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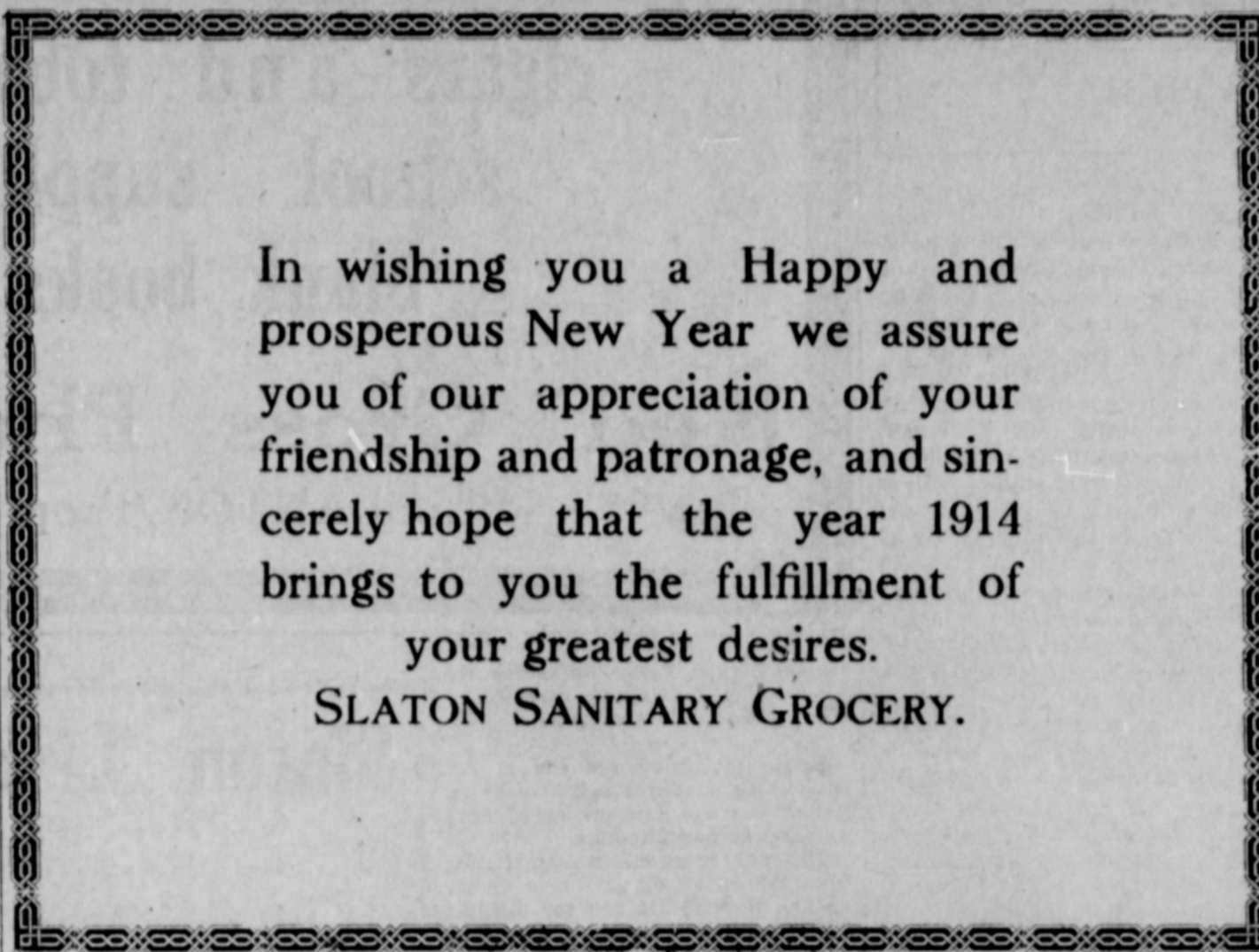
I. O. O. F. ENTERTAINS IN HONOR OF LUB- BOCK VISITORS

The Slaton Odd Fellows last Monday night again demonstrated their ability as entertainers when eighteen of the Lubbock Odd Fellows came down to assist the local lodge in installing its newly elected officers. A livelier or better natured bunch of fellows cannot be found anywhere than that which invaded Slaton last Monday evening. After assisting Doctor Adams to ride the First Degree Goat, and after the installation of officers, the Lodge closed its work for the evening, to devote its attention to the inviting banquet boards. After the eatings, the next thing was an hour of breezy speech making during which the Lubbock boys arose to the demands of the occasion in true Websterian style.

