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OUR BUSINESS

Is to help you do more business. Upon your satisfaction depends, to some extent, our success. Naturally we strive to please you.

Give us a chance,

Guaranty State Bank Of Tahoka, Texas

MRS. CALLAWAY DEAD

Mrs. J. D. Donaldson, of south of Tahoka, received a telegram Thursday morning stating that her stepmother, Mrs. I. P. Callaway, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. D. Webster, at Bryant Texas, Wednesday March 22nd.

At the time of her death, Mrs. Callaway was surrounded by her husband, son Albert Harding, daughter Mrs. Webster, and step son and daughter John and Ola Callaway.

Mrs. J. D. Donaldson has been confined to her bed for the past week, and the news of Mrs. Callaway's death caused a sharp rise in her temperature. None of the Donaldson family will be able to attend the funeral on account of Mrs. Donaldson's condition.

The News joins the many friends of Rev. Callaway in extending condolence in this his supreme hour of grief.

Money to loan: at eight per cent interest on patented lands. Will buy Vendors Lien notes. No loan too large and quick service. Write me your wants. H. R. Debenport, Big Springs, Texas. 30-1t

INSTALL COLD STORAGE PLANT

H. T. Simpson, with the Brownwood Foundry and Machine Co., has been busy the last two weeks installing a cold storage plant for G. W. Snider of this city. down on the industrial track next to the Snider ware house. Mr. Snider received his first load of ice from Lubbock Tuesday of this week and placed it in this cold storage room where instead of its melting as it did last year it will be frozen even harder than it is when it arrives from Lubbock. Another great advantage of the cold storage plant is that the ice will be delivered to the customer in a freezing instead of a melting condition, which will mean much more satisfactory service to the consumer. Mr. Simpson stated to a News man Tuesday that he will begin in about forty days on the installation of a four ton ice plant for Mr. Snider so that we will soon be enjoying Tahoka made ice, and Mr. Snider will save something like thirty pounds on every 300 pound block that has been lost in transit heretofore. Let our slogan be from now henceforth forever: "Tahoka Products for Tahoka People."

TAHOKA LANDS TRUCK LINE

Frank S. Miser of Lovington, New Mexico, was in Tahoka last week on his way home from Lamesa with a seven thousand pound capacity Federal auto-truck; loaded with thirty-five hundred pounds, or half the truck's capacity, which he stated was as much as he dared to start out with from Lamesa on account of the sandy roads, in fact the roads that he traveled from Lovington to Lamesa were so bad that he did not try to go back the same way even with a half load but came around by Tahoka to see if he could find a road that he could travel with a load. He came back to Tahoka Monday afternoon of this week and left before night with seven thousand one hundred and ten pounds of freight consisting of sixteen barrels of oil and gas from the Texas Co. station here. Mr. Tarrance, the agent, told us that this was next to the largest loads of oil ever taken out of Tahoka at one time, the largest being eighteen barrels. Mr. Miser has tried the roads from Roswell, New Mexico, from Midland, on the T. & P. Ry., from Lubbock, Lamesa and Tahoka, and stated that the road from Tahoka to Lovington, was the shortest and by all odds the best of the lot and he expects to make regular freighting trips to Tahoka from now on. All the freighting done from here to Lovington heretofore has been done by bureau teams. From a bureau team to an auto truck is quite a progressive jump, but such things are of every day occurrence on the Plains of West Texas.

Don't forget the days.—On Tuesdays and Saturdays. We have a supply of fresh vegetables to tempt the appetite till our town gardens are flourishing.

D. A. Parkhurst Jewelry and Confections. 30-2t

A. M. Chase of Huston, Texas, traveling auditor for the Texas Oil Co., was in Tahoka the first of the week auditing the accounts of their station here.

Every one having contracted with Edwards Bros., for cotton seed, will please come in and get it as soon as possible, as other people want what we have left over. 30-1t

H. C. Smith and Sheriff Ed. Redwine left on the Tuesday morning train for Abilene they where they were subpoenaed in a case in the district court in which G. R. Page, well known to many of our citizens, is charged with a felony.

Warranted pure honey, Friday and Saturday from Stachmann and Co's. apiary Clint, Texas. 60 lb cans comb at 12 cents a lb. L. Mackin. Lamesa Texas.

INSTALLING MILL MACHINERY

The Tahoka Flour Mill machinery is being installed this week and it is said to be the very best of its kind manufactured. The largest piece which consisted of the mill and bolter, on the same base, weighed over 9,000 pounds and is already placed in the position it will permanently occupy. The separator, which they placed in the second story of the building was quite a job to hoist but it was accomplished safely Tuesday morning. Mr. Gibson told us that their recently finished well was about 96 feet and had a great supply of fine water. It will only be a short time now until we will be eating and exporting Tahoka made flour. What can be a better combination than: Lynn county raised wheat, ground in a Tahoka flour mill, baked in the City Bakery and consumed by Tahoka citizens?

ANNOUNCEMENT

After April 1st, The Parkhurst Jewelry and Confectionary store will open on a strictly cash basis. It is for our customers good as well as for our own that we adopt this plan. We mean to give the best possible service and we wish at this time to thank our many friends who have contributed in any degree to our growth and it is our ambition to be a jewelry and confectionary concern of which our town may be proud. But will be forced to close our open books on March 31st.

Yours Sincerely
D. A. Parkhurst Jewelry and Confections. 30-3t

J. W. Tyra, one of the proprietors of the Bar-B Cue tent has accepted a position with the City Bakery and is now busy making bread, pies, cakes and all such things.

KODAK FINISHING

We will have your kodak films finished for you at reasonable prices. Bring them in.

Thomas Bros. Drug Co. 30-31

District Court at Lamesa was adjourned until next Monday as the citizens of that place are building a new court house and had the old one up on wheels preparatory to moving it. Work has already been begun on the foundation for the new building.

Let us have your watch repaired, we represent reliable jewelers who guarantee their work.

Thomas Bros. Drug Co. 30-31

Miss Christine Swan accompanied the Misses Heflin and Slaughter of Seashup to Tahoka Friday evening. The last two named young ladies visited our town in the interest of a contest in which they are candidates for a Buick Six. The party returned Sunday.

BOLIVER

The registered Mammoth Jack, will make the season at my place, six miles south and four west of Tahoka. Boliver is a good smooth animal 15 hands high.

G. W. SHORT, 30-1th

R. A. Hays, of Justin, Texas, has accepted a position as barber with Ira Doak in his new brick barber shop, making four barbers.

FOR SALE

Frost proof cabbage plants at 35 cents per hundred.

