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Best McAlester Coal At \$6.00

This very best coal is taken from the best mines in the state.

You can always buy your lumber bill cheaper by figuring with

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A Sleepless Night.

The heavy rains Sunday caused a good many to pass the night without sleep. At Pickingtown in Oklahoma City water entered many of the residences, caused by the banks of a creek overflowing, while mounted policemen roused others from their sleep warning them to be ready to flee for their lives.

At the stock yards the hogs in the pens had to be loaded into cars and driven into the elevated driveways to save them from drowning, the water being two feet deep.

At Cache creek west of Elgin the water rose to the floor of the iron bridge and the men of that neighborhood gathered there to help save the bridge. Logs had washed down stream and lodged against the bridge and the men kept busy during the night freeing these logs so they could pass on down stream.

The rain fell and without this year remits the people of the spring of 1915 when the heavy rains and washouts continued up until in harvest time, and the small grain could hardly be saved.

Payments Extended.

Lawton, Okla., April 28, 1915. — In the absence of congressman Scott Ferris, who recently departed on a trip to the Hawaiian Islands, his secretary, Cam Campbell, has received information from the interior department at Washington to the effect that the application of purchasers of remnant lands sold at Lawton in December, 1912, for an extension of time within which to make payments, has been approved and the extension granted.

Organized.

A meeting was held in the Temple hall Saturday afternoon to elect officers for the baseball association. O. H. Putney acted as chairman and Byron Vaughn as secretary. The officers elected are as follows:

Byron A. Vaughn, manager.
H. H. Hagie, Sec.-Treas.
E. E. Wolcott, captain.

After the meeting was dismissed the fans repaired to the ball diamond where they divided into two teams and played a trial game. The batteries on one side were Putney, Studyvin and Vaughn. On the other side F. Hansen and Rev. Hinckley.

The score stood 11 to 2 in favor of the side with the H batteries.

Train Service Resumed.

Regular train service was resumed Monday evening, No. 407 west bound having been off for six days and No. 408 in the morning off the same time. Thursday and Friday there was no train service from Oklahoma City at all and the mail accumulated on the other side the Canadian river. On Saturday traffic was resumed via Purcell and the train brought ten sacks of mail and then on Sunday eleven sacks of mail for Elgin.

No Game.

The game of basket ball between Happy Mellow and Cottonwood advertised for Saturday was not held because of some conditions which arose after the game was announced, the Cottonwood players feeling that they could not afford to make the trip over here for less than \$5.

Offer \$10 Reward.

Quite a number of poultry fanciers met in the Temple hall Saturday afternoon pursuant to call, and organized the Elgin Poultry Association. O. H. Putney served as temporary chairman of the meeting.

Officers were elected and a constitution and by-laws adopted for the government of the association.

Some discussion was held relative to the amount of chicken stealing that has been going on and the association voted to offer a reward of \$10 to any person who would give the information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person guilty of stealing chickens from a member of this association.

The membership fee was fixed at \$1 per year and quite a few responded promptly with same, as they will get more than that amount of protection out of the organization. Others who wish to join can do so by calling upon the secretary.

The following officers were elected:

President, T. Ryan.
Vice-Pres., Geo. K. Morgan.
Sec.-Treas., L. H. Hillmeyer.
Trustees, E. West, A. E. Conrad, Mrs. Robt. Whales, Mrs. T. Ryan, Mrs. Geo. Morgan.

New Time Table.

A new time table will go into effect on the Frisco next Sunday, May 2. The morning train will leave Lawton at 8:10 and will be about 85 to 40 minutes running to Elgin making it due here about 8:45.

The other east bound train will leave Lawton at 8:35 p. m. and taking 85 to 40 minutes running to Elgin will make it due here about 4:10 p. m. No change in west bound trains.

This will make the morning mail about one hour 45 minutes later from Lawton than it has been so the Elgin postmaster will not have to be at the office by 6:30 a. m. to lock the pouch as he has during the past eight months.

Having more time for sleep in the morning the mail from the 9:19 p. m. train west bound will be distributed as soon as it arrives, beginning Monday, May 3, provided it is not later than 10 p. m.

The rural carriers out of Elgin will wait for the mail from Lawton so that the Lawton dailies will be delivered the same day that they come.

See H. P. Wettengel for insurance, farm loans, real estate, Indiana sales and notary work.

BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK EGGS

For sale—from Thompson's Imperial Ringlet Strain.
Our customers are reporting splendid hatches of strong vigorous chicks.
Barred Plymouth Rocks are the general purpose breed that WEIGHS, LAYS, AND PAYS.
And remember that the best cockerel hatched from these eggs wins that incubator or \$10.00 in cash next fall—your choice. Years for better poultry.

T. RYAN, ELGIN

Neighborhood News.

The Cyril schools closed Friday for the term.

Yesterday was clean-up day at Devo by order of the town board.

A Yeomen lodge has just been organized at Hollis with 44 charter members.

The mayor of Frederick set the first three days of this week for clean-up days.

During March there were 7 deaths and 45 births recorded in Tillman county.

A firm at Frederick shipped out 400 cases of eggs in one day or 144,000 eggs.

