.

SADDLES! SADDLES! SEE 'em make 'em! Kendall & Gammon have secured an experienced saddle maker who is turning out some up-to-date saddles, big saddles, little saddles. First class work guaranteed.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

I will be at Giles Friday, January 6, and in Hedley Saturday, January 7th, with the tax rolls. The office at the county seat will be closed on those days.

Very respectfully,
J. T. PATMAN,
Sheriff and Tax Collector.

TIME TABLE

North bound
No. 1.....7:10 p. m.
" 7.....9:35 a. m.
South bound
No. 2.....9:05 a. m.
" 8.....9:05 p. m.

POMPOUS BISHOP MANSELL

Great Prelate of Petersburg Was Thoroughly Squelched by Sir Busick Harwood of Cambridge.

He was the last pluralist head, holding as he did the bishopric of Petersburg, and the mastership of Trinity at the same time. Small of stature, but of a pomposity which by no means served to conceal the meanness of his understanding, he cherished in particular that vulgar error which confounds a lord of parliament with a peer of the realm. It is remembered of him that, offended with the place assigned him at the table of a Cambridge host, he left the dining room without comment or disclosure made, ordered his carriage, and drove back to Trinity. Next morning his host—Sir Busick Harwood, the then professor of physic—waited upon him at his lodging to inquire "in what particular" he had incurred the master's displeasure. Mansell with much staidness proceeded to address his visitor in these words: "Sir Busick Harwood, I am, by the grace of Almighty God, a peer of this realm—how unworthy a one, God knows—" "Yes, master," interrupted Sir Busick, "and I know, too." Saying which the professor of physic turned suddenly on his heel and the right honorable and right reverend the lord bishop of Petersburg found himself alone.—London Nation.

SHE MEANT WHAT SHE SAID

Young Woman Was Determined Not to Have Her Rejected Suitor Hanging Around.

"So it's all over between us?" "Yes," she replied very firmly. "I told you so the last time you called. You must not annoy me any more by coming here."

"I've no fear," he returned; "you'll never see me again."
There was a half-concealed threat in his voice as he departed, but the girl heeded it not. She was happy in the thought that she had dismissed him forever.

Suddenly there was a strange sound outside. The girl ran to the window and looked out. Swaying in the still evening air was the form of her wilful lover. He had hanged himself with the hammock rope.

It was no time to either scream or faint. She ran to the drawer in the sideboard, and in a moment reappeared with a carving knife. With one stroke she cut him down. When he came to the girl was standing calmly over him. He looked into her eyes, but there was no sign of forgiveness in them.

"Eternal!" she cried, with a wave of her hand. "I thought you understood me when I told you a moment ago that I didn't want you hanging around here any more."

Preserving Spiders' Webs.

Naturalists employ an interesting method to preserve all kinds of spiders' webs. The webs are first sprayed with an atomizer with artists' shellac and then, should they be of the ordinary geometric form, they are pressed carefully against a glass plate, the supporting strands being at the same time severed.

After the shellac has dried the plates carrying the webs can be stored away in a cabinet.

Even dome shaped webs may be served in their original form by spraying them with shellac and then allowing them to dry before removal from their supports. Many spiders' webs are very beautiful, and all are characteristic of the species to which they belong, so that, from a scientific standpoint, their permanent preservation is very desirable.—Harper's Weekly.

Aged Hunter Saved by His Dog.

Ebenezer Ramsey, 72 years old, killed three bears near his home in Long Valley on the line between El Dorado and Placer counties a few days ago, but escaped possible death from one of them by the interference of his dog. Ramsey's dog treed a large bear and her two cubs, and Ramsey, with an ancient single shot rifle went to investigate. Seeing the bears, he shot all three, but the mother bear was not killed, and on falling to the ground she took after Ramsey before he could reload his rifle.

His dog, however, pounced upon the infuriated animal and kept it busy until Ramsey secured an ax, with which he killed the brute. He says it was the most exciting hunt he ever had.—Placerville Correspondence San Francisco Chronicle.

