

LYNN COUNTY NEWS.

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TAHOKA, LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS. FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 1915.

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WEE NEWS BUDGET

Mr. Editor! Are you this pretty sun-weather after so many days?

We had a big hail storm of the 24th. It stripped fruit where it wept.

H. H. Haley, of Coke was in our community.

J. C. Preston has been sick. We hope to see her in right soon.

Her new case of small pox up at R. J. Randall's. Miss Irene Randall.

C. B. Morrison has been sick the past week, but is at this writing.

Neighbors are opening a road from Pride school to O'Donnell.

Everybody will get busy planting as soon as the ground is warm enough. Some have cotton, but will have to wait on account of the rains.

and stock are looking

HEEL FLY.

COMING.

W. Fowler, of Dallas, Nose & Throat Specialist in Tahoka on Saturday 1st, and will be present any one needing treatment in his line and will be prepared to fit glasses if needed them. He is bound with Tahoka Drug at Side Square. 34 1t

Recleaned Sudan seed at one per pound, large cheaper. W. J. Mont-Tahoka. 34-35p.

HAGGART GETS 99 YEARS

Engineer Frank Haggart, who was arrested in Lamesa Tuesday December 18, 1914, on a statutory charge, the offense alleged to have been committed in Amarrillo, was tried at that place last week and was found guilty last Friday and punishment assessed at ninety-nine years. Attorney for the State asked in the case of conviction that the jury assess the penalty of death. The main witness for the prosecution was the thirteen year old girl whom Haggart is convicted of forcing into motherhood; her testimony was supported by the physician who attended her at the birth of her child.

It is probable that the case will be carried to the Supreme Court Criminal Appeals.

Sec. Pat. land in the SE part of the county. \$100 down and \$100 per year until paid at 8 per cent. Who wants it? M. M. Herring, Tahoka. 31t

J. E. Davis, of Sligo, Texas, son-in-law W. L. Davis, of Tahoka, is staying in Tahoka and has ordered his News to be addressed to him here.

Miss Grace Turk, member of the Graduating class of the Tahoka High School, returned Tuesday to her home in Roscoe. Her sister Miss Nona, teacher in the school here, is spending the week at the Nobles ranch.

Miss Hanna Cayton, of Stamford, left on the Monday morning train after a two weeks visit with her sisters, Mrs. Mat Williams and Mrs. Geo. Short, both of whom accompanied her to the train.

DIED MONDAY NIGHT

Fanny May Washburn, age nine years, died Monday night at the camp house in the Knight wagon yard. The cause of death was inflammation of the stomach and bowels, and pneumonia. She is survived by a mother and father and several brothers and sisters. The remains were laid to rest in the Tahoka Cemetery Tuesday evening.

G. S. Williams, of New Home, was in Tahoka Monday.

Tax Assessor John Thomas went to Wilson Tuesday to wind up his assessments in that part of the county.

Quite a few of the younger crowd of Tahoka's young people were pleasantly entertained last Friday night at the hospitable home of Dudd Singleton, in West Tahoka.

Rev. J. H. Vinson and son-in-law, Jim H. Dyer, of west town were visitors to the city Tuesday.

Mrs. B. L. Shook, of Plainview, came down the latter part of last week and visited with relatives and friends until the middle of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, of Tahoka, are visiting in Lamesa this week.—Dawson County News

Mrs. H. E. Baldrige and little son H. E. of O'Donnell, Lynn county, came in last week to see her brother Ben Preston, who was shot while on duty as night signal man at the tower house, also to visit her sister Mrs. J. H. Morrow and brothers Tom and Archie Preston. This is Mrs. Baldrige's first visit to the old home since a child.

Dr. J. R. Singleton and family left for Tahoka Tuesday, where he has located.—Jefferson Implicite.

J. B. Burleson, writes us from Redland, N. M., to forward his News to that place. He is working for the X— outfit.

W. A. Waller, County Commissioner, came in Tuesday and advanced the expiration date on his paper and that of his son's for a year, for which we are much indebted to Mr. Waller. Mr. Waller informs us they are farming in his precinct, and that they have had more rain than we have. Another bumper crop is a foregone conclusion.

Jef Flemming, proprietor of the City Garage, informs us that he has sold his garage to the firm of Scott & Hughes. The gentlemen are known as the genial proprietors of the West Side Cafe. They will continue both businesses.

Now is the time to kill your DOGS with CARBON. Let us supply you—Thomas Bros. Drug Co. 33 1t.

Tom Higginbotham, of Dublin an extensive land owner in Lynn county, left on the Monday morning train for his home after a few days business visit here.

W. R. Standifer, of Lubbock county, surveyor, was in Tahoka Monday. Mr. Standifer surveyed the J. E. Porter, J. N. Jones and Lhed Weathers lots the latter part of last week. Mr. Jones fence was found to be about a dozen feet too far west and he will lose a row of plum trees.

J. F. McMonis, of New Home, was a visitor to our city Wednesday.

LAMESA-MIDLAND RAILROAD

T. J. O'Donnell of Sweetwater, locally known as one of the promoters of the road from Slaton to Lamesa, and for whom the town of O'Donnell was named, was in Midland recently in an effort to interest capitalists of that city in a railroad from Lamesa, the present terminal of the Lamesa branch of the Panhandle and Santa Fe, to Midland on the Texas and Pacific. Midland is approximately fifty-five miles due south of Lamesa.

Both of these gentlemen are experienced promoters; Mr. Carville having built the Pecos Valley road and later selling it to the Santa Fe System, and Mr. O'Donnell has had considerable experience in construction work other than his part in the Slaton Lamesa road as above stated.

These promoters ask a bonus of \$250,000, right-of-way and about thirty acres of land in Midland for shop, yards and other terminal structures. No part of the bonus to be payable until trains are in operation between the two points.

The advantages to be secured by the construction of this road are too apparent to need enumeration here. Not only would it be to the best interests of Lamesa and Midland and the country traversed, but would greatly improve the service on the Slaton-Lamesa branch on which we are situated. Here's hoping the promoters meet with much encouragement.

