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For Next Attorney General

JOHN A. FAIN

Lawton, Oklahoma

THE OLD AND THE NEW

In a few days we will say goodby, adieu, farewell to the historical year 1912 forever. As it slips away from us, with all of its memories, it awakens a cord of pain in our hearts as we think it will be everlastingly gone, with its sunshine and its shadows, its joys and its pains; its many opportunities employed or disregarded. We cannot bring it back—and many of us wouldn't if we could.

However, most, if not all of us tenderly cling to the old year with our memories and affections while we hopefully and prayerfully reach out for the new—with all of its uncertainties.

To many of us the old year has been kind, in many degrees; while with many more the dark side has been turned—a shadow has fallen and the mantle of sorrow has wrapped its somber folds about them.

In looking back over the past year, most of us see where we made mistakes, did many things that we should not have done, and left undone many things we should have done—mostly, however, the fault of the head and not of the heart. We have learned many things during the past year, no matter how old we may be; and, if we are wise, we will profit by our experience. In many things it is well to judge the future by the past; while in some other ways it is best to let the dead past bury them and press onward and upward—always sure that we are climbing and not falling.

Let us, one and all, dear readers, adopt a motto that is well calculated to make us better men, women and children, and then resolve to live by it. So far as the humble editor of the CHAMPION is concerned, we cannot think of a better one than that proclaimed by the angels at the birth of Christ: "Peace on earth, goodwill towards men."

Our readers will observe that we are, beginning with this issue, publishing the Price List of the Blacksmiths, Horseshoers and Wagon Makers' of Oklahoma, as taken from their Annual Year Book of 1912. We do this mostly for the benefit of our farmers, that they may know beforehand about what such work will cost them, and also whether or not their mechanics are doing the right thing by them.

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| New wagon tongue, old irons..... | 4.00 |
| New reach, 8-ft..... | 3.00 |
| New reach, over 8 ft., extra per foot..... | .05 |
| Tongue hawns, each..... | 1.25 |
| Tongue hawns, per pair..... | 2.25 |
| Hind hawns, each..... | 1.50 |
| Hind hawns, per pair..... | 2.75 |
| Bent front hawns, each..... | 4.00 |
| Single trees, old irons, each..... | .60 |
| Double trees, each..... | 1.25 |
| Neck yokes, old irons, each..... | .75 |
| Wheels cut down, old tires, complete, per set..... | 15.00 |
| New wagon spokes, each..... | .40 |
| Wagon spokes, whole wheel, each..... | .30 |
| Wagon felloes, 1 3/4, tread sawed, each..... | .45 |
| Wagon felloes, 1 3/4, tread sawed, whole wheel, each..... | .40 |
| Harvester and bower tongues, each..... | 3.00 |
| Cultivator tongues, ash or oak, each..... | 2.50 |
| Bent oak rims, front or hind, 1 3/4 tread..... | 2.50 |
| Bent oak rims, front or hind, 3-in. tread, each..... | 3.50 |
| Bottom in wagon box, including cross pieces..... | 6.00 |
| Bottom in wagon box, without cross pieces..... | 4.00 |
| New wagon box, 15-in. sides, poplar, each..... | 16.00 |
| New wagon box, 15-in. sides, 12-in. top box..... | 20.00 |
| Patent dump endgate, each..... | 4.00 |
| Patent scoop board, each..... | 4.00 |
| Plain endgate, each..... | 1.25 |
| Wagon box cross pieces, each..... | .75 |
| Cut down wide truck axles only..... | 4.00 |
| Cut down wide truck bolsters only..... | 3.00 |
| Endgate rod..... | .20 |
| Rub-irons, cast..... | .40 |
| Top box cleat..... | .25 |
| Beveled box iron single box..... | 1.25 |
| Ratchet brake, complete..... | 1.25 |
| Box side braces, each..... | .25 |
| Box strap bolts, each..... | .35 |
| Spring seat, complete ironed, each..... | 4.00 |
| Seat hooks, each..... | .25 |
| Seat springs, each..... | .75 |
| Setting boxes in new hubs, each..... | .75 |
| Per set..... | 2.50 |
| Set one old box extra for rabbit..... | .50 |
| Setting old skeins, each..... | .50 |
| New set cast skeins, 3-in., per set..... | 8.00 |
| New set cast skeins, 3 1/4-in., per set..... | 9.00 |
| New set cast skeins, 3 1/2-in., per set..... | 10.00 |
| Sandage steel skeins, per set extra. \$2.50 over cast skeins..... | |
| Bolster plates, per pair..... | 1.50 |
| Four wagon tires cut, welded and set..... | 3.00 |
| Setting wagon tires, 2 in. and smaller, not bolted, hot or cold, per set..... | 2.50 |
| Setting wagon tires, 2-in. and smaller, bolted, hot or cold, per set..... | 3.00 |
| Set 3-in. tire, per set..... | 4.00 |
| Set 4-in. tire, per set..... | 6.00 |
| New hammer strap..... | .50 |
| New tongue cap..... | .75 |
| New tongue rod..... | .50 |
| New wagon wrench..... | .50 |
| New king bolt..... | .50 |
| New brake block, wood..... | .50 |
| Brake bar, wood..... | 2.25 |
| New roller bar iron..... | 2.50 |
| Brake draw rod..... | 1.00 |
| New hanger for wood break bar..... | .75 |
| Gear brake, complete..... | 8.00 |
| New tires, 1/2x1 1/2, per set..... | 9.00 |
| New tires, 3/4x1 1/2, per set..... | 10.00 |