R. A. Baldwin acted as an impromptu toastmaster. John W. Baker of Lubbock started the ball rolling with a rip roaring good speech and there could be question but that everyone was fully in the spirit of the occasion. The home members also were not wanting in enthusiasm each did his utmost to make the evening a grand success. The local Odd Fellows are looking forward with intense pleasure to a visit to the Lubbock Lodge in the near future.

The visiting Odd Fellows were J. W. Baker, Chris Harwell, Geo. R. Bean, E. L. Klett, H. T. Kimbro, Sam T. Davis, W. H. Flynn, L. D. Rankin, W. A. Bacon, L. T. McCrummen, Fred Spikes, Geo. E. Brown, R. J. Hall, Jno. R. King, E. R. Haynes, A. J. Towle, J. A. Wilson, and S. J. Winn.

The officers for the ensuing term who were installed last



In wishing you a Happy and prosperous New Year we assure you of our appreciation of your friendship and patronage, and sincerely hope that the year 1914 brings to you the fulfillment of your greatest desires.

SLATON SANITARY GROCERY.

Monday evening were: J. G. Wadsworth, N. G.; F. V. Williams, V. G.; P. M. Faulkner, Secretary; R. A. Baldwin, Treasurer; R. J. Murray, R. S. N. G.; H. Leininger, L. S. N. G.; G. L. Sledge, R. S. V. G.; I. W. Hudgens, L. S. V. G.; E. S. DeLoach, I. G.; H. D. Talley, Warden; L. P. Loomis, Chaplain; G. W. Dudley, R. S. S.; W. L. Jones, L. S. S.

Standing of Piano Contestants.

Below is the order in which the candidates stood in Simmons & Robertson's Vernon piano contest at the last registering:

Blanche Ford.
Maude Davidson.
Mary Spetter.
Retha Saylor.
Theo Champion.
Tessie Grantham.

R. C. BURNS FOR ASSESSOR.

R. C. Burns, who announces for the office of Tax Assessor of Lubbock and attached counties, is one of the oldest and best known citizens in this part of Texas. He is better known as Rolla Burns. It has been said that he was the first man to discover a cow track on the plains. At any rate, few white men ever saw this part of the world ahead of Rolla Burns. No man has more loyal friends among the old timers, nor does any man more justly command the confidence and esteem of all who know him. No man has for so long a time been more closely identified with the best interests of this country, nor has any man contributed more liberally to the material interests of Lubbock county. He was until a few months ago owner of the Lub-

bock Ice Plant, but is now on a farm near there.

Hunt up the subscription lists of Lubbock, and on every one of them, whether it was for a railroad bonus, to build a church or a school house, to assist the needy, or give an entertainment, and among the biggest contributors you will find the name of R. C. Burns.

He is a progressive, courteous, honorable and high-minded gentleman, and no one questions his qualifications to fill the office to which he aspires.

An incipient prairie fire just west of Slaton Saturday afternoon threatened to develop into a serious conflagration, but was put before it got under good headway. A large crowd went out from town to put out the blaze. About thirty acres of grass were burned over.

MASONS INSTITUTE LODGE IN SLATON THURSDAY NIGHT

The Masons instituted a lodge in Slaton last night. A complete report is promised the Slatonite for next week.

SAM T. DAVIS FOR CLERK.