Dr. E. H. Inmon, of Lubbock, was a caller in Tahoka Wednesday.

J. E. Porter, the nurseryman, returned Wednesday from a few days visit to the Plainview Nursery.

John McGregor came in the first of the week and renewed his mother's News for another twelve-months.

There have been three temporary residences built down by the railroad track south of the depot this month.

Etta Cox, of Altus, Oklahoma, came in Wednesday evening to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Redwine.

The powers that be are having the court house yard cleared up this week, and the improvement is quite noticeable.

A Mr. Hurst of Plains had a narrow escape Tuesday evening on a runaway. He was about five miles out of Tahoka on his way home when the accident occurred. Near the two mills on the Brownfield road his team became frightened and commenced to run, the tongue was wrenched from the buggy and Mr. Hurst was jerked over the dash board before he could free himself of the lines. The horses ran nearly to the west T— gate when one of them became entangled in the harness and threw itself and was unable to rise until freed by Mr. Hurst when he arrived on foot. The outfit was brought back to Tahoka and fixed up by one of the blacksmith shops and the journey home once more commenced about dark.

BREEDING NOTICE.
Big Enough, my Percheron stallion and Kennel Bryant, my Missouri jack, will make the 1915 season at my place 14 miles southeast of Tahoka. Plenty of pasturage. Season for either \$10. No colt no pay. 35 1t
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GRADUATION EXERCISES

Last Friday night the class of 1915 of the Tahoka High School received their sheepskins at the hands of Rev. J. T. Nichelson, officiated at the exercises held at the auditorium of the school building. Quite a few were present to witness the ceremony.

Sunday morning Dr. Jefferson Davis Standifer, of Simmons College at Abilene delivered the bachelaurite sermon at the Methodist church, and addressed the citizens at the same place in the afternoon and at the Baptist church at night. This sermon and series of lectures terminated the closing exercises of the literary department.

Monday evening at 8:30 at the auditorium, Miss Mae Ellison presented her music class in recital as a closing feature of the term. The program reflected much credit upon teacher and scholar alike, and was a decided treat to the music lovers of the town. Three of the numbers were encored but owing to the lengthy program to be rendered they did not respond.

Thus closed another successful year of the school here.

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J. T. Curb, of Post City, an old Lynn county farmer, was over the first of the week.

Misses Kate and Lucy Gathings, teachers in the primary department of the Tahoka Public School left on the Monday evening train for Lamesa at which place they were met by their brother, P. S. Gathings, of Monument, N. M. They will there they will spend a week or two visiting there and will return to their home in Roscoe via Midland.

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WILL HAVE TRADES DAY

In pursuance of the call published in the News, about a dozen of our most progressive citizens met in the court house Tuesday morning at 10:30 to discuss the plans along which we would conduct our 1915 Trades Days.

James Crie was appointed temporary chairman, and called the house to order. After considerable discussion, it was decided that the Trades Days would be made to conform to their name; would be an ideal Trades Day on which any one can bring any article they have and find a market for it.

Upon motion of H. M. Larkin, the following committee was elected to confer with the merchants, business men and citizens as to the time of holding the first Trades Day, and complete the final arrangements. The committee is: Paul Miller, Joe Stokes, Ira Doak, D. A. Parkhurst, Shed Weathers and H. L. Larkin. This committee was to have met Wednesday night in order that the findings of the meeting might be available for this issue, but several of the committee being called out of town during the day made it necessary to postpone the meeting.

Watch the News for full particulars concerning the first 1915 Trades Day.

Now let's talk it up, work it up, and push it along every opportunity. We can have one of the biggest days in Tahoka once a month that has ever been witnessed here if we will cooperate. It makes no difference what you have to sell or trade, or what you want to buy or trade for, come here on our first Trades Day.

Rev. J. R. Miller came in on the Wednesday evening train on business, and incidentally to renew old acquaintances and friendships.

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

Years of Discouraging
Mrs. Bullock Gave
Despair. Husband
Came to Rescue.

In an interesting letter place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock follows: "I suffered for four womanly troubles, and during could only sit up for a little could not walk anywhere at all, I would have severe pains side. or was called in, and his treated me for a while, but I was red to my bed again. After seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

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WEDNESDAY	AMERICAN MAJESTIC
INTUNE, No. I and No. II AT DAWN, No. III	
THURSDAY	MAJESTIC KEYSTONE
IN FEAR OF HIS PAST, No. I and No. II A COLORED GIRL'S LOVE, No. III	
FRIDAY	MUTUAL RELIANCE KEYSTONE
MUTUAL WEEKLY (No. 103) No. I THE JOKE ON YELLENTOWN, No. II HOGAN'S ANNUAL SPREE No. III	
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Trey O'Hearts

Episode Seven Will Be Shown At
The Star Theatre Tuesday,
May Fourth

SYNOPSIS.

The 7 of Hearts is the "death sign" employed by Seneca Trine in the private war of vengeance which, through the agency of his daughter Judith, a woman of violent passions like his own, he wages against Alan Law, son of the man (now dead) whom Trine held responsible for the accident which rendered him a cripple. Alan is in love with Rose, Judith's twin and double, but in all else opposite. Judith vows to compass Alan's death, but under dramatic circumstances he saves her life and so, unwittingly, wins her love. Thereafter Judith turns worked upon by the old hatreds of the new love, and jealousy of her sister Rose.

CHAPTER XXII.

The House Divided.

"None in that strange place of silence and shadows—that den of the devil's livery, crimson and black—seemed to the invalid chair wherein, in, day out, for years on end, he suffered the Promethean torments of a life that would not die out of a wretched, wrecked carcass, though about ceasing sharp-beaked envy, hatred, malice and all uncharitable things pecked insatiably at his vitals: Seneca Trine sat waiting, with the impatience of a graven figure waiting for the imminent hour of ultimate retribution for the wrong that had done him what he was.

