

Cotton Crop Improving Finances and Spirits

Prize of 1,500 Bales of Cotton has Had Marked Influence on Business

Two bales of cotton marketed in Florida during the period of forty days since the first bale was ginned on September 1st, has had a marked influence on the financial status of the farmers in particular and on the business community in general. Since about September 15th the average run of cotton money through the banks of Florida has been around \$5,000 per day. A number of days the ginnings have been above 100 bales and the amount of money increased accordingly.

That the cotton crop has been quite a bit greater than was anticipated and that the price has sustained itself in spite of strong selling all over the south, have added materially to the financial value of the cotton crop. Slightly above 1,500 bales had been ginned in Floydada this mid-week. Gainers are freely predicting a total of 2,500 bales or more if rains do not spoil the crop which is now practically all open ready for the pickers. Only a few fields are not ready for the pickers, and these will be started over by the first of next week.

With the improved condition in the financial status spirits of the people over the county at large have also shown improvement. That Floyd County farmers and business men will close the year in much better condition than was thought possible forty days ago is assured, and with this assurance operations on the farms are going right along. Thousands of acres of this year's cotton and feed lands are being sowed to wheat "in the dust", and other lands are being prepared for summer fallowing.

What is true of the cotton crop around Floydada is also true southeast around Wake and McAdoo and in the north part of the county. From Lockney reports indicate that at least 2,000 bales of cotton will be raised and marketed. At Wake and McAdoo the cotton showed to be better than in the immediate territory surrounding Floydada and farmers in that section are also getting a larger crop in proportion than was anticipated.

MASONS HEAR GRANDMASTER

Ten members of Floyd City Lodge A. F. & A. M., heard Grandmaster D. F. Johnson of the Grand Lodge, Masonic Order Friday night of last week tell of the educational and service program of the Texas Grand Lodge for this fiscal year.

In the party from Floydada were J. D. Starks, J. W. Pitts, C. M. and Herbert Meredith, M. L. Probasco, Dr. C. M. Thacker, C. W. Melson, J. M. Willson, W. B. Jordan and J. H. Reagan.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Moore of Lubbock, spent Sunday in Floydada visiting Mr. Moore's mother, Mrs. Wm. Moore and family.

Election Ordered to Fill Burke's Place

Tuesday night at the regular meeting of the City Council the resignation of W. J. Burke as an alderman was received and accepted, Mr. Burke giving as his reason for resigning the fact it will be necessary for him to be away from home much of the time the next few months, during which time he cannot give the duties of the office his attention.

The council accepted the resignation of Mr. Burke and ordered an election to fill the vacancy to be held on Tuesday, October 24th, naming J. E. Swinson as presiding judge.

WORLD SERIES PLAY BY PLAY RECEIVED BY RADIO

Floydada baseball fans got all the games of the World Series between the New York Giants and the New York Yankees last week by radio, through the courtesy of the Mitchell Hardware. The games were taken play by play and the score kept by inscriptions on the display windows of the hardware firm.

During some of the games the loudspeaker was attached and the fans heard the report from the mouth of the announcer at WBAP, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The Giants won the series in five games, taking four and tying one.

R. H. McClure, of Silverton, was transacting business in Floydada Saturday.

Floyd County Exhibit Gets Ninth Place

Prize of \$200 Goes With Winnings of County at Texas State Fair

Floyd County's exhibit at the Texas State Fair won ninth place in the awarding of prizes at Dallas, as announced on Tuesday by the judges. A telegram from Maury Hopkins, in charge of the exhibit there, gave this information to Floydada people Tuesday morning. Ninth place carries with it a prize of \$200.

That Floyd County is getting unusually heavy advertising at the State Fair of Texas with its exhibit there this year is indicated by reports from Maury Hopkins, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, who is in Dallas with the exhibit.

As indicated in early reports fewer counties have exhibits at Dallas this fall than has been true in a number of years, and the preponderance of Panhandle and Plains Counties represented there, is giving this section advertising as a district which under other circumstances could not be obtained. That Texas is dryer than for a number of years, the entire southwest having the driest year in many, is believed to be the reason for the falling off of the faint hearts who have considered it bad business policy to try to advertise in strenuous times. As a consequence only twenty-two counties are represented in Dallas. Of this number sixteen are plains and panhandle counties.

Although the Floyd County exhibit was gathered hurriedly and the greater part of it exhibited in Oklahoma City at the Oklahoma State Fair for ten days, then reshipped to Dallas, the county's exhibit got within the first ten exhibits there.

Heaviest scoring of this county was in the forage grains, small grains and fruits. Secretary Hopkins was complimented highly by The Dallas News reporter in Sunday's issue upon the neatness and attractiveness of the display as well.

Thousands of visitors at the fair have been seeing the Floyd County exhibit this week and a large amount of advertising done in this manner.

Reports on the number of individual entries made in the name of Floyd County farmers had not been received by the Chamber of Commerce here Wednesday and a list of the awards had not been made public through the press.

NEW CARRIER ON SILVERTON ROUTE SWORN IN

Scott Smithe, of Silverton has bought the Star mail route contract of Lin Christopher, between Floydada and Silverton and last week began carrying the mail on the route.

ELDER BROOKS STELL PREACHES BEGINNING TONIGHT

Elder Brooks Stell will preach at the Church of Christ beginning tonight and continuing to include Saturday night.

Elder E. B. Mullins will fill his regular appointment with the church Sunday morning, and announcement will be made as to further services at that time.

FIRST TRAIN RUN INTO WACO JUST 50 YEARS AGO

Time flies mighty fast we think, and yet it was only fifty years ago that the first train was run into Waco, now the railroad and distributing center for the "old settled" section of the black land belt.

Railroads in those days were being built by subsidies, the subsidies consisting of grants of West Texas lands, which is why such a heavy percentage of Floyd County lands shows on the records to have been originally granted to a railroad company.