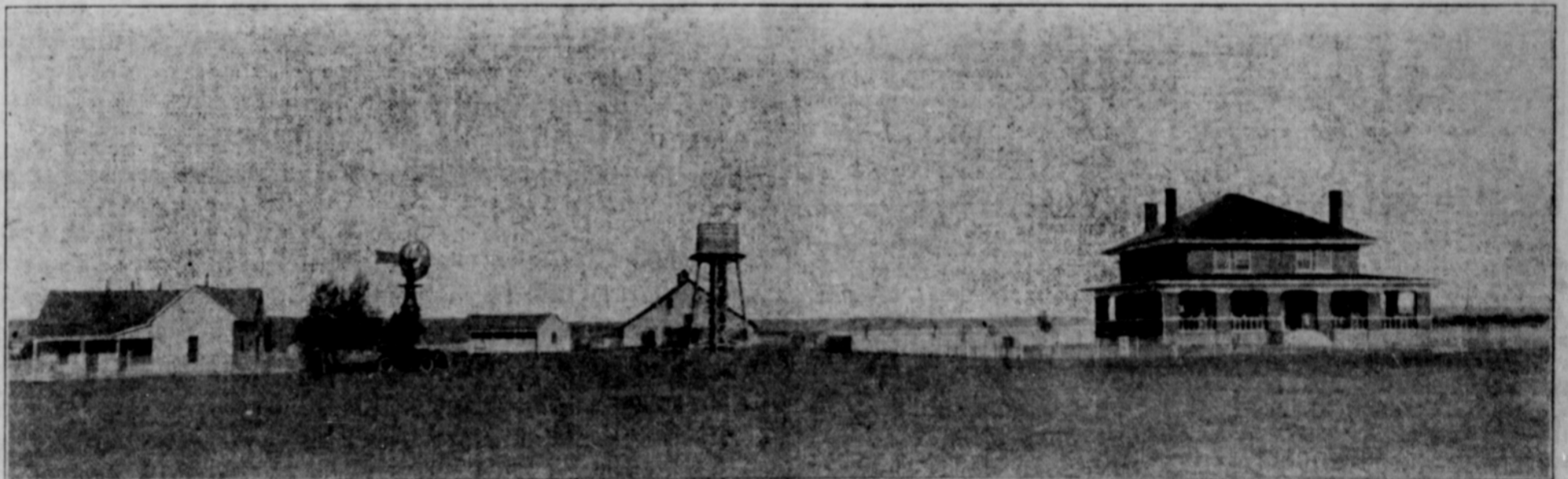
Sam T. Davis, who announces in the Slatonite this week for the office of County and District Clerk of Lubbock and attached counties, is a business man of Lubbock of several year's standing, being proprietor of the Sanitary Barber Shop. He is a popular fellow and a good business man, as well as being well qualified for the office he seeks. He asks you to consider well his claims in casting your vote for clerk in the primary in July.

Deodalian Club.

The Deodalian Club members enjoyed a delightful afternoon Wednesday at the home of Mrs. I. W. Hudgens who proved a charming hostess. The first part of the afternoon was spent in sewing, but later the guests enjoyed an "Exhibition of Embroidery Contest." After this a contest of advertisements was enjoyed. At the close of the contests, the hostess assisted by Mrs. Olive and Miss Bertha Proctor served a course luncheon consisting of jello fruit salad with whipped cream, chocolate and nut cake, and coffee with cream.

The guests and members included Mesdames Paul, Jordan, Howerton, Campbell, Proctor, L. W. Smith, J. H. Smith, Pogue, Wadsworth, Spetter, Page, Young and Olive, and the Misses Dunscomb, Proctor, and Spetter.

The Headquarters of the V Ranch near Slaton and the property of Col. A. B. Robertson. This is the picture which appeared in the Farm and Ranch recently.



This picture shows you a ranch that is so often pictured by the idealist but is rarely found. These improvements represent an outlay of several thousand dollars aside from the house which alone cost about \$25,000.00 built and furnished. The picture doesn't do the subject justice. The big barn alone cost much more than the total improvements usually found on a western ranch. The V ranch is more than a mere cow ranch. It is a ranch of thorobred live stock. Colonel Robertson, better known as Sugg Robertson, has put several hundred acres in successful cultivation under progressive farming methods, and has a fine young orchard.

The lower picture is a bunch of V Ranch hogs.

MEAT PACKING LEADING INDUSTRY

Growth of Texas Plants Remarkable

For many years Texas has held high rank as a livestock producing unit, but only during the past decade has the slaughtering and meat packing business assumed mammoth proportions. From a comparatively small industry ten years ago it has become the leading manufacturing enterprise of the state as measured by the value of products manufactured. In 1900 the nearest approach to a packing house in Texas was a sausage factory. We had four of these plants at that time and their combined annual output had a value of \$42,000. The latest census reports show fourteen slaughtering and meat packing establishments operating in Texas whose yearly production is more than \$42,000,000 in value. This gigantic industry furnishes employment to 4,300 persons, who receive \$3,600,000 annually in salaries and wages and represents a capital investment of \$12,438,500.

The packing houses of Texas slaughter 2,000,000 head of livestock annually, which is equivalent to the natural yearly increase and is 20 per cent of our meat animal supply. These animals cost the packers \$37,500,000, while a decade ago animals slaughtered were valued at only \$3,170,000.

In number the predominating class of meat animals slaughtered is hogs, the total number killed each year being 940,000, compared with 208,270 ten years ago. The demand for pork has increased with marked rapidity in Texas during recent years, and last year we consumed \$340,000,000 more of pork and pork products than we produced.

Beves and calves rank next to swine in number slaughtered, but the cost of the cattle killed yearly is \$7,000,000 more than that of the hogs. As Texas is the leading livestock State she also ranks first in number of cattle. We had 6,056,000 head on January 1, 1913. In 1912 the value of beef produced in Texas had a value of \$47,812,000, while the requirement for the year was only \$19,646,000, leaving a surplus of \$28,166,000. Our packing houses now slaughter a million head of cattle annually, while ten years ago the killing capacity was only 32,000.