"Another hour! . . . In sixty more they will be here, Judith Marrophat and Rose—poor fool! . . . In sixty minutes they will put him down before sound and helpless, if not dead . . . A slight pause prefaced words that he whispered prayer: "God send they be not dead! Have I lingered long enough all these weary years for the fulfillment of my revenge only to be cheated at the end by death? . . . That Alan Law may be laid still living here at my feet! . . . Then . . . A bitter smile twisted his tortured features: "Then shall my will be done for him! And then, when I have seen die as his father died—then—Ah, then—at last I too may die.

There was a long silence, then a stream of exasperated protest: "Why do they not come? Why does Judith delay, when she knows how I suffer? Why have I been put off from day to day with her telegrams that begged more time and promised every thing—but told nothing!—until yesterday.

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Rose Turned on Her Passionately.

day. . . . Where are those messages she sent me yesterday?" His one sound hand groped out like a claw and sought a mass of papers on the desk beside him, sorting out from among them two yellow forms. Painfully he blinked over these and slowly his pain-bent lips coned their wording: "Alan and Rose safe with me—will bring both home tomorrow night without fail," he read the first aloud; and then the second: "Have motorcar waiting for me tomorrow morning from three o'clock till called for New Bedford waterfront—Judith."

"No!" he affirmed with the fervor of one persuaded by his own desires: "I must not doubt the girl! She has promised, she has performed." So still was he, indeed, that he seemed to sleep, but so deceptive was that semblance that he was alert for the least sound. The girl entered softly, as if fearful of disturbing his slumbers; but she found him with head erect and eyes a-blaze.

"Judith!" he cried, his great voice vibrating like a brazen bell. "At last! Where is he? You have brought him? Where is he?" With no more answer than a sigh, the girl drooped her head and let her hands hang limply with palms exposed. After an instant of incredulous disappointment the man shot a single furtive glance at her: "You have failed?" "I have failed," she confessed. "Why?" She shrugged slightly. "Who knows why one fails? I did my best: he was too much for me, outwitted me at every turn. Time and again I thought I had him, but always he escaped, either by his own wit and courage or with another's aid. Only yesterday night they were all three in the hollow of my hands—but now I bring you only Rose."

At last Trine summoned two of his

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CHAPTER XXIII.

A Sporting Offer.

Some two hours later, that same evening, Mr. Alan Law, very much alive and, in spite of a complete new outfit of ready-made clothing, looking much more like himself than he had in a fortnight, issued forth from the Grand Central station, hailed a taxicab, and had himself conveyed to the Hotel Monolith.

But if he looked his proper self once more, it speedily was demonstrated that his wish was otherwise: for after learning from the room-clerk of the Monolith that a suite was being held in the name of Arthur Lawrence, that was the name Mr. Law inscribed on the register.

On the other hand, it was his true name that he gave to the person whom he called upon the telephone immediately after being spoken to his rooms. But then he was speaking to his old friend and man of business, Mr. Digby.

Within another ten minutes this last was in conference with his employer: "I think you must be out of your head," he insisted nervously, once their first greetings were over. "You might just as sensibly throw yourself from the top of the Metropolitan tower as come to New York while Trine lives and knows you're this side the water."

"Nonsense!" Alan laughed. "Remember this is New York—not the backwoods of Maine!"

Alan paused and smote his palm with a remorseful fist. "By the Eternal, I'm forgetting Barcus!"

"Barcus?"

"Chap whose boat I chartered in Portland—sheer luck on my part: he's one of the salt of the earth. First, something must be done for the boy. You've got influence of some sort in New Bedford, surely?"

Digby reflected: "Some. There's George Blaine, justice of the peace—" "The very man. Telegraph him in Barcus' interests immediately. And telegraph Barcus as well—send him a hundred for expense, and tell him to join me here in New York as quick as he can!"

"Your friend's address?" Digby inquired, mildly ironic as he sat down at the desk and fumbled with the supply of stationery.

"New Bedford jail, of course!" Alan chuckled—but cut his laugh in two as something fluttered from the back of

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these rooms was Alan Law. No, my friend: it's a bit too thick for me. Take my word for it, this is nothing more nor less than a souvenir of a poker-party held by yesterday's tenant of this suite."

"Perhaps—perhaps!" Digby assented, stroking tremulous lips. "But I'm afraid for you, my boy. Who knows that Trine's spies were not watching my man when he made this reservation? Who knows but that 'Arthur Lawrence' was too thin a disguise for Alan Law? I tell you, I'm frightened to the marrow of my old bones! Do me this favor at least, my boy: now that you've been warned, whether by accident or design—we won't argue that—do leave town—go incognito to some quiet place near by and wait there for the sailing of the next transatlantic steamer. Oh, surely you can't deny me this one wish of my fond old heart, my boy!"

"There's nothing on earth I would not do for you," he said: "you've been a father and a mother to me ever since I can remember, even if we were separated most of the time, by three thousand miles of salt water. But this thing—I can't do it, even for you. I can't do it even for myself. Rose Trine is here in New York, in the hands and at the mercy of her father and sister; and you may judge what their mercy will be when you learn all that she has done for me. I won't

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 34.

A Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Article 7, Section 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the establishment and separate maintenance of the University of Texas and fixing its permanent location in Travis County; providing for the permanent location of the medical branch of the University of Texas in Galveston County; providing for the establishment and maintenance of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas as an independent college, and providing for its permanent location in Brazos County; providing for the establishment and separate maintenance of the College of Industrial Arts and fixing its permanent location in Denton County; authorizing the government of the Agricultural and Mechanical College Board; establishing the Prairie View State Normal College, and declaring it a branch of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, and fixing its permanent location at Prairie View, in Waller County; making an equitable division of the State permanent endowment fund between the University of Texas, the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and the Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College; making an appropriation to defray the expenses of advertising the Governor's proclamation and submitting the same to a vote of the people.

SECTION 1. That Section 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, Article 7, of the Constitution of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

SECTION 10. The University of Texas is hereby established and permanently located in Travis County, and shall be a university of the first class. The Legislature shall provide for its organization and for its development, maintenance and permanent improvement, and for its promotion of literature and the arts and sciences, pure and applied, in a university of the first class. The affairs of the University of Texas shall be administered by its governing board as provided by law. The present members of the board shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms. The constitution herein made of the University of Texas shall in no way affect the location of the medical branch thereof situated in Galveston County.