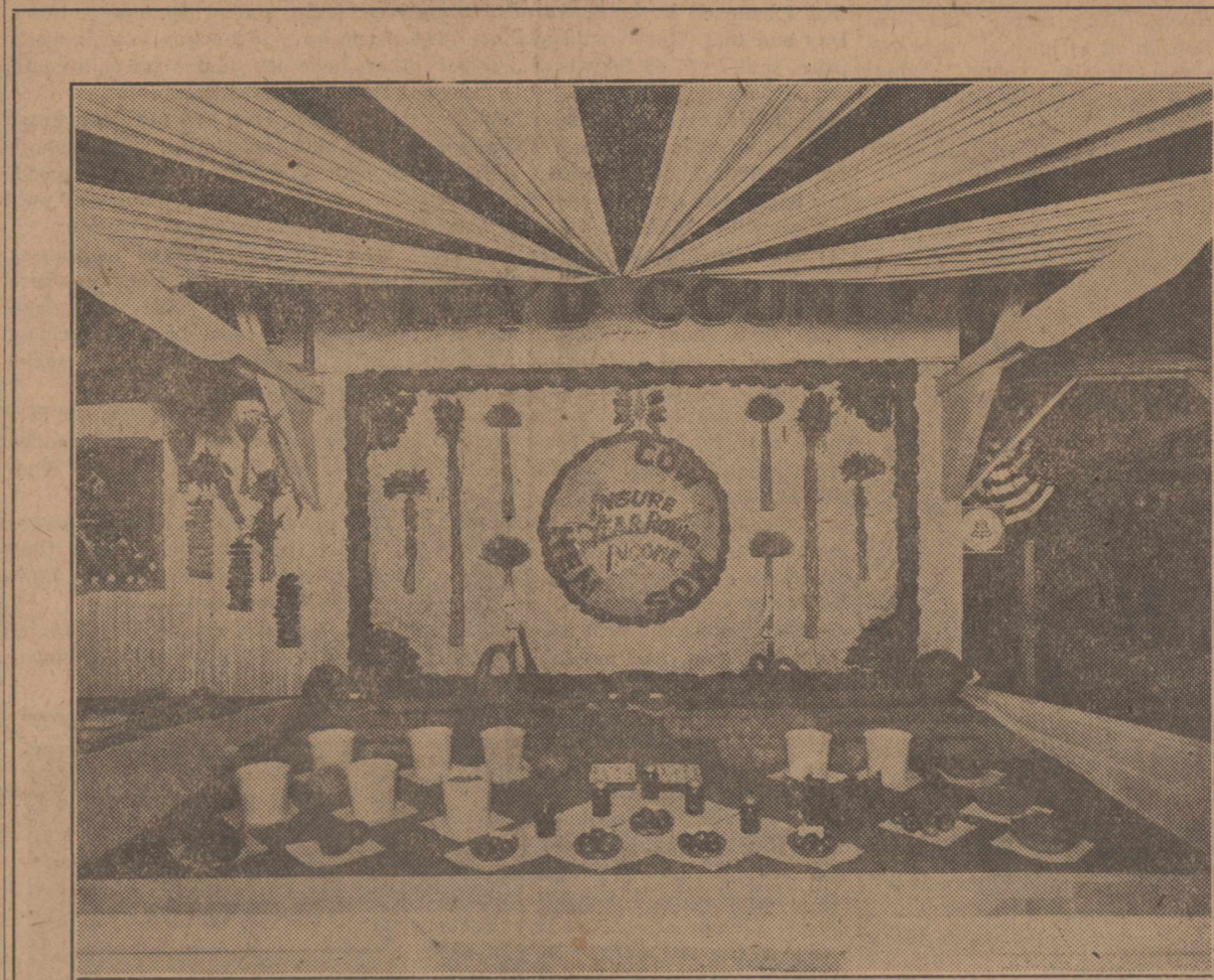
SANITARIUM NOTES

J. N. Nelson is at the Childers Sanitarium convalescing following an operation Friday morning at two o'clock for appendicitis.

Silas Scott, of Blanco, had an operation at the Childers Sanitarium Thursday morning of last week, for appendicitis.

The nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Jackson of Center, is rapidly recovering from appendicitis, following an operation last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Sparks, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fry, Ray Dickey and W. J. Burke, left in an automobile party for southern California Wednesday.



Floyd County Exhibit at Texas State Fair Which is Attracting Much Favorable Attention

Above is a photograph of the Floyd County Exhibit at the Texas State Fair, gathered by County Agent T. Scott Wilson and Maury Hopkins, secretary of the Floydada Chamber of Commerce, and shown by the Chamber of Commerce. The exhibit won ninth place in the county competition.

Canary Bird 18 Years Old at Time of Death

How long is the natural life of a bird?

The ordinary person usually cannot answer that kind of a question and perhaps the students of bird life can't tell except in a general way.

Doubtless, birds live longer than we think, if accidents do not happen to them or they are not prey of some animal.

As an illustration, a canary bird, belonging to Mrs. J. D. Starks, died last week at the age of 18 years. The bird was hatched in a cage at the Starks home when the post office in Floydada was located near the corner of Main and Missouri Street and the Starks family lived in the back of the office and ran a confectionery in front.

Mrs. Starks says parting with "Eugene," the canary, was like parting with an old friend, almost.

LAKEVIEW SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY WITH 4 TEACHERS

Lakeview Public School opens Monday of next week. For the first time in the school's history it will be necessary to employ four teachers. The personnel of the teaching force this year will be: I. I. Isbell, principal; Leighton Palmerton, Misses Terry and Tumlinson, assistants.

Plans are being made for an eight-month term.

