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Ladies white aprons 25c up.—McKibbens.

The churches are getting ready for their Christmas entertainments.

One pound of candy free with every purchase of \$1, Hill's Cash Store.

Wholesale prices of coal in Kansas City have been advanced 25 cents a ton.

One pound of candy free with every purchase of \$1 at Hill's Cash Store.

Mrs. Warren Strong, of Kentucky, is visiting her brother, Hon. Thos. J. Smith.

Pure linen towels 35c pair up.—McKibbens.

Judge W. W. Graves has been re-elected president of the Missouri State Poultry show.

A girl desiring a place in a private family should apply at this office. Wages satisfactory.

Fine Chocolates, Cream Bon-Bons, etc., put up in boxes 1 pound 20c, 1/2 pound 10c, Hill's Cash Store.

J. W. Blankenbaker secured license Tuesday to marry Miss L. V. Haskins, both of Lone Oak.

\$1.50 union umbrellas for \$1.19.—McKibbens.

M. A. Keener and Miss Polly Springer, both of Rich Hill, were married Saturday by Justice B. F. Jeter.

Special value in all linen napkins \$1.25 dozen.—McKibbens.

John H. Weddle, of Butler, and Miss Effie Medley, of Nyhart, were married Thursday by Justice B. F. Jeter.

Special oil table linen 50c.—McKibbens.

Scarlet fever is reported to be raging in Adrain county, and several deaths have occurred among the children.

Elegant silk umbrellas \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50.—McKibbens.

The little ones should have the holes in their stockings darned. Old Santa will be on hand next Thursday night.

One pound of candy free with every purchase of \$1. Hill's Cash Store.

Best \$2.00 and \$2.50 shoes at McKibbens.

E. F. Letourno, the retoubtailer, "Lee," called and had his dates set ahead another year.

Pure linen handkerchiefs 5c up.—McKibbens.

E. D. Kipp Sundayed in Butler with his family. He is in the promoting business in the oil fields of southern Kansas.

Mens fine silk shirts \$1.00.—McKibbens.

The Baptists have been holding services in the circuit court room for a couple of weeks, pending the arrival of new seats, which will be here soon.

More new furs at lowest prices.—McKibbens.

Fine Chocolates, Cream Bon-Bons, etc., put up in boxes 1 pound 20c, 1/2 pound 10c, Hill's Cash Store.

The report of the Department of Agriculture shows that the corn yield for the State was above the ten-year average. The yield was thirty-five bushels to the acre.

Best kid gloves \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50.—McKibbens.

James Howell, a brick layer at Joplin, Mo., is out \$1,000. Robbers slipped into his house after night and abstracted the money from a drawer in a dresser. Howell was afraid of banks.

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Our esteemed farmer friend M. R. Lyle, one of Bates county's old settlers and substantial citizens, favored us pleasantly and had THE TIMES sent to his neighbor, R. J. Warren.

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John Carpenter dropped in and renewed for his father, Abe Carpenter, at Iroquois, Ill., an old citizen of Bates county and well known to our older citizens.

Our highly esteemed friend J. R. Marshall favored us pleasantly and renewed as has been his custom for many years. He is one of our most highly respected citizens.

One pound of candy free with every purchase of \$1. Hill's Cash Store.

Mrs. M. J. Griggs, widow of "Uncle Billy" Griggs, orders her paper changed from Butler to Santa Barbara, Cal., where she is spending the winter with relatives.

Choice line mens neckties 25c.—McKibbens.

Rev. J. H. Bateman, of Bryant, Mo., sends remittance for renewal, and wishes to be remembered to his old Bates county friends. He reports good success in revival work.

The Frisco spur from Sprague to the Durpie-William coal mine near Foster was completed Friday, and work on the necessary side tracks at the mine is underway.

The mines at Joplin, shut down a short time ago on account of the decrease in the price of ore, have resumed operations. The mines over at Galena, Kansas, have also resumed work.

Mens extra fine pure linen handkerchiefs 25c.—McKibbens.