The Texas sheep which at one time was raised only for his wool now has a dual commercial value and his flesh is one of our most delicate edibles. Within a decade the number of sheep slaughtered at our packing houses has increased more than thirteen fold.

FLYNN FOR SHERIFF.

The Slatonite is authorized to announce this week the candidacy of W. H. Flynn for reelection to the office of sheriff and tax collector of Lubbock and attached counties, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

Everyone in this part of the South Plains is acquainted with Will Flynn, and there isn't very much that can be said in an announcement which will place him any higher in the estimation of the voters than he stands today. If there has ever been any just criticism made of his conduct of this responsible office he has held for the public, such criticism has never reached the constituency. Mr. Flynn is one of the highest type of American gentleman, has proven himself fully competent to attend to the duties of sheriff and tax collector to the best interests of the property owners, and counts his friends by his acquaintances.

He asks for a fair consideration of his claims for your support, and your vote if he meets your approval.

Last week in the district court the suit of B. E. Clements & Son vs. Braanon & Taylor for alleged violation of contract arising out of the contract for the construction of the latter's building on Texas Avenue, was settled by compromise of the parties, after a part of the testimony was in, the plaintiffs receiving \$220.00.

HARWELL FOR TREASURER.

The Slatonite is authorized this week to announce Chris Harwell, of Lubbock, as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Lubbock and attached counties, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in July.

The legion of friends of Mr. Harwell will be pleased to learn of his announcement for this important office. Although Mr. Harwell is a resident of Lubbock, where he enjoys an enviable reputation, both as a citizen and as a man, he is, nevertheless, well and favorably known to Slaton voters, who believe him admirably qualified to fill the office to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Chris is so well known throughout this section that his ability and integrity cannot be questioned. He is not a professional politician, but a successful business man, a fact which will appeal strongly to all who desire to see a business-like, efficient, economical administration of the office. Mr. Harwell seeks the office entirely on his merits. He pledges to his constituents undivided fidelity to their interests, and upon this platform he asks undivided support by the voters of his candidacy next July.

R. C. Burns was down from Lubbock yesterday meeting the voters in the interests of his candidacy for the office of Tax Assessor. His card appears in the Slatonite, and a more formal announcement of his candidacy will be made next week.

J. S. Edwards went to Clovis, N. M., Monday.

MALT LIQUOR ESTABLISHMENTS

Mild Stimulants Taking the Place of Strong Drink.

The manufacture of malt liquor ranks fifth in importance in Texas manufacturing industries from the standpoint of capital invested and ranks third in value added by the manufacturing process. According to the last Federal Census Report we have twelve establishments engaged in the manufacture of malt liquors, employing 931 persons, with an investment of \$7,027,000 and an annual payroll of \$900,000. The records of the Federal Government show that the capital invested, and the value of the Texas output, have been doubled during the past decade. During the past five years two new establishments have been erected and two million dollars of new money put into the manufacturing business. There are no distilleries in Texas and no whiskey is manufactured within the State.

No authoritative figures are available on the amount of foreign malt liquors consumed in the State, but reliable estimates indicate that 22 per cent of Texas' consumption is manufactured outside the State. Probably 95 per cent of the Texas products are consumed within the State. We consume in Texas approximately 2 per cent of malt liquors manufactured in the United States, while we have 4 per cent of the population. The Texas products have taken first premium at world's fairs, and their purity and perfection is universally recognized. We manufacture in the State approximately 700,000 barrels of beer per annum.

The factory value of the annual Texas output is shown by the census enumerators at \$6,464,000, and the value of the raw material used in manufacturing is \$1,695,000. The value added by the process of manufacturing is \$4,769,000. The principal materials used are barley and rice.

The manufacture of malt liquors in the State has shown an increase of 60 per cent against an increase of 27 per cent in population during the past decade. The increase in malt liquor manufactured in the United States during this period is twenty per cent. Less than one per cent of malt liquor establishments of the United States are located in Texas.

The RACE IS ON!



HOW MANY merchandise cards have you placed? Remember that each card traded out means 5,000 extra votes for you. Strike while the iron is hot!

SIMMONS AND ROBERTSON

Dry Goods and Groceries

MR. ROBERTSON,
Contest Manager

Slaton people who appreciate first class theatrical performances will soon have another opportunity to witness a really high grade production in the near future. The Odd Fellow's Lodge will stage a home talent play for the purpose of purchasing some additional regalia for the Lodge. The lodge's footlight stars are getting busy on the work and in a few days more definite announcements will be forthcoming.