SECTION 11. All lands and other property granted by the Republic of Texas to the University of Texas, or the University of Texas and its branches, except the lands transferred by Section 13 of this Article to the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, and to the Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College, shall together with the proceeds of the sale thereof, constitute the permanent university fund. All the income derived therefrom shall be the available fund, and shall be applied to the support and development of the University of Texas and to meet its obligations, and the proceeds from the sale of University lands shall be invested, as authorized by law for the investment of the permanent school fund. The one-tenth of the alternate sections of lands granted to railroads, reserved by the State which was set apart and appropriated to the establishment of the University of Texas by an act of the Legislature of February 11, 1858, entitled "An Act to establish the University of Texas" shall not be included in or constitute a part of the permanent university fund.

SECTION 12. The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas is hereby established and permanently located in Brazos County and separated from the University of Texas and constituted an independent college. The Legislature shall provide for the organization of said college and for its development, maintenance and permanent improvement, and shall make by appropriate purpose of said institution, which, without excluding classical and cultural studies, shall be to teach and develop those branches of learning which relate to agriculture and the natural sciences connected therewith, the various branches of engineering, the mechanical arts and military sciences and tactics. The affairs of the Agricultural and Mechanical College shall be administered by its own governing board to be provided by law. The present members of the board shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms. The Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College of Texas is hereby established and its government and control shall continue under the governing board of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. Provided the Legislature may establish junior agricultural colleges subsidiary to the Agricultural and Mechanical College and under the control of the Agricultural and Mechanical College Board.

SECTION 13. Of the land heretofore set apart to the University and to the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, and remaining unappropriated, there are hereby transferred as a permanent fund of the Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College one hundred and thirty thousand acres of land of average value; and all of the remainder of the land shall constitute a part of the permanent fund of the University of Texas. The Legislature shall provide for the division of the land as specified herein. The land herein set apart to the University, the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and the Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College may be sold under such regulations, at such times and on such terms as may be prescribed by law. The Legislature shall provide for the prompt collection at maturity of all debts due on account of the sale of the lands, and in no event shall any relief be granted to any purchaser.

SECTION 14. All lands and other property heretofore granted or herein granted to the Agricultural and Mechanical College, together with the proceeds of the sale of such lands shall constitute its permanent fund. All the income derived therefrom shall be the available fund and shall be applied to the support and development of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and to meet its obligations. The proceeds from the sale of the Agricultural and Mechanical College lands shall be invested as authorized by law for the investment of the permanent school fund.

SECTION 15. The College of Industrial Arts for White Girls located at Denton County, Texas, is hereby established and recognized as an independent college, and the legislature shall provide for its organization, maintenance, development and permanent improvement and shall make by appropriation and otherwise, such provision in addition to that heretofore made as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of a class college, for the education of white girls in the literary, branch, arts and sciences and the practical industries of the age. The college shall have its own governing board, which shall designate the officers, shall determine their salaries, determine their libraries and laboratories and other agencies of education consistent with the objects of the college and shall perform such duties as the Legislature may prescribe.

SECTION 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation and have same published as required by the Constitution of this State. The sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of publishing said proclamation and the expenses of submitting the same to a vote of the people.

SECTION 3. The foregoing amendment to Article 7, Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this State for its adoption or rejection at an election to be held on the fourth day of July in July, A. D. 1905, the same being the day of said month. All the voters voting on this proposed amendment shall vote at said election who favor the adoption of this proposed amendment. For amendment to Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the separation of the University of the State of Texas from the Mechanical College and an equitable division of the university lands. All voters voting on this proposed amendment at said election who oppose the amendment shall have printed or written on their ballots the following: "Amendment to Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the separation of the University of Texas and the Agricultural and Mechanical College and an equitable division of the university lands." Forwarded to the County Judge of each county for use in said election. A sufficient number of ballots for the use of voters in said county, on which shall be printed the form of ballot herein prescribed for the convenience of the voters, shall be printed and distributed to the voters of each county.

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There are some sanitary conditions in the town of Tahoka that we will be compelled to remedy immediately or undergo one of the severest epidemics of fever and other diseases due to filth that has ever been witnessed in this portion of the state. We are not throwing a scare into the citizens for pastime. Nor do we mean to place the responsibility for the conditions that exist. But our duty to our subscribers demands that we call attention to these things before irreparable damage has been done.

A frantic cleanup campaign inaugurated after disease and pestilence shall have taken away a dozen or so of our loved ones will be as inconsistent as locking the stable after the horse has been stolen; yes even more so, for the horse may be recovered but when death has reaped the spirit of those near and dear to us they are gone never to return.

Across several of the streets of the business section dumps have been thrown up to make crossings in time of wet weather. These are very convenient at such times, but they are constructed in such a way that the water is dammed up on the high side and here the hogs wallow, the water stagnates and the flies breed by the millions. There are also some depressions behind some of the business houses where water accumulates and trash blows in and forms one of the best incubators for the eggs of the death dealing fly.

Around the business section there is a scarcity of closets, and those available are in a condition that would nauseate the most indifferent. There are some other unsanitary spots that are so self evident that we need not mention them, for by day and night the stench of them assails the nostrils of every one who has occasion to pass their vicinity.

Will we allow these conditions to continue? Have we become so inoculated with the spirit of indifference that we will tolerate these menaces to the community?

These conditions are serious and should produce some sober thought. If we fail to clean up before hot weather sets in, then God help us for we will be beyond human aid to avert an epidemic that will leave few hearths without a vacant chair.

WANTED—Several young ladies to train for a nurse. Apply Guyton-Nichols Hospital, Plainview, Texas. 34-35p

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Dealer in
Furniture and Undertaker's Supplies

Quite a few of our citizens are busily engaged in a private cleaning bee. These progressive citizens are to be commended and others are urged to follow their example.

**Good milk cow for sale.-
Phone 39**

You cannot make a silk purse out of a sow's ear, nor can you build a city out of a dirty town.

Of course we will have a Trades Day this summer, and it will be a real trades day too, watch for the first announcement.

