

Organization of Fair Deferred by Committee

Fair Plans for this Year Cancelled—Permanent Organization Necessary to Succeed

In the belief that conditions at this time do not warrant the organization of a fair association in this county on a permanent basis, the Fair Committee composed of W. M. Massie, A. D. White, R. F. Brown, I. D. Gamble and F. P. Henry, has announced that plans for establishing the permanent district fair association, made earlier in the year, have been abandoned temporarily, and that no effort will be made to hold the fair this fall. Experience of the past several years, it was stated, has proven that a fair must have permanent backing, with aggressive year-round management to be worth the expenditure of time and effort a successful annual fair requires. That this is an unpropitious time for the organization of a stock company to back the fair was the decision of the committee. During the time the committee have been working on the fair matter they have visited personally practically all the successful fair organizations in West Texas. Plans that are feasible and will work out in a large way have been adopted by the committee and the actual launching of the campaign for the organization only awaits the return of normal conditions.

Abandonment for the present of the plan to proceed with the permanent organization makes it necessary also to abandon the temporary fair, in the opinion of the committee. That more than half of the funds subscribed each year previously have been spent necessarily in building temporary quarters to house portions of the exhibits and that this money was a loss each year when it might have been better spent permanently to cover several years' needs, is the opinion of the committee. Hence, their decision not to have the fair this fall. Plans to carry the exhibits to Dallas have not been abandoned and a campaign for funds to take care of the necessary expenses will be conducted at an early date, it is said.

MAYFIELD'S LEAD CUT TO LESS THAN 45,000

Earl B. Mayfield's official lead in the August 26th primary for U. S. Senator is less than 45,000, according to the official count made by the State Executive Committee at San Antonio.

This was caused, however, by the delay in several counties in making returns of the primary. Considerable confusion has arisen over the interpretation of the law as to the date of the count of a second primary by the county executive committee and the time of forwarding it to the state secretary. In this instance some of the heaviest voting counties in the state did not have their ballots included in the state committee's tabulation, hence the fact that Mayfield's official lead is lower than press reports had it from the Texas Election Bureau. No changes were made in the results of any of the races over the state by the omission of any counties.

GRAIN SORGHUM GROWERS ORGANIZE AT AMARILLO

The Texas Grain Sorghum Growers' Association was formally launched last Saturday at Amarillo when the initial meeting of organizers was held. The organization committee districted the territory embraced in the membership sign-up and a vote by mail among the members will be taken to choose fifteen directors who will take charge of the association.

The organization will be completed this month probably. M. D. Ramsey, who attended the meeting from Floyd County, said the organization this year will probably not attempt extensive sales of the grain sorghums outside of the territory but will serve probably as a distribution medium for its various members, some of whom will buy and some of whom will have kaffir, feterita, maize or other grain sorghums to sell.

DRAMATIC CLUB WILL PRESENT PLAY SEPTEMBER 14th

The Plains Dramatic Club, which this summer has produced no plays, will stage their first play of the fall season September 14th.

"Bought and Paid For," which has been so popular among play-goers for a number of years, is the medium chosen for entertainment on that date. It is to be presented in four acts, and specialties between acts are to be given.

NEVER IN FLOYDADA BUT DID BANKING BUSINESS HERE IN OLD DAYS

R. E. King, of Southland, Texas, was never in Floydada nor Floyd county but in the "old days" he carried on his general banking business, borrowing from, depositing with and checking on the local bank without knowing the bank officials nor they him. This was back in the days when everybody was strictly honest, when a wagon full of coal or provisions sitting on the prairie roads was as safe as if housed under lock and key.

This incident came to light last week through J. Pat Horton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada, who spent several days as the guest of Mr. King while conducting a meeting at Southland. Mr. King showed Rev. Horton a number of old papers among which were cancelled notes, checks and deposit slips on the local bank.

The bank at Floydada was the only one in this territory for many miles around and had a patronage from counties far distant. Although Mr. King knew a number of old timers who lived in Floyd County, whom he met at old Emma, then one of the leading trading points in this section, he never came into this county.

The incident illustrates the changes which have come about through the changing years in this section, modern banking methods requiring the closest personal knowledge of the customer's affairs while in those days notes and checks on strangers were as good as though signed by the best-known men in the country.

SMITH PRODUCE GETS PRIZE FOR CREAM GRADING

The Smith Produce, which is managed by D. W. Smith, has been awarded \$30 in money as second prize in a cream grading contest conducted among its dealers by the Wichita Creamery Company of Wichita, Kansas, during the months of May, June and July.

The local station is complimented very highly in the letter from the creamery in which it is declared that the work of the Smith Produce shows up mighty fine indeed. Mr. Smith's score was 96.2 per cent. This was exceeded by only one concern which handles cream for the Wichita people, the Hamilton Produce Company, of Lockney, operated by nephews of Mrs. W. D. Smith, who had a score of 99.62. The third prize went to a neighboring county, dealers at Happy in Swisher county.

PARENT-TEACHERS' ASS'N

The Parent-Teachers' Association will meet tomorrow afternoon, Friday, September 8th, it is announced.

VEGETABLES AND CANNED FRUITS NEEDED IN EXHIBITS

The exhibits being prepared by the Chamber of Commerce for exhibition at the Oklahoma State Fair and the Texas State Fair are beginning to shape up and the varieties which to date are not represented in the exhibit are becoming apparent.

Secretary Hopkins said yesterday that fresh vegetables and canned fruits are the most needed items at this time, though any good exhibit material in either garden, farm or orchard divisions can be used to advantage.

If any reader of the Hesperian has any of the above they will confer a favor by so stating to Mr. Hopkins who will indicate the quality of each necessary to enter for prizes or for use in the county general exhibit. As the time is fast approaching when the exhibit must be created for shipment he is particularly anxious to have additional varieties of any kind at an early date.