The Slaton Public Schools began work Wednesday for the second term with a full attendance. Both teachers and pupils are entering into their duties enthusiastically, and the second half of the term will doubtless show a degree of progress even more notable than that of the first.

Miss Mamie Bergerman left Wednesday for Hereford, Texas, where she was called by the sudden death of her father. She will be gone for sometime, and during her absence Fred Higbee will take her place as clerk at the post office.

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

You will find good rigs at the Slaton Livery Barn.

Jess Bruner was down from Clovis, N. M., over Sunday.

Miss Katie Brasfield visited with friends in Lamesa during the holidays.

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

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

Sam T. Davis, of Lubbock, puts his announcement in the SLATONITE this week for the office of Clerk of the District and County Courts. Watch for fuller announcement next week.

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

Say, You!



HOW about that printing job you're in need of?

Come in and see us about it at your first opportunity. Don't wait until the very last moment but give us a little time and we'll show you what high grade work we can turn out.

EVERY MAN OWES IT

As a Duty to Himself and His Friends to Dress as Well as He Knows How.

OUR \$15., \$18., and \$20. values are most surprising; that is, when you see the actual values you receive.

For \$25. up to \$35. you can get the finest clothes ever made; tailored from the finest of Imported Fabrics and finished with greatest care.

For Cleaning and Pressing and All Kinds of Altering you can get the best work here, either ladies' or men's work.

Come in and give our tailor, Mr. A. E. Arnfield, a trial. We guarantee his work.

PROCTOR & OLIVE

GENTS FURNISHING GOODS & Slaton



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Entered as second-class mail matter September 15, 1911, at the post office at Slaton, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

LOCAL GOSSIP

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Roberson, Jr., returned from Fort Worth Tuesday.

Get a rig at Slaton Livery Barn and beat the auto to—well, anywhere. Phone 16.

W. L. Norman was down from Amarillo the first of the week boxing and shipping his household goods.

A. W. Johnson of Truro, Iowa, was in Slaton last week visiting W. M. Barnes and family. He was on his way home after a trip to Washington and Oregon.

J. G. WADSWORTH
Notary Public
 INSURANCE and RENTALS
 Fire, Tornado, Plate Glass, Automobile, Accident, Health and Burglary Insurance
 Office at FIRST STATE BANK
 Slaton -:- Texas

"Don't Walk Your Legs Off 'Looking' for that Fellow Brown—

The QUICKEST way to catch him is to sit still and extend your arm just far enough to grasp your



--then tell "central" you want to talk to Brown and--" "Hello, there's Brown already." So easy

Western Telephone Co'Y
 Slaton, Texas

You will find good rigs at the Slaton Livery Barn.

Mrs. S. H. Adams and daughters returned home from Plainview Tuesday.

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.

R. K. North of Indiana was in Slaton prospecting last week, under the guidance of Mayor R. J. Murray.

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.

The Rev. B. F. Dixon has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Slaton. Mr. Dixon is well acquainted in Slaton and the entire church welcomes him as the new pastor.

The Rev. J. R. Balch and family moved this week to Matador where Mr. Balch has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, and will receive a good salary for his services. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Balch hope that they will find the new field of labor in the Master's cause a pleasant one. They are entitled to the best that Matador has to give them.

Job Davies, ex-postmaster at Southland, was in town Saturday on business. The postoffice at Southland has recently been discontinued, as Mr. Davies resigned and there were no applicants for the place to succeed him. He lived at his farm, and did not want to be bothered with the postoffice work, as the cancellation was too light to afford much remuneration.

We will have some extra good bargains on our Bargain Counter during our Clearance Sale. 250 votes on every dollar's worth of goods purchased at this counter. Contestants should rally their friends to this big inducement sale and secure these extra votes.—**Simmons & Robertson, Dry Goods Department.**

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

P. E. JORDAN, CASHIER
 J. G. WADSWORTH, ASST. CASHIER

First State Bank of Slaton

THE STATE BANK LAW READS:

"The non-interest bearing and unsecured deposits of a State Bank are protected by the Depositors Guarantee Fund of the State of Texas."

Are You Getting This Guaranty? Think it Over.

TAXES.

An officer of this bank will look after Tax Matters in Lubbock for you during this month if you will so advise us.

Women's Home Missionary Society.

At a meeting of the Missionary Society Monday afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- Mrs. W. H. Proctor, President.
- Mrs. Worley, First Vice Pres.
- Mrs. Joe Smith, Second V. P.
- Mrs. Irb Hudgens, Third V. P.
- Mrs. J. S. Edwards, Fourth V. P.
- Mrs. W. E. Olive, Rec. Secy.
- Mrs. S. H. Adams, Cor. Secy.
- Mrs. J. F. Spetter, Treasurer.
- Mrs. L. P. Loomis, Press Reporter.

