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SLATON MASONIC LODGE INSTITUTED

Last Thursday night, Jan. 8th, the Masons of Slaton gathered at their newly appointed hall in north Slaton and instituted Slaton Lodge A. F. and A. M. with twenty charter members. W.H. Flynn of Lubbock, Special Deputy G. M., installed the officers, bringing with him a jolly crowd.

The following officers were installed: Joe H. Smith, W. M.; A. E. Howerton, S. W.; R. M. Winegar, J. W .; J. T. Bellomy, Treasurer; I. A. Kuykendall, Chaplain; I. A. Madden, S. D.; A. H. Grantham, J. D.; A. W. Young, T.; E. S. DeLoach, S. S.; Edd Toun, J. S.

A number of splendid talks were made by visiting members, and this city has never had the privilege of entertaining a better or jollier crowd than visited Slaton last Thursday night. After the meeting closed refreshments in the form of sandwiches, cake, and coffee were served, and cigars were enjoyed. Everyone present had a good time and Slaton Masons hope they may

THE PENALTY OF STRIFL.

The scars of strife that deface the visage of industry in Texas should serve as a warning to platform makers against drawing the sword in the present campaign. There is scarely an important line of industry in Texas that has not been a battle Thomas, J. L. Stokes, W. B. Sla political warriors are now marching up and down the public thoroughfares crying aloud for more blood. If we are going to keep up these industrial struggles our records will soon look like unburied bones.

We are now facing gigantie industrial possibilities and Dame Opportunity is knocking at our door, but if the lady finds us knocking on each other, she may become disgusted and walk away. The Panama Canal will soon be calling upon our railroads for double tracks and our manufacturing plants to increase their capacity. There are our educational and eleemosynary institutions that heed consideration. The farmers are demanding better marketing conditions, cheaper money and better transportation service, and it would seem as if these problems are sufficient to engage the attention of all citizens, however able and patriotic, who desire to render a real service to their country.

We ought to cease trying to put our opponents in sackcloth and ashes and adopt the slogan of the Farmers' Union-"Co-operation." Let us lay aside bitterness and strife and turn our attention toward helping each other. The interest of the farmer is universal and he is the most. competent citizen we have, and we can afford to clasp hands and follow his lead. Many of our present day statesmen may, under this plan, perish for want of adaptability, but the wise ones have already felt the rush of new life and are leaving the old order of things like men trying to outrun their sins. No country ever has or ever will lead in civilization without co-operation.

We need laborers, not warriors, in the vineyard of industry, and it is little less than a tragedy that many by the clock, and that Judge of our leaders look upon our opportunities with as much indifference as a veteran soldier would the plow handles. We have so long taken belligerent views that we face, without duly appreciating, the monumental problems now confronting us. Malice never built a city and hate never made two blades of grass grow where one grew before. Let us have an area of peace and prosperity.

They Are So Tempting



Our Vegetables are so tempting that they attract all sorts of tastes. Fresh, sound and fine, we get

> Fresh Supplies Each Thursday of the Choicest Vegetables

the gardens afford, and we cater to the best families who seek quality in their food at all times. If you buy here once you trade here regularly, for there are none to compete with us in garden stuff at all seasons of

SLATON SANITARY GROCERY

YOU ONLY PAY FOR WHAT YOU BUY, AND AT LOWER PRICES

"The SANITARY Way is the Only Way."

have the opportunity to entertain Number of Coins and Value Exceed the visitors again.

The following visiting out of town members were present:

J. S. Winn, G. M. Cosby, Roscoe Wilson, Sam T. Davis, C. M. Ballinger, S. P. Robbins, J. A. Wilson, J. D. Caldwell, R. J. Hall, John W. Baker, Chris Harwell, L. B. Wright, A. J. Towle, A. N. Lewis, J. W. Lamb, and W. H. Flynn of Lubbock.

C. H. Cain, J. W. Elliott, J. N. ground of factional strife and many ton, and D. T. Rogers of Tahoka

> W. S. Duckworth, H. Ruth, Ben Williams, and B. Warren of Post Lodge.

M. C. Lindsay, E. S. Cox, R. L. Myers, H. H. Lindley, and Geo. W. Foster of LamesaLodge. B. P. Hopkins of Roscoe, Geo. W. Briggs of Manston, Wis.; and R. B. Hutchinson of Fort Worth Lodges, respectively.

The Masons will meet on Thursday nights on or before each full moon at 8 o'clock p. m.

ODD FELLOWS TO SLATON.