D. A. Parkhurst Jewelry and Confections. 20-2t

"Do It Now," Slogan Of Tahoka Commercial Club

Get-Together-Banquet Occasion of Enthusiastic Meeting of Business and Professional Men--
Dawning of New Era for Tahoka

The management of the Lynn County News, having decided that the business and professional men of Tahoka should get-together and organize a commercial club, "And Do It Now," started the News man out Saturday of last week with a paper carrying the following heading: "We the undersigned business men of Tahoka hereby agree to attend a 'Get-together' supper, Wednesday night March the 22nd, and further agree to pay the sum of \$1.00 each toward bearing the expenses of same."

Signers to this paper were secured as fast as we could see them, until sixty-one names accompanied by the dollar had been affixed thereto, a list of which follows:

H. C. Crie, publisher of the News; J. Crie, editor; Ed. Myers, furniture; C. A. Thomas, druggist; E. E. Callaway, physician; C. B. Townes, physician; John Woodall, cotton oil products salesman; E. H. Inmon, physician; West Texas Real Estate Co., one representative; W. O. Thomas, druggist; C. D. Keever, meat market; D. A. Parkhurst, confectioner; J. A. Brashear, merchant; J. W. Elliott, asst. bank cashier; A. E. Herring; bank cashier; C. F. Shook, trader; J. E. Ketner, merchant; L. E. Turrentine, physician; Paul Miller, cafe prop; W. B. Slaton, bank cashier; N. N. Bailey, merchant; H. M. Anthony, merchant; S. N. McDaniel, merchant; N. D. Goree, merchant; C. E. Brown, real estate; L. M. Barnes, druggist; I. S. Doak, barber; S. N. Weathers, tailor; J. B. Stokes, merchant; H. M. Larkin, merchant; D. C. Roe, meat market; S. R. Bourgeois, baker; J. Macfarlane, blacksmith; J. A. Gamble, garage; J. S. Wells, merchant; J. H. McCoy, physician; B. C. King, livery stable; J. L. Stokes, county Judge; F. L. Parker, lumber yard; R. L. Bowers, coal & grain; B. H. Robinson, hardware; H. C. Smith, blacksmith; E. L. Howard, theatre; J. E. Stokes, hotel; G. W. Small, lumber yard; J. F. Heare, Santa Fe agent; A. W. Edwards, ginners; M. H. Edwards, coal & grain; L. L. Williams, hotel; H. C. Zornes, principal Tahoka high school; G. W. Snider, ice; Gibson and Coker, flour mill; D. T. Rogers, oil station; W. G. Tarrance, oil station; J. L. Gassaway, auto delivery; A. D. Shook, banker; M. M. Herring, attorney; C. H. Cain, attorney; G. E. Lockhart, attorney; O. M. Shook, trader; W. T. Rayborn, ginners; Also F. E. Walters, laundry; Tom Eaton, clerk and Bell Burleson, trader, who attended the supper

but failed to get their names on the paper, making sixty-four participants in this "Geg-together movement."

C. A. Hearn, manager of the Busy Bee Cafe, assisted by Johnny Saxon, Evan Ewing, Ray King and Tom Hays, began serving the supper at nine-thirty o'clock Wednesday night; the menu prepared by Jake Leedy, assisted by F. C. Stone, was as follows:

Oyster Cocktail
Roast Sucking Pig Apple Sauce
Shrimp Salad Sandwiches
Baked Fish Drawn Butter
Asparagus on Toast
Cheese Sandwiches
Pounded Sardines
Cake Pie Fruit
Drinks
Nuts and Cigars

Violin and guitar music furnished by Pete Boswell and Collie Gunter.

Toast Master H. M. Larkin, first introduced John Woodall, who opened the discussion on the reasons why Tahoka should have a first Monday trades day each month this year, in fact making First Monday Trades Day an established custom from now forward: W. B. Slaton, B. H. Robinson and C. E. Brown each spoke to this subject. Next D. T. Rogers spoke on "Good Roads" followed by Judge Stokes, G. E. Lockhart, O. M. Shook, and C. H. Cain. Prof. Zornes not being able to attend, J. A. Brashear introduced the subject of "Electric Lights." After some discussion on this subject, we had several excellent speeches, on the "Get-together movement, the formation of a commercial club, uniform closing hours and kindred subjects. Cliff Thomas, Dr. Townes, Dr. Inmon, A. E. Herring, Otho Thomas, S. N. McDaniel, H. M. Larkin, E. D. Ketner, O. M. Shook, C. E. Brown, G. E. Lockhart; Atty. C. H. Cain they requested all those present who had moved to Tahoka during the past year to arise, and about a dozen stood up, and Mr. Cain proposed a welcoming toast to the new comers, which was participated in with many hearty expressions of good will and friendship to all, some of whom

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Moore of southeast Tahoka, Sunday afternoon March the 19th, a fine large boy.

It Matters Not

Whether you have purchased your new spring hat or are still undecided; I extend to each lady who comes to Tahoka, an invitation to call and see my stock of millinery, but I extend a special invitation for the First Monday in April. Mrs. Ella Ogden at Larkin's

NO. 8597 REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK AT TAHOKA IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MARCH 7, 1916

RESOURCES		Dollars, Cts
1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b)	\$177,756.22	177,756.22
Total loans		177,756.22
2. Overdrafts, unsecured	\$1,788.47	1,788.47
3. U. S. Bonds:		
a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	12,500.00	12,500.00
Total U. S. bonds		12,500.00
6. a subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	3,300.00	1,050.00
b Less amount unpaid	2,250.00	1,050.00
7. a Value of banking house (if unencumbered)	7,000.00	7,000.00
8. Furniture and fixtures	3,000.00	3,000.00
10. Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	6,980.38	6,980.38
11. a Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	1,730.37	1,730.37
b Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	18,956.79	20,687.16
12. Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 or 11)	18,613.41	18,613.41
15. a Outside checks and other cash items	3,186.52	3,217.57
b Fractional currency, nickels, and cents	31.05	2,770.00
16. Notes of other national banks	10,641.35	10,641.35
18. Coin and certificates	2,090.00	2,090.00
19. Legal-tender notes		
20. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	625.00	625.00
TOTAL		268,629.56
LIABILITIES		Dollars, Cts
24. Capital stock paid in	50,000.00	50,000.00
25. Surplus fund	5,000.00	5,000.00
26. Undivided profits	5,109.61	5,109.61
27. a Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	1,379.20	3,730.41
b Circulating notes outstanding	12,500.00	12,500.00
27. Demand deposits:		
32. Individual deposits subject to check	188,194.15	188,194.15
33. Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days	220.00	220.00
35. Cashier's checks outstanding	10.00	10.00
Total demand deposits, Items 32, 33, 35	\$188,424.15	\$188,424.15
Time deposits (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice):		
40. Certificates of deposits	8,975.00	8,975.00
Total of time deposits Item 40		8,975.00
TOTAL		268,629.56

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF LYNN, SS:
I, W. B. Slaton, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. B. SLATON, Cashier.
CORRECT—Attest:
W. D. NEVELS,
G. W. SMALL, Sr.,
A. L. LOCKWOOD,
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of March, 1916.
J. L. STOKES, County Judge,
Lynn County, Texas.

