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### Where They Ate Thanksgiving Dinner

Mrs. H. B. Kohl entertained at a Thanksgiving dinner her son, Sergeant Hugo Kohl, from Field Hospital, Camp Funston, Miss Edith Bouslog of Sharon Springs, Mrs. Jennie Hoffman, Mr. Ross Hoffman and C. A. Harkness and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wood entertained at Thanksgiving—covers were laid for seventeen—two of whom were Sammie from Camp Funston, who arrived on the noon train.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Groff entertained at Thanksgiving dinner J. E. Groff and family of Ellis; Sam Groff and family of Hays; Jim Groff of Camp Funston; Miss Dora Groff of Lyons and Miss Rose Heller.

Alice Craig spent Thanksgiving with her friend, Evadna Kraus, at the country home of Louis Kraus.

Mrs. Averill spent Thanksgiving at the Bekele farm south of Hays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Bussard entertained at Thanksgiving dinner Miss McClain and Mrs. Garland Yarbrough and little daughter, Garland.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Blackmun entertained at Thanksgiving dinner, Mrs. C. C. Blackmun and grandson, Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. George Swires and children spent Thanksgiving at the Adie Swires country home.

Mrs. Bert Foster, Miss Bernice Foster and Master Raymond Foster spent Thanksgiving at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Georg McIntosh.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Matthew and little daughter, Harriet, and Mrs. Harry Matthew spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Matthew's parents at Rexford, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller entertained at Thanksgiving dinner, Mrs. Bartholomew, Miss Gladys Miller, Mrs. Kate Miller and C. A. Miller and family.

Miss Grace Loflin spent the week-end at her home in Ellis.

Mrs. Polcyn of Gorham, visited friends in Hays, Saturday.

Miss Edna Furbeck spent the week-end at her home in Ellis.

Vernor Scott of the Normal visited home folks at Stockton, this week.

Miss Lena Colbery spent the week-end at her country home near Ellis.

Lynn Smith of the Normal, spent Thanksgiving with home folks in Beloit.

Mrs. Ordway was over from Plainville, Thanksgiving Day, visiting her son, Lynn.

W. A. Smith and wife are arranging to go to California, soon to spend the winter.

A Thanksgiving dance was given at the Essex Hall, Thursday night. A good time was reported by all.

Miss Alice Craig spent the week-end in Ellis, the guest of her friend, Mildred Mervise.

Loads of corn from the Smoky Hill section was in our streets for sale last Saturday and this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Peterson entertained at Thanksgiving dinner Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Fellers and children.

Waiter Runyon and wife from near Hill City, visited friends here last Friday returning home Saturday.

Alphus Fellers, wife and children of Chester, Neb., visited Saturday and Sunday with his cousin, Harvey Fellers.

Mrs. John McMahon and Mrs. Perigo of Ellis, were in Hays, on soldier pension business last Friday afternoon.

The former Smoky Hill farmer, Dick Carter, now of Clay County, Kansas, was in town last Sunday, visiting old friends.

Miss Esther Shively came up from Bunkerhill, where she is teaching, Wednesday evening, to spend Thanksgiving with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fellers returned Tuesday after a week's visit with Mr. Fellers' sister at Kismet, Kansas, and with his brother at Mulvilline, Kansas.

"The Star Spangled Banner" at the Strand Theatre Thanksgiving night, was greeted by a full house. There was hardly standing room. The box office showed 900 paid admissions.

While attending the matinee at the Strand Theatre Saturday afternoon, Raymond Foster had the misfortune to fall over a rope, cutting his chin open. Dr. Anders took four stitches in the chin.

Miss Elizabeth Chittenden accompanied by her friend, Miss Lucille Hampson, came down from Grinnell, Thursday morning, to spend Thanksgiving with relatives and friends.

The new December Victrola records go on sale December 1st, at Markwell's.

Mrs. Bert Foster entertained at dinner, Sunday, in honor of her mother, Mrs. Esther Joy of Salem, Iowa. Those present were: George McIntosh and family, Alex McIntosh, wife and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Balls, Mrs. Jas. McIntosh and Mr. and Mrs. Hi Byers.

