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## Attention: Readers:

Accounts of farmers and business men received on the most favorable terms consistent with good service and safety.

Our facilities for handling your business are first class and we guarantee you entire satisfaction.

## Citizens' State Bank

Hays City, Kansas.

Prayer meetings in Hays were minister-less Wednesday evening. The bells rang but they had gone to Ellis.

Another fine rain came this way during Wednesday night. Nearly an inch of water fell. We got another Thursday night. Who said Dry Kansas?

Miss Henrietta Oshant has returned from her school duties at Lawrence.

I have 300 lots for sale. By making a small payment I will give you a contract upon which you can make monthly payment until all is paid.

FRED MILLER.

### Ocean Race.

The great race of autos from New York City to Seattle on the Pacific is in full swing. Up to Kansas City each had to report and leave on time. Now it is a wild race across the prairies and mountains for the \$10,000 purse. Four of them reached and left Kansas City on time and from there it was nip and tuck through the mud of Kansas. They reached Russell at 11 a. m. Thursday, but got stuck at Victoria creek and did not reach here until three o'clock. J. E. Ward, with his flag, was at the draw on the eastern edge of town to welcome them and at a fort on the clip the Shawmut pulled in first, conducted by Paul Warner of Ellsworth as guide. Within two minutes the big Acme came in followed by two little Fords. All the machines were crowded with men to hold them down. The Shawmut stopped for oil, and then at Cox's garage to wash their machine and slickers of mud. The other three rushed through town at top speed, greeted by large crowds. A few miles west of town two of the machines got stuck in the mud. With their big 80 horsepower car the Shawmut fellows are sure of victory if no serious accidents occur.

## Hail.

We are now ready to insure your wheat in good, reliable old line companies that make liberal adjustments, and pays when the losses are adjusted, and in full. Come in and insure. Do not wait until the hail has destroyed your wheat.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

On Wednesday Rev. A. N. Smith drove to Yocemento and performed the ceremony that united in marriage Miss Arabella Oliver, daughter of Mrs. Frank Bessie, to George Shepard of Plainville, after which all present enjoyed a lovely dinner and the happy couple left for their home in Rooks county.

### Ice Cream Social.

The Ladies of the Catholic Church will give an Ice Cream Social on the Church Lawn Tuesday evening June 15. Everybody is cordially invited.

### Sale of Stock.

I will have horses, mares and mules for sale at my curral west of the Baptist church next Saturday June 19. All good, sound, servicable stock. All broke ready for work.

JOHN O'LAUGHLIN.

Dr. Snyder went to Lawrence Tuesday night to attend the University Commencement.

About an inch of rain fell in this section Tuesday night and there was rain all the way to the west line of the state.

Nothing helps a city more than a good band. Both our bands are doing nicely and our citizens will be glad to hear that Dr. Marty, their leader, will not leave, but will make this his home.

Life, fire, accident, health, tornado and cyclone insurance are all absolutely necessary. Fred Miller will insure you in all. Companies that never did and never will fail to promptly meet every obligation. These companies are more than fifty years old and the stain of dishonor has never touched them.

### Notice!—Horses Strayed.

Two gray horses, also one bay mare with a colt and one black mare with a colt, have strayed from my farm on the Smokey. Anyone learning of their whereabouts please notify

FRANK MESERVE.

Chat Picken has returned home from his K. C. trip

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. Strohmier Monday, a son.

Jonah Nulton has returned from his visit to his children in Manhattan.

Mrs. J. H. Downing returned Sunday evening from her visit to Topeka.

Jacob Feitz is having a good barn built on his property on Pine street.

Last Sunday the streets were full of autos traveling in every direction.

If you want money at a low rate of interest see Fred Miller.

Advance harvest hands and the gamblers are already here to rake in the coin.

Remember that it is this Sunday that Eye Doctor Brown will be in Victoria and in Hays Monday.

The rose bushes this week are in elegant bloom. The gardens are truly "rose gardens" in earnest.

The Brunswick Hotel has had electric lights put into every room to accommodate their patrons.

U. S. Atty. Harry Freese was assisting a defendant in a homestead contest in Wallace county last Tuesday.

Freedom township had a splendid rain Sunday night, which saved thousands of acres of wheat fields.

