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Grafting.

Over at Hewitt west of Ardmore the new blingling road with Jake Hamon as head squeeze is building through the town but will not give them a depot. Instead, the road is starting a new townsite one mile west and has purchased lumber and let the contract for a depot there.

This we call grafting pure and simple. The town of Hewitt has been there for a number of years and has become established, has two cotton gins and other lines of business accordingly.

But in order to make some money the railroad buys land and starts a new town one mile away, where they can sell the town lots and get a slice out of every enterprise, even though they had the nerve to run right through the incorporation at Hewitt.

The citizens of Hewitt have employed an attorney to take up the matter with the corporation commission and that body will visit Hewitt on Oct. 2 to look into the merits, or rather demer-

its, of the case.

The same road dodged other towns and started new towns when it would have been much less expense to grade through the old towns. A law should be passed to stop such actions.

Street Crossings.

The rainy weather three days of last week fully demonstrated the urgent need of some kind of street crossings in Elgin. Not only did the citizens of Elgin have to wade mud in getting to the stores but the farmers who came in had to wade through the mud to get their trading done.

The fact that worthless crossings were once put in is no reason that others should not be put in to take their places. The town has sufficient funds on hand to put them in and it could not be used for any better purpose.

When the traveling men drop into a town on a muddy day they go away "cussing" the town and giving it a black eye. And in muddy weather country people prefer to go to a town that has street crossings.

For the amount of money invested, 2-inch oak lumber will give as good service as anything. Let the town furnish the material laid down where the crossings should be at the four corners of the business block and let those interested donate enough work to put them in. The writer will see that the two on the south east corner are put in if the material is furnished.

Where The Credit Lies.

With cotton around 14 cents, corn around 70 cents, butter 30 cents, eggs 25 cents, hogs around 8 cents and beef nearly as high as when the cow jumped over the moon, it is not likely that many American farmers will be grumbling at the Wilson admin-

istration.

We wonder how many of the fellows who know that Cleveland's administration caused low prices will now say that Wilson's administration is causing the high prices. But there is just as much reason in one statement as in the other.

We always did believe that supply and demand is the main thing that regulates prices and are still firm in the belief. Did any one ever hear of an article being cheap when the world's supply was very scarce?

Yet when there is a big supply throughout the world and prices are forced down, some man yelps that the administration caused it.

New School Law.

A school treasurer informed the writer last week that after Jan. 1, 1914, school treasurers will not handle the funds of the district but that same will be paid out by the county treasurer. This is certainly another abominable law passed by a freak legislature.

The new law will prevent the school funds from being placed in the banks where the school tax is paid but will centralise most of it in the county bank. The small local banks will lose the school deposits and will not get any more of the deposit from the county treasurers.

This paper now goes to press on Wednesday night.

Get Your Dictionary.

In order to keep the editor and also the numerous readers of the FARMERS' CHAMPION from getting see-sick and lonesome for "Shorty" we will contribute the following little spelling lesson which the writer remembers having learned in the sixth grade: In promulgating your esoteric cogitations or articulating your superficial sentimentalities and amicable, philosophical, or psychological observations, beware of platitudinous ponderosity. Let your conversational communications possess a clarified conciseness, a compact comprehensiveness, a coalescent consistency, and a concatenated cogency. Eschew all conglomerations of flutulent garrulity, jejune babblement and assinine affectations. Let your extemporaneous descantings and unpremeditated expatiations have intelligibility and veracious vivacity without rhodomontade or thraoonical bombast. Sedulously avoid all polysyllabic profundity, pompous prolixity, psittacous vacuity, ventriloquial verbosity, and vaniloquent vapidity. Shun double entendre, prurient jocosity, and pestiferous profanity, obscure or apparent. In other words, talk plainly, briefly, naturally, sensibly truthfully and purely. Don't put on airs. Say what you mean. Mean what you say. And DON'T USE BIG WORDS.

CAESAR'S GHOST!

(Ed.—If any one else has any spelling books with big words in them, send them in, as this is quite an education for our boy typesetter.)

Prices Compared.

Last week's Sterling paper said, "Some cotton sold in Sterling Wednesday \$13.15." The Rush Springs paper last week said that the top on cotton there on Wednesday was \$13.50. On the same day the top in Elgin was \$14. It seems the farmers around Elgin should appreciate the high prices paid here and patronize those who are paying these prices.