We have heard much comment on Mrs. Hale's flag reading given at the church Sunday evening. In the mind of this writer it was about the best patriotic reading ever given in Hays. Mrs. Hale is a great favorite with her audiences and it is regrettable that she does not read oftener.—Communicated.

Seed potatoes. Early Ohio's at Schlyer & Arnold. Buy them now.

Mrs. Gladhart came down from Hays yesterday morning, to drive home their automobile which they left here Sunday on their return from the football game at Lawrence. They encountered but little mud until they reached here but at this point they were compelled to leave the car among whom Mrs. Edith Lawson went to Hays with her in the car.—Russell Record.

The Anti-Saloon League of Kansas has arranged for a special train to run from Topeka to Washington, D. C., for the forthcoming national convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America to be held there on December 10, 11 and 12th. The Kansas delegation will be headed by Governor Arthur Capper and delegates from every part of the state are expected to make the trip.

The farmers in the vicinity of Hays report wheat looking good. One and six-tenths inches of rain fell about ten days ago which delighted the farmers and the citizens of the city as well; what helps the farmer helps the city dweller. The wheat is growing and two more weeks of nice weather like we have been having will put the wheat in fine condition for the winter and will also furnish some cattle pasture.

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At this writing, (Wednesday afternoon) a telegram just received from Camp Funston informs the committee that had charge of entertaining of soldiers in several Hays homes on Thanksgiving day that, owing to quarantine conditions, only two of the thirty soldiers who wished to come would be given passes to leave their cantonments. These two will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wood for the day, arriving on the noon train.

We seem to be in the path of sun's total eclipse on the 8th of next June. This cuts a sweep from Aberdeen, Wash., to Orlando, Fla., taking in Denver. We have heard of total eclipses that sent chickens to roost and terror to the hearts of sinners who had no warning of what the sun was about and thought the day of wrath was upon them; and we predict that every uninformed person who witnesses this year the blotting out of the sun in the middle of the day, will believe that the end of the world has arrived.

Come to Markwell's and get a catalogue of the new Victrola records December 1st.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw urges that the men observe "Smokeless Friday." Fine!

Mrs. C. A. Shively returned home Sunday evening, after a two months' visit in Kansas City.

Prof. and Mrs. Parker entertained six or eight young people after the game on Thursday.

Harry Grass was over from Lawrence, shaking hands with old Hays friends, Wednesday.

Mr. Sercy, traveling representative for the Richards-Schebel Candy Co., was in Hays, Wednesday.

Outside of family reunion dinners there was not so much entertaining as usual in Hays, this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Wals and Geo. Bellman and wife ate Sunday dinner with G. B. Cave and family.

Miss Frances Newton of Clay Center, who is teaching at Colby, was a guest on Thursday of her aunt, Mrs. Sedore.

A. O. Woolridge writes from Salina, that he has a good position there with the railway people and they are enjoying their life there very much.

Serg. Maurice E. Craig has sent to a few special friends in Hays a beautiful Thanksgiving Dinner Menu card issued by Co. A. 42nd U. S. Infantry, Camp Dodge, Iowa.

Frank Best, Fred Lindsey, Bill Shaffer, Elsie Harbaugh, the Misses Best and several others were up from Bunkerhill, visiting friends and attending the Normal-Cooper game.

Good home grown potatoes at the Normal for \$1.50 per bushel.

Mr. Sedore, who has transferred his business interests to Ellis, comes home to spend Sundays with his family who will continue their residence in Hays, for the winter at least.

Rev. Hale spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at a ministerial meeting at Wichita, visiting friends and relatives in Lansing and Alden on his return home.

Inscribed upon a bronze plate on the table under the ticket window of the Union railway station at Topeka, are these words: "Do not swear; there may be a gentleman present."

C. W. Miller makes farm loans, from one to seven years. Interest payable once a year if desired. Can be paid at any interest paying time.

Aaron A. Planter of Ellis, has recently been appointed captain in Uncle Sam's New Army. He is just now at Fort Sheridan, Ill. He is the first Ellis county man, we believe, to be thus honored.

Claude Bice has been in town for a week visiting his little daughter and the Bice family here. Claude is taking a course in Osteopathy in Kansas City, and will soon write some letters after his name.