REFUNDING OF GOVERNMENT DEBT IS STARTED

The first step of the United States Treasury Department toward the redemption of obligations aggregating about two billion dollars maturing from December 15th to January 1st, was taken this week when the twelve Federal Reserve Banks of the country announced simultaneously they would accept subscriptions to a government bond issue of \$500,000,000, to be dated October 16th and to run for 30 years, bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest.

Since this bond issue is for only about one-fourth of the total maturing indebtedness it is expected that two or three other issues will be made before the first of the year, to bring the total up to the two billion dollars.

The denominations of the new issues are from \$100 to \$10,000 in coupon issues or up to \$100,000 if registered.

Among the issues which must be redeemed by January 1st are a portion of the Victory Liberty Loan notes and War Savings Certificates, together with the accrued interest on them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed N. Sparks and children reached home Sunday from Fayetteville, Ark., where they spent some three weeks on a vacation visit with relatives.

Murder Indictment Returned Against Compton

Four Accept Verdicts of Penal Servitude—Grand Jury Still Working

Five verdicts of guilty have been returned by petit juries in the district court of Floyd County this week and four of this number have accepted verdicts of sentences.

Monday F. L. Young pled guilty to a charge of forgery before a jury and a verdict of two years sentence returned by the jury. Floyd Warner, on a charge of horse theft, pled guilty and was given two years and nine months. Lloyd Stevens entered a plea of guilty on a charge of incest and was given two years by a jury Tuesday. Marvin Mince, charged with selling intoxicating liquors, gave notice of appeal from a jury verdict Tuesday of one year and six months penitentiary sentence.

Floyd Billington, a juvenile, was given a term in the Industrial School for Juveniles at Gatesville. He was charged with theft by bailee.

Yesterday afternoon a jury was chosen in the case of Bill Brown, who is charged with forgery. The jury acquitted the defendant.

Two indictments have been returned this week by the grand jury, on felony charges. Bill Lee, of Lockney, is charged by indictment with the burning of the Meriwether & Willis Building in Lockney on October 8th, 1921.

And A. B. Compton, of Allmon, was indicted for murder. He is charged with the death of N. W. Killeen, also of Allmon, who died Friday morning of last week at a sanitarium in Lubbock, following injuries sustained Wednesday morning, October 4th. It is alleged that Compton struck the deceased with an axe. His bond was set at \$5,000 which he made Tuesday.

The grand jury is still in session, having been at work continuously since Monday, September 25th.

Petit jurors summoned for next week are: P. M. Felton, J. T. J. Dawson, R. B. Smith, T. J. Gill, Dee Nix, O. F. Battey, D. C. Day, Francis Carthel, Walter Collins, C. L. Kneirim, J. W. Fox, J. R. Baker, M. G. Brotherton, C. D. Craddock, N. B. Pace, I. D. Evans, P. C. Banks, Kent Foster, J. H. Byington, J. T. Elliott, Nelson Coward, M. H. Davis, A. A. Beedy, M. D. Bumbalough, J. H. Fowler, J. R. Glenn, Bob Reeves, R. L. Henry, T. T. Hamilton, E. H. Bonarden, H. M. McDonald, W. B. Jones, Tom W. Deen, T. N. Clark, J. P. Hart and E. C. Cox.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Commissioners' Court was in session Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Routine business affairs, including the allowing of accounts against the county, had the attention of the court.

Restraining Order Asked Against Refunding

Suit Brought in Name of W. N. Jones Would Stop Taxation for Refunding Warrants

The expected plea for a writ of injunction against the Commissioners' Court of Floyd County by which they would be enjoined from proceeding with the sale of Floyd County refunding warrants to the Geo. L. Simpson Company, of Dallas, was filed in the District Court of Floyd County Tuesday morning of this week by Bledsoe & Mulligan, of Lubbock, attorneys representing a number of Floyd County property owners who are suing in the name of W. N. Jones, a prominent farmer of the Lakeview Community. The action against the commissioners' court would also restrain them from levying a tax to pay said warrants, would restrain the tax assessor from assessing property to pay the tax and would restrain the tax collector from collecting the tax as well.

The basis on which the suit is filed is practically the same as outlined some two weeks ago by Judge W. B. Clark for his refusal to be a party to the refunding issue. The allegations set out, among other things that the \$78,000 which would be refunded by the commissioners constitutes an illegal and unenforceable debt against the county, made during the years of 1916 to 1922, inclusive, and further that the commissioners' court had full knowledge of the fact that said indebtedness was illegal and did not constitute a legal debt against the county, collectible by law, at the time the contract was made for the sale of the refunding warrants.

The prayer of the plaintiffs asks that the injunction served upon the commissioners command that they cancel and remove from the minutes of the court the order for the sale of the refunding warrants, that they refrain from any levy of taxes thereunder and causing the assessment of taxes thereunder to be made, or causing said tax to appear upon the tax rolls of the county, or from doing anything to carry into effect the order to issue the warrants and taking the proceeds therefrom to pay said alleged illegal debts.

Judge Arthur B. Duncan, W. M. Massie, S. D. Furguson & Co., and a number of others are among the contributors to the fund raised to employ attorneys to prosecute the case for the plaintiff.

Judge Joiner set the date for the hearing for tomorrow evening at seven o'clock, when arguments will be heard and, if an injunction is granted, the amount of the bond required will be set.

The effect of the action of the plaintiffs, if sustained by the court, will be to declare all outstanding non-interest bearing warrants of the county illegal, and speculation on the outcome is quite general. Holders of non-interest bearing warrants of the county are particularly anxious as to the outcome of the issue.

Tax Payers Protest To Equalization Board

A relatively large number of taxpayers in Floydada Independent School District made protest to the Board of Equalization at its meeting Wednesday in the county tax collector's office against increase in taxation valuations.