J. M. LEMONS, FORMER FLOYD COUNTY CITIZEN, DEAD

Tom Lemons received a telegram Wednesday morning telling of the death of his father, J. M. Lemons at Konowa, Oklahoma, the same morning. Association to the advice received the elder Lemons killed himself. Whether by accident thewired did not state.

J. M. Lemons resided in Floyd county a number of years, his home being near Fairview. The past five or six years he has lived at Konowa. Three sons, who survive him, reside in this county. They are Tom and C. V. Lemons, of this city, and Marvin Lemons, of Alcina.

Deceased was 63 years of age. He was a member of the Floydada Camp of the Woodmen of the World.

250 Messengers From 22 Churches in Ass'n.

G. W. Tubbs Elected Moderator of Body—485 Baptisms in Association this Year

The Floyd County Baptist Association, comprising churches in Floyd, Briscoe, Motley and the greater portion of Crosby, in session in Floydada Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, has been a remarkably well-attended association and has had church reports which have been outstanding in evidence of the healthy progress of the church in this territory. More than 200 messengers, bearing letters from 22 churches in the association, gathered for the opening session Tuesday morning. These letters disclosed among other statistics of the fiscal year that 485 baptisms have been recorded in the association.

Rev. B. N. Shepherd, of the Crosbyton church, preached the annual sermon Tuesday morning.

Officers chosen when the permanent organization was gone into, were: Rev. G. W. Tubbs, of Floydada, moderator; Rev. B. N. Shepherd, of Crosbyton, clerk; Rev. J. Pat Horton, of Floydada, corresponding secretary and treasurer; Dr. E. A. Hopkins, of Floydada and Rev. A. W. Orrick of Cedar, reading clerks.

Besides the accredited messengers several visitors have been here for the association from the Staked Plains Association. Among these are Rev. G. I. Britain, moderator of that association, Dr. E. B. Atwood, president of Wayland College, Rev. Harlan J. Matthews, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Plainview, and Missionary Williamson of that association.

Tuesday night Rev. Matthews preached. The church was crowded with the large congregation out to hear him.

All reports from churches in the association indicate this has been one of the most successful years in the history of the Floyd County Baptist Association, and the gathering here was one in which practically every church in the association was represented.

The association closed Wednesday afternoon.

At the last session of the Association yesterday afternoon it was voted that the next associational meeting will be held with the Crosbyton church.

Last night Rev. G. I. Britain preached. He was formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada, and prominent among the visiting brethren from outside the association.

FLOYDADA PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL OPEN SEPTEMBER 11

Floydada Public Schools will open next Monday morning, September 11th. In the absence of Supt. J. N. J. N. Johnston and the faculty, who are at Canyon in institute this week late plans for the opening morning's exercises have not been learned. Tentative plans made last week were for the opening exercises to be held at the City Park Auditorium, when the hour and places for issuing text books for the term would be announced to the various grades.

The board got at rest rumors of the past two weeks Monday, when E. C. Nelson, Sr., president of the board, and Dr. V. Andrews, secretary, declared there was no foundation in fact for the reports that school opening would be delayed.

Members of the faculty will reach Floydada Saturday from Canyon.

AMARILLO AND CLOVIS PLAYING FOR WEST TEXAS TITLE

Amarillo and Clovis Baseball Clubs in the West Texas League played the first of their series, Wednesday afternoon for the championship of the circuit. Amarillo was winner of the first half and Clovis took the second easily in the split season.

Clovis took the opener in the series at Amarillo 4 to 2. The teams play again at Amarillo this afternoon and then transfer to Clovis. A total of nine games will be played or until the championship is decided.

W. E. SCOBAY, OF WACO, IS SERIOUSLY ILL

W. E. Scobey, of Waco, has been seriously ill several days. His daughter, Mrs. W. H. Hilton, of this city, was notified by wire of her father's condition last Friday night and left Saturday morning for his home.

Attending physicians held out little hope for Mr. Scobey's recovery, it is stated.

Meeting of Presbytery Goes To Quanah

Cumberland Church at Floydada Host to Many Visitors from Amarillo Presbytery

The semi-annual meeting of the members and visitors from churches of the Cumberland Presbyterian faith, embraced in the Amarillo Presbytery, closed its sessions here Sunday night with a sermon by Rev. O. A. Mealor, a visitor, former pastor of the Floydada church. The convocation was representative of the large territory the presbytery embraces, delegates and visitors being present from Quanah, Paducah, McAdoo, Roby, Lorraine, Lubbock, Ralls and Petersburg. Olney and Bertram, points outside this presbytery, were represented by visitors. Elder Jno. W. Graves was here from Olney.

At the last business session of the churches it was decided to go to Quanah for the spring meeting of the presbytery.

Especially enjoyed features of the three-days and nights of meetings were the special program rendered by the Presbyterian Missionary Society, in which members from a number of churches took part Friday night, and the Christian Endeavor program on Saturday night. Rev. J. F. Baker, of Lubbock, preached the opening sermon on Thursday night, and preached again Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Presbytery on Sunday afternoon ordained C. L. Bolding, formerly of this city, now at Ralls, as a minister. Rev. Jennings, of Ralls, gave the ordination charge.

Grain Sorghums Largely in Use in California

That the grain sorghums are already popular in southern California as a feed for poultry is indicated by a letter recently made public in Floyd county through local representatives of the Texas Grain Sorghums Growers' Association, from the Poultrymen's Co-operative Milling Association of Los Angeles, Cal. The Grain Sorghum Growers, in search of a direct market for their products, addressed an inquiry to the California concern and had the information above. "We see no reason why your organization should not find a distributing point here in California in handling your product," M. A. Schofield, president of the Poultrymen's Co-operative Milling Association wrote. "Large quantities of Texas kaffir, milo, feterita and other grain sorghums are sold thru-out California.