Mr. and Mrs. Covatt, who have lived for a year and one-half in Hays, and in that time have made many friends, will leave today for their former home in Winfield, much to the regret of Hays people.

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Mrs. E. E. Colyer writes home in happy strain from Kansas City, where she has been for several weeks taking treatment for goniter. She is much improved and hopes to be home by Christmas if not before.

"Polly of the Circus" played at the Strand Theatre in Hays, Sunday, and was greeted by good houses both afternoon and evening. The two shows aggregated 800 paid admissions. "Polly of the Circus" is like Uncle Tom's Cabin, nearly always draws a crowd.

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Occidental Take Notice

The annual election of officers for the coming year will take place in the Probate Court Room Saturday, December 1, 1917, at 2:00 p. m. All companions are requested to be present. C. M. Holmquist, F. E. McLain, Chief Pioneer Secretary.

That the reputation of Hays is becoming widespread we find on the Editorial Page of the Buffalo, N. Y. Commercial of November 16th this: "It is unfortunate that all grocers are not so candid, remarks the Kansas City Star, as the market man in Hays, who advertises 'Food for Thought.' That's about all the customer gets for a dollar in any grocery this year."

Horses Taken Up

At my farm south of Yoccovento, four stray horses (three blacks, one bay.) Owners can have same by proving property and paying expenses. Louis Johnson.

TRUSTEE SALE

Starting on December 4th, I will offer for sale for cash the harness and machinery stock formerly owned by D. H. Early & Sons. Sale to be held at Ryan building. B. C. Arnold, Trustee.

RED CROSS NOTES

The following ladies sewed this week

Wednesday evening: Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Penney, Mrs. Geo. Philip, Jr., Doris Middlekauff, Helen Pestana, Mrs. Walter Ward, Genevieve Dorney, Ruby Reed, Miss DeNoon, Miss Bibbena, Martha Weber, Mrs. Geo. King, Alice Penney, Miss Fitz Hughes, Leona Smith, Miss Agnew.

Thursday: Mesdames H. Schwaller, Geo. Starr, Bates, Winters, McLimsey, Dorney, Stout Miss Andrews.

Friday: Mesdames Nickles, Cowan, Bemis, Halstead, Weber, Mrs. Ziegler, J. Bell, Morrison, Miss Earlenbaugh, Miss Bess Leahy, Miss Bemis.

Monday, November 26: Mesdames Jordan, Stout, Pestana, Penney, Kohl, Speer, Wood, Enfield, Miller, Philip.

Wednesday: Mesdames C. G. Cochran, Panzran, Geo. Philip, Jr., W. A. Lewis, Res.

Monday evening, Surgical: Misses Faubian, Wooten, Pestana, Bemis, Mesdames Penney, Jordan, Neiswanger, Miss Agnew.

Surgical Dressing Class.

### A Great Service

As was anticipated, a large audience was present to listen to the special patriotic program at the Methodist church on Sunday evening. Had a snowstorm not threatened early in the evening, the house would not have been able to hold the crowd for the service, held in honor of our boys with the colors, and Rev. Hale's address was, "World Liberty."

However, the address was cut to fifteen minutes because Lieutenant Millard Crane was present and the time was shared with him. Lieut. Crane besides being earnest has a jovial manner and humorous way of telling things that is irresistible. He spoke of army life in general and that of Camp Funston in particular. After a piano prelude by Mr. Wood, the choir and audience sang "Faith of our Fathers." A solo by Miss Elma Creighton, "The Ninety and Nine" was very well received. Miss Creighton has a full, well trained voice and possesses a most winsome personality. Mr. Christopher's number—a euphonium solo, accompanied by Mr. Roberts on the piano, was very much enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Malloy never sang better than in their duet, "The Lord is my Leader." "Flag Beloved" and "Do not Fear, Little Mother" were two poems read by Mrs. Hale and in keeping with the occasion. At the close of the singing of "America" the special verse following this article was sung with great enthusiasm, led by Mr. Malloy. While the pastor read out the fifty-three names of young men who have gone into the country's service from the Methodist Sunday School and congregation, two of the Epworth League girls held up the beautiful new service flag which will hang on the wall back of the pulpit so long as the war shall last; and as new ones go to serve, extra stars will be added. And if it happens that any of our precious boys should die, the blue star will be replaced by one of gold. Printed programs and roll of honor were distributed to the audience who will wish to send them, with this write-up, to the boys. Addresses may be obtained on request of the boys' committee or the Secretary of the Epworth League.