Load after load of lumber is being hauled to the country now every day, showing that lots of building is being done by our farmers.

The white rose bush in Mrs. Leahy's yard and the red one at W. A. Smith's are perfectly beautiful this year and much admired by passers by.

I have thirty homes for sale. These houses are good and contain from two to ten rooms.

FRED MILLER.

Regent Edwin Taylor of the Agricultural College spent Monday here looking over the Experiment land and improvements and was much pleased.

SHOES—The finest lot of ladies' low shoes ever brought to Hays, "The Dorothy Dodd." Come see them at Zeigler's.

At sunset next Thursday, June 17, there will be a partial eclipse of the sun seen here, while a total eclipse will occur at the North Pole. It is said that it will be more wonderful than has been seen in 400 years.

The hail season is here and your wheat is not safely garnered. Don't take any chances of loss but go at once to Fred Miller and get a policy that will indemnify you against loss.

The rural delivery route out of Plainville to the Saline valley has been allowed and on August 1st next, the route from here ceases and will only run to Catharine, leaving the east Saline and that country north of Catharine out in the cold.

Mrs. Kirk, a sister of Grandma Brown, and her daughter, Mrs. Muck, and children of Michigan, who have been visiting relatives here, left for Salina Sunday morning, where they will visit with Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox and family before returning home.

### For Sale.

One Buckeye mower; one McCormick hay rake, almost new. Will be sold at a bargain.

W. A. SMITH.

As announced the wedding of Miss Anna Marie, daughter of Judge and Mrs. D. C. Nellis to Albert C. Philipps of Seattle, took place last week at the Nellis home in Topeka and was a grand affair, very largely attended. Many beautiful and expensive presents were received by the happy couple, who left this week for his western home. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Downing represented the old time Hays friends and had a nice time.

The good, careful farmer insures his wheat crop for the ordinary season, but this year the wheat price is exceedingly high and every farmer should insure his wheat this year. Do not delay this matter but come in, write in or phone in, for a policy in the Old Reliable Northwestern. This is an Old Line Company that has been in the field for years, and they have always paid their losses in FULL, promptly, before the wheat is cut, and at once when the loss is adjusted. Call on

W. J. MADDEN, Hays, Kan.

### G. A. R. Pin Lost.

One of our old soldiers lost his badge pin this week. It is not much value save as a keepsake, and of no value to the finder. If agreeable, finder will oblige by returning to this office.

Ladies are wild over them. The low shoe, the "Dorothy Dodd" at Zeigler's.

Miss Ethel Pierce, after a week's vacation on the farm in Russell county, is back to her school work at the Normal.

Rev. A. N. Smith and wife attended a lecture in Russell last Saturday night, leaving here after supper in the Nulton auto.

Farmers are now busy cutting their first crop of alfalfa and it is a fine one. It means three big crops this year and maybe more.

Now that spring has come the local hand-holders union is about to endorse the Greenland idea of having nights six months long.

A beautiful electric display but little rain came this way Sunday evening. Everybody thought the long-looked-for rain was surely coming.

Prof. C. E. Marty of Grinnell was here last week instructing our band boys, his brother, the doctor, being out of town. The boys all like the westerner.

Miss Lizzie Gassman, formerly of the Free Press force, but now the deputy postmaster of St. Mary's, with two of her sisters, is here on a visit to her brother, Nick Gassman, and wife.

Mrs. A. E. Bamberg, formerly Elma Barnes of this city, has returned to her home in Topeka after a short visit with friends and relatives here. She was accompanied by Mrs. Bamberg of Wakeeey.

If you want to borrow money at a low rate of interest, come in and see me. Money always on hand, no delay.

J. M. SCHAEFER Insurance Agency.

Under the new Food Law a quart must be a quart, and a pound must be a pound. Some of our merchants are stamping their strawberry boxes "2 of a quart" so the inspectors won't catch them on short weight and fine them as has been done in several towns already.

At Plainville they have contracted with the Plainville Electric Light Co. to pump the city water and take care of the pump and motor for five cents per 1000 gallons for two years. This shows how low the work can be done for and gives the town ten cents per 1000 gallons as profit for expenses of the plant.