In these cases the board, which consists of citizens who were appointed by the school trustees, pointed out that the raises made were based on relative values of the property so raised and of property immediately adjoining or in the same neighborhood.

GARZA COUNTY WILL HAVE NEW COURT HOUSE

Post, Texas, September 30.—Guy A. Carlander of Amarillo yesterday was employed by the Garza County Commissioners' Court as architect for the new Garza County court house to be erected here. The new courthouse is to be a three-story fire-proof structure, costing approximately \$82,000 for which bonds recently voted were sold Thursday at a premium of \$16.40. The bonds are forty-year, five and one-half percent bonds, carrying a ten year option.

An ideal site for the location of the building has been chosen. It will occupy the center of a double block and can be seen from the railroad station down the center of main street.

School District Equalization Board Meets

The special equalization board appointed by the trustees of the Floydada Independent School District, held their public hearing at the county tax collector's office yesterday.

Their duties were to equalize the valuations in the district. More than three days was spent by the equalizers two weeks ago checking over the renditions and a number of taxpayers notified to appear before them Wednesday.

The special board was composed of E. C. Henry, A. A. Beedy and W. L. Boerner.

ROYLES JURY CANNOT AGREE ON VERDICT; DISMISSED

The jury in the R. M. Broyles case was unable to agree and were dismissed by the trial judge Monday morning. The case was given to the jury Friday night at nine o'clock.

The jury reported they were hopelessly disagreed Monday morning.

WARD, REPUBLICAN NOMINEE, TO SPEAK OCTOBER 18th

Judge H. O. Ward, of Matador, Republican nominee for Congress from the 18th District will speak in Floydada on Wednesday night, October 18th, according to announcement of J. H. Wilson, of Quanah, his campaign manager.

In a statement from Quanah Mr. Wilson declares that their candidate for congress "will tell your people something that will make them sit up and take notice."

Mr. Ward makes a good speech. Announcement of the place at which his address will be made will be given out at a later date.

BEAL SNEED AND J. RENFRO GET TWO YEARS

Abilene, Texas, October 7.—John Beal Sneed and J. Renfro, tried in Federal District Court and found guilty of a charge of conspiracy to obstruct the administration of justice, were each sentenced to serve two years in the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., by Federal Judge James C. Wilson here today.

The jury returned its verdict at noon. The charge grew out of alleged tampering with a juror in a case in Federal Court known as the Bilby Sneed case, involving, it is said, ranch lands valued at more than \$1,000,000. The land case was tried here last year and testimony showed that the jury was unable to agree, standing 11 to 1 on all three counts.

Sneed, a well-known Texas ranchman, lives at Paducah. Renfro lives in Dickens county.

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THE "BIG END" OF TEXAS

The "big end" of Texas is at the bat in Dallas this week, a dispatch from Dallas indicating that of the twenty-two counties showing at the Fair sixteen are from northwest Texas, more properly termed the panhandle and south plains.

Progress an building, and advertising go hand in hand. Advertising is as necessary as opening the doors in the morning. West Texas has had the door open a long time and has been pounding away at the game of advertising, good and bad years, with the result that West Texas is developing as no other section of the state. Come to West Texas.

The name of Earl B. Mayfield, as Democratic nominee for U. S. Senator has been certified by the Secretary of State, in spite of the protest of the Republican State Chairman. No one ever doubted this would be done.—Hall County Herald.

Mr. Mayfield's name has not been certified as yet and if the court's instructions are followed will not be at least until after October 16th. Technicalities are keeping Mr. Mayfield's name off the ticket and now it is doubtful whether it can be legally certified, the Terrell Election Law saying this must be done 30 days prior to the date of the election. We do not entirely agree with this kind of procedure, but we approve just as much of the Republicans keeping Mr. Mayfield's name off the ticket through a technicality as we do of the regular Democrats keeping Mr. Peddy's name off the ticket by the same means. Sauce is sauce whether fed to a goose or a gander.

PAYING SCHOOL TAX

Here's the way it is being done at Canyon: "Monday was the first day for payment of school taxes, and a large number of people in the Independent District called upon Collector J. B. Hensley and paid their taxes. "The trustees were forced to borrow

money to pay the first month's salaries of the teachers falling due last Saturday and an effort will be made to get tax payers to pay their taxes early this year in order that no more money will have to be borrowed."

Floydada Independent School District needs money, too. The state department of education says interest payments into the school fund are so slow that no apportionments of any large proportions can be made for some weeks. This means that local funds are going to have to carry the burden for a while. This is a challenge to the patriotism of the resident citizen.

FACTS AND COMMENT

The idle man kills time. Time kills the idle man.

"Don't burn coal this year until long into November," says the old citizen of Little Lot; "buy a gas stove or a kerosene stove and plan to get through the chilly autumn mornings as best you can."

Every new book issued in Great Britain has to be sent to the university of Oxford and Cambridge and Dublin, to the Advocates' Library, Edinburgh, and the Welsh National Library at Aberystwith.

The fashion of plucking the eyebrows has long been popular with the Araucanian Indian women of South America.

Agriculture constitutes the chief source of the power and wealth of the Japanese people in spite of the rapid strides recently in the manufacturing and mining industries. Sixty per cent of the population of Japan is rural.

The average life of a five dollar bill is 10 months through the country as a whole, and but eight months in dense centers of population.

Gold bars to the amount of \$31,780,000 have been received from abroad by Kuhn, Loeb & Company, New York, this year.

Within a few years the all-rail route from Cairo to the Cape will be completed.—Canyon News.

WAKE SCHOOL OPENED

The Wake public school opened Monday with a special program, and a large number of patrons present. The program was arranged by Miss Clark Kiker and was interestingly carried out by the pupils. Misses Stella Trowbridge, Nellie Gilley and Marie Kiker are the teachers, who are backed up by a strong board of trustees composed of J. S. Boyd, J. S. Callahan and Mr. Scales.