The Romance of Elaine

Sequel to The Exploits of Elaine

A Detective Novel and a Motion Picture Drama

By ARTHUR B. REEVE
The Well-Known Novelist and the Creator of the "Craig Kennedy" Stories.

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SYNOPSIS.

After the finding of Wu Fang's body and Kennedy's disappearance, a submarine appears the following morning on the bay. A man plunges overboard from it and swims ashore. It is the entrance of Martin Del Mar into America. His mission is to obtain information of Kennedy and recover, if possible, the lost torpedo. At the Dodge home he soon wins the confidence of Elaine. Later she is warned by a little old man to be careful of Del Mar. This warning came just in time to prevent Del Mar from carrying out his plans. Elaine gives a masquerade ball. Del Mar attends. Neither he nor his domino girl can locate the torpedo. A gray friar warns Elaine and Jameson of Del Mar's purpose and his plan are upset. Del Mar succeeds in getting this girl in Elaine's home as a maid. She finds the torpedo in the attic, places it in a trunk, which with others is sent to Elaine's country home. A holdup on the train takes place. Del Mar's men carry the trunk away, only to find on opening it that they have the wrong trunk. Upon Elaine's arrival in the country she again encounters the old man of mystery. He warns her to do her own unpacking. She does, and finds the long-lost torpedo, which she places in a dresser drawer. Del Mar's men enter her room during her absence and escape with the torpedo. They are seen by the old man, who follows them. A desperate battle follows in which the old man destroys the torpedo. That afternoon as Elaine and Jameson are riding through the country Del Mar plans to blow up a bridge at a time when they are crossing. He would have succeeded but the old man unexpectedly appears and delays the explosion just long enough to permit Elaine's car to cross safely.

TWENTY-EIGHTH EPISODE

THE CAVE IN THE CLIFF.

It was not long after the almost miraculous escape of Elaine and myself from the blowing up of the bridge on the shore road that Del Mar returned from his mysterious mission which had, apparently, taken him actually down to the bottom of the sea.

The panel in the wall of his library opened and in the still dripping submarine suit, holding under his arm the weird helmet, Del Mar entered. No sooner had he begun to remove his wet diving suit than the man who had signaled with the heliograph that we had found Del Mar's message from "below," whatever that might mean, entered the house and was announced by the valet.

"Let him come in immediately," ordered Del Mar, placing his suit in a closet. Then to the man, as he entered the room, he said: "Well, what's new?"

"Quite a bit," returned the man, frowning still over Elaine's accidental discovery of the under-water communication. "The Dodge girl happened to pick up one of the tubes with a message just after you went down. I tried to get her by blowing up one of the bridges, but it didn't work, somehow."

"We'll have to silence her," remarked Del Mar angrily with a sinister frown. "You stay here and wait for orders."

A moment later he made his way down to a private dock on his grounds and jumped aboard a trim little speed boat moored there. He started the motor and off the boat feathered in a cloud of spray.

It was only a moment by water before he reached the Dodge dock. There he tied his boat and hurried up the dock.

Elaine and I arrived home without any further experiences after our hair-breadth escape from the explosion at the bridge.

We were in doubt at first, however, just what to do about the mysterious message which we had picked up in the harbor.

"Really, Walter," remarked Elaine, after we had considered the matter for some time, "I think we ought to send that message to the government at Washington. It may be of great importance."

Already she had seated herself at her desk and began to write, while I examined the metal tube and the note again.

"There," she said at length, handing me the note she had written, "how does that sound?"

I read it while she addressed the envelope. "Very good," I replied, handing it back.

She folded it and shoved it into the envelope on which she had written:

"Chief,
"Secret Service,
"Washington, D. C."

I was studying the address, wondering whether this was just the thing to do, when Elaine decided the matter by energetically ringing the bell for Jennings.

"Post that, Jennings, please," she directed.

The butler bowed just as the door bell rang. He turned to go.

"Just a minute," I interrupted. "I think perhaps I'd better mail it myself, after all."

He handed me the letter and went out.

"Yes, Walter," agreed Elaine, "that would be better. Please register it, too."

"How do you do?" greeted a suave voice.

It was Del Mar. As he passed me to speak to Elaine, apparently by so-

operations about here. Come on. Get into the boat."

For some reason best known to himself, the naturalist seemed to have lost all interest in his specimens and to have a sudden curiosity about Del Mar's affairs. As the motor boat sped off, he came slowly and curiously out of his hiding place and gazed fixedly at Del Mar.

No sooner had Del Mar's boat got a little distance out into the harbor than the naturalist hurried down the Dodge dock. There was tied Elaine's own fast little runabout. He jumped into it and started the engine, following quickly in Del Mar's wake.

"Look," called the emissary to Del Mar, spying the Dodge boat with the naturalist in it, skimming rapidly after them.

Del Mar strained his eyes back through his glass at the pursuing boat. But the naturalist, in spite of his smoked glasses, seemed not to have impaired his eyesight by his studies. He caught the glint of the sun on the lens at Del Mar's eye and dropped down into the bottom of his own boat, where he was at least safe from scrutiny, if his boat were not.

Del Mar lowered his glass. "That's the Dodge boat," he said thoughtfully. "I don't like the looks of that fellow. Give her more speed."

Del Mar had not gone long before Elaine decided to take a ride herself. She ordered her horse around from the stables while she donned her neat little riding habit. A few minutes later, as the groom held the horse, she mounted and rode away, choosing the road by which I had gone, expecting to meet me on the return from town.

She was galloping along at a good clip when suddenly her horse shied at something.

"Whoa, Buster," pacified Elaine.

But it was of no use. Buster still reared up.

"Why, what is the matter?" she asked. "What do you see?"

She looked down at the ground. There was a spot of blood in the dust. Buster was one of those horses to whom the sight of blood is terrifying.

Elaine pulled up beside the road. There was a revolver lying in the grass. She dismounted and picked it up. No sooner had she looked at it than she discovered the initials "W. J." carved on the butt.

"Walter Jameson!" she exclaimed, realizing suddenly that it was mine. "It's been fired, too!"

Her eye fell again on the blood spots. "Blood and—footprints—into the brush!" she gasped in horror, following the trail. "What could have happened to Walter?"

With the revolver, Elaine followed where the bushes were trampled down until she came to the place where I had been bound. There she spied some pieces of paper lying on the ground and picked them up.

She put them together. They were pieces of the envelope of the letter which we had decided to send to Washington.

"Which way did they take him?" she asked, looking all about but discovering no trail.