Here is something more than attractive—A 3-acre tract adjoining town with good seven room house, windmill and plenty of water. Easy terms and a snap for sure.

FRED MILLER.

### The 1909 Valuation.

County Assessor Schaefer has finished footing up the valuations of property in Ellis county, Kansas, as found and returned by the assessors March 1, last, and his books show these grand totals.

Total personal property last year	\$2,946,832
this year	3,722,486
Money on hand assessed last year	214,434
this year	370,050
Farm implements this year	125,585
poultry	24,799
Wheat on hand last year	174,034 bu.
this year	94,799 bu.

While the crop was larger the \$1 wheat and over price caused the farmer to sell closer.

Household goods valued last year	\$174,941
this year	145,625

Real Estate remains the same valuation as last year.

### Announcement.

The Misses Virmond announce to the ladies of Hays and the surrounding country that they have purchased Miss Markey's Millinery Stock and invite you to inspect their goods between the hours of eight and six.

### Notice!

This is to say that the report being circulated that I am going to leave Hays City is false. There is no foundation for it. I came to Hays City with the intention of making it my future home and I have no reason for changing that intention. I am here permanently for the practice of Medicine and Surgery. All calls will be promptly answered day or night, and I shall always pay especial attention to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat and the fitting of glasses.

Respectfully,  
DR. L. A. MARTY Phone 278

### Cow for Sale.

An extra fine Durham family cow for sale. See E. R. Cole.

### Ice for Sale.

I am ready to take orders for delivery of ice this summer at reasonable prices. See or phone No. 8.

R. B. THOMAS.

### TAKE CARE

Of your Little Chickens, 10 pounds Chicken Feed for 25c at COX'S.

### Eye and Ear Surgeon

Dr. M. Jay Brown, the Salina eye and ear specialist will be at the Brunswick Hotel, Monday, June 14th, 1909. At VICTORIA, Sunday June 13th.

"Dolly Varden" Chocolates at Harkness' 22-1f

The father and mother of Mr. Helder are here on a visit.

Miss Nora Lewis of Ellis spent Saturday in Hays.

There's no place like home; own one by purchasing on easy payments from Fred Miller.

Miss Fern Peters, who spent last week at the Lewis home in Ellis, returned Saturday morning.

Street Commissioner Rupp is doing some grading of streets in the southeast part of town this week.

Bert Monroe of Ellis was down Sunday and spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Westbrook.

If you want absolutely reliable fire insurance, come in and see me, The J. M. SCHAEFER Insurance Agency

Drayman Bach had the misfortune to fall off of his loaded dray wagon and have it run over him, breaking several of his ribs.

The walls of the Cox Garage are up, the roof is being put on and it will be a good, fire proof building for the purpose intended.

Mrs. Wilcox of Salina, who has been visiting with the George Brown and Stant Freshour families for a short time, returned home last Saturday morning.

John Schlyer is having a curbing built along his property on East Normal avenue. It is out the required width of fourteen feet, which gives a fine parking lay out.

In the distribution of the Firemen's Insurance fund of the State, it being the percentage on the insurance business in the State the past year, the fund amounts to \$38,000, and Hays gets \$135.91.

Last Saturday our town was covered with the flying moth bugs. Every door and window let them in the houses, every crevice in a building held them, they hid in the grass and bushes and housekeepers were having nervous prostration. But on Sunday morning nearly every pest had gone. It reminded old settlers of the grasshopper plague.

At Beloit the users of city water are given from 6 to 7:30 a. m. and 6 to 8:30 in the evening. Upon the violation of those hours, the water supply will be cut off for the remainder of the season. So there will be no mistake, the power house whistle blows at the beginning and ending of the service, both morning and evening. There's no meters in good old Beloit.

## -S-u-m-m-e-r N-e-w-s-

JUNE has arrived and we have the assurance that summer has come with it. To those who have hesitated investing in summer apparel owing to the cool weather lately prevailing, we have the following good news to proclaim. ALL SUITINGS, TROUSERINGS and FANCY VESTINGS will be sold at a 15 per cent. reduction during the month of JUNE in order that preparation can be made for Fall goods for which we are obliged to arrange at this time of the year.