The new school building has just been finished by I. M. Steen and Milton Kiker and it is said to be one of the best rural school buildings in the county.—Crosbyton Review.

LON SWEENEY, FORMERLY OF SILVERTON, IS DEAD

Lon Sweeney, driller at Masterson No. 3, northeast of Amarillo, died Saturday night from injuries sustained when he caught fire following an explosion of gas. The explosion occurred while Sweeney was underreaming the well. He jumped into a tank of hot water and was badly scalded.

He formerly resided at Silverton where he was in the cattle business. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at Silverton cemetery.

QUILTING CLUB

The Quilting Club is meeting today with Mrs. N. A. Wimberly at the Wimberly farm east of Floydada.

NESTER'S PRAYER

"Lord, I am only a nester, a Dallas county farmer. Thou knowest that when wheat was \$2 per bushel and I had flour and sugar in the house and cake and pie every time I wanted it, I was not satisfied and voted for a change. Thou knowest that I wore a Harding badge and a buson button and was faithful in all things to the G. O. P. Even so, Thou knowest that I believed in the Dawn of a new Day and that Wool would advance in price, that I got \$3 for wheat, 20c per pound for pork Lord, two years have gone by to never return and I am too poor to buy the necessary Rockefeller for my Henry, but I still wear a Harding badge but now it's on the seat of my overalls. O, Lord, I am thankful for one thing and that is that Harding has been able to make a jack rabbit taste good in the summer time; I pray Thee that Thou will keep them replenished so that I shall not want, I am glad O' Lord, that Thou hast prospered the railroads and that they have been able to keep up their freight rates when my corn would not pay the expenses of the gathering. And I pray Thee that Thou wilt continue to uphold Mellon that he may be able to collect interest for years on the funds for his own bank accounts, for it is a righteous cause. Teach me to pray: "Our Father, who art in Washington, Harding be his name; His kingdom come, his will be done, even to beating the soldiers out of a bonus Give us each day our daily cornbread that Wilson tried to make us eat for two years and Harding had us eating it in three months; and lead us not into temptation to vote for a Democrat, for Harding's not got all the power, Mellon all the money Rockefeller all the oil, and me the patched trousers, for ever and for ever, Amen."—Exchange.

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. James K. Green was hostess to the Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon of last week. Progressive bridge was played at three tables.

Besides the members of the club, Mmes. J. L. Guest and E. O. Nichols, of Plainview, were guests for the afternoon.

LOCKNEY NEWS BRIEFS

From the Beacon: Cotton picking is quite general throughout this section, and much cotton is being picked, ginned and marketed. The yield is turning out better than was expected when picking began. It is now believed that we will get between 2500 and 3000 bales at this place. There will have been weighed at our public yards by Saturday night above 800 bales. Some farmers have just begun to pick, while others have not started yet on account of their cotton being late.

The cotton crop this year is a great help to this community, and although theyield is small, the price is good, which fact will be the means of putting much money into circulation.

Mrs. W. D. Long and daughters, Misses Kittye and Mabelle, were here Monday afternoon. We understand they intend to move back to Lockney some time this fall and again make this their home.

Mesdames Bob Ramsey, Victor McRea, Hamer Orman and Miss Eunice Orman were Floydada visitors Wednesday.

T. Z. Reed and L. A. Puckett returned Monday from Abilene where they spent several days attending the Fair.

R. C. Ayres, grain dealer of Plainview, was a business visitor in Floydada Monday.

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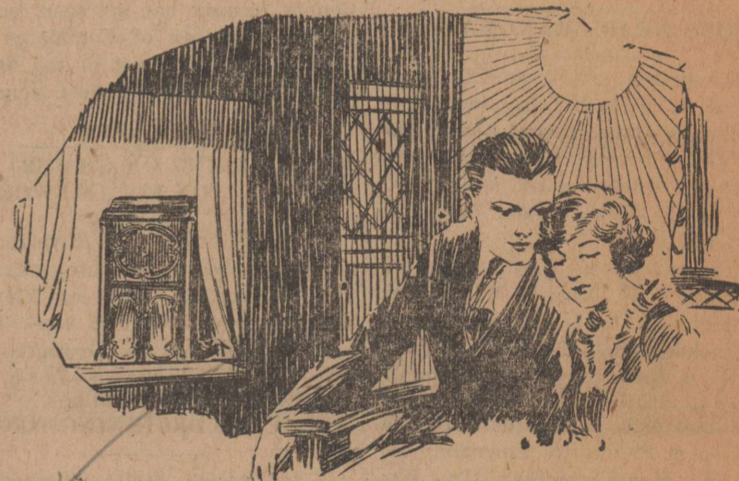
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"Gramont, you got ahead of me in this deal, and I congratulate you with all my heart!" said Fell, earnestly. "Neither of us suspected the part played by the other man! but you've done the work and done it well. Will you shake hands?"

Gramont confusedly took the hand extended to him.

"I've been a fool," he said, slowly. "I might have guessed that something unusual was—"

"No; how could you guess?" said Fell. "There are three men in Baton Rouge who know the truth, and three persons in this room. That's all, outside of the regular government men. I had not told even Lucie, here! I dared not. And I dare say nothing even now. To the underworld at large I will be known as the crook whom not even the government could touch; in days to come I may be of untold service to my country."

"If you will excuse me one moment," he went on, "I shall speak with your men who are on guard, Gramont. I—ah—will be back in a moment, and we may then discuss business. If you agree, I think that your company may proceed upon the original lines, and we shall set to work drilling for oil without delay—"

Gramont scarcely heard the words, nor did he hear the door close. He



He Was Still Looking Into the Eyes of Lucie Ledanois.

was still looking into the eyes of Lucie Ledanois, and wondering if the message they held was really meant for him.