Let Me Do Your Feed Grinding

I have purchased the Utility Grinding machinery and am now ready to grind your feed or corn meal. Will grind every Tuesday at the Tahoka Blacksmith Shop, H. C. SMITH, PROP. 50-47

To whom it may concern:
It was announced this week that Tahoka would be host to the county and surrounding territory on the natal day of these United States. Don't make your arrangements to go elsewhere until you have carefully read the advertising matter of this entertainment.

As the time approaches watch the News. We will print the truth about the entertainment.

**Strayed Gray Horse 16
hands, Branded Cross on
left shoulder, Shod in front
Bring to Higginbotham and
Harris Lumber Yard for
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AUTOMOBILE TIRES**
Guaranteed 7000 Miles Service
ABSOLUTELY PUNCTUREPROOF

Double Service Tires are double the thickness of the best standard make tires.

This 100 per cent greater wearing surface naturally gives that much more mileage and service. The average of 12 plies of tough fabric and one inch surface tread rubber makes these tires Absolutely Punctureproof.

These tires excel all others for use in the country over rough and rugged roads as well as on hard pavements. They are as easy riding and resilient as any other pneumatic tire—the air space and pressure being the same.

They are the most economical and "care free" tires made and are used where tires must be depended upon and tire troubles cannot be tolerated. Many Double Service style tires are in use in the United States government and European War service.

Our output is limited to a certain amount, but for a short time we offer the following reduced special prices as an introductory offer.

Inches	Tires	Extra Heavy Tubes
28x3	\$ 7.25	\$ 2.20
30x3	8.60	2.30
30x3½	10.85	3.10
31x3½	11.40	3.15
32x3½	12.75	3.20
31x4	14.25	4.00
32x4	14.90	4.10
33x4	15.75	4.20
34x4	16.70	4.35
35x4	16.80	4.60
36x4	17.45	4.65
37x4	17.65	4.70
35x4½	21.20	5.60
36x4½	22.50	5.75
37x4½	23.60	6.20
35x5	24.40	6.35
36x5	25.10	6.55
37x5	26.30	6.60

All other sizes not included in above list also furnished. Non-skids at 10 per cent additional.

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18.

Joint Resolution proposing and submitting to a vote of the people of Texas an amendment to Section 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds for public improvements, and levying of a tax to pay the interest and sinking fund on same, and maintenance.

RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Section 52, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as hereafter to read as follows, to-wit: SECTION 52. The Legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, city, town or other political corporation or subdivision of the State, to lend its credit or to grant public money or thing of value, aid of, or to, any individual, association or corporation whatsoever, to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company, provided, however, that under legislative provision any county, subdivision of a county, or any defined district now or hereafter described and defined within the State of Texas, and which may have no include towns, villages, or municipal corporations, upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident property tax payers voting thereon who are qualified electors of such district or territory to be elected thereby, in addition to all other debts may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory; except that the total bonded indebtedness of any city or town shall never exceed the limits imposed by other provisions of this constitution; and levy and collect such taxes to pay the interest thereon and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof as the Legislature may authorize, and in such manner as it may authorize the same, for the following purposes, to-wit:

- (a) The improvement of rivers, creeks and streams to prevent floods, and to permit of navigation thereof, or irrigation therefrom, in aid of such purposes.
 - (b) The construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, ditches, canals and waterways for the purposes of irrigation, drainage, navigation, or in aid thereof.
 - (c) The construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, paved or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof.
- Provided, however, that under legislative enactment any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, which may be formed for the purpose of reclaiming and improving overflowed and swamp lands in this State, and maintaining improvements thereof, may, upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident property tax payers voting thereon who are qualified electors of such district or territory, in addition to all other debts, issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one per cent of the assessed valuation of the real property in such district or territory.

Provided, further, that where a county, district or other political subdivision has issued bonds for improvements for the purposes mentioned in this Section, the Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of taxes for the maintenance of such improvements, not to exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollars valuation in any one year.

SECTION 2. The foregoing amendment of Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of Texas, shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this State for its adoption or rejection, at a special election hereby ordered for the fourth Saturday in July, A. D. 1915, the same being the first day of said month. All voters on this proposed amendment at said election who favor its adoption shall have printed or written on their ballots the following: "For amendment of Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds for levee, drainage, road and other public improvements, and for taxes therefor." Those voting against its adoption shall have printed or written on their ballots the following: "Against the amendment of Section 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds for levee, drainage, road and other improvements, and for taxes therefor."

Previous to the election the Secretary of State shall cause to be printed and forwarded to the county judge of each county, for use in said election, a sufficient number of ballots for the use of the voters of each county, on which he shall have printed the form of ballot here prescribed, for the convenient use of the voters.

SECTION 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue his necessary proclamation ordering this election, and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. The sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of publishing said proclamation, and printing and distributing the necessary tickets and blanks for use in said election.

(A true copy) JOHN G. MCKAY, Secretary of State.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9.

Joint resolution to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto Section 3b, authorizing the Legislature to provide by law for the creation of a student's loan fund in each county in connection with the public schools thereof.

RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 3b, which shall read and be as follows, to-wit:

SEC. 3b. The Commissioners' Court of each county in this State shall have the power, and is hereby authorized, when a majority of the qualified voters of such county shall vote to create such fund, to create a fund to be known as a "Students' Loan Fund," for the purpose of enabling students of the public free schools of said county to borrow money to be used in their education for the purpose of graduating from the county public schools and after graduation to continue their education in any higher State institution of learning, such fund to be created and administered by the Commissioners' Court of each county as may be provided by law.

SEC. 2. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within such county for the purpose of raising said students' loan fund, said tax not to exceed in any one year twenty cents [20c] on the one hundred dollars [\$100.00] valuation of the property subject to taxation in each county; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote in favor of such tax. Provided, that if the tax is adopted, after it has been levied for two years, an election may be held, on the order of the Commissioners' Court to determine whether or not said tax shall be repealed; and provided, further, that it shall be the duty of the Commissioners' Court to order such election upon a petition to do by twenty-five per cent of the qualified tax paying voters of the county.