She was plainly at a loss what course to pursue.

"What would Craig do?" she asked herself.

Finding no answer, she stood thinking a moment, slowly tearing the envelope to pieces. If she were to do anything at all, it must be done quickly. Suddenly an idea seemed to occur to her. She threw the pieces of paper into the air and let them blow away. It was uncannily detection, perhaps, but the wind actually took them and carried them in the direction in which the men had forced me to walk, after they had robbed me of the letter.

"That's it!" cried Elaine to herself. "I'll follow that direction."

Meanwhile, the men had hurried me off along a trail that led to the foot of a cliff. Then the trail wound up the cliff. We climbed it until we reached the top.

There in the rock was a rude stairway. I drew back. But one man drew a gun and the other preceded me down. Along the steep stone steps cut in the face of the rock they forced me.

Below, in a rift in the very wall of the cliff, was a cave in which already were two more of Del Mar's men, talking in low tones, in the dim light.

As we made our way down the breakneck stairway, the foremost of my captors stepped on a large flat rock. As he did so, it gave way slightly under his foot.

A light in the cave flashed up. Under the rock was a secret electric connection which operated a lamp.

"Someone coming," muttered the two men, on guard instantly.

It was a somewhat precarious footing as we descended and for the moment I was more concerned for my safety from a fall than anything else. Once my foot did slip and a shower of pebbles and small pieces of rock started down the face of the cliff.

As we passed down, the man behind me, still keeping me covered, raised the flat stone on the top step. Carefully he reset the connection of the alarm rock, a series of metal

points that bent under the weight of a person and made a contact which signaled down in the cavern the approach of anyone who did not know the secret.

As he did so, the light in the cavern went out. "It's all right," said one of the men down there, with a look of relief.

We went down the perilous stairway until we came to the cave. "I've got a prisoner—orders of the chief," growled one of my captors, thrusting me in roughly.

They forced me into a corner where they tied me again, hand and foot. Then they began debating in low, sinister tones, what was to be done with me next. Once in a while I could catch a word. Fear made my senses hypersensitive.

They were arguing whether they should make away with me now or later! Finally the leader rose. "It's three to one," I heard him mutter. "He dies now."

He turned and took a menacing step toward me. "Hands up!" It was a shrill, firm voice that rang out at the mouth of the cave as a figure cut off what little light there was.

Elaine passed along, hunting for the trail. Suddenly a shower of pebbles came falling down from a cliff above her. Some of them hit her and she looked up quickly.

There she could see me being led along by my captors. She hid in the brush and watched. During all the operations of the descent of the rock stairway and the resetting of the alarm she continued to watch, straining her eyes to see what they were doing.

As we entered the cave, she stepped out from her concealment and looked sharply up at us, as we disappeared. Then she climbed the path up the cliff until she came to the flight of stone steps leading downward again.

Already she had seen the man behind me doing something with the stone that formed the top step. She stooped down and examined the stone. Carefully she raised it and looked underneath before stepping on it. There she could see the electric connection. She set the stone aside and looked again down the dangerous stairway.

It made her shudder. "I must get him," she murmured to herself. "Yes, I must. Even now it may be too late." They had just decided to make away with me immediately and the leader had turned toward me with the threat still on his lips. It was now or never. Resolutely she took a step forward and into the cave.

"Hands up!" she demanded with astonishing firmness. The thing was so unexpected in the security of their secret hiding place protected by the rock alarm that, before they knew it, Elaine had them all lined up against the wall.

Keeping them carefully covered, she moved over toward me. She picked up a knife that lay near by and started to cut the ropes with which I was bound.

As she did so, one of the men, with an oath, leaped forward to rush her. But Elaine was not to be caught off her guard. Instantly she fired. The man staggered back and fell.

That cooled the ardor of the other three considerably, especially now as I was free, too. While she held them up still, with their hands in the air, I went through their pockets, taking out their weapons.

Then, still keeping them covered, we backed out of the cave. Backward we made our way up the dangerous flight of steps again with guns leveled at the cave entrance, Elaine going up first.

Once a head stuck itself out of the cave entrance, I fired instantly and it jerked itself back in again just in time. That was the only trouble we

1842 74 YEARS OF KNOWING HOW 1916
The P. & O. No. 111 Lister
This Lister is known by farmers and gardeners all over the world. Its use is not confined to any one county in West Texas. The type is called No. 111 on account of its latest improvements.

There are more of them in the hands of farmers than all other makes combined. One dealer, in one county in West Texas, has sold more than 1000 of them. The Lister is used for plowing, harrowing, and cultivating. It is now almost universally used for plowing for row crops, by listing and re-listing, leaving the ground in oval waves, which not only save the moisture but prevents the loose soils of the West from blowing away. The adjusting link on front end of beam is an important feature on the No. 111, absolutely preventing the beam from running below the desired depth. The wheels are provided with dust-proof covers, which help in the sandy loam lands of the West. The feeding device absolutely deposits one row of any of the row crops, besides can be equipped to plant corn and cotton. You will have to see this wonderful implement to appreciate it. The Lister happens to be a pleasure to operate. The Lister is a pleasure to operate. The Lister is a pleasure to operate.

This Lister has embodied many other important features that will help you that it is the best on the market.

The P. & O. No. 123 4-Wheel Lister
This Lister has all the advantage of the No. 111 and in addition has rear wheels. This is desired in localities as it enables the operator to see the seed as planted. The rear wheels have cushion springs to conform to them in line with the row and following the unevenness of the ground and conform to the ridge without straining the rear frame, compelling, also, the Lister to remain in proper working position at all times. The friction lock disengages automatically, allowing the wheels to castor and turn round in a very small space.

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CLIMATE VALUABLE ASSET

(A. M. HOVE)

The plains enjoy a climate that averages very well for the year. The climate is a great factor in making the development of the plains possible. Yet the climate receives little or no credit for what is possible to do on the plains.

In the first place the climate of the plains is beautiful for man and beast. It relieves and often cures lung and throat troubles. It harbors no malaria. Germs of various brands and designations are made harmless by the sunshine. No one disputes the healthfulness of the climate.

The climate is mild without severe extremes of cold or heat. Compared to the winter climate of the middle west, the great feeding section of the United States, it is most delightful. On the other hand owing to altitude summers are not hot. In short the climate

of the plains is delightful summer or winter, compared with almost any other section of the United States.

The climate makes live stock business possible without heavy investment in equipment of buildings and shelter for live stock in winter. It is one of the most favored live stock sections in the United States, be it growing or full feeding cattle, sheep, and hogs.

The tiller of the soil has a remarkable long growing season and the opportunity of growing a long list of small grains, including wheat and oats, and also a long list of forage crops, including Indian corn, kaffir corn, and milo maize. Every variety of deciduous fruit, like the apple, peach, and plum, thrive.