CHAPTER XVI

Mi-Careme.

A nameless gentleman from the efete North was enjoying for the first time the privileges of a guest card at the Chess and Checkers. In a somewhat perplexed manner he approached the secretary's desk and obtained a cigar. Then he paused, listening to the sounds of revelry which filled the club, and which came roaring in from the city streets outside.

"Say!" he addressed the secretary. "What's this Mi-Careme I've been reading about in the papers, anyhow? I thought everything was tight as a clam down here after Mardi Gras? It's still the Lenten season, isn't it? Mardi Gras doesn't come more than once a year? Then what's all the celebration about?"

The secretary smiled. "Certainly, sir, it's still Lent. But the French people have what they call Mi-Careme, or Mid-Lent, and they certainly give it a big celebration! You see, it's a night halfway through Lent, when they can enjoy themselves to the limit—let off steam, as it were. We're having several dinner parties here in the club tonight, for the occasion."

A slightly built little man, who had much the air of a shy clerk—had it not been for his evening attire—approached the desk. He signed a check for a handful of cigars, which he stowed away.

"Please provide a fresh box later," he said to the secretary. "Most of my party is here, I believe."

"I'll send them up, Mr. Fell," answered the secretary, quickly. "Yes, I think the dining room is all ready for you, sir. By the way, Mr. Gramont was looking for you a moment ago—ah! Here he comes now!"

Jachin Fell turned. Gramont was plunging at him, a yellow telegraph form in his hand, excitement in his eyes.

"Look here, Jachin! This wire just came in from Hammond—you know, I left him in charge of things down at Bayou Terrebonne! Read it, man—read it! They've struck oil—sands at five hundred feet—and sands at five hundred, with these indications. It means a gusher at a thousand! Where's Lucie? Have you brought her?"

"She's upstairs. Well, well!" Jachin Fell glanced at the telegram, and returned it. "So oil is actually found! This is certainly going to be one big night. Come along. Let's find Lucie and tell her about it!"

The two men turned away together.

PROVIDENCE NEWS

Providence, October 7.—Mr. and Mrs. Turner and family, of Quanah, have moved into our locality and will live on the place formerly occupied by John Garner and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Conkel and Mr. Conkel's mother arrived last week to visit Mr. Conkel's sister, Mrs. George Dieter a few weeks.

Misses Della and Lydia Ratjen and Miss May Weeks visited in Plainview last Sunday evening.

Miss Flo Pullen entertained company from Aiken and Roaring Springs last Sunday evening.

The ladies of Providence have organized a Ladies' Meeting and will meet at the school house every two weeks on Thursday afternoon.

The teachers had a program last Thursday night here. Owing to the busy times there were not many there, as the farmers are all busy in the fields and work until dark.

Quite a bit of cotton is being picked and marketed here nowadays and such lovely weather, too.

Wm. Kramer and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. House which occurred last week at Prairieview.

C. R. Veigel and C. E. Hartman were Plainview callers the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Conkel, of Kress, Mr. and Mrs. Maize, of Plainview, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Dieter last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Viegel took their daughter, Mabel, to Plainview last week and had her tonsils removed at the sanitarium.

Little Buddie Boedecker fell from a truck while at school at Weathers and broke his arm. Dr. Picket set the arm for him.

DIVISION SUPT. A VISITOR

J. F. Anton, Superintendent of the Slaton Division of the Santa Fe, spent Saturday afternoon in Floydada on business.

While the car situation has been serious, Mr. Anton admits, the receipt of a number of cattle cars during the past week has relieved the situation to some extent and further receipts are expected during the ensuing few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McRae, of Lubbock, were in Floydada the latter part of last week visiting the E. C. Nelson family.

HEALTH CERTIFICATE MUST BE SIGNED BY COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. V. Andrews, county health officer, has been notified that a strict interpretation of the law passed by the legislature will be expected by the Public Health Service, looking toward the protection of the public against diseases of those who handle foods or drinks under House Bill No. 120. Dr. J. H. Florence, state health officer has addressed Dr. Andrews the following letter:

"We understand that there is still some confusion in regard to the ruling passed by the State Board of Health making it necessary for all health certificates issued in accordance with House Bill No. 120 to be countersigned by the local health officer.

"We suggest that you have the resolution published in bold type in one or more of your papers and report all doctors to the State Health Officer, who advise people otherwise.

"We believe the health of the people should be high above the business or personal feeling of any individual"

The State Board of Health at a session held in Austin on March 16th, 1922, passed the following ruling:

"Whereas, the law has not been as effective as contemplated and it is the sense of this Board that such certificate be issued by examining physician, the same shall be approved and countersigned by City or County Health Officer without charge. Effective July 1st, 1922."

INTERSCHOLASTIC DEBATING SUBJECT IS ANNOUNCED

Austin, Texas, October 10.—For the benefit of students interested in high school debating, a bulletin has recently been published by the University of Texas Interscholastic League. The subject for the interscholastic debating this year will be as follows: "Resolved, that an amendment to the Texas State Constitution should be adopted providing for a three-mill tax for the support of the State's higher educational institutions, and that supplementary appropriations by the Legislature should be prohibited." The new bulletin covers thoroughly both sides of the question, and will be ready for distribution to interested schools within the next two weeks. It contains 150 pages, and is the most exhaustive bulletin ever issued for high

school debates in this state. A general summary of the affirmative side of the question occupies eight pages, and a similar amount of space is required for a summary of the negative argument. The remainder of the bulletin is given over to selected arguments on one side or the other of the question from high authorities not only in Texas but from the whole nation. Each member-school of the League receives free two copies of the bulletin upon request.

NEARLY 1,000 SCHOOLS IN INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

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Mrs. T. S. Stevenson and children returned the first of this week from Tulia, near which place they had been visiting Mrs. Stevenson's sister, Mrs. Autrey Hodges.