"They (the grain sorghums) enter into the feed of our southern California hens to the extent of 30 to 35 per cent of the total ration. We estimate that the total consumption of grain sorghums by the poultrymen south of the Tehachapi has reached forty thousand tons per year. There are approximately four times as many hens north of the Tehachapi as in southern California. This will give you some idea of the consumption, without entering into discussion of source of supply.

"The greatest difficulty in the purchase of grain sorghums direct," he asserts, "is the matter of grading. A strong organization could do this. Attempts to purchase grain sorghums direct from the grower, has, in most instances, been unsatisfactory, due to faulty grading and inspecting."

CAPONIZING DEMONSTRATION MADE BY WILSON

County Agent T. Scott Wilson has been assisting poultry raisers during the past thirty days in learning caponizing. The poultry market has been in a bad slump, cocks and cockerels selling very low. While the farmers and poultry specialists want to get the roosters out of their flocks they have been loath to put them on a low-ebb market, and have been resorting to caponizing.

A public demonstration of the caponizing operation was made in Lockney Saturday by County Agent Wilson which was watched by a number of interested poultry raisers. The operation is comparatively simple after one sees it demonstrated, Mr. Wilson says.

Mrs. Edd Johnson will teach a primary school at her home beginning Monday morning, September 11th, at nine o'clock.

Mrs. Arthur P. Barker, of Lockney, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Henry here last Thursday.

REAGAN WILL REPRESENT LOCAL POST AT STATE LEGION CONVENTION

John H. Reagan was chosen by the McDermott Post, American Legion, to represent it at the State Convention of the Texas American Legion Organization which convenes September 11th and 12th at Waco.

At the regular meeting of the local post Monday night at the Legion Rooms another step was taken by a unanimous vote, which is expected to prove of value to the organization here. Monthly dues are to be reduced to 50 cents and a drive will be inaugurated at an early date to increase the membership.

McDermott Post is one of the strongest in the panhandle territory, in numbers.

At Monday night's meeting cigars were furnished complimentary of the Floydada Drug Co. This company also served punch for the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary in their meeting Tuesday afternoon.

T. P. COLLINS AND MISS GLADYS FELTON ARE MARRIED

Travis P. Collins and Miss Gladys Felton, popular in local social life, were united in marriage at Plainview at ten-thirty Monday morning of this week, Rev. O. P. Clark, pastor of the First Methodist Church of that city officiating.

Following the wedding ceremony they left for ashort tour, planning to spend several days in Denver and nearby points in Colorado.

The groom is a popular young business man. He is associated with the Collins Grocery Company and has been cotton buyer for the firm the past three years. He is the eldest son of D. H. Collins. The bride has been reared in Floydada from early childhood. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Felton, who live east of town one mile.

Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Collins will make their home in Floydada.

RADIO BUGS GET REPORTS ON BALL GAMES EACH DAY

Local radio operators, of whom there are several, are continuing to receive the increasing number of programs broadcasted from the various stations of the southwest. An interesting addition to the service which some of these stations are giving recently are the baseball results in the various leagues.

Baseball fans by reading the bulletins posted the past several days from the Mitchell Hardware station and the C. A. Shockey station at the latter's residence, are getting these baseball reports almost 24 hours ahead of the daily newspapers.

REV. O. A. MEALOR AND FAMILY RETURN FOR VISIT

Rev. O. A. Mealor, of Bertram, Texas, and his family are here this week on a visit with their daughter, Mrs. R. W. Fanning. Mr. Mealor is now pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Bertram. He was for two years pastor of the church here and has a wide circle of friends in Floydada.

He attended several of the sessions of the Presbytery from Friday to Sunday as a visitor and Sunday night preached for the congregation. Sunday and Sunday night he will preach again, while the pastor, Rev. O. N. Baucom, is absent from home in a meeting at Quanah.

H. M. HART AND WIFE LEAVE AFTER SHORT VISIT

H. M. Hart and wife, of Lawndale, Cal., for many years residents of Floyd county, were here the latter part of last week and the first of this on a visit with friends, former neighbors and relatives. They were accompanied by L. H. and Charles Hart, of Friona, who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Fawver during their visit in Floydada.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hart are enjoying good health and are highly pleased with their California home, to which they will return the later part of this week from Friona.

BALL CLUB CAN'T GET GAMES

Floydada Baseball Club is having a hard time trying to match games. They had none matched for this week as late as Tuesday afternoon with no prospects.

Feed Gathering Under Way in Floyd County

Cotton Beginning to Move—Earliest in History of This Section

Harvesting of fall crops has been under way in Floyd County for more than a week, and for the first time in many years the first of October is going to see the bulk of the feed crop in the county gathered and in the bins and stacks. A large per centage of the crop is being gathered in bundles and with an apparent probable shortage in feedstuffs in the southwest this season the crop will be cleaned from the fields more closely than in a number of years. This section will be more fortunate in the matter of feedstuffs than other sections of the southwest this year. Practically every farm is going to have enough feed to run through to another crop while a few will have surpluses.

Cotton gathering is also opening up much sooner than has been the case in former years. A dry season since the middle of July, with extremely hot weather for this section are attributed as the causes for the early opening of the crop. Several bales were received for ginning at local gins last week and this week the movement from the fields is becoming more pronounced. A marked livening up of business over the county is expected to result from this harvest. Estimates on the yield vary so greatly that anybody's guess looks almost as good as another. Extremely pessimistic persons put the yield very low while some still claim it will run four to six thousand. The thing which makes an estimate so difficult is the tremendous acreage over the territory.

The first four bales which came in last week had good color and staple with indications, if weather is good, that the quality this season is going to be good.

ELDER DAY HOME FROM MEETING AT ROSWELL

Elder J. J. Day returned home the latter part of last week from Roswell, New Mexico, where he had been conducting a meeting for the Church of Christ at that place.

He enjoyed his stay in the Pecos Valley very greatly he said upon his return.