The climate is so valuable an asset that a little wind between times, is insignificant.

NEWS ADVERTISING PAYS

EVERY PEANUT CAN BE MARKETED

The uncertainty of the oil mill man as to whether there will be a sufficient production of peanuts in his trade radius to warrant preparation for crushing the uncertainty of the farmer, on the other hand, as to a local market for his crop are operating to hold back peanut planting in some sections of the State.

With a view of removing this uncertainty the Texas Industrial Congress recently addressed an inquiry to the cotton-seed oil mills asking if they are preparing to crush this year's crop and what quantity of nuts each expects to handle. Out of forty-seven mills that have made immediate reply, twenty-seven state that they will be in the market for nuts in quantities ranging from 10,000 to 400,000 bushels. A mill at Houston will handle 2,000,000 if it can get them. As compared with the marketed production of forty thousand acres (estimated) last year, there is now in sight as shown by responses from one-fifth of the mills in Texas a market for the production of more than seven hundred fifty thousand acres. This calculation is low, as it does not include oil mills in Henderson and Rusk counties that are preparing to handle the total yield in those counties, mills in Tarrant, Limestone, Wood, and Waller that will take all the nuts grown in their sections, nor those in Kaufman, Falls, Wichita, Dallas, Red River, Jones, and Jackson counties that will prepare to crush if the farmers plant a sufficient acreage to make the business worth while. The minimum quantity indicated as being worth considering is given as ten thousand bushels, or the nuts from three hundred acres.

The Texas Industrial Congress is distributing a bulletin on the peanut that deals with the crop, and suggests a growers' association as one way of meeting the crushers' uncertainty about preparing to handle the nuts thereby establishing a local market. There should be little difficulty in securing seed for planting following last year's great crop, as any responsible seed house in any city in Texas has them at reasonable prices or will get them for their customers.

THE AMERICAN CIRCUS

W. R. Andrews, of Grand Rapids, Mich., got off the following toast to the Phillipinos, which is appropriate, since their conditional freedom is being provided for by the United States.

"You Phillipinos don't know what you are missing by not wanting to become citizens of this grand country of ours. There isn't anything like it under the sun. You ought to send a delega-

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On the **FIRST MONDAY** of April we offer the use of our **NEW WAGON YARD FREE** to the people who come to Tahoka---We have plenty of good stalls and a big wagon shed and we want you to come right in and enjoy the **FREE** use of them on that day.

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tion over to see us--land of the free--land of fine churches and 40,020 licensed saloons; bibles, forts and guns, houses of prostitution; millionaires and paupers; theologians and thieves, liberists and liars; politicians and poverty; Christians and chain gangs; schools and scallawags; trusts and tramps; money and misery; homes and hunger; virtue and vice; a land where you can get a good Bible for fifteen cents and a bad drink of whiskey for five cents; where we have a man in congress with three wives, and a lot in the penitentiary for having two wives; where some men make sausage out of their wives, and some want to eat them raw; where we make bologna out of dogs and canned beef out of horses and sick cows, and corpses out of people who eat it; where we put a man in jail for not having the means of support, and on the rock pile for asking for a job of work; where we license bawdy houses, and fine men for preaching Christ on the street corners where we have a congress of 400 men who make laws, and a supreme court of nine men who set them aside; where good whiskey makes bad men, and bad men make good whiskey; where newspapers are paid for suppressing the truth, and made rich for telling a lie; where professors draw their convictions from the same place they do their salaries; where preachers are paid \$25,000 a year to dodge the devil and tickle the ears of the wealthy; where business consists of getting hold of property in any way that won't land you in the penitentiary, where trusts hold up and poverty holds down; where men vote for what they do not want for fear they will not get what they do want by voting for it; where "niggers" can vote and women cannot; where a girl who goes wrong is made an outcast, and her male partner flourishes as a gentleman; where women wear women wear false hair, and men "dock" their horses' tails; where

the political wire puller has displaced the patriotic statesman; where men vote for a thing one day, and cuss it 364 days; where we have prayers on the floors of the National Capitol, and booze in the cellar; where we spend \$500 to bury a statesman who is rich and \$10 to put away a working man who is poor; where to be virtuous is to be lonesome and to be honest is to be a crank; where we sit on the safety valve of energy and pull wide open the throttle of conscience; where gold is a substance--the one thing sought for where we pay \$15,000 for a dog and 15 cents a dozen to a poor

woman for making shirts; where we teach the "untutored" Indian eternal life from the Bible and kill him off with bad whiskey; where we put a man in jail for stealing a loaf of bread, and in congress for stealing a railroad; where check books talk, sin walks in broad day light, justice is asleep, crime runs amuck, corruption, perverts our whole social and political fabric, and the devil laughs from every street corner. Come to us, Fillies. We've got the greatest, aggregation of good thing, and bad things, hot things and cold things, all sizes and colors, ever exhibited under one tent."



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The United States in its Judicial procedure is many decades behind every other civilized government in the world; and I say that it is an immediate and imperative call upon us to rectify that, because the speediness of Justice, the inexpensiveness of Justice, the ready access of Justice is the greater part of Justice itself.—President Wilson.

Owing to the presence of the anthracnose disease in cotton last year farmerse may desire to plant seed grown in 1914, or previous to that time. Any farmer desiring to plant old seed should send one pound sample to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas, for germination test, which will be made without charge and results reported to the sender of the sample.

"Trust in God but keep your powder dry." This was the sage counsel of the doughty Cromwell in regard to preparedness. Today with its wars and rumors of wars, it is the height of folly to invite the furies of these sons of Mars, with no course left open but to "Let the Devil take the hindmost." Therefore preparedness is absolutely necessary; to maintain our international standing as a power of the first class; to protect our citizens at home and abroad; to uphold our commerce. These things can only be accomplished by the creation of an efficient army, a well manned navy and ample coast defenses.

The planning of the above is beyond the ken all except military and naval experts. The work, therefore, that is laid upon the yeoman's shoulders is "Individual preparedness." This will make possible national preparedness.

Individual preparedness embraces a large field. To be prepared the individual must be a good citizen in the broadest sense. He must be a man physically, mentally, and morally. He must be thrifty and aid in conserving our national resources for the times of stress. He must be a man of family, and train them to take their part in the call for preparedness. Thus "war babies" will be rendered unnecessary in crucial aims.

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"WALT" WRITES NEWSY LETTER FROM WILSON

Some one might ask if the drummers stop at Wilson and if they knew Wilson was on the map. Well tell it to Swenney.

Look out for the Wilson City Bachelor's Club that is to be organized this week.

Mr. L. L. Forrester has just unloaded a car of fine coal and has put in a new set of Fairbanks scales. Mr. Forrester will retail this lot of coal and probably several other good grades of coal.