Going One Better.

Last week's Apache paper stated that a man delivered a bale of cotton in Apache which brought \$30.50. Last Friday J. T. McCraw delivered a bale in Elgin which netted him \$33.67. This load weighed 1615 lbs. and ginned 558 lbs.

School Begins Monday.

The Elgin public schools will open next Monday with three teachers in charge whose names will be found in the directory in this paper. On account of the decision of the supreme court the old books used last year will have to be used.

MISSIVES FROM MISTLETOE

J. T. McCraw sold 20 nice hogs to C. M. Wolcott Monday.

T. T. Myers and wife visited their son, Claud Myers, and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Morris are visiting at the Charlie Sperling home.

This rainy, damp weather is not very good on cotton picking and corn husking.

Joe Montgomery and Ottie King went to Oklahoma City Saturday to see the fair.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dotson Sunday night and left a fine baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sperling and children visited relatives near Rush Springs Saturday and Sunday.

Tom Sperling is the most lucky man in this neighborhood; he will get his cotton picked over Tuesday.

Mrs. Tom Sperling and Miss Mabel Lee visited at the home of L. P. McCraw near Mt. View Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Williams, Misses Sallie Bentley and Lizzie Dotson went to Oklahoma City Monday to see the fair.

Millard Richardson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sperling, Miss Mabel Lee and Clarence Wolcott visited at the J. T. McCraw home Sunday.

Uncle John McCraw went to Oklahoma City Friday to take in the fair. He says there is not much pleasure in seeing the fair when it is raining like it did Saturday.

We want everyone that can to meet at the school house next Sunday to reorganize the Sunday school. Now let every one come; we have had a good Sunday school and can have it again.

MISTLETOE CORRESPONDENT.

Train Delayed.

The Frisco passenger No. 407 which is due here at 9:15 p. m., did not arrive Sunday evening until 5 o'clock Monday morning on account of a freight wreck at Tuttle. Everything in the eating houses at Tuttle was devoured while the train waited for the wreck to be cleared.

Dr. and Mrs. Gamble, Mrs. R. C. Richardson, Miss Estella Richardson, B. V. Hamilton, J. M. Hinds and John Hanson were on the belated train. Being Sunday night it was not so bad for young people who wanted to spark, but was rather tough on old married folks.

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LODGES.

M. W. A. Camp No. 11880, meets first Saturday night of each month.
R. C. Choens, Consul; J. P. Brown, Clerk.
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House Robbed.

While Mr. and Mrs. "Babe" Mansell, who reside south east of here, were away from home some thief broke into the house and stole considerable property, among the articles being jewelry, silverware and his wedding suit. The young couple were just married last summer, the lady being a daughter of Frank Mitchell, and this is quite a loss for young folks. It is risky to leave any money or other valuables in a house when away from home. Keep all money deposited in the bank.

Postponed.

On account of the rain the annual reunion of former Illinois people now in Comanche county was not held in Lawton last Thursday but has been postponed and will be announced later. Those in charge of the celebration thought it was not a very good day for "suckers."

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R. H. WESSEL, Owner.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of Sept. 1913.

ALBERT MCDANIEL,

Notary Public.

(My commission expires Dec. 13, 1913.)

Examination at Cache.

On Oct. 21 and 22 the U. S. civil service commission will conduct an examination at Cache for assistant forest ranger.

All men between the ages of 21 and 40 are eligible but must show a physician's certificate that they are able-bodied and capable of enduring all outdoor hardships. The salary is \$1100 per year but steady employment is not guaranteed, as some are given a furlough during the quiet winter months.

Those wishing complete information can secure same by writing the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C.

Beware.

Last week's Sterling Ledger says, "Bring us your sale bills we will do you right."

List your farms for sale or rent with the Bank of Elgin. No charges unless sold or rented.

Dates.

State Fair, Oklahoma City, Sept. 23-Oct. 4.
Miller Bros., 101 Ranch Wild West Show, Lawton, Oct. 3.
Elgin schools open Oct. 6.
Apache Street Fair and Carnival, Oct. 8-11.
Peanut Carnival, Duncan, Oct. 16-18.
Ringling Bros. Circus, Lawton, Oct. 17.
International Dry Farming Congress, Tulsa, Oct. 22-31.
State Poultry show, Enid, Jan. 26-31.

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