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## EDITORS ENTERTAINED

### They Had a Good Meeting Here

A good bunch of editors came to Liberal Saturday for the meeting of the Inter-State Editorial Association. From the time they landed until the last one left, they seem to have a good time, the only regret of the session being the fact that several of the fellows could not get here. The morning was devoted to the regular business, and the entrance of specimens of printing in the contest, which is a new feature of the meetings. In the afternoon, Ex-Congressman Chas. Scott, who is also the editor of the Iola Register, told the editors of his trip to Europe to the International Institute of Agriculture. He has a wonderful memory, a fund of information, and is a very clever speaker. His address was enjoyed by all. The prizes for the contest went, for the most part, to the Liberal Democrat, but the trophy cup was awarded to the Bucklin Banner, as the Democrat did not compete for the trophy. In the evening, the editors were fed and sent on their rejoicing. From our point of view the affair was a very successful one, and in a large measure, it was due to the generosity of the business men of the town who such entertainment as the editors received here a possibility.

Friday the Liberal High School foot ball squad will go to Meade.

A. M. McKay of Stafford was here the first of the week looking after his land here.

Ed. Joslin of Hugoton left Wednesday for Chicago where he will attend the big Land Show.

You can get your millinery at less than one half price at the Economy Dry Goods Company.

Russel Beatty, who is one of the biggest stockmen in the southwest was in Liberal the first of the week on business.

Paul Bennett is ill at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McClure. The Y. P. B. debate in which he was to take part has been postponed on his account.

Two men are here this week wiring and setting the poles from the Rock Island to Taylor's Drug Store, where the new up town office of the Western Union will be opened about December 1.

Among the other things a fellow on the street was complaining of, in speaking of the high cost of living was the fact that the tariff on sugar was 78.8 percent while the import duty on diamonds was only 10 percent. He says he would be willing to spend the surplus cash for diamonds all right but the wife won't stand for it.

### Presbyterian Church.

There are several well organized men's Bible classes in Liberal. This is a personal invitation to you to get into one of them. Some of the most vital subjects now being considered, and you cannot fail to be interested. The Presbyterian Men's Class would be mighty glad to have you meet with them next Sunday morning at 9:45.

C. W. Kellogg, Pastor.

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## We're Always Progressing



### PROGRESS

And they asked me how I did it,  
And I gave 'em the scripture text:  
"You keep your light so shining—  
A little ahead of the next."  
They copied all they could follow,  
But they couldn't follow my mind;  
And I left 'em sweating and stealing—  
A year and a half behind.—Kipling.

We set the pace---that's why you hear them say:

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### Waterworks Finished

The new extension of the waterworks system has been completed and on Thursday was turned over to the city. Engineer Peck, who has been here overseeing the work in the interest of the city left today for Kansas City. Wednesday afternoon, a line of hose was attached to the fire plug at the corner of Kansas Ave. and Second St. The pressure was excellent and threw a stream nearly 50 feet high. No leaks have been found on the pipe line. The contractor has a bond which is up for ninety days, until the system may be thoroughly tested. A number of meters have been ordered and will be installed as soon as possible. Blake & Son were awarded the contract for making the taps, that firm being the lowest bidder.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Summers, on November 23, a boy.

A. A. Farmer is building a new residence in the southwest part of the city for rental purposes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baughman will drive to Plains in the big Winton Friday morning.

Regular services at the city hall (Christian church) next Sunday, as the pastor will return home Friday night.

T. W. Hubbard of the Baughman office, left Tuesday on a combined business and pleasure trip to California, and other western states. He will return about December 10.

### Luncheon and Whist

A very enjoyable affair was the luncheon and whist given by Mrs. P. A. Craig, Mrs. J. F. Funk, Mrs. J. B. Craig and Mrs. F. A. McCoy, at the Craig home Thursday afternoon. The dainty five course luncheon was served at the individual tables by Mrs. P. A. Craig and Mrs. F. A. McCoy, who were assisted by little Mary Kennedy, Velma Craig and Gladys Craig. Carnations and chrysanthemums were effectively used in the decoration scheme.

The afternoon was spent at whist Mrs. R. T. Nichols, Mrs. M. F. Nason and Mrs. C. A. Eidson cutting for the prize, a cut glass nappe, which was won by Mrs. Nichols. The guest list included:

Misses Wright, Flood, Hobbie, Printz, Ennis, Ford, and Adams, and Mesdames Nichols, Baughman, Black, J. H. Cavanaugh, M. F. Cavanaugh, Todd, Eidson, Gaw, George, Henry, Hobbie, Keown, Peck, O. M. Woods, Taylor, McWilliams, Cason, Nason, Millman, Miller, Kennedy, Q. T. Woods, Ford, Karau, Edmonds, Hubbard, Stouffer, Stevenson, R. E. Summers, Sutton, Stuart, Thayer, C. E. Woods, Tucker, Manatt, Larabee, Etzold, Walker, Mrs. C. G. Stevenson of Pratt, Mrs. Don T. Edwards of Plains, Mrs. H. T. Brown of Sterling, and Mrs. J. G. Myalls of Kansas City.