Mrs. J. G. Wadsworth, Agent for Missionary Voice.

The Society will meet in a devotional meeting at the home of Mrs. S. H. Adams Monday, January 12th. We urge all members to be present. If necessary, let us make some sacrifice to attend these meetings. The old year has gone. Let us enter the New Year with renewed energy and a determination to accomplish more for the Master in the future than we have in the past. Let us try to make our meetings more spiritual, each one growing in grace day by day; if we do this the finances will take care of themselves, trusting all in the hands of Him who said "Ask and ye shall receive."

PROGRAM for Missionary meeting Monday at the home of Mrs. Adams at 3 o'clock:

- Opening Song.
- Devotional.
- Bible Reading.
- Song.
- Items from Leaflets, Mrs. S. H. Adams.
- The Christian has Opportunity, Money, Power, Mrs. W. E.

Our Specialties:
Hardware
 ...and...
Furniture
 We want to serve you and our prices are low
FORREST HARDWAE

Our Mid-Winter Offering
Extra Pair Trousers Free
 With Every Suit Order. We Want Your Business
SLATON CLEANING WORKS

Olive.
 Excused from Giving to Missions, Mrs. J. S. Edwards.
 The Christian Needs Wider Horizon, Deeper Consecration, Mrs. Irb Hudgens.
 Select Reading.
 The Slatonite family received a Christmas box from Hawthorn, Fla., that was quite a treat to folks who have been away from the Sunny South for several years. The box contained some tangerine oranges, one of the choicest and a very rare Florida product, one that makes you feel sorry for people who never ate anything better than an ordinary orange. Tangerines have the shape of a well formed tomato and the rind peels readily. There were also some roses, gray moss, magnolia leaves, and kumquits in the box. Kumquits resemble oranges very much but are about the size of a small hen egg. When first put in the mouth they are sour but this changes to a very agreeable flavor as the fruit is swallowed.

C. A. White of Kansas City was in Slaton this week prospecting, the guest of R. J. Murray & Company.

Wall Paper and Paint Brushes
 For sale; prices very reasonable. Come and select your patterns from the stock.
E. S. BROOKS
 PAINTER AND PAPER HANGER
 See me, or W. E. Olive at Sanitary Grocery.

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 LUBBOCK, TEXAS
 Practice in all State Courts

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 Office at Red Cross Pharmacy
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 Office Phone 3

You ALWAYS SAVE MONEY by Paying Cash
 Our cash prices are positively the lowest prices on goods of the same quality that you will find on the Plains. All we ask is for you to inspect our goods and get our prices, and we will leave it to you to say whether our claims are true or not.
Cash Prices Are Always Lower than Credit Prices
 We can and do sell from ten to twenty per cent. below the regular prices fixed on standard goods the world over. For instance a standard and well known shoe that sells for \$3.50 everywhere we sell for \$3.00—our cash price, and everything in the store at the same cut below the other fellow's prices. Our cash plan makes this possible.
ONE LOT OF WOMEN'S LACE SHOES AT COST—REAL BARGAINS
 We have a lot of women's and children's shoes in laces only that we are closing out at cost. There are some good bargains here.
YOU CAN BETTER BORROW THE MONEY THAN ASK FOR CREDIT
 You can save money by borrowing at the bank and paying our cash prices instead of buying at the regular prices at other stores on a credit. You have to pay big interest for a store credit. The merchant has to add big losses to his cost items to make up for bad accounts. Don't help to pay the scalawag's bills any longer. Buy from
W. R. HAMPTON, The Low Price Cash Store



POWER OF COMPETITION

Free Port and Independent Steamship Line
Among Important Achievements
of the Year.

ED. S. HUGHES.

COMPETITION is the most powerful factor in commerce and the most successful agency in empire building. Whenever it is stimulated prosperity abounds and when it is stifled progress is blighted. It is the only sovereign that sits upon a world throne and rules on land and sea. Proud vessels that majestically sail the deep and hurl defiance at governmental rate-makers will dip their flags at the appearance of this invisible monarch of the world's traffic.

The greatest event in the commercial life of the State during the past year was the establishment of an independent steamship line, managed by Texas merchants, plying between New York and Freeport, and the establishment of a free port where the commerce of nations can pass to and from this country without paying toll to private enterprise. Its effect upon commerce will be international and the lowering of rates has extended the trade territory of Texas jobbers hundreds of miles into the interior.