Mr. W. H. May and his nephew Con May, were welcome visitors in Wilson one day this week.

The grass over in this part of the country says it will grow rain or shine and it seems to be proving its philosophy.

W. R. Standifer returned last Monday from Austin and reports that part of the state as dry or dryer than, some west of there.

A jolly crowd of Wilson fun makers made a flying trip to slayton, Sunday after Sunday school the party consisted of two well filled cars.

Wilson, boast of its school, and also its Sunday-school.

Mrs. Lumsden returned last week from Cisco Texas where she had accompanied her Mother Mrs. Dawson who has been under treatment at that place. Mrs. Dawson returned latter and is back as Post-Mistress.

There are several grubbing crews now around here which indicates that there will be an enormous amount of new land put in cultivation this season, now whisper dry weather and hard times Old Knocker.

I'm a good mind to say something about Wilson's late basket ball games (but they are still in ring.

Mr. Jim Foster Wilsons' only barber and restaurant man has been improving his Cafe by covering his counters with white table cloth.

The news is scare around Wilson this week but we still have a sweet western breeze.

I saw a cow out on the range she lay contented without a change, she chewed her cud with ease; but finally she paused a bit and to her feet she quickly lit, and thought it was a bumble bee but to her quick surprise, there came two old heel flies, and said old cow you move. She moved I think she did, out in the herd she hid, and to them flies did prove; that she could leave them there, in their buggie despair to seek adother beast. Across the herd she went, her old neck she bent, down to her earthly feast.

The reporter was caught out at the Lumsden Green dipping vat the latter part of last week acting as chuck-away man for the boys while they were making the second dip on Mr. Lumsden's cattle over there. Some out side cattle were also redipped, numbering in all about twenty four hundred head. Drs. Barr and Van Sanders were the officiating cow physicians.

The Wilson Mercantile Co. seems to be doing a nice business for the time of year.

provide, without undue strain, for sufficient appropriations to be handed over to the experts of war to maintain our army, navy, and coast fortifications. Then, when the call to arms comes, with its mighty drain of money and men, our nation may be likened to the house built upon a rock.

"And the rains descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house, and it fell not," for the foundation of individual preparedness will prevail.

Contributed.

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NOTICE OF SALE

The State of Texas }
 County of Lynn }

Notice is hereby given, that, whereas, by virtue of an order issued out of the Hon. District Court of Lynn County, Texas, which said order is as follows, to-wit:

"Alexander Gilmer Lbr. Co.
 vs.

Wilson Lumber Company.
 "In District Court, Lynn, County, Texas. In Chambers.

"On the 20th day of March, A. D. 1916, came on to be considered the application made by the plaintiff in the above entitled and numbered cause for a sale by the receiver heretofore appointed, of all the assets of the Wilson Lumber Company, defendant, and it appearing to the court that the said action would be advantageous and to the best interests of all concerned.

"It is therefore ordered that E. Shopbell, Receiver, proceed to sell, for cash, at the best price that can be obtained, at private sale, after such advertisement of the fact of such proposed sale can be made as will be most advantageous to the interests of the defendant, all of the assets of every kind and character belonging to the said Wilson Lumber Company, except wagons and implements held on consignment, and make and file in this court a full report thereof, the said sale, however, to be subject to the express approval of this court. And all monies received from said sale to be turned over to the Clerk of this Court for such other orders as to the court may seem proper.

"It is further ordered that the Receiver shall sell the property of the defendant in three parcels, that is to say, it is ordered that he sell all the lumber and stock of goods on hand as one parcel, that

he sell all the bills receivable and choses in action and claims liquidated and unliquidated, for money, in another parcel, and the real estate belonging to the defendant in another parcel.

"It being understood that no title shall pass to any of the purchasers under said sale until the report of sale shall have been ap-

proved by the court.

"W. R. SPENCER,
 Judge 72nd Judicial District.
 Now therefore, I, E. Shopbell, Receiver, in compliance with the above order, will, on Tuesday, the 28th day of March, A. D. 1916, in the Town of Wilson, Lynn County, Texas, proceed to sell, at private sale, the goods, wares,

and property, real and personal, of the said Wilson Lumber Company, as specified in the above order, and in the manner and under the terms and conditions as there in set forth.

Witness my hand this the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1916,
 E. SHOPBELL,
 Receiver.

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WILSON, on the Santa Fe, Lynn County TEXAS

Romance of Elaine

had, apparently. Cautiously and slowly we made our way toward the top of the cliff.

One look backward from his motor-boat was enough for Del Mar. He must evade that inquisitive naturalist. He turned to his man.

"Get out that apparatus," he ordered.

The man opened a locker and brought out the curious submarine rescue helmet and suit. Del Mar took them up and began to put the suit on, stooping down in the shelter of the boat so that his actions could not be seen by the naturalist in the pursuing boat.

The naturalist was all this time peering ahead keenly at Del Mar's boat, trying to make it out. He bent over and adjusted the engine to get up more speed and the boat shot ahead faster.

By this time, Del Mar had put on the submarine apparatus, all except the helmet, and was crouching low in the boat. Hastily he rolled a piece of canvas into the semblance of a body, put his coat and hat on it and set it on the seat which he had occupied before.

Just then Del Mar's boat ran around the promontory where Wu Fang had met the submarine that had brought Del Mar into the country and landed him so strangely.

The boat slowed down under shelter of the rocks and Del Mar added a pair of heavy lead-soled shoes to his outfit in order to weigh himself down. Finally he put on the helmet, let himself over the side of the boat, and disappeared into the water.

His side started the motor and the boat shot ahead again, with the dummy still occupying Del Mar's seat. As the boat swung out and made a wide sweeping curve away from the point at which Del Mar had gone overboard, the naturalist in the Dodge boat came around the promontory and saw it, changing his course accordingly, and gaining somewhat.

Del Mar sank upright and rapidly, down in the shallow water to the bottom. Once having his feet on something approaching firm ground, he gazed about through the window-like eye of the helmet until he got his bearings. Then he began to walk heavily along the bottom of the harbor, over sand and rocks.

It was a strange walk that he took, half stumbling, slowly and clumsily groping his way like a queer under-water animal.

If anyone could have seen him, he would have noted that Del Mar was going toward the base of a huge, rocky cliff that jutted far out into the harbor, where the water was deep, a dangerous point, avoided by craft of all kinds. Far over his head the waves beat on the rocks angrily. But down there, concealed beneath the surface of the harbor, was a sort of huge arch of stone, through which a comparatively rapid current ran as the tide ebbed and flowed.

Del Mar let himself be carried along with the current, which was now running in and thus with comparative ease made his way, still groping, through the arch. Once under it and a few feet beyond, he deliberately kicked off the lead-soled shoes and, thus lightened, rose rapidly to the surface of the water.