Last Monday afternoon about 5.00 o'clock a string of automobiles carrying 19 Odd Fellows of the Lubbock Lodge left here bound for Slaton, where they went to take part in the installation of the new officers of that lodge, and to attend the banquet that the Slaton Lodge had prepared for the occasion.

All report a splendid time and royal entertainment at the hands of the Slaton Lodge. It is said that some of the Lubbock Odd Fellows made real orators of themselves, especially Sam T. Davis and Chris Harwell. It is said that Sam told them that he could have made a "powful" speech if he had been permitted to speak before supper.

They say that Judge Bean spoke one hour and nine minutes Haynes used up a little over two hours of most valuable time before supper. There were other magnificent speeches made. Lubbock Avalanche.

Only 33 poll tax receipts had been issued on Jan. 12th in Lubbock county.

Former Outputs Both in Value and Number of Coins.

London.-The output of the royal mint in 1912 largely exceeded, both in value and in the number of coins produced, all previous records. Sir T. H. Elliott, deputy master of the mint, states in his annual report that nearly 162,500,000 imperial coins were struck there during the year, and that this number exceeded the highest previous figure of any year by nearly 34,-000,000.

The gold coinage exceeded that of 1911 by about 400,000 pieces. The number of pieces struck in silver has only once been exceeded, in 1910, though the value of the coinage in this metal in 1912 was greater than in any previous year. The coinage in bronze numbers upwards of 77,000,000 pieces of a value of \$1,257,010, figures and only some 8,500,000 of colonial coins were struck, a smaller number than in any year since 1890. The total coinage of the year amounted to over 171,000,000 pieces of a currency value of upwards of \$182,500,000, the highest figure on record.

LOST \$10,000 PEARL WAS

Absent-Minded Attorney Put it in His Pocket and Forgot About It.

New York .- A \$10,000 pink pearl, one of the most beautiful of its type in existence, was lost in Part IV of the supreme court, where it was the bone of contention between a rich jewelry firm and a society woman. Bailiffs crouched under chairs looking for it on the floor; lawyers pawed about among papers on their long desk in search of it. It was the gem for whose possession Ludwig Nissen & Co. have been suing Mrs. Jules J. Vatable, who was, before her marriage, Miss Elizabeth C. Stokes of Tuxedo

Ludwig Nissen declared it had been stolen from him in 1907 by J. Edward Boeck, who had sold it in San Francisco, and demanded that the pearl be returned to him. Mrs. Vatable, having bought it in good faith, naturally would not return it. Hence the suit. After a thorough search of the court room had been made Mr. Kellogg, Mrs. Vatable's attorney, discovered that he had absent-mindedly put the pearl in

Lewiston, Pa.-An elk weighing 700 pounds was killed at Seven Mountains. near Siglerville, by Dayton Aikens. He claims he mistook it for a deer. Five hunters fired at the animal, but Aiken was the only one to hit it.

Aikens went before a justice of the peace and furnished bond for the \$200 fine he will have to pay for killing protected game. His father was informant, thus keeping half the fine in the

Not in many years had an elk been seen in Mifflin county. The animal was probably driven by hunters from the state game reservation

The carcass was presented to Lewis town hospital for use of the patients.

COUNTY BUYS ROAD MACHINERY

County Judge E. R. Haynes and commissioners L. O. Burford and R. A. Barclay returned last Saturday from a business trip to Terre Haute, Ind., where they went to purchase road machinery for the county, in accordance with a recent order of the commissioner's court. They bought one road grader and four road drags to be delivered in February; also 100 culverts.

While away the committee visited the city of Chicago, and, as Commissioner Burford express-"to see the sunshine again."-Lubbock Avalanche.

SPIKES FOR TAX ASSESSOR.

bock and attached counties, subject to the July primary. Mr. Spikes has been a resident of this part of the Plains for twenfavorably known by all. He is a business man of Lubbock, and is standpoint and from a knowledge of property values.

you to give his claims for your support full consideration.

CHILD BORN WITH TWO FACES

home in Umbarger Tuesday night in giving birth to an abnormal child. The child had two faces, one on either side of the head, with a sort of forehead -Canyon News.

encouragement, and the boys are still working at it.

PARENTS-TEACHERS PROGRAM FRII

The Parent Teachers Association will hold a special session at the school house Friday afternoon, Jan 23rd, at 2.30 o'clock. Free lunch will be served to the visitors, This meeting is held for the special purpose of helping along the school library and enlarging it. Each visitor is requested to bring a book for the library, or the price of a book. The following program will be given.