"God save our splendid men. Send them safe home again. God save our men. Keep them victorious, patriotic and cheerful. They are so dear to us, God save our men."

The High School Eleven Wins a Hard Fought Victory from Trego County

The high school football team won a hard fought victory from Trego County High's Turkey Day morning. It was a hard game and only the football science that Coach Carman has been instilling into his eleven won the day. The first touchdown was made in the first five minutes of play, when Captain Shuttles recovered a fumble and the team pushed it over the goal line. The next points were made in the beginning of the second quarter when the home lads pulled outside kick and fell on the ball behind the goal. Wann kicked goal making the score 13 to 0 at the end of the first half. At the opening of the third quarter the High School was penalized to one yard of the goal line and was pushed back for a safety making two points for the Trego boys. Later in the last half Trego pulled a series of forward passes and was able to make a touchdown, making the final score 1 to 9. The chief ground gainers for Hays were Al Shuttles and Cave, while Grass characterized the game by his long punts. About fifty of the football fans accompanied the team to Wakeney and were good supporters. The team wishes to thank them for the use of their cars as well as their voices. This game decided the Golden Belt championship, which has been won by Hays High School for the fourth consecutive year.

High School Items

The high school and the grades were dismissed for Thanksgiving day. School was in session yesterday, Friday, because it was a school day and school is in session today, to make up the complement of five days for this week. The Teachers' contracts call for a nine months' term of twenty days a month. It is the purpose of the Board of Education to approximate as nearly as possible the 180 days hence the sessions on Saturday to make up time lost on holidays. School is not held on Saturday because of the time that the teachers were in attendance at the State Association as some have supposed.

Although the management did not secure the special train for which they obtained the signatures of 150 people to take the crowd to Wakeney, to see the battle between the football eleven of the two schools, turkey day, about fifty town supporters of the athletes went in cars and cheered the boys on to a victory of 13 to 9, over their ancient friendly enemies. This win gives the Golden Belt championship to the Hays boys for the third consecutive year. There is great rejoicing in the house of the high school this week-end.

The basketball girls had their first practice in the new gymnasium Monday afternoon. Before this they have been practicing under the supervision of Cecelia Dorney in the Normal gymnasium.

The class in agriculture visited the Experiment Station Tuesday, to have a lesson in judging wheat, corn and other small grains.

Fred Drilling gave the boys of the first and second teams the annual dance last Friday night. Several of the old timer men were present.

Earl Preston one of last year's sophomores enrolled in the junior class last Monday. Earl has been attending school at Russell, until this week. Earl belongs to that class of students that faculty and students are glad to welcome back.

Gladys Miller, Lawrence Gross, Esther Goetzhaus, Mary Hedges of the class of '17, visited various in the High School Saturday the 24th. They are all employed as teachers in the rural schools of this county.

## Supporting the Government

This is a time for every citizen to support the United States Government, and many are doing so at considerable cost or sacrifice to themselves.

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Obituary

Karl Frederick Guenther was born June 1, 1840 in Katharinestadt, Russia, as a son of Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Guenther. He was married to Miss Dorothea Sabfeld. There were born to this union four sons and six daughters. His wife died April 1901. In 1904 he came to America with one son and one daughter and settled at Hays. In November 1907 he made Russell his home place, living with his daughter, Mrs. John Zercher, who took care of him very patiently until his death. In the last couple of days he did not feel very good but nobody thought death would come so sudden. He died Wednesday, November 21st, at noon at the home of his daughter at the age of seventy-seven years, five months and twenty days leaving one son Alexander, in Canada, four daughters, all living in Russia, except Mrs. Zercher and many grandchildren.

Deceased was baptised and confirmed in the Lutheran church. Funeral was held this afternoon, three o'clock from St. John's Lutheran church by Wm. Hardre, pastor.—Russell Record.