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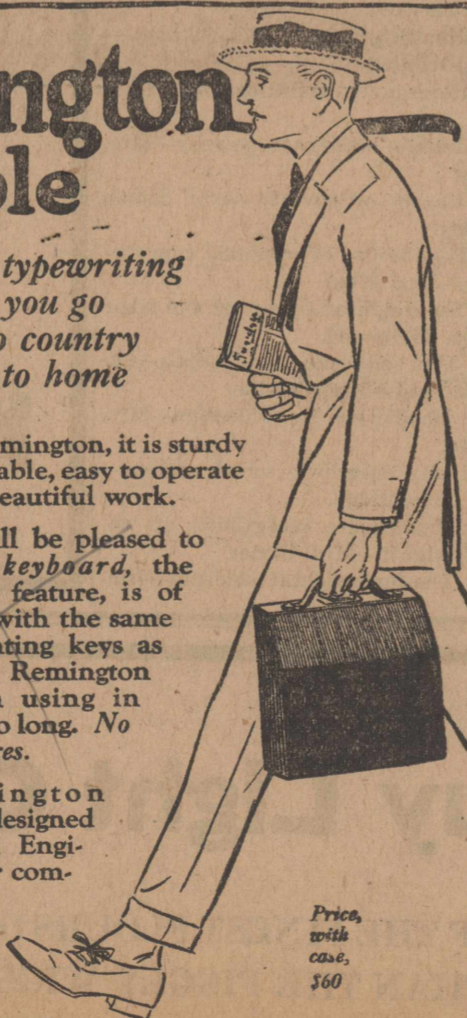
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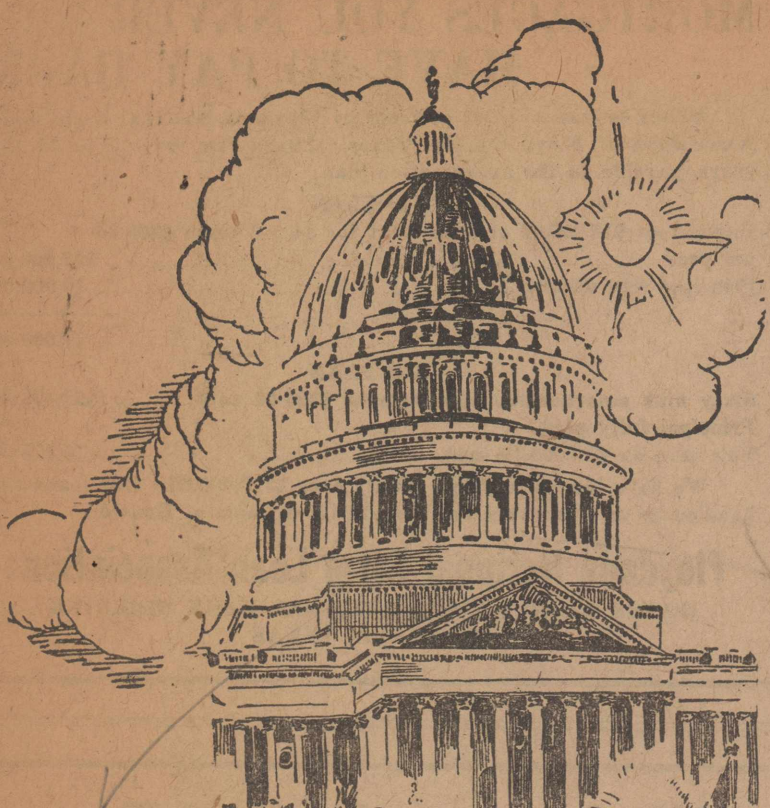
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CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES

Following are the announcements of services at the First Christian Church for the week beginning October 10:
Sunday, 10:00 a. m.—Bible school.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching. Subject "Stewardship of Property."
7:30 p. m.—Preaching. Subject "God's Big Truths."
Friday, 7:45 p. m.—Prayer meeting and choir rehearsal.
W. T. COCHRAN, Pastor.

BURNING TEXAS COAL

A number of Floyd County farmers are buying Texas coal from mines at Strawn on co-operative basis and plan to use it for fuel this winter.
Two small cars were unloaded here this week and one at Lockney, County Agent T. Scott Wilson said Wednesday.

PREACHING ANNOUNCEMENT

Elder W. H. Richards, of Rule, Texas, Primitive Baptist, will preach in Floydada Sunday night, according to announcement made this week.

POULTRY ASS'N PLANS SHOW FOR DECEMBER 7-8-9

The Floyd County Poultry Show will be held this year on December 7th, 8th and 9th, at Floydada, Poultry Association members in a meeting at the A. D. White Produce Company decided yesterday afternoon.

Co-incident with the announcement of the plans for the show committees were named and preparations started to make the show the biggest ever.

The following committees were named:

- Arrangements: A. D. White, T. Scott Wilson, Oliver Allen;
- Publicity: Ben F. Smith, T. Scott Wilson;
- Finance: C. R. Wilkerson, D. C. Hamilton, A. D. White, R. E. Fry, Maury Hopkins.

The association decided unanimously to adopt American Poultry Association rules to govern all awards.

Rev. C. B. Meador was chosen as superintendent of the show.

Officers of the Poultry Association will be chosen for the ensuing year at a meeting to be held at 2:30 November 8th.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

For Sunday, October 15th.
B. Y. P. U. Song.
Prayer, Scripture reading.
Records and business.
Introduction, leader.