The rumor of a strike at Dalhart Wednesday is said by people who have arrived from that place today, to being without any foundation.

Mr. Henry Reeb left for Golconda, Illinois, this Thursday, where he will visit parents. He will be gone until after the holidays.

### The Friend's Academy

Mr. Fred Johnson of Fowler who was here last week, left for his home at Fowler, on Tuesday morning. He has taken up the proposition of a Friends Academy for Liberal, and has been busy in interesting the people in this territory in the proposition. To talk with him is to become an enthusiast for the Academy, and the sentiment is growing for the establishment of such a school here. He will return soon, and it is probable that some definite action will be taken in the near future.

Chas. A. Maish comforts can only be bought at the Economy Dry Goods Company.

We are well stocked now on overshoes and rubbers. Economy Dry Goods Company.

The big show for a little money. "When Ruben Comes to Town", Friday night at the palace theatre.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Bethel Baptist church will hold their annual bazar and serve dinner at the Fizez restaurant in Liberal, November 25th.

The Loyal Daughters Sunday School class entertained the young men of the Loyal Sons class at the home of the young ladies' teacher, Mrs. W. H. Feather, last Saturday evening. Clever invitations in rhyme were issued. Mrs. Feather and her daughters made the guests welcome and helped them to get acquainted. Refreshments were served. The color scheme was white and gold. All report a good time.

### Knights Go to Meade

Nearly all of the members of the Liberal lodge of the Knights of Pythias went to Meade Thursday, on No. 2 for the purpose of installing a new lodge there. It is expected that there will be nearly a hundred Knights from the lodges in this territory in the little town of Meade for the affair.

### New Store For Liberal

G. F. Blake of Goodwell, has leased the Tucker building, formerly occupied by Lewis Ward, and will soon open a dry goods store there. Mr. Blake was here last week looking over the situation, and was very favorably impressed with Liberal and her prospects.

J. A. Cornelius left Saturday for Eastern Kansas in response to a message that his father was dying. The funeral was conducted from the family home Monday afternoon. The deceased was eighty-three years old. Since retiring from the active duties of life he and his aged wife made their home with their youngest son near Lane, Kansas. He had lived long and well and his teaching and example will continue to bless his children after his life's journey has ended. Mr. Cornelius is survived by his wife, two daughters and five sons.

Married, November 16, 1911, at the home of W. P. McClure of this city, at 9 p. m., Mr. Frank Davis and Belle Levan of Murphysboro, Ill., Rev. Wm. T. Ward, pastor of the M. E. church officiating. Only a few friends were present. Mr. Davis is employed by the Rock Island at this place. The groom is an old acquaintance of the McClure family.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis have purchased Miss L. E. Bryant's house on North Lincoln Ave., and will go to housekeeping immediately.

### MORE RAILROAD DOPE

#### Prospects Brighter for Southwest

A contract has been signed by the people of the North Flats in Beaver county, with the Wichita Falls & Northwestern, to furnish the right of way for that railroad, and it is further stipulated that the road shall be built and in operation within twelve months. Twenty-seven of the property owners along the proposed route have signed the contract, and it is expected that the actual work of construction will be started within the next ten days in Beaver county. The survey described in our columns several weeks ago, is that which will be followed, and it heads straight for Liberal. It is said that as soon as this contract is completed, work on the north extension will be suspended in order to complete the work south of Woodward. This looks as though Liberal might not have the road for another year. The fact that Mr. Kell has refused to take the matter up with our people would seem to indicate that he is not yet ready for negotiations for terminal facilities here. However, a leak from the office of J. W. Baughman last week developed the fact that Mr. Baughman has just furnished Mr. Kell with a plat of the counties north and west of Liberal together with the population of each town and county, and also the assessed valuation of each. This shows that the plan for the extension northwest of Liberal has not yet been abandoned.

#### ABOUT THE SANTA FE

The surveying camp of the field men of the Santa Fe was last week moved from Gray county across into Haskell county, and it is said

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## THOS. L. HIGGINBOTHAM, M.D.

Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat  
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Liberal, Kansas

## "WHEN RUEBEN COMES TO TOWN." PALACE THEATRE FRIDAY NIGHT

Rueben went to New York. What he sees and does will keep you laughing for a week. 5 and 10 cents.