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## High School Items.

The Hays High School basketball team defeated Ellis High School last Friday evening, in the Normal gymnasium. Ellis had the misfortune to lose some of their best players and with a lineup of three regulars and two substitutes they were defeated by the large score of 74 to 10.

The pupils of the High School went down in successive groups to see the exhibits in the Public Health Building and to absorb the lecture on Health and sanitation delivered by those in charge. Will they heed the advice so freely given?

The second basketball team won their second game from the Catholic College last Friday, by a score of 51 to 22. Mr. Carman gave the boys a treat for their victory for which they herein publicly extend their heartiest thanks.

Supt. C. A. Shively, being called upon Thursday morning, to give an account of himself while in Kansas City, last week, responded by telling of the dramatization of "The Man Without a Country" which he saw put on by the pupils of the upper grades of the Irving School of Kansas City.

A meeting of the Parent Teachers' Association was held in the High School auditorium Friday, after school. Miss Neiswanger, the nurse from the Health Car gave a talk on sanitation in the grades and the care of babies. At the close of the meeting, tea and wafers were served and a social hour enjoyed.

A declamatory contest was held by the grade children last Thursday night. Only three took part: Vivian Armstrong and Bryant Hale of the A class. Vivian Armstrong and Bryant Hale were the winners of first place. The contest was followed by a "Community Sing." The event was well attended.

The program last Thursday, was given under the auspices of the Sophomores. It seemed that all but one of the members of this class were too bashful to appear, and they secured as substitutes several children from the grades. The reading by Charlotte Blender, vocal solo by Vivian Armstrong, Bryant Hale and Helen Logan, piano solo by Leonida Fredorovicz. They were greatly "applauded to the echo." To make special mention of the solo by Francis Nickles sounds to much like praising a member of your own family.

A very interesting and instructive lecture on Boston, accompanied by lantern slides, was given Friday evening by Mrs. J. W. Read. Views of the old historic places and statues such as the site of Boston massacre, the birthplace of Franklin, the home of Paul Revere, the home of Longfellow, and the Bunker Hill Monument as well as many modern views in the city were presented. These pictures explained by one who has lived in the city a number of years were very realistic.

Experiment Station Notes.  
Superintendent Weeks met Mrs. Weeks and the children in Manhattan, last week, and they returned to Hays, Wednesday evening. Mrs. Weeks had been visiting relatives and friends in Nebraska, for four weeks.

Dean W. M. Jardine, of the Kansas State Agricultural College spent Wednesday, at the Station, and gave some helpful suggestions for the spring work. Dean Jardine held lectures on the profitable growing in Western Kansas, and the Station will devote an area of ground to this crop.

Mr. Wm. Kiser, who worked at the Station during harvest last summer has just returned to Hays, after a trip to China, and is again working at the Station.

Superintendent Weeks spent Thursday, in Colby, where he made two appearances on the program of the Live Stock meetings being held there. In the evening moving pictures of the Station were shown.

April 5th, has been set as the day for the annual "Round Up" held at the Station. At this time the results of the fourteen livestock experiments, comprising 327 head of cattle and mules will be explained. Prominent livestock men from all over the state will be here, and it is the intention to make this the largest and best meeting of the kind ever held in Western Kansas.

In Tree Embargo.  
The first state embargo on the importation of plants and trees was passed this morning, by the Kansas state entomological commission. The quarantine prohibits the shipping into the state of any pine tree, gooseberry and currant bush. This order was advised by the federal department of agriculture which is doing everything in its power to protect the Western pine forests from infection.

The disease which this embargo is intended to check is called, "white pine blister rust," and has been traced to the eastern states and from there to its original source, one nursery in Germany. Notices of the quarantine have been sent to the postal authorities and all common carriers. The penalty of violation of this order is a fine of not more than \$100.