Following are some of the news items:  
Suits that were \$20.00 Now \$17.00  
" " " " \$21.00 " " \$18.00  
" " " " \$23.00 " " \$20.00 Etc.

TROUSERINGS and FANCY VESTINGS too numerous to enumerate at corresponding reductions. The colors and patterns include all the popular shades. My reputation as a CUSTOM TAILOR is established, so there remains but a cordial invitation to all to investigate this SUMMER opportunity.

A. M. McKie, THE HAYS TAILOR

PHONE NO. 90 One door south of King's Barber Shop.

### A Trip to Hays.

Our former resident, Rodney Torrey, now editor of the LaCrosse Chi... writes the following:

"In company with H. W. Grass, the writer made a flying trip to Hays City last Friday. Mr. Grass went over to attend the commencement at the State Normal and "we" went along to see the country. We used to travel that road pretty frequently in the days gone by, but this was our first trip to Hays in several years, and many substantial improvements are to be seen along the way. The little stone houses have been abandoned for large and commodious ones, and miles and miles of fence has been built. At Schoengen, on the river, we saw a number of new houses and others are in course of construction. They have had bountiful rains there within the past week and wheat looks pretty well. At the State Experiment Station on the old reservation new buildings are being added, trees are set out and more land is being brought under cultivation each year. We hardly recognized the place when we got into Hays City, so great had been the change in the last few years. The city has spread out in every direction and built up in the middle, and the Normal School building on the west is about the finest and most imposing looking structure in this part of the state. The old town has changed some since the days when the colored soldiers used to go over and shoot things up and buffalo could be killed within a few miles of what is now the city limits."

John Freese of Hays City was in Salina yesterday visiting friends. Freese was formerly with the Salina Journal. He is now working on the News.—Monday Journal.

The Russell paper says that their teachers proved so satisfactory that their wages were raised five dollars a month from \$50 to \$55 dollars.

Miss Annie Hopkins was here visiting friends the first of the week. She left Tuesday morning for Emporia to attend the State Normal.—Ellsworth Reporter.

Between fifteen and twenty men reporting on parole was a sight in the district court at Hays, Tuesday. They are kept aware that their conduct must be quite good or they will be returned to jail. It can hardly be doubted that such men under constant surveillance, take heed as to their deeds in a way they would not do if they served their full time in jail and then were free until again tried and convicted.—Wilson Echo.

The Reveille is in receipt of a box of candy in which was enclosed the following: "Graham county received a large stick of candy for having the largest per cent enrolled in the Hays Normal. It was broken into 39 pieces for those enrolled, 1 for the County Superintendent, 3 for the editors of Hill City, and one for the young man who took a picture of the Graham county group, making 44 pieces in all."—Graham Co. Reveille.

## Public Sale.

I will sell at Public Sale at my place 1 mile north of Hays on Tuesday, June 22nd commencing at 10 am

The following property, to-wit:

### Farm Implements:

Two wagons, two Jones headers, three header boxes, one handy wagon, two Superior disc drills with press wheels; one 1-horse drill, two John Deere gang plows, one John Deere lister, two sod cutters, one cultivator, one 2-row weeder, two-mowers—one Buckeye and one McCormick, two hay rakes, two 3-section harrows, one 15-barrel steel water tank, one large belt power grinder, one low-wheel wagon and rack, one garden cultivator, one new fanning mill, two buggies—one with top, three sets of work harness, three sets of leather fly nets, one single harness, on single fly net.

### Horses:

One bay mare nine years old with colt at side, weight about 1600, one gray horse seven years old weight about 1325; one roan horse seven years old weight about 1300; one gray mare seven years old weight about 1275; one gray mare six years old weight about 1260; one black mare four years weight about 1130; one bay mare ten years old with colt at her side weight about 1100; one bay mare four years old weight about 1000; one gray mare five years weight about 1000; one bay mare eight years old weight about 900; one bay pony eight years old weight about 800; one two-year-old colt; one 1-year-old colt. Also three milk cows.

TERMS of SALE: All sums under \$10 cash. All sums over that 3 months time will be given on bankable note drawn 7 per cent interest.

J. H. Hogg & Son will serve Lunch.

Issac Zeigler, Auctioneer. Francis BLENDER.

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**The J. M. Schaefer Insurance Agency.**