BAKER SCHOOL OPENS SEPT. 11

School at Baker will open promptly on September 11th, trustees of the district have announced, and the first session will be held in the new school house just completed this summer.

Last Saturday the trustees and a number of patrons gathered at the school house, put down the seats in the recitation rooms and cleaned up the premises generally. The district nearly four years ago voted bonds to construct a brick school but abnormal conditions prevented until this summer.

The district now has one of the best school buildings in the county.

J. W. Parsons will be principal of the school this year.

FIRST AND SECOND BALES BRING 23c

Floydada's first and second bales of cotton for the season 1922 each brought 23 cents per pound, and the first bale got a substantial premium, which totalled \$62.95, subscribed by the merchants and business men of Floydada.

Robt. F. Day raised the first bale on his place southwest of Floydada near McCoy. It weighed 567 pounds at the Farmers' Gin, where it was turned out, and was bought by Brown Bros. Mr. Day returned home to continue gathering cotton and his cotton yard scale receipt had not been delivered shortly after noon yesterday. It will bring him about \$130 besides the premium.

W. A. Latta, of Mt. Blanco who brought in the second bale Saturday morning, sold to Baker-Campbell Company. His bale weighed 494 pounds. It was ginned from 1360 pounds of seed cotton and brought the grower \$113.62, not counting seed which sold for \$10.56.

DR. ALEXANDER OPENS OFFICE

Dr. W. H. Alexander and family are now domiciled in their home in Floydada, recently purchased from T. S. Stevenson, and the doctor has opened offices in the Willis Building second floor over the Mitchell Hardware.

He has been practicing a number of years at Paducah.

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CLARENCE OUSLEY AND
THE PRIMARY SYSTEM

In one of the most masterly arguments made in recent months by any student of statecraft, Clarence Ousley in Sunday's daily press of the state, declared that the primary system is a monstrosity as now practiced in Texas and that it must be modified before it can effectually serve the majority of the people of the state.

In his argument he sets three indictments of the primary system and two statements as to its reformation:

"It nullifies the rule of the majority and establishes the rule of the minority.

"It denies the individual voter, and the party as a whole, all opportunity to make original selection.

"It does not 'let the people rule'; it lets the class rule.

"It can be reformed without depriving the voter of the privilege of casting a direct ballot.

"It must be reformed if we are to have majority rule, the fundamental law of democracy."

The arguments by which he supports these claims appear to us to be unanswerable. The three closing paragraphs we consider so valuable as food for thought we give them in full. They strike the "progressive" ideas we find about us a body blow. Is it not well we reflect a wee bit on the things he says here in view of the mess we have made of things during the past six months politically?

"This thing of popular government can not be made to work automatically. Nor can mere law take the place of deliberative determination. We are 'growing' ourselves out of liberties. The comedy—alas, the tragedy, too—of it all is that most of these devices, miscalled "progressive," have been tried and proved foolish years or ages ago. There is nothing new under the sun. All the fallacies of direct democracy had been demonstrated long before the fathers wrote the Declaration of Independence and put its principles into the Constitution. They knew what we must learn again and again—that at best popular government is cumbersome and awkward, but precious; that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty even in a democracy, and that tyranny is as hateful when practiced by a mass or a class as when practiced by an individual or an oligarchy.

"Finally, we need to learn—and this is the hardest of all in a democracy—that government requires knowledge and efficiency. It is not an exact science—it is the least exact of all the sciences because the body politic is in constant change; because new voters are coming into power and old voters are passing away; because new problems of human contact are arising. But new problems do not change fundamental principals; they only require new adaptations, and are far more than the tyro imagines there are ripe experiences of the past to point the way. Nearly every one of the quick remedies for political ills of recent exploitation may be found in the attic of history where it has long reposed for the instruction of all who have the industry to brush off the dust.

"If the law does not provide some means for the majority to exercise its will, the majority will find a way. We have declared the manifest falsehood that a majority of the Democrats of Texas indorse Mayfield's shallow and impractical statesmanship and the frightful heresies of the Ku Klux. We have committed the Democratic party of Texas to the brazenly unconstitutional and abhorrently un-American doctrine of religious tests for office. Every instinct of political honesty and every concept of free government protests. If our lawmakers do not provide a way of escape, patriotic and understanding Democrats will resort to rebellion which in such circumstances becomes the greatest civic virtue."

The poor coal dealer again! Not the mine-owner nor the broker but the poor fish who peddles out the coal to the consumer and gets the "cussings." In order to get coal to some of their more insistent customers dealers are having to pay a bonus to the mines or brokers and are having to add a

part of the additional charges to the customer making coal come high—awful high. Some people think the strikes and lock outs and the general upset condition between labor and capital is a long way off from this agricultural region and therefore does not affect us and is not a part of our problem to solve. That is, some people have been thinking that. They'll change their tune before the coal situation becomes normal and trains are running freely again. The general public is deeply involved in the coal and railroad strikes, principally because the general public is going to foot the bill. And the bill is going to be millions of dollars. That the public has rights which railroads, railroad workers, mine operators and mine workers should be compelled to observe is being driven in more and more on the observant man. Surely, some such consciousness should begin to soak in to the minds of the contending factions. Whatever the technicalities of the situation as between railroads, railroad workers, mines and mine workers, whether it be a lock out, a strike or just a general refusal to work until a new contract is offered them, the effect on the public is the same. Paralysis of the country's business is not going to make a living for families of the working men nor put dividends in the coffers of the operating companies.