PROGRAM.

Address, "Our Aim."-The President.

Duet, Dewey Wood and Frances Hoffman.

Reading, Miss Bertha Proctor. Vocal Solo, Mrs. A. B. Robertson, Jr.

Paper, "Value of Books to Our Schools."-Mrs. W. H. Proctor. Piano Solo, "Melody of Love." Miss Hattie Joplin.

Reading, Miss Vyola Talley. Piano Solo, Marguerite Hoff-

Call phone 16 for good prairie hay or alfalfa. Sledge.

ATTORNEY GENERAL RE-PLIES TO CRITICS.

Railroad Development at a Standstill Until Katy Suit is Settled.

The storm of protest that has reached the Attorney General criticising his action in filing suit against the M., K. & T. Railway Company has caused him to issue a public es it, "took in the sights." They statement defending his course, in were gone about twelve days, which many technical reasons are which are unprecedented for any year.

The heavy imperial coinages made it

Altho they had a real nice trip stitution on the part of the legislaagain impossible to undertake all the they were glad to get back to ture is alleged. No sound of ap-Lubbock, as Judge Haynes says, proval worthy of mention has emanated from any source commending either his action or his explanation It is a matter of record that the suit has arrested the expenditure of millions of dollars in railroad improvements in Texas and demoralized the In the Slatonite will be found market for Texas securities, and just the announcement of Sam C. what the Attorney General proposes Spikes for tax assessor of Lub- to give the people in return has never been announced. Certainly he cannot hope to either add to the railroad mileage or increase our transportation facilities and there is a crying need for both in Texas at this time. ty three years and is well and Apparently the thing most hoped for by the Attorney General is to uphold the dignity of the constitution, which he contends the Legislature assaulted well qualified to conduct the in passing the Katy Merger bill, but office he seeks to the best inter- while the Attorney General is exests of the property owners, tracting satisfaction from the courts both from a business training the progress of the country, insofar as transportation affairs is concerned, is at a standstill.

It is indeed unfortunate that we He hopes to see every voter should become involved in the before the primary, and he asks meshes of technicalities at a time when the Panama Canal has thrust world-wide opportunities upon us and the domestic need for railroads was never more intense. While the immensity of the former advantage may stun us, one has only to glance Mrs. F. Weismuller died at her at the map to fully realize the importance of more mileage.

At no time in the history of our development could restraint upon our progress have been more fatal to our growth.

The brief presented by the Attorextending down between them, ney General may be a document of and the head was developed until recognized merits by the courts, but at the bar of public opinion, if one it resembled that of a child seven is permitted to judge by newspaper years old. The child was dead. comments, it has failed utterly to validate the position of the Attorney General.

When the lawyers and the courts The movement to organize a are all through, our destinies will band has met with considerable remain in the hands of those who have the money to invest, for the man with money is the court of last re



The SLATONITE is authorized to announce to the voters that the following named candidates for office solicit your support and your vote at the Democratic Primaries held in July, 1914.

For County and District Clerk of Lub-bock and Attached Counties:

FRANK BOWLES of Lubbock. SAM T. DAVIS of Lubbock.

Attached Counties:

CHRIS HARWELL of Lubbock.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector of Lubbock and Attached Counties: W. H. FLYNN of Lubbock.

For Tax Assessor of Lubbock and Attached Counties:

R. C. BURNS of Lubbock.

Pay your School Taxes, which are now due, to J. C. Stewart at the Slatonite office.

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nuncements NEW YEAR'S SALE

You cannot separate your life from the expense of living, but you can separate yourself from your money by paying house rent; then why not pay that rent into your own pocket by purchasing a home on the easy payment plan, and in a few years have a home paid for. Or if you should decide to change location, in whatever length of time, you could save your rent money for For County Treasurer of Lubbock and each month you owned the property instead of merely having a worthless receipt for each month's rent. You could not take home a more appreciative Xmas present than a HOME itself, so I am offering for sale one of the best properties in Slaton, in the original townsite, less than two blocks from the public Square. East front, house lathed and plastered thruout, all frame timbers sixteen inches on centers, timbers doubled at all openings and contact of walls, outside walls shiplapped and sided, with heavy building paper between, all frames being flush with walls, four large living rooms, large hall, also large bath room, roughed in ready for fixtures, fine large veranda, colonial columns, wide extension gabled roof, solid concrete foundation for both outside and cross walls, and frame anchored to same by bolts. Good cased well covered with concrete platform, force pump with automatic check to prevent freezing.