A Fallible Father-in-Law.

Two of the glided youth of Providence, R. I., were in Newport and came upon a newsboy.

"Let me have a paper," said one of them, giving the boy 50 cents.

"I can't change that," said the boy.

"Lend me a nickel," the glided youth asked his companion.

"Oh, bother, let him have the 50 cents."

"No, indeed! You let him have it if you like. My father-in-law is not dead and yours is."—Life.

Paris, son of Priam, King of Troy, was among the very first lady-killers to be mentioned in literature. Yet he was no primitive bungler, at that. Indeed, such was his skill and finesse, that there became current in the polite circle of antiquity a saying which has endured to our own day: "See Paris and die!"—Puck.

..PURE DRUGS..

NOTHING BUT THE BEST OF DRUGS ARE KEPT IN STOCK AND YOU MAY REST ASSURED THAT YOU WILL GET PURE DRUGS WHEN YOU BUY HERE

J. S. STIDHAM, M. D.
HEDLEY, - - - TEXAS

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
P. C. JOHNSON.

Wanted
Your Grocery Trade
We have the Groceries and want to supply you. Come and get our prices before buying.
HEDLEY, TEXAS **A. N. Wood**

The South's Greatest Newspaper
....The....
Semi-Weekly Record
FORT WORTH, TEXAS

In addition to subscribing for your home paper, which you can not well afford to be without, you must have a high-class general newspaper.

As a trustworthy family paper, The Semi-Weekly Fort Worth Record has no superior. It isn't for any limited set of people; it's for every member of every family. If you do not find something of interest in a particular issue—well, the editor looks on that issue as a failure. In addition to printing all the news of the day in concise form, The Record has special features for each member of the family. The remarkable growth of The Record is the best evidence of its merits.

By subscribing through this office you can get The Fort Worth Semi-Weekly Record together with the Hedley Informer, both papers one year for only \$1.75.

Accept This Remarkable Offer Today.

MONEY RAISING

AND

MONEY SAVING SALE

30 DAYS 30

FURNITURE
AT COST

LOW PRICE
on Hardware

We have decided to give the people an opportunity to buy anything in our immense stock at Hedley at lower prices than has ever before been known in Hedley. It is not often that people have such a money saving opportunity as we are now offering you. Our large stock of Furniture must be sold, and in order to make it sell, it is offered at

WHOLESALE COST

NOTE A FEW PRICES

Suit of Furniture	was \$30	now \$22.00
Kitchen Safe	" \$6.75	" 4.75
Dining Chairs	" 2.00	" 1.50
Dining Table	" 8.00	" 5.50
Springs for Iron Beds	2.50	1.50
Kitchen Cabinet	" 12.50	" 9.50
All cotton Mattress	" 8.00	" 7.00
Cotton top and bottom Mattress	was 5.00	now 3.75

Cots	was 3.50	" 2.50
Washing Machines, the very best, reg price \$12.00	now \$ 8.50	
\$27.50 Rugby Sewing Machines	20.00	
\$27.50 Buck's Cook Stove,	now 23.00	
\$25.00 " " " "	21.00	
\$22.50 " " " "	18.00	
\$35.00 L. C. Smith Shot Gun	" 26.00	
\$27.50 Remington Pump Gun	" 19.00	

BOOKS ARE CLOSED

CASH TO EVERYBODY

Johnston Hardware Company

HEDLEY, TEXAS

The Local Parcels Post Bill

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changed for the worst.

The small town, with its stores is an absolute necessity for the proper development of this country at large. It is a great educational influence in itself with its wares of all descriptions displayed to the eye. The mental interest is awakened and stimulated by the opportunity to see with ones own eyes the things that will best supply the need. The social side of human nature is developed by the personal contact involved in such intercourse, and the trip to town or village to make a purchase is oftentimes one of the most agreeable breaks in the monotony of farm life. They meet in this social center a whole circle of friends. Blot this out of the farmer's life by sending the business of the town to the retail mail order houses and you take something that has a human and social value not to be measured by money.