Embargo in Four States.  
Similar orders have been issued in four other states. Idaho passed such a resolution March 1, 1916; Wisconsin, June 1, 1916; Montana, July 17, 1916; and Oregon, July 24, 1916. The order approved by the commission here this morning will go into effect March 10.

"White pine blister rust" is a disease common among the five leafed pine trees, coming from a fungus growth on the bark. The fungus plant is not carried directly from one pine tree to another, but must go through an intermediate stage of spore production which takes place on the leaves of the gooseberry and currant bushes of the district. Then the spores produced from these bushes are carried to the leaves of the pine tree, and there the fungus growth starts, working its way down the tree and at the same time riding the trunk and eventually killing the pine.—State Journal.

To Be Biggest Golden Belt.  
The twentieth annual meeting of the Golden Belt Educational Association which meets at Hays, March 23, and 24th, in the buildings of the Fort Hays Normal will be the biggest one ever held in the district. The largest gathering of people ever brought together in Western Kansas. The sessions will take place in the almost completed Sheridan Coliseum seating 3500.  
The headline speakers include J. Frank Hanly, former governor of Indiana, Prohibition Presidential candidate and congressman; E. O. Sisson, commission of education of

Idaho, W. D. Ross, and Miss Julia M. Stone.

Henry Edward Malloy will present Friday night, the first grand opera ever produced in Western Kansas, Verli's masterpiece "Il Trovatore," with practically a professional cast including Mr. and Mrs. Cranston formerly of the Savage Grand Opera company and Archibald G. Todd. The scenery for this performance will be the same as used in grand opera productions in Kansas City, by special agreement with Mr. Cranston. Saturday night, Miss Elsie Macintosh, will present the comedy, "An American Citizen," by Ryley.

In addition to the regular sessions, four other conferences are scheduled to be held during these days, the Library Association of Western Kansas, the School Board conference, the Ministerial conference of the clergy of the Golden Belt district, and the Golden Belt Editorial conference.

The boys and girls themselves will have one big day devoted to their contests in Reading, Oratory, Short Story, Spelling, Nature Study, Art, Manual Training, Music, both vocal and dramatic, Agriculture, History and Domestic Science and Art. Pupils from twelve counties will be in Hays to contest.

The officers of the Association are: H. Coover, Ellsworth, President; Louis Christian, Vice President; Maude McMinden, Hays, Secretary; Joseph A. Kellog, Ogallah, Treasurer. The Executive Committee comprises, H. Coover, J. H. Niesley, S. L. Soper, and W. W. Sullivan. Rooms may be reserved in Hays for those days by addressing R. L. Parker, Hays.

The Food Problem.  
There are already indications of a rush to the soil, with the view of preventing of such a scarcity as that which is claimed in some quarters. It has so greatly increased the cost of living during the present winter. The cultivation of increased acreage in the rural districts, and of vacant lots in urban districts, is widely advocated. If we are to have cheaper living, it is warmly contended by some students, the situation we must, of course, have a greater supply of foodstuffs. Therefore everybody should raise things to eat. That is the way to cope with difficulty, and they insist that it is the only way. As a matter of fact, says the Christian Science Monitor, it is the way not to solve the problem.

Continuing the paper says: There is and there has been no scarcity of foodstuffs in the United States. In many parts of the country last spring and summer, products of the garden were so abundant and cheap that it did not pay to gather and ship them to the market. If everybody is going to raise vegetables this year, those who follow farming and gardening as a regular occupation will reap less profit from their labor next season than last. They will perhaps be discouraged as thousands have been in the past and seek other occupations. Over production is not remedy for high prices, because over production leads to waste, and waste is a blight upon industry.

What is needed is normal production and better distribution. Existing markets should be made accessible to those who look to the soil for a livelihood. Prices should not be depressed in one season, that they may be ballooned in another. The cultivator of the soil should not be left to the tender mercies of the food speculator and manipulator. The railroad should be obliged to furnish cars and to carry products to places where they are most needed, expediently and at reasonable rates.