Judge John A. Silvers is able, with the use of crutches, to get to and from his office. As told last week he sustained a severe sprain of the ankle while getting out of a buggy Sunday week.

Three robbers blew the safe at the Club theater, at Joplin Friday night and made their escape with \$250 in cash. The explosion was heard by a number of people, but it took some time to locate it, which gave the robbers time to escape.

The weather on Saturday was about the worst of the season and as a consequence there were few farmers in town. Instead of having a big trade the merchants had about the poorest of the year. We look for a big trade on next Saturday.

The county court had two cases of insanity before them last week, one being Frank D. Bolling, a young man from East Boone township, and Richard S. Steele, from Rich Hill. Both of them were adjudged insane and sent to the asylum at Nevada.

Circuit Clerk Huff, of Vernon county received a telegram from Attorney general Crow to dismiss the case of the state ex rel vs R. B. Speed, ex-coal oil inspector of St. Louis, which was to have been tried at the February term of the Vernon county circuit court.

William Bradburn and I. B. Moore were crushed between a threshing machine engine and a separator the other day near Atchison, Kansas, while coupling the two together. Williams was killed outright and Moore fatally hurt. While the men were making the coupling the engine shot back with terrific force catching them.

Clark Vankirk, a bachelor 35 years old, living on a farm six miles north west of Liberal, Mo., was burned to death in his house a few nights ago. It is not known whether the fire was by accident, or whether Vankirk, who was quite well off, was first murdered and then the house fired to conceal the deed.

G. W. Black, a prominent farmer of East Boone, was in the city on Thursday and complimented us pleasantly and had his dates set up. He and Henry Mudd had brought down F. D. Bolling to be tried by the county court on the charge of insanity. He was adjudged insane and taken to the Nevada asylum.

J. S. Arbuckle called while in Butler Saturday and had bills struck for a sale on his place three miles north west of Bailard, on Monday, December 22nd. Mr. Arbuckle recently sold his farm. He has not fully decided where he will go. He is one of Bates county's best citizens and we hope he will conclude to remain within her borders.

County Clerk John F. Herrell presented his son, deputy clerk George L. Herrell with a fine new "Oliver" type writer on Tuesday. Mr. Herrell had expected it to arrive for Christmas, but it was shipped ahead of time. The presentation was made in the clerk's office. George was greatly surprised, but responded gratefully and feelingly.

No sooner is Judge Graves elected President of the Missouri State Poultry Association, than it is intimated that the penal clause in the statutes for chicken stealing, enacted by the last general assembly, will be rigidly enforced. Whether this is a compliment to the Judge's well known record of enforcing all laws or an attempt to intimidate the "cullered brethren" just on the eve of the holidays is hard to tell.

Lace curtains 98c per pair up at McKibbens.

FOR SALE—Piano, nearly as good as new for \$50. Also household furniture all new and up to date. Will sell at a bargain, as we are going to California. Live 1/2 mile northwest of depot on the old Wade farm. —7 2t J. E. WILSON.

Latest style mufflers 25c to \$2.00.—Joe Meyer.

Col. Wm. H. Phelps was in Butler on legal business Saturday.

Initial Handkerchiefs 10c to 50c.—Joe Meyer.

Estey organs at W. H. Morris' on West Side. —7-2t

The Republican national convention will be held in Chicago, June 21st.

The Eldorado Sun has dropped its patent pages and hereafter will be an all home print.

Ladies fine shoes, guaranteed, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3.00.—McKibbens.

See those rice stands at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$1.75 at Richards & Holloway, South Side Square.

White and figured dress vests \$1.25 to \$3.00.—Joe Meyer.

L. E. Fuller, an old Butler boy, now at Bozeman, Mont., indicates his continued interest in his old home by sending remittance for renewal.

All the latest shapes in neckwear 25c to \$1.50.—Joe Meyer.

Major G. B. Clark, state auditor under Gov. Woodson, was placed to rest at Jefferson City Thursday of last week.