In the midst of alarms and rumors of alarm, coming from every corner of America, so numerous in fact as to cause the ordinary mind to pause in amazement and wonder at the drift, because it knows not where to take hold to stop it, we are most alarmed at the thing done by Attorney General Daugherty in Chicago last week when he obtained such a sweeping injunction against organized labor. At least, our first reaction to the granting of this injunction is that it is a colossal error, apparently attempting to take by injunction from the labor people that which is granted them by the constitution. No excuse is offered for this attempt other than that the organized laborers are doing unconstitutional things in attempting to enforce their demands on the railroads. Doubtless, there is some truth in the allegations of the attorney general. Certainly the allegation that intimidation is being attempted by the men is true. But freedom of speech, freedom of press are just as important as freedom to seek work, which he attempts to give "strikebreakers" by this injunction. They are not more important but are equal. One hopeful thing is that the injunction is only

temporary, and is yet to be proven a legal and constitutional action to make it permanent.

Without arguing the right and the wrong of the present railroad men's strike, without attempting to eulogize either side or berate them, any man must arrive at the conclusion that strikes are uncalled for and unnecessary in the dealings between organized labor and organized capital. In the present "dog eat dog," hand-to-hand tussel in which the devil is going to get the public while the factions quarrel and fight, a spirit of fair play on both sides could very possibly have prevented a tie-up which now appears on the horizon as the possible greatest catastrophe in the history of American business. Greed and intolerance have been the causes of most of the great wars on the battlefields; greed and intolerance are the basis of the present industrial upheaval in America's industrial battlefield. If the Golden Rule were laid down as a guiding principle on both sides for twenty-four hours an amicable settlement could be reached in that time. How long is it going to be before the public is going to make these folks arbitrate their troubles while they continue to serve the folks who foot the bills?

Don't get that "down and out" state of mind. Remember in 1918 Floyd County, in common with a great portion of the southwest, suffered a considerable reverse through bad crop conditions. We passed through that depression and since that time had one of the greatest periods of good crops and good business in our history. Good times and bad times all come and go. It is the stayer and the optimist who wins. Go through the list



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C. B. Harder, of Plainview, was in Floydada Friday in business.

Mrs. C. L. Mayes, of Munday, arrived in Floydada Friday for a visit with her uncle, W. A. Baker and family.

W. L. Morris left Saturday returning to his home at Anaheim, Calif., after a two week's stay here and at Plainview.

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH CONVENTION SEPT. 11-12

Panhandle District Representatives to Gather at Plainview For 2-Day Meeting

The Christian churches of the forty counties of the panhandle district are to meet in their annual convention at Plainview, Texas, September 11, and 12th. All Christian churches of the district are expected to send representatives and members of the Christian church living in communities where there is no Christian church are urged to come. The Plainview church is extending a hearty welcome to all. A very fine program has been arranged. Among the speakers are J. B. Holmes of Fort Worth, state superintendent of missions and Miss Maxine Smoot of Enid, Oklahoma Bible school field worker under the United Christian Missionary Society. Prominent among the personnel of the convention are Judge L. Gough of Amarillo, president, Mrs. A. N. Julien of Claude, vice president, Dr. J. A. Odom of Memphis, secretary, Judge W. E. Gee Amarillo, Rdy Rutherford Amarillo, Paul J. Merrill, Pampa, J. F. Mathews, Dalhart, E. L. Hughes of Clarendon, A. D. Rogers, Memphis, S. E. Wilkins, of Childress, W. T. Cochran of Floydada and E. A. Osborne of Canyon. Special feature is the young people's conference and luncheon of Monday evening. Various phases of the church life will be considered and important business matters are to come before the convention. It is urged that a large number may attend.

W. T. Cochran of Floydada is scheduled to address the convention on the subject of Christian Literature.

WACO MAKING BIG PLANS FOR LEGION CONVENTION

Waco, Texas, Sept. 5th.—Plans are well under way to convert the Cotton Palace grounds into a huge cantonment, and to fill the city with the spirit of war time days, on the occasion of the fourth annual convention of the Texas Department of the American Legion in Waco, September 11th to 13th. Reports of the heads of committees indicate that everything is working out smoothly. The War Service Organizations have entered enthusiastically into the providing of service and entertainment similar to that offered during the war, the Salvation Army having already definitely planned a hut, built on the order of the dugout, where coffee and doughnuts will be dispensed, and the Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus, and the Red Cross being at work along the same lines. Canvas cots have been ordered, which will be placed in Machinery Hall for the use of delegates at a nominal cost and arrangements have been made to serve excellent meals too, in an adjoining exhibition building. Details of the mimic French Cafe are being worked out and a number of concessions of various kinds have been granted, all of which will add to the pleasure of the delegates turning in the peaceful camp.

H. DUNLAP PREACHING EACH NIGHT AT TABERNACLE

Rev. H. Dunlap, of Cleburne, Texas, is preaching nightly at the City Park Tabernacle. Meetings were begun Friday night at the Pentecostal Mission but the crowds began growing in so that it was necessary to change meeting place to a larger building. See in The Hesperian. It Pays.

NAME THIS QUEER SPECIMEN AND GET FUR-LINED FISH BOWL

A branch of science which is not represented in Floydada this week would be needed to name a new reptile, fish, frog, pollywog or some such, discovered a week or more ago by R. L. Harrell, carrier on Route 1. The discovery was made near the Brewer place two miles southwest of town in a lake. Five specimens were picked up, four of which have died. Labor Day Harrell had the "Varmint" downtown trying to get it named. It has front and hind feet, gills, a tail fin, and horns. Mr. Harrell said at first he thought it a native water dog of this country or possibly some form of frog or water species in process of transformation. For two weeks the "pollywog" has not changed a particle, however. In some respects the "fish" resembles a lamprey eel, such as east Texans know. If a fish or frog-ologist will kindly come forward and name the "fish" or "pollywog" he will satisfy the curiosity of Mr. Harrell and a number of other people who have been puzzled by the queer specimen.

MEETING IN PLAINVIEW IS DRAWING LARGE CROWDS

Eld. Roy E. Wallace, Jr., Sunday began a series of services in Plainview for the Church of Christ, quite a bit of interest in which is being manifested by local people, who attended the opening service. Among the number who attended Sunday were F. C. Harmon, wife and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dickey, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dickey and Mrs. A. J. Welch. Tillit S. Teddlie is conducting the song service.