SEC. 3. The Legislature shall pass the necessary laws carrying into effect this provision of the Constitution.

SEC. 4. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks, commencing at least three [3] months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment, on the fourth Saturday in July, 1915, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas, in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall, and he is hereby directed, to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the Amendment to Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution, adding thereto Section 3b, authorizing the Commissioners' Court to create a Students' Loan Fund." and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the Amendment to Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution, adding thereto Section 3b, authorizing the Commissioners' Court to create a Students' Loan Fund."

SEC. 5. That \$5,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

(A true copy) JOHN G. MCKAY, Secretary of State.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2, of Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a provision authorizing a qualified voter to vote for State officers, or on any proposition submitted to the voters of this State in a precinct other than the precinct of his residence under certain conditions, and making an appropriation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, of Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

SEC. 2. Every male person subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years, and who shall be a citizen of the United States, and who shall have resided in this State one year next preceding an election, and the last six months within the district or county in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed a qualified elector, and every male person of foreign birth, subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have become a citizen of the United States in accordance with the Federal naturalization laws, and shall have resided in this State one year next preceding such election and the last six months in the county in which he offers to vote, shall also be deemed a qualified elector; and all electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence; provided, that electors living in any unorganized county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which such county is attached for judicial purposes; and providing further, that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax under the laws of the State of Texas shall have paid said tax before he offers to vote at any election in this State, and holds a receipt showing his poll tax paid before the first day of February next preceding such election. Or, if said voter shall have lost or misplaced said tax receipt, he shall be entitled to vote upon making affidavit before any officer authorized to administer oaths that such tax receipt has been lost. Such affidavit shall be made in writing and left with the judge of the election. If any qualified voter in this State shall have personally paid his poll tax in the county and precinct of his residence, or secured an exemption certificate showing that he is exempt from paying a poll tax, he shall be permitted to vote in the county in which he may be on election day on any proposition which may have been submitted to the voters of the entire State, and for any office to be filled by the voters of the entire State; also for members of either branch of the Legislature and Congress and judicial officials; provided, no voter shall vote for members of either branch of the Legislature, Congress, or judicial officials outside of the legislature, congressional or judicial district of such voter's residence and nothing herein shall permit a voter to vote at any place other than his residence, if he be within the county of his residence on election day. Any person offering to vote in any county other than the county of his residence shall deliver to the election managers his poll tax receipt or exemption certificate, who shall retain same until the following day, and then mail same to the person depositing same to any address he may name; and in addition to depositing the poll tax receipt or redemption certificate, such person so offering to vote shall make an affidavit:

- (1) That he is absent from home, and it will be impossible for him to return to the precinct of his residence in time to vote;
- (2) That he has not voted at any other election precinct on that day, and will not offer to vote at any other precinct in this State;
- (3) That he personally paid his poll tax within the time provided by law, or personally secured the certificate of his exemption from the payment of a poll tax.

SECTION 3. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature at an election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the fourth Saturday in July, 1915, the same being the twenty-fourth day of July, 1915, and the Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and to have the same published, as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. Those favoring the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For amendment to Section 2, of Article 6, of the Constitution, authorizing qualified voters to vote in precincts other than the precinct of their residence under certain conditions." Those opposing the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against amendment to Section 2, of Article 6, of the Constitution, authorizing qualified voters to vote in precincts other than the precinct of their residence under certain conditions."

SECTION 4. No Legislation shall be necessary to put into effect this article of the Constitution, but when adopted same shall be self-enacting.

SECTION 5. The sum of five thousand [\$5,000.00] dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of such proclamation, publication and election.

(A true copy) JOHN G. MCKAY, Secretary of State.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4.

A joint resolution of the Legislature of the State of Texas proposing and submitting to a vote of the people of Texas an amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution, authorizing the levy and collection of a special road tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollar valuation of property in any county, subdivision or subdivisions, or defined district thereof, when same has been authorized by a majority of the qualified electors voting at an election held for that purpose, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows, to-wit:

SECTION 9. The State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt, and the taxes provided for the benefit of the public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation; and no county, city or town shall levy more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes, and not exceeding fifteen cents for roads and bridges, and not exceeding fifteen cents to pay jurors, on the one hundred dollar valuation, except for the payment of debts incurred prior to the adoption of the amendment, September 25, 1883; and for the erection of public buildings, streets, sewers, water works and other permanent improvements, not to exceed one dollar on the one hundred dollar valuation in any one year, and except as is in this Constitution otherwise provided; and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected for the further building and maintenance of the public roads; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county or of any political subdivision or subdivisions of the county, or of any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within any county, who has been assessed a property tax and paid said tax for the next year prior to the time he offers to vote, voting at an election held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property subject to taxation in such county, political subdivision or subdivisions, or described or defined district. And the Legislature may pass local laws for the maintenance of the public roads and highways, without the local notice required for special or local laws.

SECTION 2. The foregoing amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution of Texas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this State for adoption or rejection at an election to be held on the fourth Saturday in the month of July, 1915. All voters on this proposed amendment at said election who favor its adoption shall have printed or written on their ballots the following: "For amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution, authorizing the levy and collection of a special road tax not to exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property in any county, subdivision or subdivisions, or defined district thereof, when same has been authorized by a majority of the qualified electors at an election held for that purpose." Those voting against its adoption shall have written or printed on their ballots the following: "Against the amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution, authorizing the levy and collection of a special road tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property in any county, subdivision or subdivisions, or defined district thereof, when same has been authorized by a

majority of the qualified electors at an election held for that purpose.

SECTION 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue his necessary proclamation ordering this election, and have same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of publishing and proclamation and printing of tickets and necessary blanks to use in said election.

(A true copy) JOHN G. MCKAY, Secretary of State.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8.

A proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, amending Article 5, Section 2 of said State, so as to provide that the Supreme Court of this State shall consist of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices, described their qualifications, tenure of office and compensation.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

SECTION 2. The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices, any three of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of three judges shall be necessary to the decision of a case. No person shall be eligible to the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court unless he be at the time of his election a citizen of the United States, and this State, and unless he shall attained the age of thirty years, and shall have been a practicing lawyer or a Judge of a Court, or such lawyer and judge together, at least seven years. Said Chief Justice and Associate Justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State at a general election, shall hold their offices six years, or until their successors are elected and qualified, and shall each receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars until otherwise provided by law. In case of a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor shall fill the vacancy until the next general election for said officers; and at such general election the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by election by the qualified voters of the State. The Judges of the Supreme Court who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their term of office under the present Constitution, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Immediately after the adoption of this amendment the Governor of this State shall call an election for the purpose of electing two Associate Justices one of whom shall, when elected, hold said office for four years and one of whom, when elected, shall hold said office for six years, and the question of which of them shall hold four years and which of them hold for six years shall be determined by lot, as now provided by law.

SECTION 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation, ordering an election to determine whether or not said Constitutional amendments will be adopted, and have the same published, as required by the Constitution and the laws of this State. Said election shall be held on the fourth Saturday in July, 1915, and the sum of Five Thousand Dollars [\$5,000.00], or so much thereof as necessary, is hereby appropriated from any fund in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of printing said proclamation and of holding said election.

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Trey O'Hearts

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insisted, "Dig up some clergyman over there, if you can't know one yourself."

"Oh, I'm well acquainted with the very man!"

CHAPTER XXIV.

The Time of Night.
Not ill-fated to be left to his own devices (whose proposed character Digby would never have approved had he so much as suspected them) Alan knew the loss deferred action until after midnight.

And espionage was all he feared—save and except always, of course, failure to find his Rose.

It was about one in the morning when he arrived inconspicuously (but not so much so as to seem deserving of police surveillance) in the neigh-

borhood of the Riverside drive home of his wealthy enemy, a grim white house that towered, stark and tall, upon a corner.

His preliminary reconnaissance provided little more than comfortless ex-



Alan's Appearance at the Hotel Monolith.

ercise. Huge, still, its wall boded in the milk and ink of moonlight and shadow, all its windows dark but one—and that one, in the topmost tier, showed only a feeble glimmer, so slight that Alan almost overlooked it.

He believed with small doubt that Rose was a prisoner within those walls; that Judith must have conveyed her there with all speed.

And, this being the presumptive case, that small, high window of the light might well be hers.

Directly across the street from the Trine residence, on the opposite corner, a colossal apartment structure stood half-finished, stonework to its second story, gaunt iron-skeleton rearing above.

To his intuitive disgust, Alan found the guardian very wide awake, very much on the job; no chance here to steal unseen into the building.

This in itself might have been deemed a suspicious circumstance; not for nothing does an honest night watchman so deny the laws of nature and the tenets of his craft. But Alan merely praised the man while cursing the very fact of his existence; and, accosting, overcame with bank-notes what seemed an uncommonly stubborn reluctance, and got his way.

He could not know that another skulked behind a barrier of lime barrels and overheard all that passed and, when Alan had ducked smartly into the unfinished building, rose and stole after him with footsteps as noiseless as a cat's and a face that had the savagery of a tiger's when it was transiently revealed in a shaft of moonlight.

At length Alan gained the gridiron of girders on a plane with the lighted window across the way, and crept along one of these, gingerly on his hands and knees, until he came to its end and might, if he cared to, look down a hundred feet to the sidewalks.

That view, however, did not tempt; he kept his eyes level; and was rewarded with a bare glimpse of a prettily-papered wall, framed in the lace of half-drawn curtains.

And of sudden—whether through fortuity, or instinct, or the psychological attraction of his steadfast concentration—the tenant of the room came to the window and stood there for a little, looking pensively out, altogether unconscious of the watcher in his aerial coign.

Again a horrible uncertainty harassed him. Was the woman Rose or Judith? That she was one of these he could plainly see. But which? Dared he assume his hopes fulfilled?

With difficulty he detached his hungry vision from her, and drawing from his pocket a small notebook, tore out a blank page, placed this flat on the girder, found a pencil, and with the assistance of a ray or two of moonlight scrawled a message of almost stenographic brevity.

When he looked up from this task, she had vanished.

Sitting up, astride the girder, he took his watch—a cheap affair he had picked up when reclothing himself in the garments of civilized society, at Providence, that morning—opened the back of the case, and closed it upon the folded message.

Then drawing back his arm, he breathed a silent prayer to the god of all true lovers, and cast it from him with all his might—with such force that it almost unseated him at the end of the swing. But nothing less would have served to bridge that yawning chasm.

And the watch flew straight and true, squarely through the lighted window and to the further wall.

At that very instant of his exultation over an obstacle overcome, he heard a sound behind him of heavy breathing.

The assassin had come that close upon his prey when Alan turned and discovered his peril.

right hand to strike.

But even now Alan was in little or no better case than before. If he faced the thug, he faced him with no arms other than his bare hands. He had not even a pen-knife in his pockets.

With a low cry of desperation Alan snatched off his hat, a soft and shapeless felt affair, and flung it squarely in the fellow's face.

Before he could recover—before, that is, it dropped away and cleared his vision, Alan had bent forward and grasped the wrist of the hand that held the knife.

He snatched simultaneously at the other hand, but it eluded him.

Alan had this advantage, as long as the knife might not strike—that his right arm was free, while the assassin had only his left. With this he strove persistently to reach his knife-hand and possess himself of the weapon.

As persistently Alan foiled his purpose by dragging the knife-hand toward him and swinging it far out to one side. At the same time he struck repeatedly with his clenched fist at the other's face. His blows did little damage beyond disconcerting the other; but this proved a very considerable factor in the duel. In the end, they served together with that steady, relentless downward and outward drag, to break the grip of the man's locked legs.

Abruptly he pitched forward on his face along the girder, kicking wildly, grasping at the air. The stiletto fell from an instinctively relaxed grasp, and disappeared. And before Alan could release his hold, or ease the strain upon the right arm of the assassin, this last had slipped bodily from the girder and hung helpless in space, dangling at the end of Alan's arm—with no more than the grip of five fingers between him and death.