1. Consecration is a term often wrongly used—Margaret Grigsby.
 2. Two elements in consecration—Audra Mae Borum.
 3. When we respond to the appeal to consecrate—Rosa Jones.
 4. Consecration for a purpose—Rufus Lowry.
 5. No limits in consecration—Theresa Hamilton.
 6. We must rely on the Holy Spirit—Aline Wood.
 7. Consecration should be confessed before men—Ruby Young.
Piano solo—Tate Fry.
Closing prayer.
- An earnest appeal is extended every young man and woman who is interested in B. Y. P. U. work.

—REPORTER—

THE NEW FOOTBALL RULING

A new rule governing the ball after a touchdown has been made is in use on the football gridiron this year. The old rule stated that the ball, after a touchdown by one of the teams, was to be given to the side scoring, and that team was given a chance at an additional point by a place kick. The opposing team was to line up under the goal posts and rush the place-kicker at the given signal of the referee. The new ruling states, that after a touchdown, the ball is given to the team scoring and placed on the five yard line. They must put the ball into play by any of the regular methods used, such as, forward pass, end run, drop kick, etc. If they succeed in crossing the goal line or kicking goal the score of one point is added to the other six points of the touchdown. The ball is considered as not in play if the team fails to cross the line in one down, or if they fail to connect with a pass, miss a drop-kick, fumble the ball, or fail to gain the necessary five yards on a fake play. The team on whom the touchdown was scored, line up in front of the goal posts in their regular positions as in receiving in the initial kick off. They rush their opponents and try to prevent them from scoring the additional point. If the offensive team is offside they forfeit their chance at the extra point. If the defensive is off side, the additional point is given the offensive side without completing the play. The only difference in this new and the old ruling is that the ball is carried over in a regular play, where before it was place kicked for the extra or seventh point.

Miss Blanche Abston, who has been visiting the past several months in Oakland, Cal., with her sister, Mrs. Lester C. Krames, returned home Thursday of last week.

HARMONY NEWS

Harmony, October 10.—Mrs. Edd Hayes, of Plainview, came to the home of W. C. Clubb for a few days visit and to see her son, Charles, who is staying there at present.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Scott and children, Blanche and Hal, drove to Plainview Sunday afternoon to see their cousin, H. Wofford, who is ill there.

Mr. and Mrs. Debs McLaughlin, of Wilson, called in this community Tuesday, and Mrs. Hayes accompanied them home that afternoon.

Several people from here attended the Home Chautauqua at Floydada Friday evening.

Some of our young people attended the young people's meeting at Petersburg Sunday afternoon.

Buster Allmon had a visit from several friends and relatives Sunday, the occasion being his birthday.

The Missionary Society met at the church as usual Thursday of last week. Will Baird and son, Willie, of Canyon, were at the home of Frank Baird Sunday night. Also Clarence Luce of Canyon, was down over Sunday.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Williams gathered at their home Tuesday, October 10th, to help them celebrate their 25th anniversary. Everything possible was done for the entertainment of the guests. A short program of music and talks was given. "Old Time Courtship," by Mr. Jim McLain, Grandma Carr, Judge Henry, D. T. Scott and Mr. F. H. Ford. Mrs. F. P. Henry told of the Williams celebration fifteen years ago. Mather Carr, as Sunday School superintendent presented them with a gift from the Sunday School to which Mr. Williams responded. Rev. Davis made the last talk and Mrs. Williams gave the invitation to dinner.

A long table out-of-doors held the sumptuous feast which everyone enjoyed.

Bronc riding was the most important feature of the afternoon and many enjoyed this sport immensely. Guests were present from Lubbock, Petersburg, Floydada, Plainview, Dimmitt, Kansas and nearby communities. Late in the afternoon the guests left feeling all had spent a very pleasant day and wishing Mr. and Mrs. Williams more such happy occasions.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bagwell and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Allmon, of Dimmitt, came to attend the silver wedding.

Albert Krause, former resident of the Allmon Community but now of near Plains, Kansas, is here for a few days.

MISSIONARY NOTES

The ladies of the Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock with a good attendance, and rendered a splendid program. They are now using for their study the book, "Building with India," and find it very interesting.

After the program was rendered the society went into a short business session and it was decided to serve dinner in the A. D. White building on Election Day.

Program for October 16th:
"Building with India," Chapter II.
Song.

- Prayer.
1. India's struggle with disease—Mrs. Shockey.
 2. Health problems and obstacles—Mrs. Stribling.
 3. Progress in sanitation—Mrs. Robbins.
 4. India's burden of poverty—Mrs. Miller.
 5. Causes of poverty—Mrs. Worth Shipley.
 6. Possibilities of economic improvement—Mrs. West.
 7. The condition of capital and labor—Mrs. McDonald.
 8. The seriousness of India's economic need—Mrs. Colville.
 9. Handicaps in education—Mrs. Felton.
 10. An outgrown social system—Mrs. Trowbridge.
 11. Inadequate recognition of women's rights—Mrs. Carter.
 12. The fundamental handicap—Hin-

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Prayer.

Ira D. Gamble is in Central Texas on business. He left Saturday and visited the Floyd County Exhibit at the Texas State Fair at Dallas the first of this week.

W. F. Baird and son, Willie, of Canyon, were in Floydada this week, attending district court.

Mrs. Williams, of Mineral Wells, is here on a visit with her daughter, Mrs. N. B. Pace, near Sand Hill.

A. C. Krause, of Plains, Kansas, is here this mid-week on business.

Fred B. Arnold, of Graham, an attorney, was in Floydada Tuesday and Wednesday on business in District Court.

H. F. Shearer, accompanied by his brother, A. J. Shearer, of Winnsboro, are here this week on business, having arrived Tuesday.

P. L. Orman, of Sunset, was a business visitor in Floydada Tuesday.

Grover Heath and family, of Hedley, left yesterday morning for Crosbyton to visit a day or two, after a short visit with Mrs. S. D. Bishop and family in Floydada.

C. C. Wright left Sunday on a business trip to Dallas.

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