BRIEFS FROM LOCKNEY

From The Beacon: The regular weekly shoots of the Lockney Gun Club are becoming quite popular and are affording a great deal of pleasure for the members.

At the last weekly shoot, the 25th of August, there were present as visitors from Plainview, eight of her citizens given to the sport of trying to shatter the deceptive clay pigeons.

The Arceneaux meeting closed Sunday night, and Brother Arceneaux left for other appointments at Cameron, Texas. The meeting here was largely attended and splendid interest manifested. No additions to the church were added.

Mrs. Humphrey and son, Jack, returned Thursday from a few days visit with friends at Floydada. They left Thursday afternoon for their home at Amarillo.

Mrs. A. Hathway left last week for Guthrie Center, Iowa, where she is spending a short visit with relatives.

Mrs. J. J. Day returned the latter part of last week from Knowles, Oklahoma, where she had been visiting for some ten days with her father, W. M. Starkey.

T. L. Brown, wife and daughter returned last week from a short visit at Davidson and Grandfield, Oklahoma, where they had been with relatives.

W. R. Mosley, of Petersburg, was a business visitor in Floydada Saturday last.

Taylor Higginbotham, of Dallas, of the Higginbotham-Eartlett Company, spent Monday in Floydada with W. L. Kizziar of the local yard.

W. K. Triplett, wife and son left Monday for their home in Chappell, Nebr., having arrived last Thursday from points down-state after a visit with his parents at Chicago.

J. C. Bryant and wife, of Stamford, in company with Mrs. Geo. Link, of Spur, were in Floydada last week visiting W. A. Baker and family, enroute to their homes after a vacation spent in Colorado.

W. J. Fairey was in Floydada from his new home in Plainview Friday of last week.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Floyd County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that you summon, by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the county of Floyd if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, Mrs. H. B. Simpson, and husband H. B. Simpson, and the other heirs at law, if any there be, of H. D. Burton, deceased, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Floyd, at the Court House thereof, in Floydada on the 25th day of September, A. D. 1922, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 18th day of August, A. D. 1922, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 1417, wherein H. C. Pearson, is plaintiff and G. H. Thomason, John Allen, Jr., J. H. Spain, Mrs. H. B. Simpson and her husband H. B. Simpson, the said Mrs. H. B. Simpson known to be an heir at law of H. D. Burton deceased, and the other heirs at law of the said H. D. Burton, deceased, if any there be, are defendants; the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows, to-wit:—

Suit on notes Nos. Two, (2) Three, (3) Four, (4) Five (5) and Six (6) of a series of six promissory vendor's lien notes executed by defendant G. H. Thomason, all dated Sept. 1, 1919, and bearing interest from date until paid at the rate of eight per cent per

annum, interest payable annually as it accrues, each note and all past due interest thereon bearing interest from the maturity thereof until paid at the rate of ten per cent per annum, both principal and interest payable to John Allen, Jr., or order, at Floydada, Texas, as follows: Note No. 2, for \$758.65, due on or before January 1, 1922; Note No. 3, for \$1000.00, due on or before January 1, 1923; Note No. 4, for \$1000.00, due on or before January 1, 1924; Note No. 5, for \$1000.00, due on or before January 1, 1925; Note No. 6, for \$1000.00, due on or before January 1, 1926; each of said notes providing that failure to pay said note or any installment of interest thereon when due, shall at the option of the holder thereof, mature all said notes, and providing for the usual ten per cent attorney's fees; and plaintiff has elected to declare all said notes due for failure to pay principal and interest now due; and to foreclose a contract and vendor's lien on the following described tract of land: the North West Quarter (N. W. 1-4) of Survey No. Twenty-nine (29) Block C. Certificate No. Sixty-nine (69) H. & O. B. Ry. Co. situated in Floyd County, Texas. The defendants cited herein are notified to produce on the trial of this case the original deeds of conveyance, conveying the aforesaid land from John Allen Jr., to G. H. Thomason and from G. H. Thomason to H. D. Burton, or secondary evidence of the same will be used. Plaintiff, the present legal and equitable owner and holder of said notes prays judgment for his debt, as evidenced by the aforesaid notes, principal, interest, and attorney's fees, for a foreclosure of the lien on said land retained in the original deed of conveyance and in the notes here-

in sued on, for writ of restitution, and for general and special relief in law and in equity.

Herein fail not, and have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this, the 21st day of August, A. D. 1922.

(Seal) G. C. TUBBS, Clerk District Court, Floyd County, Texas. 25-4tc

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"Mineral Resources of Texas"

In our monthly Magazine Section, which will be issued by the Hesperian September 14, S. H. Sellards, geologist of the University of Texas, will discuss under the title of "Mineral Resources of Texas," our coal and lignite fields. Texas has vast natural fuel resources and in view of the impending scarcity of coal this winter, it might be well for us to read up on our coal and lignite possibilities.

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RECORD HEIGHT REACHED BY WEATHER BUREAU BALLOON

A record height for the Washington district was reached recently by the balloon sent up by the Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture in connection with its observations of upper air conditions. The balloon was seen to burst at 22,590 meters, a height of about 13 miles, after being watched 123 minutes.

The aerological service of the Weather Bureau releases a balloon filled with hydrogen gas twice daily, at 8 a. m. and at 3 p. m., from the roof of the Weather Bureau Building, provided there is no rain. The object is to get the direction and velocity of wind movements at various elevations as far as the balloon can be observed. These balloons are small, about 2 1-2 feet in diameter when inflated, and made of the finest quality uncolored rubber. The watching is done through a theodolite, and time is kept by a clock which sounds an alarm every minute. The distance the balloon travels is calculated from known computations of how high a balloon of given weight will rise per minute.