As he bobbed up, a strange sight met his eyes--not strange, however, to Del Mar. Above, the rocks formed a huge dome over the water which the tides forced in and out through the secret entrance through which he came. No other entrance, apparently, except that from the waters of the harbor led to this peculiar den.

Lying quietly moored to the rocky piers lay three submarine boats. Further back, on a ledge of rock, blazed out, stood a little building, a sort of office or headquarters. Near by was a shed where were kept gas and oil, supplies and ammunition; in fact, everything that a submarine could possibly need.

This was the reason for Del Mar's presence in the neighborhood. It was the secret submarine harbor of the foreign agents who were operating in America!

Already a sentry, pacing up and down, had seen the bubbles in the water that indicated that someone had come through the archway and was down "below," as Del Mar and his men called it.

Gazing down, the sentry saw the queer helmeted figure float up from the bottom of the pool. He reached out and helped the figure clamber up out of the water to the ledge on which he stood. Del Mar saluted, and the sentry returned the secret salute, helping him remove the dripping helmet and suit.

A moment later, in the queer little submarine office, Del Mar had evidently planned to take up the nefarious secret work on which he was engaged. Several men of a naval and military bearing were seated about a table already, studying maps and plans and documents of all descriptions. They did not seem to belong to any nation in particular. In fact, their uniforms, if such they might be called, were of a character to disguise their nationality. But that they were hostile to the country under which they literally had their hidden retreat, of that there could be no doubt.

How high Del Mar stood in their councils could have been seen at a glance from the instant deference exhibited at the mere mention of his name by the sentry who entered with the submarine suit while Del Mar got himself together after his remarkable trip.

The men at the council table rose and saluted as Del Mar himself entered. He returned the salute and quietly made his way to the head of the table where he took a seat, naturally.

"This is the area in which we must work first of all," he began, drawing toward him a book and opening it. "And we must strike quickly, for if they need the advice in this book, it may be too late for us to take advantage of their foolish unpreparedness."

It was a book entitled "Defenseless America," written by a great American inventor, Hudson Maxim.

Del Mar turned the pages until he came to and pointed out a map. The others gather about him, leaning forward eagerly as he talked to them.

There, on the map with a radius of some one hundred and seventy miles, was drawn a big segment of a circle, with Peekskill, New York, marking the center.

"That is the heart of America," said Del Mar, earnestly. "It embraces New York, Boston, Philadelphia. But that is not the point. Here are the great majority of the gun and armor factories, the powder and cartridge works, together with the principal coal fields of Pennsylvania."

He brought his fist down decisively on the table. "If we hold this section," he declared, "we practically hold America!"

Eagerly the other emissaries listened as Del Mar laid before them the detailed facts which he was collecting, the greater mission than the mere capture of Kennedy's wireless torpedo which had brought him into the country. Detail after detail of their plans they discussed as they worked out the gigantic scheme.

It was a war council of a secret advance guard of the enemies of America!

Meanwhile, Del Mar's man in his boat, cutting a wide circle and avoiding the Dodge boat carrying the naturalist, made his way across the harbor until he came to the shore.

There he landed and proceeded up the beach to the foot of a rocky cliff, where he turned and followed a trail up it to the top. It was the same path already traveled by my captors with me and later followed by Elaine.

As he came stealthily out from under cover, Del Mar's man gazed down the stairway. He drew back at what he saw. Slowly he pulled a gun from his pocket, watching down the steps with tense interest. There he could see Elaine and myself wearily climbing toward the top, our backs toward him, as we covered the men in the cave.

So surprised was he at what he saw that he forgot that his boat below had been followed by the mysterious naturalist, who, the moment Del Mar's man had landed, put on the last burst of speed and ran the Dodge boat close to the spot where the side had left Del Mar's.

A glance into the boat sufficed to

tell the naturalist that the figure in it was only a dummy. He did not pause, but followed the trail up the hill until he was close after the emissary ahead, going more slowly.

Only a few feet further along the cliff, the naturalist paused, too, keeping well under cover, for the man was now just ahead of him. He looked fixedly at him and saw him gaze down the cliff. Then he saw him slowly draw a gun.

Who could be below? Quickly the naturalist's mind seemed to work. He crouched down, as if ready to spring.

The emissary slowly raised his revolver and took careful aim at the backs of Elaine and myself, as we came up the steps.

But before he could pull the trigger, the naturalist, more like one of the wild animals which he studied than like a human being, sprang from his concealment in the bushes and pounced on the man from behind, seizing him firmly.

Over and over they rolled, struggling almost to the brink of the precipice.

Elaine and I had got almost to the top of the flight of steps, when suddenly we heard a shout above us and sounds of a terrific struggle. We turned and saw two men.

Nearer and nearer the edge of the cliff they rolled. We crouched closer to the rocky wall, gazing up at the death grapple of the two. Who they were we did not know but that one was fighting for and the other against us we could readily see.

The more vicious of the two seemed to be forcing the naturalist slowly back, when, with a superhuman effort, the naturalist braced himself. His foot was actually on a small ledge of rock directly at the edge of the cliff.

He swung around quickly and struck the other man. The vicious looking

man pitched headlong over the cliff. We shrank back closer to the rock as the man hurtled through the air only a few feet from us. Down below, we could hear him land with a sickening thud.

Far over the edge Elaine leaned in a sort of fascination at the awful sight. For a moment I thought the very lip of the perverse had got possession of her and that she herself would fall over. She brushed her hand unsteadily over her eyes and staggered. I caught her just in time.

It was only an instant before the brave girl recovered control of herself.

We reached the top of the stairway and gazed about for the victor in the contest. To our surprise he was gone. "Come," I urged, "we had better get away quickly."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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It was only an instant before the brave girl recovered control of herself.

We reached the top of the stairway and gazed about for the victor in the contest. To our surprise he was gone. "Come," I urged, "we had better get away quickly."

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We could not afford to misrepresent, in the slightest degree, anything that we sell, because we realize that every permanent success is based upon the principle that--

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Trades Day just the same as any other day--We set a good table and we will be pleased to have you with us any time you are in Tahoka. Hotel rates: Meals 35c. \$1.50 per day, \$6.00 per week.

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For the invalid

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Toasted for the baby. Ask at the restaurants

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That we are ready to deliver to the trade now, instead of ice in a melting condition, gives our customers much better service. Always plenty on hand. Phone your order to No. 20 for Freezing Ice, just as cold as when first made. Try a chunk.

G. W. SNIDER

Lynn County Gets Half Inch Rain

Thursday morning about two-thirty Lynn county was visited by a light shower of about a quarter of an inch. Reports from all over the county are to the effect that while the shower was lighter in some portions than it was in Tahoka, it pretty well covered the entire county. About one-thirty Thursday afternoon another shower came up from the southwest and about a quarter-inch of water fell. The entire county received a part of this shower except perhaps the south east part. Reports have not been received from there. The rain seemed to be heavier to the north and east than in Tahoka.