This property is as represented and will bear the closest inspection. It will be to your interest to investigate same if you wish a home.

I have placed this property on the market until January 1st at \$100.00 cash down and \$25.00 per month on deferred payments. Can you afford to lose this XMAS BARGAIN. See or write.

C. C. Hoffman

SLATON, TEXAS. rigs will not.

The Beautiful Vernon Piano surely worth working the race will be a good All the girls are working and no one has any advantage. merchandise

SIMMONS & ROBERTSON

DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES

MR. ROBERTSON, Contest Manager

I AM A CANDIDATE.

I wish to state that I am a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk, and my name will be found in the regular announcement column of the Slatonite. I am making the race for this office because I want it, and solicit your vote and influence, and both will be appreciated. I have been a citizen of Lubbock county for a number of years and I expect to remain here for years to come, even tho I am not elected to the office. If the voters of this county and the two attached counties see fit to elect me to this office, I shall do my utmost to fulfill the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

Respectfully, SAM T. DAVIS. C. W. Bryan of east Texas was

in Slaton last week looking at our country with a view to coming here later.

Try a bale of Sledge's millet hay. It is fine, large bales.

Autos may fail but Sledge's

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R. J. Murray (& Co.

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R. H. TUDOR, Proprietor

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Estimates furnished on short notice. All work given careful and prompt attention. Give us a trial. North Side of the Square

TRADE.-I have some good of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock acreage tracts close in and well P. M. on said day proceed to sell located to trade for resident for cash to the highest bidder all property. H. D. TALLEY.

AUTO LIVERY at any time, day or night. Ed. Keightley, at Alfalfa Lumber Office.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Whereas, on the 28th day of November, A. D. 1913, J. W. Bounds recovered in the District Court of Lubbock County, Texas, a judgment against J. W. Stewart, Helen Stewart, Ara Marsh, Viola Marsh, and Mary Low Marsh, for the sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fortyfive and 77-100 dollars (\$3745.77), and costs of suit; and, whereas, the said judgment is a foreclosure of a vendor's lein against all of the defendants on the following described property, towit: The North One Half of Survey Number Two (2), in Block Number Twenty (20), located by virtue of Certificate Number 691, issued to H. E. & W. T. Ry. Co., and containing 320 acres of land, situate, lying and being in Lubbock County, Texas; and, whereas, on the 5th day of January, A. D. 1914, there was issued by the District Clerk of Lubbock County a certain Order of Sale, directed to me as sheriff, commanding me to sieze and sell as under execution the above described land and property in satisfaction of said judgment.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of said Order of Sale, I have levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in Feb., 1914, same being the 3 day of said month, at the Court House door of Lubbock County, at Lub

ACREAGE TRACTS TO bock, Texas, between the hours the right, title and interest of the said J. W. Stewart, Helen Stewart, Ara Marsh, Viola Marsh and Mary Low Marsh in and to said land and property, levied upon as the property of the said J. W. Stewart, Helen Stewart, Ara Marsh, Viola Marsh, and Mary Low Marsh.

> The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for Three Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-five and 77-100 dollars, in favor of J. W. Bounds, together with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof.

W. H. FLYNN Sheriff of Lubbock County, Texas. Dated at Lubbock, Texas, this

day of January, A. D. 1914.



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And we are equipt to put out the very best of cleaning work with this machine.

It means much to you to deal with competent tailors, those who have all the facilities for bringing out the important and the little artistic touches that modern clothes require;

Tailors whose ever increasing and superb business proves the merit of workmanship;

Proves the merit of fit, comfort, wear, and style of their tailoring. We can give you quick service. Give us a trial.

PROCTOR & OLIVE GENTS FURNISHING GOODS

Wall Paper and Paint Brushes

For sale; prices very reasonable. Come and select your patterns from the stock.

E. S. BROOKS

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See me, or W. E. Olive at Sani tary Grocery.

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LOCAL

You will find good rigs at the Slaton Livery Barn.

W. T. Knight was down from Kansas City this week.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Carpenter Saturday.

NOTICE.—Hereafter all gasoline at the Slaton Auto Supply Company garage is cash.

Are your hens laying? If not try Sledge's chicken feed and oyster shells, grit, ground bone.

Pay your poll tax this month if you wish to exercise your franchise as a voter during 1914.