The information obtained is useful to those interested in flying, and when recorded on charts showing conditions at various elevations for each of the 15 stations of the Weather Bureau scattered over the United States which make these particular observations it is an aid in the daily task of weather forecasting. An unusual point in connection with this record height reached on August 17 was the fact that, although the general drift of winds in the Washington district is from west to east, the prevailing winds on this day were from the east and north-east.

Geo. W. Smith, of Mt. Blanco, was transacting business in Floydada Monday.

Miss Thelma Kinnard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kinnard, of Center, has been quite ill for several days. Today's reports indicate some improvement in her condition.

C. D. Merrick, Sr., of Lockney, was in Floydada yesterday on business.

C. B. Shrewsbury and Bob Stevenson, of Silvertown, were business visitors in Floydada Wednesday.

D. M. Warren, of Matador, sheriff-elect of Matley county, was among the visitors in Floydada Tuesday and Wednesday for the Baptist Association.

Mrs. John W. Smith and children, who have been lying at Abernathy this summer, returned this week to Floydada to make their home during the school year. Mrs. Smith will teach a class in piano, beginning Monday.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence C. Benton, of Starkey, September 1st, a son.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Tolar, September 4th, a daughter.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Lloyd, City, September 2nd, a daughter.

INTERNAL POULTRY PARASITES AND HOW TO CONTROL

(By F. W. Kazmeier)

In the summer time more than at any other time worms affecting or rather infesting the digestive system cause considerable trouble and a large mortality.

Most chickens are infected with one or more of parasitic worms, which usually are not numerous and do no great harm. We have found a few hens, especially grown chickens. They do not appear to cause any trouble until they increase in such numbers that they obstruct the digestive system. We have found that the overcrowding on small yards is one of the most common causes of the spread of these worms.

When it is noticed that the infested fowls become weak, thin, and appear bloodless and unproductive, it is time to make a close examination of both the fowls and the premises. Fowls infested with the worms have a characteristic halting walk, they grow weaker and weaker altho apparently eating all the time, they sometimes get so weak they can not stand on their legs without trembling, their comb and wattles appear pale and white in color.

How to make a post mortem for Worms:

Open one of the birds that dies showing worm infestation, or kill one that is very thin and weak. Open the intestines and empty contents into a pan of water. The white worms can then easily be detected. The two most common worms found are the round worms and tape worms. The round worm is by far the most common, and we have found them in many fowls. In the poultry dressing plants they may be found in a large number of the fowls killed and dressed.

ROUND WORMS

The most common form of round worm is about one to four inches in length and generally found in the digestive system. The most common place for the round worm is in the small intestines. Many different treatments are recommended. The worm as a rule is easily expelled from the digestive system. This cannot be said about the tape worm. The following treatment is recommended by the Agricultural Experiment Station of California: For 100 birds steep one pound of finely chopped tobacco stems for two hours in water enough to cover them. Mix the stems and liquid with one half the usual amount of ground feed. The day previous withhold all feed, giving nothing but water and milk to drink. After the birds have been starved for 24 hours, feed the medicated mash and two hours after it is cleaned up, give them one fourth of the usual ration of ground feed mixed with water in which Epsom salts has been dissolved at the rate of 11 ounces for each 100 birds. The treatment should be repeated 10 days later.

To prevent a new infestation of worms, it is best to move the poultry houses and yards onto uncontaminated ground. If this is impossible, clean the houses and yards thoroughly and remove the fertilizer to a place unfrequented by the fowls. The round worm eggs sometimes are hard to destroy. Keep the houses and yards clean and dry. Use plenty of lime on the yards.

The round worms are cylindrical in shape, tapering slightly towards the head. They are white to pinkish white in color. They multiply by producing eggs which pass out with the droppings, and then may come in contact with food and thus reinfest other birds when the food is eaten.

Other treatment recommended is ten grains of areca nut, mixed with shorts and water. Make the mixture about the consistency of batter. The above treatment is for one fowl. Enough of this may be prepared to treat the entire flock.

Individual treatment may be given by dosing each bird with turpentine and olive oil. Give each bird a teaspoonful of olive oil and turpentine separately.

THE TAPE WORM

The tape worm is a flat segmented worm sometimes many inches long. They are more serious than the round worm. They lay many eggs which are passed off in the droppings and the infestation is thus spread. The tape worm lives on the nourishment in the digestive system and when found in large numbers, they cause the fowl to die from a lack of nourishment.

For individual treatment, we recommend fasting the birds for 24 hours and give a teaspoon full of turpentine and a tablespoonful of epsom salts. Some people also use the same treatment recommended for the round worms.

The Bureau of Animal Industry recommends dosing each bird with a teaspoonful of castor oil to which has been added ten to twenty drops of oil of chenopodium (American worm seed oil) according to the weight of the bird. The medicine should be given after a fast and repeated in 10 days.

Another treatment is to give each fowl a one grain dose of santonine, combined with seven grains of arecanut.

GAPE WORMS

Gapes in chickens is a trouble caused by the gape worms infesting the internal sides of the windpipe causing the fowl to frequently be gasping for breath. Some times the worms increase in such numbers as to suffocate the chicks. It is most common in small chicks. The gape worm is red in color and forked in shape. The gape worm reproduces by laying large numbers of eggs, which in some way get into another chicken either directly or indirectly. Sometimes they infest common earth worm, and when eaten re-

infest the chicken. The mode of spread is through contaminated ground. To control the infestation, it is necessary to grow the chicks on clean ground or to raise them in houses with wooden floors, and then not permit them to run on the ground until they are four or five weeks old.

In controlling this disease, it is best to prevent the disease, because, it seldom pays to try to doctor chicks between the ages of ten days and four weeks, because treatment is too expensive in comparison with the value of the chick at that age. Some have used so called gape worm extractors successfully. To make a gape worm remover, take a small quill feather, strip it of all its feathers except small tuft on the end and this may be used either dry or moistened with kerosene or turpentine. To use the extractor run it down the windpipe and give a few twisting motions before removing.