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Report of the Condition of the Bank of Elgin,

of Elgin, Oklahoma, November 26th, 1912.

RESOURCES

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| Loans and Discounts..... | \$22,446.40 |
| Overdrafts, secured and unsecured..... | 393.26 |
| Banking House..... | 1,000.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures..... | 650.00 |
| Due from Banks..... | 3,905.84 |
| Checks and Other Cash Items..... | 672.61 |
| Cash in Bank..... | 1,179.20 |
| TOTAL..... | \$30,247.31 |

LIABILITIES

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| Capital Stock Paid In..... | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Surplus Fund..... | 100.00 |
| Undivided Profits, less expenses and Taxes Paid..... | 37.23 |
| Individual Deposits Subject to Check..... | 13,353.37 |
| Time Certificates of Deposit..... | 4,201.75 |
| Cashier's Checks Outstanding..... | 1,504.96 |
| Notes and Bills Rediscounted..... | 5,250.00 |
| Bills Payable..... | 800.00 |
| TOTAL..... | \$30,247.31 |

State of Oklahoma,
County of Comanche)

I, A. L. McPherson, President of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, so help me God.

A. L. MCPHERSON, President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of December, 1912.

[My commission expires March 12th, 1913.]

CORRECT—ATTEST:

J. D. DAVIS,
E. MCPHERSON, Directors

Bargain STORE

HOLIDAY WEEK
I will offer you some Bargains

Men and Boys up-to-date Clothing at Big Reduction

\$18.00 and \$20.00 suits (latest style), men for.....\$15.00
\$15.00 suits..... 12.00
\$12.00 suits..... 7.50
\$8.00 Boys suits for..... 6.00
\$5.50 " " " "..... 4.00
\$3.50 and \$4.00 boys' suits for..... 3.00

All \$3 Hats at.....\$2.25
All \$2.50 Hats at..... 1.75
All \$1.50 Hats at..... 1.00

I have some lots of Men's Shoes that I will offer at nearly Half Price. Before buying, come in and see what Bargains I will give you. Always handle the best grade and a full line of Groceries. Why not buy the very best.

You Can't eat Our Prices

Yours for good goods and low prices,

G. W. TEMPLE

The Old Reliable

Happy (TO YOU) One
New Year And All

We Expect to Continue,

for a time at least, giving tickets for your purchases, which are redeemable when you have secured \$10 worth, by one of those fine dishes. It has been a pleasure to us to observe with what thankfulness these magnificent presents were received by the many that got them for Xmas.

We especially solicit the trade of all these living on the rural routes; and, as an inducement, we will pay the postage on all packages weighing not over eleven pounds. : : :

We still handle the Star Brand Shoes, because they are better

Yours, Anxious To Please

L. C. COFFIN

BADGER

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EVERYTHING!

In building material, general hardware, coal, posts American Field Fence, and nice line of heating stoves. Don't fail to let me figure on your lumber and hardware bills.

T. R. Bennett, Mgr.

Elgin, Oklahoma