The shock of that unprospered turn brought Alan forward and flat on his stomach. And the strain on his left arm was terrific. He doubted if he could maintain it for another minute. Nor was there any reason why he should retain it. The end he had designed for his victim was merely his just desert.

And yet Alan could not let him go. Thus the battle began anew—but now it was a battle with a man half-crazed and struggling so madly that he well-nigh frustrated the efforts of his rescuer.

In the upshot the assassin lay like a limp rag across the girder, head and arms dangling on one side, legs and feet on the other, spent with his terrific exertions and physically sick with terror.

And in this state Alan left him; he had done enough; let the man shift for himself from this time on.

CHAPTER XXV.

Changeling.

In the vague, chill gray of that dull and desolate dawn, Judith stirred abruptly on the couch of a sleepless night, and with the rapidity of one who has arrived at a settled purpose after a long period of doubt and perplexity, rose and bathed and dressed herself in negligence.

In the adjoining room she could hear small, stealthy noises—the sounds made by her sister moving about and preparing against the unresponsible moment when her rescue would be attempted, according to the informant conveyed in that midnight message.

For chance had conspired with her insomnia to station Judith in the recess of her darkened window, idly viewing the gaunt framework of the unfinished building from an angle which, when Alan edged out along the girder, showed him plainly in silhouette against the sky.

She had seen him throw the watch and had heard the double thump of its impact with the wall and floor of Rose's bedchamber.

The clock was striking six as she left her room; across the street workmen were streaming into the building to begin the labors of the day.

Brushing unceremoniously past the drowsy and indifferent guard in the corridor outside the door to Rose's room, Judith turned the key that remained in the lock on the outside, removed it, entered, and locked the door behind her.

Without any surprise she found her sister already dressed to the point of donning her outer garments,

Rendered half-frantic by this unexpected interruption, threatening as it did the perilous scheme that Alan had proposed, Rose greeted her sister with a countenance at once aghast and wrathful.

"I insist that you leave this room at once!"

"Insist by all means—and be damned! I may leave this room—and I may not, dear little sister. But one of us will never leave it alive."

"What do you mean? You cannot mean to murder me in cold blood, Judith?"

"Not I!" Judith laughed harshly. "But, since it has pleased Destiny to decree that we must both love one man—let Destiny decide between us and bear the blame of murder!"

"Judith!"

"One moment!" Crossing to a side table, Judith took up a glass from a tray that held a silver water-pitcher, and returned with it to the table that occupied the middle of the floor. At the same time she opened a hand till then fast clenched and disclosed a small blue bottle with a red label shrieking the warning "POISON!"

"Strychnine," she explained acrossedly. "In solution." And emptied the bottle into the glass.

A measure of courage returned to Rose. "Do you expect to be able to make me drink that?" she demanded contemptuously.

"Not I—but Destiny, if it will! See here." From a pocket of her dressing-gown Judith produced a sealed deck of playing cards. "Let these declare the will of Destiny toward us. I will break the seal, shuffle the cards, and deal," she explained, swift action to word. "The one who gets the trey of hearts will drain that glass. Is it a bargain?"

"Never! Oh, now I know that you are altogether mad!"

Whipping a small revolver from another pocket of her dressing-gown, Judith placed it on the table, ready to her hand.

"You will shoot me if I do not consent?"

"Not you—but him. If you refuse, little sister, I will shoot Alan Law dead when he comes to keep his appointment with you."

With a shudder Rose bowed her head.

"Deal," she muttered fearfully, "and

may God judge between us!"

One by one she stripped the cards from the top of the deck, dealing first to Rose, then to herself.

One by one they fluttered to the table on either side the glass of poison, and fell face uppermost.

The trey of hearts fell to Judith. There was an instant of silent dread, ended by Rose, as Judith's hand moved steadily toward the glass.

"Judith!" she implored. "Don't—I beg of you—I didn't mean it—I take back my consent—"

"Too late!" said Judith, lifting the glass and eyeing its contents with a strange smile.

"Judith! you cannot mean to drink it?"

"Can't I, though?" the other laughed mirthlessly. "Just watch me!"

With a strangled cry Rose covered her face with her hands to shut out the sight, stood momentarily swaying, and dropped to the floor in a complete faint.

Delaying only to recognize this phenomena with a pitying smile for the weakness of spirit that caused it, Judith's glance darted through the window and saw that which caused her to



"Not I—but Destiny, if it will!"

stay her hand an instant longer.

On the topmost tier of girders of the building opposite, Alan Law stood amid a little knot of amused and animated laborers, one foot in the great steel hook of the hoisting tackle, both hands clasping the chain that linked it to the gigantic block.

And as Judith stared, he smiled at something said by one of those about him, looked back, and waved a hand to some person invisible.

Immediately the arm began to lift the tackle to move slowly through the blocks. Very gently he was swung up and outward.

With a cry Judith flung the poison heedlessly from her, leaped across the room, and snatched up the street garments Rose had dropped at her sister's entrance.

In another moment she was struggling madly into them.

Before the shadow of Alan, clinging to the hook and chain, fell athwart the window, she was dressed and clamored out upon the sill.

"Sweetheart! My bravest little woman!"

The hook hung steadily within six inches of the window-ledge. Alan extended his arm.

"Nothing to fear, except lest I hold you too tight, dear one!"

Without a word Judith set her foot beside his in the hook, surrendered to his embrace, and closed her eyes.

Immediately they were swung away from the window, over toward the opposite sidewalk, and gently lowered to the street.

"Maybe this isn't a good scheme!" Alan exulted in the innocence of his heart. "But I think it is. And those workmen think it a great lark—I told them the simple truth, you see: that we were eloping!"

By way of answer Judith breathed only a word of tenderness.

And that instant the hook paused and Alan stepped off upon the sidewalk.

"Safe and sound—and not a sou over there the wiser as yet!" he declared with a derisive nod toward the home of Trine. "Come along. Here's a limousine waiting. In twenty minutes we'll be at the ferry. In forty over in Jersey, within an hour married within four hours safe at sea!"

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