We have an excellent bottom section, and with a few more showers like those of yesterday to put the top of the ground in condition Lynn county will be assured of a bumper crop year.

Stockmen say we have had enough rain to bring the grass up to where they can crop it by the first.

A SANITARY MARKET

We have moved to our new brick store at the Post Office, and have installed a \$5000.00 box and other new furniture to match. In the construction of our new building special attention was paid to sanitation, and we will operate as a sanitary market on the premises. Call and inspect our market and place your order. Our service will bring you back.

Saturday evening, March 18th, at the residence of G. M. Shook, Rev. C. E. Leeger quietly married Mr. Martin Jordan and Miss Mena Slack. The only witnesses present were Mr. and Mrs. Clancy Slack.

For Fine Hair, Tobacco and Automobile Insurance in Old Line Companies, see W. S. Swan & Son, Tahoka. 28-32 p

Biggest line of slippers in town all styles for all people.

H. M. Larkin. 28-29

Don't forget that the "Florence" oil stove uses only one half the oil as other stoves. See them at Larkins. 28-29

FRESH COOKED BARBECUE.

Shoot Orders, bread, pies, etc. at the bar-b-que on Lockwood and Sweet Sts. Give us a trial. TYNA EGGS. EGGS. 27 11

Announcements

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

J. N. TOLSON (re-elected)

FOR TREASURER

C. T. LEBEL (re-elected)

FOR SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR

F. E. REGWINE (re-elected)

FOR COUNTY JUDGE:

J. H. (Jim) Cowan.

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE, 75TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

W. K. Spencer. (re-election.)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF FIRE 2.

J. H. Vinson.

Classified Column

LOST--Plain Gold Ring, engraved inside. "W. H. M. to Laine" Finder kindly leave at News office. 29-tf

WANTED TO BUY--Chickens, Turkeys, Produce, Bleached Bones, Infact anything you have to sell.

B. F. Montgomery, Tahoka, Texas. 24tt

WANTED to buy from the owner for spot cash two sections of land within twenty miles of Tahoka.

S. S. Ramsey 30-3t

5 in 1

Guarantees to stop snandruff, falling hair, itching scalp and "milk crust" on babies.

5 IN 1 will not make the scalp sore. 5 IN 1 is a pleasing treatment. Chas. A. Favor and Co manufacturers, Houston, Texas. 30-4t-p.

I. S. Doak, Agent.

F-O-R-D

The Universal Car

Is no longer a luxury---It is a necessity---The entire family Needs, Can Operate, and Appreciate---A FORD. Cars now on the floor ready for delivery---Call and let us Demonstrate.

Tahoka Hdwe. Comp'ny.

Ford Touring Cars \$479.40 Delivered
Roadster \$429.40 Delivered

"Do It Now"-Tahoka Com. Club

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had been here longer than Charley Brown, who asserted that he was a new comer, having only been here thirteen years and four months. After a very earnest speech by M. M. Hering, who advocated "DO IT NOW", officers were elected for the commercial club as follows; Ed. Meyers, president; John Woodall, secretary and C. E. Brown, vice president; also an advisory board of five consisting of H. M. Larkin, chairman, and Dr. Lamon, Atty. Lockhart, J. A. Brashear and W. B. Siston.

H. M. Larkin next mentioned that the ladies had formed a society association, and set Thursday as a day to work at the Tahoka Cemetery. G. E. Lockhart stated that labor of this or any kind called for, laborers, and that after looking over the assemblage he failed to find a single laboring man so he proposed that a collection be taken to hire laborers, which suggestion was at once put into effect with the result that \$42.55 was taken up to be handed over to the ladies to do with as they see proper.

The proposition was then put and unanimously carried that we have another supper of this kind thirty days hence, and at midnight the meeting broke up with the very best of feeling prevailing.

The sand hill north of Tahoka was the scene of a couple of very enjoyable social occasions Saturday last. In the afternoon the lower grades of the Tahoka High School held a picnic there, and returned about sundown tired and happy.

That evening the higher grades enjoyed a moonlight picnic on the old hill, famous for many like occasions in the past. The moonlight failed to materialize on account of a film of fleecy clouds that were adrift, but the weather was ideal and the crowd returned late thanking their chaperone and congratulating each other for the enjoyable evening.

Prof. Turner and Miss Vera Nobles of Plainview School east of O'Donnel, and D. W. Wynne of Muleshoe, visited Miss Nobles parents at West Point Saturday and Sunday.

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Is for you to come to our store and look through our stock of Variety Goods. We have every thing from baby socks to ladies ready-to-wear dresses, from the largest sized dish pan to a tea strainer, from silk hose to pen holders, a set of dishes, a mouse trap, pair of garters, child's parasol, bottle glue, embroidery, etc. We just simply can't begin to tell of all the bargains we have at the **STOKES VARIETY STORE** South Side Square, Tahoka, Texas

What'S

The matter with Your horse, cow or other stock that they are not doing well? Bring them to A. W. Roberts, Veterinarian, or have him com and see them. Headquarters at Rube's Wagon Yard, Tahoka.

Meet Me Trades Day

Round Trip Excursion Fares---Account State

Meeting T. P. A. Corpus Christi. J. L. Keare, Agt., Tahoka. Date of Sale April 25 and 26th. Return Limit May 3rd. \$24.00

SILVER

Is a Percheron Stallion sixteen and a half hands high and weighs eighteen hundred pounds, and will make the season at my place six miles south and four west of Tahoka.

G. W. SHORT 301-t

Sumner Claton, barber left on the Monday morning train for Dallas on a business trip.

S. J. Smith and family of Coleman, Texas, came in Friday of last week and will make their home in Tahoka, occupying three rooms in the Larkin building. Mr. Smith is a brother-in-law of H. M. Larkin. Just what business Mr. Smith will engage in he has not yet decided.

A. D. Shook returned Monday evening from a several days visit to Dallas and points south.

MONEY to loan: at eight per cent interest on patented lands. Will buy Vendors Lien notes. No loan too large and quick service. Write me your wants. H. R. Debenport, Big Springs, Texas. 30-1t

Keever Bros., proprietors of the Sanitary Market, moved to their new home in the north brick building just finished for Thomas Bros., on Sweet street opposite the Stokes Hotel, Thursday of this week. If you wish to see an up-to-date meat market call on them and inspect the Sanitary Market's new fixtures.

As an inducement to our customers to look through our new jewelry line trades day "April 3rd", we will give 20 per cent off on any article you select in that line that day.

D. A. Parkhurst Jewelry and Confection. 30-2t