The Texas jobbers purchase from the Atlantic seaboard markets approximately \$250,000,000 of merchandise per annum and the larger volume moves via the steamship lines. An increase in freight rates not only serves to reduce the profits of the jobbers but contracts the trade territory of the Texas dealers. There is no event quite so certain—not excluding death and taxes—as an increase in freight rates when no independent steamship line is in the field and the new steamship company is rendering all the people of Texas an inestimable service by holding down the rates.

A free port injects into the marine affairs of Texas an element of competition much needed in water traffic. It is more than a business device to fight competitive ports—it is progress. The improvement of the harbor and port facilities at Freeport which can be completed to accommodate twenty-five-foot vessels at an estimated expenditure on the part of the Federal Government of \$300,000 will perpetuate competition in ports and competition in ocean traffic. No more profitable investment can be made and no greater aid rendered the public.

MRS. HARRISON REFUSES JOB

Wife of the Mayor of Chicago Declines Position in Service of United States.

Washington.—Mrs. Carter H. Harrison, wife of the mayor of Chicago, recently declined an appointment as a member of the commission on industrial relations. The reason given is that Mayor Harrison opposed it on the ground that Mrs. Harrison has certain duties as wife of the mayor of such a large city which cannot be neglected.

Fines Men Over Phone.

Bayonne, N. J.—Recorder Boylan obligingly fined two disorderly sailors over the telephone so that the steamship Oriflamme could get away on the tide.

Surgeons at Chicago See Evil in the Stomach in Binding of Human Form.

Chicago, Ill.—Tight corsets on women and tight belts for men are constant causes of serious ailments of the stomach, according to surgeons who saw Dr. Herbert Patterson of London perform an operation to provide a new outlet for a stomach, to replace a badly abused pylorus which had become inactive.

The operation was on a woman, and the inertness of the pylorus, surgeons said, was chiefly due to tight corsets.

Dr. Patterson cut the intestine a few inches below the pylorus and made a hole in the side of the stomach nearest the intestine, producing a new pylorus.

College boys who wear belts tightly strapped around the abdomen take equally grave chances of stomach disorders, according to the physicians.



ADVERTISING TEXAS

Money Follows Line of the Least
Resistance.

BY W. HOLT HARRIS

MUCH has been said and more written about advertising the resources of Texas abroad and our glowing opportunities, when properly safe-guarded, will make the eagle on every American dollar spread its wings and fly to Texas. But the thing most essential to our growth and progress is the proper alignment of our laws and conduct and a clearer understanding of the necessities and requirements of progress. When this is done, it will be as unnecessary to solicit capital to come to Texas as it will be to invite the bees to make honey. Money follows the line of least resistance and capital flows wherever profit is greatest and conditions most stable. The bank vaults of the nation are filled with dollars that are searching to and fro, up and down the earth for safe and profitable investments but it is of first importance that the house be put in order before the guests are invited.

There is nothing that so weakens the foundation of industrial achievement as the knockout drops of uncertainty, and capital will never seek investment where a myriad of scornful fingers are pointing toward it and neither will it give serious consideration to opportunities that are scarred by fear. No amount of publicity, however adroitly presented, can bring about profitable results under such circumstances. Such a country can only hope for satisfactory development through some freak of nature.

We have so many laws and rumors of laws and Dame Duty is such a fickle goddess when flirting with Ambition, that it keeps industries guessing as to the true status of affairs lest they all become companions in adversity.

The press of Texas has been groaning for the past few months under a burden of announcements of progress made by the State in its efforts to visit the pains and penalties of law upon industry and the incandescent flashes of malice and prejudice that have lighted the horizon have had a tendency to wither and blight our destiny and we still hear threats of war. Not only has it done violence to progress but it has very effectively placed fetters upon our growth and development by giving the State millions of dollars of bad advertising.

Pure, fresh drugs, best candies,
perfumes and toilet articles
cigars and tobaccos,
school supplies
blank books

Red Cross Pharmacy

R. L. BLANTON, Proprietor

Jealous Italian Takes Barbarous Revenge on Sweetheart Who Refuses His Attentions.

Paris.—Biting off the end of her nose is the novel revenge here by an Italian, Gaetano Sangiori, on a young woman who had jilted him.

The girl accepted an invitation from the young man to take dinner and he pleaded his suit for the last time. As she remained adamant, he threw his arms around her and drew her to him as if to kiss her. She did not resist. But, instead of pressing his lips against hers, he suddenly bit off the tip of her nose.

Sangiori has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment for his barbarous act.