Have Sledge haul your express. Will call for packages and ship them out for you, and will get your express at depot and deliver to you. Phone 16.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cox are the happy parents of a daughter born to them Thursday night last week. Mr. Cox has been absent from his office pretty often since, cultivating the ac quaintance of the young lady, and getting familiar with his new honors as "daddy."

Judge J. C. Paul started Wednesday on his pleasure trip to Adrian, Texas, last week to visit the Sandwich Islands. He is a few days before joining Mr. accompanied on the trip by W. Parker at Colorado City, where R. Harvey of Amarillo, an old he was stationed by the lumber friend and, it will be interesting company. to note, a customer of the Paul Bank at Panhandle of twenty-five years' standing. The gentlemen will stop in San Francisco for a

REAL

Try a bale of Sledge's millet hay. It is fine, large bales. Get a rig at Slaton Livery Barn

anywhere. Phone 16.

John MacRea of Twin Falls, Idaho, was in Slaton this week looking after property interests. He is the owner of the two story brick occupied by A. E. Howerton's store on the first floor and by lodges on the second floor.

and beat the auto to- to-well,

Mrs. R. W. Parker and her sons accompanied Mrs. Parker's sister, Miss Lydia Klein, to

B. C. Morgan returned home Monday from a trip to the oil fields near Ardmore, Okla. He says that there is one of the biggest booms on in the oil districts that a man ever saw, but it has no attractions for him when compared to the South Plains country.

The Rev. C. H. Ledger, pastor of the Methodist Church here, has been appointed evangelist for the Northwest Texas Conference and will move with his family to Big Spring in the next few days. The friends of the Reverend Ledger regret to see him leave this work but rejoice in the fact that he has been ap pointed to this responsible position in the church .- Seminole

J. S. EDWARDS, PRESIDENT O. L. SLATON, VICE PRESIDENT

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Our Specialties:

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Extra Pair Trousers Free With Every Suit Order. We Want Your Business

SLATON CLEANING WORKS

MISS ADELIA WILKINSON FOR TREASURER.

In announcing the name of Miss Adelia Wilkinson for the office of Treasurer of Lubbock and attached counties, subject to the action of the voters at the primary election on July 25, she wishes to say that if elected she will consider the office just as important as any other county office, and will devote her entire time and attention to its duties. She is admirably equipped to fill the office from both an educa tional and a business standpoint. Miss Wilkinson is well known to most of the voters of this county and will endeavor to see each one before the election, but if she fails to see you please consider this a solicitation for your vote and influence.

Sam C. Spikes was down from Lubbock Monday wearing a candidate's smile, meeting old friends, and making new ones. His announcement appears in the Slatonite as a candidate for tax assessor. However Mr. Spikes' smile is due to his genial nature and not to the fact that he is a candidate.

Autos may fail but Sledge's rigs will not

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Ed. Shopbell purchased the fine Hudson car of A. L. Robert son's Wednesday and went to Floydada where he is putting up a nice house on one of his farms. A. B. Robertson, Jr., accompanied Mr. Shopbell as far as Plainview, initiating him into the mysteries of car driving.

Try Sledge's oyster shells, grit, or ground bone for your chickens.

FROM NOW HENCEFORTH. C. C. HOFFMAN

SLATON. TEXAS

ESTATE WATCH THIS SPACE

FOR BARGAINS IN

Don't Pay the Other Fellows' Bills

That may sound like foolish advice, but you do help to pay the other fellows fellows' bills when you trade on a credit. A merchant who gives credit expects to lose some accounts, and he tacks an extra profit to your good account to meet that loss.

When you buy from us for cash we discount your bill as we have no losses from bad accounts and can afford to sell cheaper. We are leaders because we make the lowest prices on goods of quality. Come and get our prices.

We Have Just Received a PANTS
Shipment of ready made

Both Dress and Work Pants, and can fit you. The low price we make will fit, too'

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THE POSSIBILITIES

OF THE BRAZOS.

Perhaps we may be spinning an air castle, but we again call attention to the possibilities of using the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River in Lubbock County for irrigation purposes. There is running water from oprings in the creek all the time, but after each heavy rain the volume of water that comes down the canyon is simply tremendous. This is not so remarkable when it is seen that this canyon is the only outlet for the overflow water of a scope of country perhaps seventy miles square. A good concrete dam to impound this water would create a large inland lake, and afford water for irrigating the valley of the canyon. Not only that, but the site would furnish electricity which might be used in pumping water from the lake to the plains immediately around it and putting some of that land under irrigation.

This idea may seem wild, but there is a possibility in it.