A great many people overlook the fact that this country already has a general parcels post system, limited to four pounds. The real question is whether that system shall remain as it is, or whether in response to the demand of the mail order houses and the mediums through which they advertise, it shall be radically changed to conform to their ideas.

The Parcels Post boomers demand that the rates be radically cut, though they all advocate different amounts. Some believe that the rate should be eight cents per pound, with a rate limit of from ten to fifteen pounds. Other boomers demand rates as low as one cent per pound, with a weight limit as high as one hundred pounds. In between there are all kinds of opinions.

Opposed to these schemes are the business men of the country, who do from 55 per cent to 90 per cent of its merchandising—the manufacturers, jobbers and retail merchants. They contend that reducing parcels post rates below the demonstrated cost of the services and increasing weight limits beyond the present facilities of the postoffice department will enormously increase the annual deficit of the department, which must be made up by taxation upon all the people, including the many who would not be benefited by the proposed parcels post changes, the many who would be directly injured and the comparatively few who would be benefited and who are forcing this thing through. The demand for a parcels post comes hardly without exception from those who expect to profit in one way or another from the enormous increase in the mail order business.

Locals

Plenty of good coal at Cicero Smith Lbr. Co.

A. L. Matthews left this week for his Missouri home.

Mesdames O. H. Britain and A. A. Heedy went to Clarendon today.

Miss Ethel Lynn has gone to Callahan county to visit her brother.

Mrs. W. A. Lynn and children left today for a visit in Wilbarger county and Oklahoma.

Rev. Woods went to Chillicothe last week to spend Christmas and to bring his family home.

Earl and Atiffe Reeves came in this morning from McLean where they have been spending the Holidays.

The big \$10 doll offered by the Cash Store to the largest purchaser of goods went to G. I. Street.

If you owe us a past due note or account please call and settle. We need the cash.
JOHNSTON HDW. CO.

Rev. J. W. Hembree, Baptist pastor, preached Sunday and Sunday night at the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Guy Taylor was down

morning to visit her brother W. S. McCrory, and family.

The two Lynn boys who have been spending the past two weeks here returned to their home at Fredrick, Oklahoma, today.

When you are in Clarendon over night or waiting for the train, visit Mulkey's moving picture show and pass a pleasant hour.

Some of the Informer friends have been thoughtful enough to phone the names of their visitors and we certainly appreciate it, and we feel sure the visitors appreciate your thoughtfulness.

I am agent for the Troy Steam Laundry at Amarillo—the best laundry in the Panhandle. Let me have a share of your laundry.
E. L. YELTON, the barber.

A large mule was sold at Memphis last week. The price was \$300 for a single mule. It weighed 1675 pounds, measured 17 1/4 hands and is only four years old.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Miller entertained a crowd of young folks at their home Tuesday evening Dec. 27. One of the leading features of the evening was the "Observation Four." Mr. Harvey Graham and Miss Ethel Lynn being the prize winners. All report a nice time.

Undertaking Goods

I have just received a shipment of COFFINS, CASKETS, AND ROBES and will be able to supply the needs of the Hedley community in this line.

Phone No. 34 S. P. HAMBLIN, Hedley, Texas

ANNOUNCEMENT

We Have Taken the Exclusive Agency for the World Famous Guaranteed Shoes



From now on the men of this town will have an opportunity to buy guaranteed shoes. We have made it possible by taking the agency for Desnoyers "Six Months" Shoes—the first and only shoes ever sold under a written guarantee.

The Only Guaranteed Shoes on Earth

Never before has it been possible to buy guaranteed shoes, because never before have guaranteed shoes been made. Heretofore it has been absolutely impossible for manufacturers to make a shoe good enough to guarantee. Their enormous selling expense prevented it. High salaried traveling men, big hotel bills, etc., cost shoe manufacturers over Five Million Dollars a year.