There was an exciting wolf hunt near Hollis one day last week when one wolf was killed and one man injured.

A girl seven years old was killed by an auto between Mt. View and Hobart by trying to cross the road in front of it.

The sexton of the Methodist church at Okeene was killed by having the bell clapper fall on his head while he was ringing the bell.

A thief entered a store at Tipton by cutting a hole through the rear door with a pocket knife, which he dropped inside the door. The knife has been identified so it is known who the robber is.

The Parents and Teachers association at Tipton will give a book social next Saturday evening for the benefit of the school library. Refreshments will be served and each person attending is expected to donate a book.

Spraying Trees.

A. W. Dockum was busy Monday spraying his fruit trees. He has 800 trees on his farm just north of Elgin and has given them a thorough spraying in order to get the best fruit possible. The trees were full of blossoms and he is expecting a large crop of fruit.

CHAMPION ads pay best.

To Reduce The Rent.

The officers and directors of the Elgin Farmers Telephone Co. held a meeting Tuesday afternoon, all members being present.

They voted to reduce the dues of stockholders 25 cents per month, beginning July 1, so that after that date the rentals will be to those who own both stock and box, 50c; to those who own the box but no stock, 75c; to those who do not own either box or stock, \$1.00.

A Geological Change.

A man named Stone and a man named Wood met on the street in a nearby city and they stopped for a few minutes to exchange a few cheerful views when a woman in a particularly noticeable sheath gown passed. Instantly Wood turned to Stone and Stone turned to Wood, then both turned to rubber.

Wolf On A Calf.

Bert Greer came into town this morning and stated that an he passed the place of T. Ryan he discovered a big wolf with a calf down, which it would soon have killed had he not scared it away. Mr. Ryan was notified and hurried home to investigate.

Lost Is Found.

Recently Ernest Walling lost a lister share and advertised for same in this paper. It was found by T. W. Ballou who lives nine miles west of Elgin and who read the ad in this paper. An advertisement in the CHAMPION always gets results.

12 Pound Boy.

A 12-pound son arrived at the home of A. E. Conrad east of town Saturday morning. He is said to be a long, husky fellow; he and mother are both doing well, while his papa is feeling unusually good over the prospects for more help.

Saturday Specials

\$5.00 doll, as big as a baby, Free with \$5.00 purchases Saturday.

Boy's baseball suit, in ages 8 to 16, free with each boy's suit, special price \$4.95

A large paper basket free with \$3.00 purchases.

Special prices on your eggs and butter Saturday.

RUCKER'S

ELGIN, OKLA.

Needed Gasoline.

At 3:30 o'clock Tuesday morning some men in an auto were driving around in Elgin looking for a man. They were not carrying one lantern, like the Diogenes of old, in their search but had two lights on the front of their car.

At last they aroused some lumbering citizens and made it known that they needed gasoline, that they had been driving most of the night trying to cross Medicine creek but were afraid to attempt it on account of the high water, and were running short of gasoline.

Nearly Drowned.

Walter Neville, who carries the mail on the Star route from Lawton to Meers, came nearly being drowned while trying to cross Medicine creek near Ft. Hill Monday morning. He went under twice but finally caught the limb of a tree.

One horse was drowned and the other floated down stream with it for over a quarter of a mile and was taken from the water three hours later but still alive.

School Notes.

School was dismissed at recess Friday and the teachers went to Lawton on the afternoon train to take the teachers' examination.

Waldo Wettengel was absent from school Thursday with toothache.

The high school basket ball team went to Lawton Saturday where they played a game with the Geronimo high school, the score resulting 25 to 23 in favor of Geronimo.

County News.

The Cache consolidated schools closed for the term last Wednesday.

The W. O. W. Log Rolling Association of Comanche county will have a big meet in Fletcher July 1, 2 and 3.

O. J. Snow, the Sterling barber, was married recently to a school ma'am in Texas.

During the past year the county treasurer of Comanche county has collected \$312,000.00.

Chaplain Sutherland of Ft. Hill has been secured to deliver the Decoration Day address at that place.

Plans are being made for the erection of three large buildings at Ft. Hill for additional training and drill work.

A negro was captured at Lawton leaving a store with four pairs of trousers which he had concealed.

Cream Spilled Up.

This morning when J. E. Byrd entered his cream station, he discovered that one can of cream, which he left with cream about six inches below the top of the can, had increased wonderfully in volume and had run all over the floor. He thinks that some yeast must have been dropped into it in some way which caused the leavening.

Dress Burned.

Galesburg, Ill. — A lady in this city cleaning a silk dress with gasoline, took the garment out in the yard to dry. She began brushing the silk briskly with her hand causing a spark of static electricity, which igniting the fumes, burned the lady severely and destroyed the dress.

For Sale Hay, Cane Seed

Good baled hay---never exposed to rain.

Have a few bushels of cane seed at \$1.00 per bushel.

Brunskill Elevator
H. G. SMITH, - MANAGER

We have just installed our new Bowser Underground Gasoline System, which means better gasoline at the same price.

We still sell coal oil at 8 cents a gallon.

Don't forget we carry a good line of Hardware, Implements, Furniture.

Vaughn Hdwe. Co.