An unimpeded flow in the transportation of foodstuffs, close connection between the producer and the consumer, inhibition of speculation in or manipulation of farm and garden products, and cold storage plants controlled by the public, offers a solution for the problem of the high cost of living; and emotional rush of one season amateurs in to gardening will only result in further complication of the situation. There is in the country now food enough to get around at reasonable prices; the task demanding intelligent thought and direction is its adequate and equitable distribution.

The Monitor would apply to the railroads the very principal which it deprecates in connection with production. It would have the railroads keep on hand thousands of cars for use in the rush season, which would remain idle through a great portion of the year. There are now probably enough cars to carry on the business of the country, if the shippers would distribute their requirements throughout the twelve months.

Likewise, Kansas growers shipped out hundreds of cars of potatoes at a price below a dollar a bushel. This winter Kansas consumers have been forced to pay as high as \$4 per bushel. Are the railroads at fault?

The following taken from the Pratt Daily Tribune of March 2nd, may be of interest to our readers, as it refers to a former Hays resident.

"The preliminary reading of Dr. B. J. Patterson, Dr. J. A. Gregoire and Mrs. Gregoire, bids fair to extend over into tomorrow. At least in the evening pointed that way late afternoon, when time evidence still was being heard.

The specific charge is that the defendants performed a criminal operation on Mrs. L. W. Lewis of Forgan, Okla., which substantially resulted in her death. The district court room, where Judge Crow is conducting the hearing, is packed with curious spectators, while many witnesses either have or will be examined. Among them are a number of physicians and nurses.

County Attorney Owens, is being assisted by Barrett and Turner, while the defense is being conducted by J. P. Shutt of Hays City, and J. W. Culwell of Beaver, Okla.

Dr. Patterson is well known by residents of Ellis county, and it is hoped he will be able to clear himself of the above charge.

Our first showing of Spring millinery, Tuesday, March 13th.  
Misses Virmond.

Word came to the editors of the serious condition of John Jones, south of town, who acted strangely and the neighbors and relatives became alarmed so much so that the neighbors sent up to Hays, for the sheriff and probate judge, who went down immediately; upon investigation they found the only trouble with John was, he was afraid he wouldn't be able to get tickets for "The Pointexter" of the Civic League play the New Opera House, Wednesday night, March 14, 8:15 p. m.

Mrs. J. W. Read, the popular new reader and dramatic coach of Hays, will play the part of "Aunt Carola" in "An American Citizen."

## DAGGERS

It's only the unwise that tell their love troubles to another.

Why is it that whenever the people want anything they trot to Washington.

A dead fly now means thousands less this summer.

Worn out brick sidewalks are worse than none at all.

We have no comment to make on the black and white striped hose worn by some of the young women.

In speaking of your wife as "Dovey" remember she may not be the "Dove of Peace" she now seems to be.

The writer doesn't claim to have any sense at all, but he is always ready with an opinion.

In speaking of your neighbors' faults remember you have a few of your own.

A while ago I accused a young man, bordering close onto bachelorhood, of entertaining matrimonial desires, he immediately replied with an attitude of "greatly surprised to say the least" which leaves the impression that it is very erroneous to even insinuate that he would marry. Don't worry kind friend, we all know you won't marry, (without a poetry) but you may continue to write poetry.

One fellow in Hays, has succeeded in jamming enough wind that he could blow up the largest safety deposit vault in the United States without the use of explosives.

A good conversationalist is never without a subject on which to talk. Some talk about their neighbors when they can think of nothing else, but whether this subject is interesting to their hearers is another question.

Much raise in dress goods will be caused by the high winds this month.

From some men "talk" you would think they were the greatest heroes in the world, but they never receive medals for "talk."

The prospects for a wheat crop in Gove, Sheridan, Thomas and Logan counties are better than in Ellis County. Most of the land belongs to people who live in other states. If the owners get good returns from this year's crop, prices of land will go much higher. Now is the time to buy land in these counties.

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