Ladies hse thread hose, Topsy brand, 50c, 75c.—McKibbens.

Lake Side Stock Farm, Butler, Mo., one mile southeast of square, fine Plymouth Rock cockerels for 75c each, if taken this month. Also a Pedigreed Poland China boar for sale.

Silk suspenders, sterling silver buckle, \$1.50. Initial engraved.—Joe Meyer.

At the election held Monday night of last week, W. S. Arnold, secretary of Bates lodge, I. O. O. F. 180 was elected a delegate to represent this district in the grand lodge which meets in St. Louis in May next.

Silk umbrellas, sterling silver and gold plated handles \$1.50 to \$6.00 Initial engraved free.—Joe Meyer.

Poffenbarger & Edwards, the exclusive boot and shoemercants, are distributing to their customers free of charge, (as long as they last) a very handsome thermometer. Their patrons in the country are especially invited to call and get one.

Fine leather suit cases \$5.00 to \$8.00.—Joe Meyer.

The remains of the infant babe of Mrs. Mary Walker Martin, of Webb City, arrived on the early train Tuesday morning and were interred in Oak Hill cemetery. The babe was born Sunday evening but only lived a few minutes. In the loss of their babe Mr. and Mrs. Martin have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends in this city. Mrs. Hemstrett, of this city, has been in Webb City for the past two weeks, remained with her daughter, Mrs. Martin.

Special \$1.75 yard wide black taffeta silk, guaranteed, for \$1.39. —at McKibbens

F. M. Eldridge, secretary of the Tulare, California Water Co. and agent Wells Fargo Express Co., sends his annual stipend for renewal of THE TIMES. Everybody here knows Frank, or they used to know him, as one of the best fellows in the world. While he is prospering away out on the Pacific coast he hasn't lost interest in his old home and friends. He says the coldest they have had it there so far is 28 degrees above zero. That the orange crop is ripe and being gathered.

Smoking jackets and house coats \$5.00 to \$12.00.—Joe Meyer.

In the case of the state vs. J. W. Blankenbaker, tried before Justice of the Peace Boxley on Monday, the jury found defendant guilty and assessed his punishment at a fine of \$20. Blankenbaker was accused of cutting Mrs. Hagenbush's fence. A vast array of witnesses and considerable legal sparring marked the proceedings. Prosecuting attorney Ludwick was assisted by W. O. Jackson, while the defense was represented by Col. Wm. Dona, who showed a thorough master of Blackstone and ability to cope with the distinguished counsel for the state.

White and colored hemstitched handkerchiefs 10c to 50c.—Joe Meyer.



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AT **JOE MEYER** The Clothier.

Fred M. Pontius and Miss Mary H Hand were married by Elder Williamson on Wednesday.

Miss Jessie and Lula Ray spe t Sunday in Nevada.

THE BUTER TIMES, edited by Jake Allen, prince of good fellows, ab's Democrat, and at one time prominently mentioned as a possible candidate for Secretary of State, comes out strongly for Sam B. Cook as his own successor.—Nevada Mail.

Misses Germaine and Louise Dooley gave a "Cupid party" to a select number of lady friends on Wednesday afternoon, to announce the engagement of their sister, Miss Ninon to R. A. Hollenback, a prominent young business man of Anthony, Kan. The Dooley home was prettily decorated with cupids and hearts, the colors being lavender and white. A delicious lunch was served at small tables, in two courses. Souvenir cards, with cupid designs were given to each guest. The groom to be was formerly a popular young society man of our city. Miss Ninon is a very pretty and popular girl, vivacious and accomplished. Congratulations were many and sincere.

New rugs, beautiful colorings, \$1.50, \$2.25, \$2.95, \$3.25, \$3.75 at McKibbens.

On Tuesday, at the home of George W. Newberry, Chas. D. Brown and Miss Edna Oliver were united in marriage, Elder Williamson officiating. The groom is a prominent young farmer; the bride a charming young lady, sister of Mrs. Newberry.

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