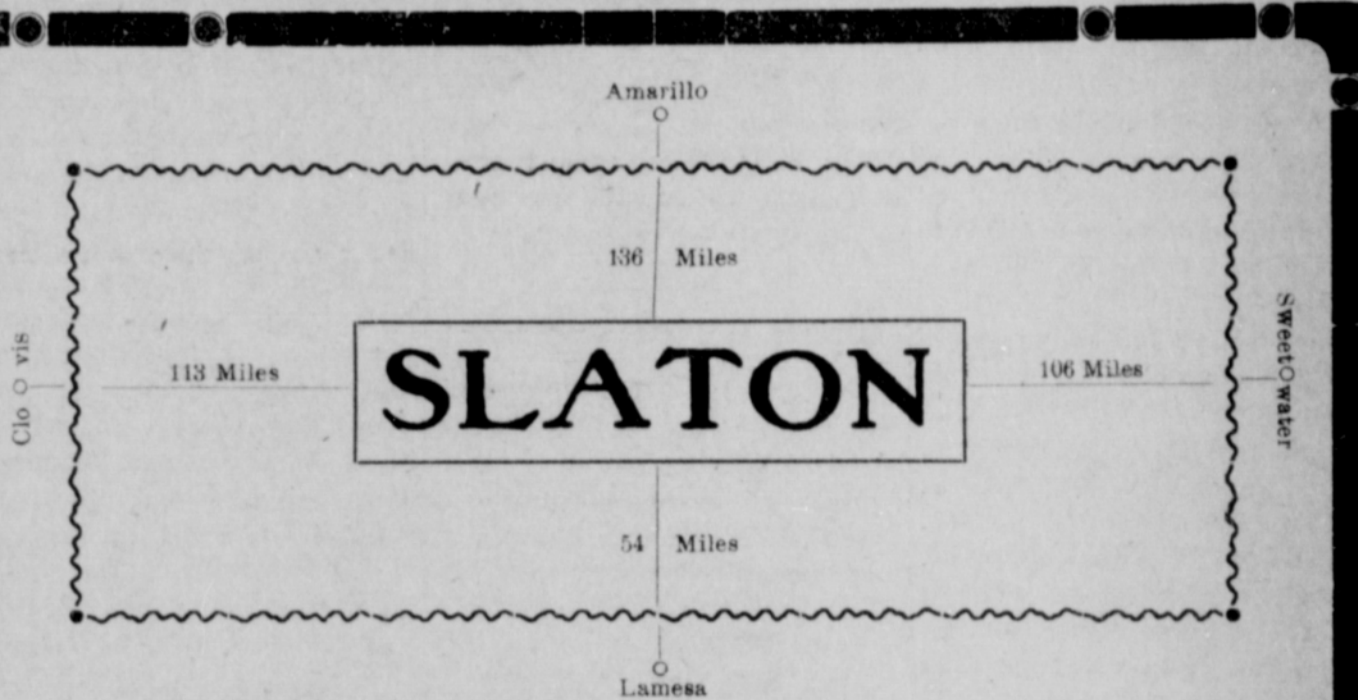
Slaton Livery Barn

G. L. SLEDGE, Proprietor

Good Teams and All Livery Accommodations.

We have for sale at all times—

Hay, Grain and Feed, Chicken Feed
Ground Oyster Shells, etc.



Founded and Owned by the Pecos & Northern Texas Ry. Company

SANTA FE SYSTEM

LOCATION—Southeast Corner of Lubbock County, Texas, in Central Section of the South Plains; on the new Main Trans-Continental Line of the Santa Fe System, of which the Clovis Extension is now under construction; connects North Texas lines of that system at Canyon, Texas, with South Texas lines at Coleman, Texas; junction of the Lamesa branch of that system.

ADVANTAGES AND IMPROVEMENTS—The Railway Company has completed Division Terminal Facilities at this point, constructed mostly of reinforced concrete material and including a Round House, a Power House, Machine and Blacksmith Shops, Coal Chute, a Sand House, Water Plant, Ice House, etc. Also have a Fred Harvey Eating House now open, and a Reading Room for Santa Fe employees. Have extensive yard tracks, preparatory to handling a heavy trans-continental business, both freight and passenger, between the Gulf and the Atlantic Coast and the Pacific Coast territories, and on branch lines to Tahoka, Lamesa and other towns.

3000 FEET OF BUSINESS STREETS are graded and macadamized and several residence streets graded; there are 26 business buildings of brick and reinforced concrete, with others to follow; 200 residences under construction and completed.

A FINE AGRICULTURAL country surrounds the town, with soil dark chocolate color, sandy loam, producing Kaffir Corn, Milo Maize, Cotton, Wheat, Oats, Indian Corn, garden crops and fruit. An inexhaustible supply of pure free stone water from wells 40 to 90 feet deep.

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