Lubbock and Slaton might combine forces on the proposition and have it made a government project.

We try not to show any par tiality in the news columns of the Slatonite. News is what the people who subscribe for the paper pay us for publishing, so an editor cannot in justice to his readers blue pencil any news that comes to his notice. Some people are very obliging in giving the paper a line on news items; others would not let us have a hint of news if a murder had just been committed in their sight. We have heard the latter class criticise the paper for not recording the fact that they were in a neighboring town between trains every other day during the week. The editor cannot be in every part of town all the time and working in the office at the same time, but you can put it down that we print ALL the news that comes our way. You can help us make a better paper.

A public road from Southland to Post City has been viewed and the report of the jury of viewers accepted by the commissioners of Garza county. The road as designated calls for a public highway from a point on the west line of Garza county at or near Southland, to the southeast erly direction until it intersects the public road west of Post and above the Cap Rock. All that remains to have this road opened is for Garza county to pay the owners for the land traversed by the road. A little urging would accomplish this. Then there is a mile or two of road in Lynn county which should be opened, so give us a good road all the way to Post. Let's have it done.

the Texico Cut-off, styling it the Short Grip Route. Texas people setting time with cooking and take the grippe, get a grip, make dishwashing, so that any errors a trip to Texico, and return home or leave outs last week can be with themselves and the grips charged to those circumstances. so well loaded that it requires a We are doing time and a half firm grip on things in general again at the printing office, and to keep themselves and the grips the previous excuse doesn't hold from being violently handled.

A bunch of Slaton boosters met at the West Side Barber Shop Wednesday night for the purpose of organizing a booster band for Slaton. Eleven mem bers were present. W. E. Olive was chosen Present; W. H. Weaver, Vice President; A. L. Talley, Secretary; Gilbert Champion, Treasnrer.

Committees were appointed to see about securing instruments, engaging a tutor, and selecting a meeting place. The organization meets again next Tuesday night. Thirty-one names have been secured as possible mem-

TO THE CITIZENS OF LUBBOCK AND ATTACHED COUNTIES.

I am not a candidate for reelection to the office of Tax Assessor of Lubbock and attached counties, and take this means of thanking the citizens and voters of these counties for their appreciated kindness in the matter of electing me to this important office for four consecutive terms. When I say thank them I mean it from the innermost depths of my heart. If ever a man had cause to feel grateful to a people such is the case with me. I have done my best as an official to faithfully and efficiently discharge my full duties. I have made mistakes, but that was human, and these mistakes have been only such as any man would make in a clerical way. I have escaped criticism, and that is another cause for grateful feeling toward the people who have elected me.

Once more thanking you for your past kindness, ever ready to reciprocate, and with assurance once more of heartfelt ap preciation, I am,

Yours truly.

H. K. PORTER.

R. C. Edgell writes from Mc-Alister, N. M., that the heavy snows there made rabbit hunting a great sport. One family killed over 900, making a score of from 48 to 190 each day, and marketing the rabbits at five cents each. One load of their rabbits marketed at Melrose weighed over 2,500 pounds. Mr. Edgell is still ailing from the sick spell he took down with at the time he left Slaton, but hopes to be fully recovered in a short time

During October and November the Department of Agriculture reported that eighteen million pounds of meat and its products were imported into the United States. This is more than triple the amount imported for the whole year of 1912. Eighteen thousand eight hundred pounds of meat were condemned by inspectors as being unfit for human consumption. The importations came from Canada, Argentine Republic, Australia and Uruguay.

On account of sickness in the editor's family and difficulty in The public has been renaming securing help, the Slatonite "force" had to divide the type good any longer.

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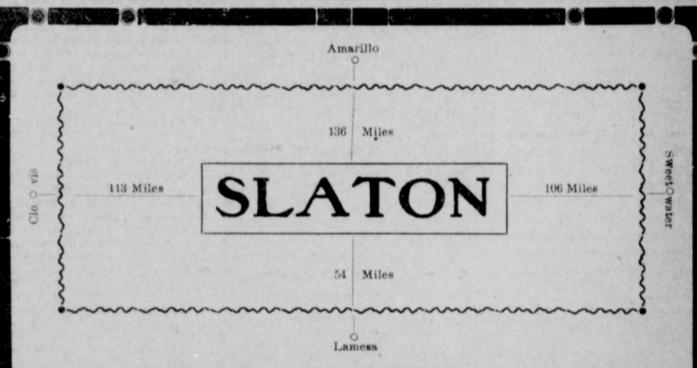
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