But the Desnoyers Shoe Co. did away with traveling men and their big expenses. They sell direct to dealers by letter, and put the thousands of dollars saved into better leather and other materials. Thus they can afford to make a shoe that's far superior to others and good enough to guarantee.

Desnoyers "Six Months" Shoes

GUARANTEED TO GIVE FULL SIX MONTHS' WEAR

These shoes will be a revelation to the people of this town. They are marvels of beauty, style and shape. Never before have you seen such leather and such wearing qualities.

Here's the Guarantee

If either the soles or uppers wear out within four months we agree to furnish a new pair of shoes entirely free of charge. If either the soles or uppers wear out during the fifth month we agree to refund \$2.00 in cash. If either the soles or uppers wear out during the sixth month we agree to refund \$1.00 in cash. In other words, if these shoes should not give full six months' wear

we refund more than the proportion they fall short.

Best Leather in the World

The manufacturers of the "Six Months" Shoes send way to Switzerland and France for the hides from which they make these shoes.

The Swissox Soles are tanned from Switzerland hides, which are the toughest and finest hides for sole leather produced anywhere in the world, owing to Switzerland's high altitude and the extreme care with which the Swiss stock is raised. It is protected from all weather conditions and kept clean and healthy.

The Paris Veal hides used for the uppers in "Six Months" Shoes are extremely tough, yet closer fibred, softer and more flexible than the hides grown in this country.

The cost of importing these foreign hides makes it absolutely impossible to use them in moderate-priced shoes selling under the old system.

Flexible and Waterproof

Not being satisfied with merely the best sole leather in the world, the makers of "Six Months" Shoes tan all their sole leather by a secret process which makes it remarkably flexible and entirely waterproof.

Best Looking and Best Wearing Shoes Made

"Six Months" Shoes are wonderful in appearance as well as in wearing qualities. They combine style, finish and quality in a degree never before equaled in a shoe selling at anywhere near the same price.

A Quality Shoe Clear Through

"Six Months" Shoes are made with sole leather box toes to give extra strength at the tip. Army duck lining is used, which costs twice as much as ordinary lining, but it is the strongest and smoothest lining made.

The uppers are stitched together by lock-stitch machines using the very highest grade silk thread. Nothing but the

best Irish Linen thread is used in sewing the soles. These methods all cost more, but they make the shoes last much longer.

We "Make Good" the Guarantee

You don't have to send your shoes to the factory to be re-deemed or to secure the refund. We make good the guarantee and the manufacturer pays us. You have no dealings whatever with strangers.

You don't risk one cent when you buy "Six Months" Shoes. You know you will have six months' wear for your \$4.00 or the equivalent of that in dollars and cents.

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from Lelia Lake Thursday visiting her father, E. E. McGee, and family.

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R. E. Newman reports a land trade this week. A. L. Matthews traded 160 acres to W. A. Seright for 100 acres.

Mr. Richey moved his house this week from its old stand near the church to a block of McDougall's addition.

Mrs. G. N. Scruggs and children came up from Memphis this

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The little girl of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brooks after several days illness recovered enough to be out this week but today she is sick again.

A reunion of the Lewis family was held at the home of J. W. Bond last Monday. A big dinner was served and all had a most enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Plummer Neely and their son and daughter, Luther and Myrtle, of Leslie, Hall county, spent Christmas with A. N. Wood and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McGee of Rowe have been enjoying a visit from their son, John, and wife of Amarillo for several days. John has been fireman on the Denver several years. His wife came in a few days ago from Denton where she had been visiting.

The Informer family spent Sunday and Monday in Memphis. We ate dinner Sunday with our parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wells, and repeated the performance Monday at our sister Mrs. R. L. Madden's home. It's a wonder we are not sick from overeating for its not often we have the opportunity of eating such dinners.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

I will be at Giles Friday, January 6, and in Hedley Saturday, January 7th, with the tax rolls. The office at the county seat will be closed on those days.

Very respectfully,
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