The Public School

The new organization of the grades made possible by the removal of the High School from the grade building is working splendidly. Grades five, six, seven and eight occupy the upper floor, the lower grades the common level of playground and thus giving more room on the playground, and separating the larger children from the little folks. The first four grades have a ten minute intermission at the end of each hour. The teachers find the four short recreation periods per day keeps the children in much better physical condition, prevents fatigue and results in better progress in their studies.

The upper grades have one intermission each session—at 10:45 and 2:45. Mr. Carman directs the boys in their play at all intermissions and the lady teachers take turns supervising the girls. This plan eliminates the common evil of playground disorder and keeps the children busily engaged in wholesome exercise and play.

Systematic physical training is given in the grades over Wednesday afternoon in the new High School gym. From fifteen to twenty-five minutes are given to each grade in turn. Miss Cecelia Dorney directs the work, assisted by the teachers. The work consists of marching games, dumbbells, Indian clubs, rhythmic work, etc. Parents are invited to visit on Wednesday afternoons and see this very helpful and interesting work.

Due largely to the encouragement and direction given by the teachers, the patronage of the public library by the school children is very gratifying and is growing steadily. The habit of reading good literature should be encouraged. A boy or girl who loves good books and habitually reads good literature is not likely to go astray.

The High School gym has been provided with basketball goals, the court has been marked and everything is ready for basketball practice.

Our custodian, Will Wagner, with the assistance of his brother, Jake, for part time, keeps the plant in fine shape and does the numerous odd jobs about the buildings, so necessary to the convenience and comfort of the pupils and teachers. When anyone wants something done, "Where's Wag?" is the first question asked. Perhaps few people on the outside

realize how much efficient janitor service means to a school.

The relief from overcrowded rooms, makes it possible to stress penmanship more than heretofore and bring this important art up to standard. The frequent changes of systems by the State Text Book Commission has been a handicap. It is hoped that the present system will be retained long enough to accomplish definite results.

Teachers' Meeting

Last Saturday afternoon the Ellis County Teachers' Association held a meeting in the High School auditorium in Hays. Prof. L. D. Wooster of the Fort Hays Normal School presented the question of suitable nature study work for the rural schools and distributed to the teachers copies of a splendid nature study bulletin he has prepared and had printed. We may say in passing that Mr. Wooster has prepared in this bulletin one of the most helpful guides to nature study in this section that has ever appeared, and is general enough to be helpful in any school.

Mr. Weeks gave a splendid talk on co-operation in agriculture teaching. His presentation was good and his plans practical.

Following the regular program election of officers took place with the following elected:

President, Louis Christiansen, Co. Superintendent; Vice President, Clarissa McNay, Ellis; Secretary, Jennie L. Shaw, Natomas.

Minneapolis, Kansas, Nov. 26, 1917. A. L. Clark & Son, Hays, Kansas:

Gentlemen:

I am sorry I have neglected sending you this check so long but we have been so busy building and moving. We have just moved into our new modern home that we have just had built, six miles from Minneapolis. Our house is two story 30x34 without porches. A nice large sleeping porch 10x30 and hot and cold water upstairs and down.

Though crops were not very good over here this year, yet it is a beautiful place to live here in the Solomon Valley and I like it fine.

Please change my address to Minneapolis, Kansas, instead of Ada, Kansas.

Very respectfully, Mrs. W. H. Nelson.

Rabbit Leaf

If you want something good in the meat dish line, try this. It will be much relished and help many a housewife in solving the problem of meatless days:

Cut the meat from one jack rabbit and grind it with one-half teacup full of bacon and one onion. Add one egg, salt and pepper to taste, one cup sweet milk and about as much dry bread crumbs as there is meat. Mix all thoroughly, shape into loaf, put in dipping pan and bake in medium hot oven 'til done, basting frequently with butter and hot water.

The Youth's Companion Calendar for 1918.

The Youth's Companion Practical Home Calendar combines the beautiful with the useful. It is especially sought for by busy people, because it gives at one glance not only the days of the current month, but those of the month preceding and the month following, all on the one leaf. At the same time the calendar is decorative in design and suitable for a place in the best room in the house. It is given to all readers of The Youth's Companion who have paid their subscription for 1918.

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