Good results have been had by medicating drinking water with 15 grains of salicylic acid or 3 drams of salicylate of soda to the quart of water.

In conclusion, we wish to say that the best way of controlling and preventing any serious trouble from gape worms, is by raising the small chicks on clean and fresh ground each year. Cleanliness will do much to keep down all worm infestation.

We have also found that the fowls that are fed a properly balanced ration are much less subject to all kinds of poultry diseases. The under nourished flocks are always the first ones to become sick and ailing. After all is said and done your success in the poultry business depends upon your

ability to prevent rather than to cure the diseases. Successful poultry keepers have realized this by past experience long ago. They would rather employ a Chinese physician to prevent diseases than an American doctor that is not called until a person is seriously ill.

CAN'T ACCOUNT FOR STONES

Phenomenon Not Uncommon in the West Indies Has the World's Scientists "Guessing."

Phenomenon, entirely baffling to scientists, which have been reported with some frequency in different parts of the world, are showers of stones. Most of the well-authenticated stories of these strange precipitations come from the West Indies.

Perfectly reliable accounts of such showers come from Jamaica and the French-British islands of Dominica, St. Lucia and St. Vincent. The stones are said to fall from a clear sky, sometimes at night and sometimes within buildings themselves. The natives regard them as magical wonders performed by the "Obeah men," the West Indian sorcerers, but no plausible theory has ever been arrived at to account for them. As they occur in clear weather they cannot be stones sucked up by waterspouts or tornadoes and their local character, often falling on only one building, precludes the idea of meteoric origin.

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One large firm, which holds diamond and rubber concessions, possesses three tractors that run on palm oil, and have ordered two more, very satisfactory service being rendered by those which have been in operation. These tests would indicate that vegetable oils, which are so abundant and cheap in the tropics, can replace other fuels for engines which are suitable for tractors, as well as other vehicles and machinery.

ODD TRIBE OF EAST AFRICA

Have Remarkable, if Peculiar, Skill in Dentistry, but Retain Many Savage Superstitions.

The Wakamba tribe, in East Africa, have developed some remarkable dentists. Lost upper teeth are replaced with new ones obtained from the Kongoni or hartebeest, a large antelope. These artificial teeth are grafted on the cavities and hammered in until they remain in place. The tribe also have an abnormal sense of hearing. They can speak to one another in ordinary conversational tones at a distance of 100 yards without difficulty.

The Kikuyu tribe argues that death is contagious, and that therefore no one must touch the dead for fear of being contaminated by the germ of death. Hence, before a person dies he is carried out where no one needs to touch his body after the departure of the spirit. When a person dies suddenly the body is left in the hut and a hole is made in the wall so that the hyenas will enter and drag the body out.

TUNGSTEN RAYS FOR WOUNDS

The tungsten rays as a method of treatment is comparatively recent, and any additional facts as to their utility as a curative factor in medicine may therefore be of interest, writes Dr. W. J. Burroughs in the Lancet (London). The tungsten arc produces, besides light and heat waves, ultra-violet rays. I have been working for the past six months with an apparatus consisting of two electrodes of pure tungsten actuated by a current of 100 volts and five amperes and the results have, on the whole, been most promising.

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PAT COULDN'T SEE IT

Pat had worked hard and well for some years, and it struck his master that it was time the faithful fellow was given a rise in wages.

"Pat," said the master, "your wages are now 50 cents an hour, are they not?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, I intend to raise them to 60 cents an hour in future."

"Stop a minute, sir!" exclaimed Pat. "If I lose two hours will I lose more?"

"Why, certainly," said the master.

"Bedad, thin," cried Pat, "I don't want your rise, I only lose a dollar now."

MANY CALL NOTES

An early arrival is the junco, a little bird with the head, back, throat and breast slate gray, the underparts white, and a white bill, says the American Forestry Magazine. This species feeds on the ground and has a partiality for the vicinity of brush piles. It has a great variety of call-notes, and its song resembles that of the chipping sparrow. It is somewhat deeper in

CASE OF FENCE CUTTING AT FAIRVIEW SATURDAY NIGHT

The first case of fence cutting to be reported in this county in a number of years, occurred at the C. L. Kneirim farm in Fairview Community Saturday night.

The backfield fence was cut in eight or ten places, according to reports which reached the sheriff's office this week. No arrests had been made Wednesday afternoon.

Fence cutting is a felony offense.

VERNON MAN IN LOCAL SANITARIUM WITH TETANUS

E. B. Benefield, who with his family last week stopped in Floydada enroute by auto from Vernon to Lubbock, is at the Childers Sanitarium recovering from tetanus, which developed from infection in an injured finger about the time of his arrival here. His condition was quite serious for several days.

A brother of the sick man arrived here this mid-week from Vernon.

MATERIAL ARRIVING FOR NEW HOME OF MRS. J. N. FARRIS

Material for the new home of Mrs. J. N. Farris, to be built during the next few months in southwest Floydada, is being put on the ground.

Brick, gravel and sand for the foundations and walls have been coming in for several days.

3-YEAR-OLD BABY DEAD

Zelma Warren, aged two years and ten months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Warren, who live three miles southwest of Floydada, died Saturday morning of last week at four o'clock and was buried Saturday afternoon at five o'clock in Floydada Cemetery, Rev. J. H. McCauley, Missionary of the Floyd County Baptist Association, officiating, assisted by Rev. Hull. The funeral service was held at the grave side.

The baby's death was due to acute bright's disease.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wester reached Floydada from Sulphur Springs Thursday of last week. Mr. Wester spent the greater part of the summer in Denton at summer school.

W. K. Triplett, wife and son, of Chappell, Nebr., were in Floydada the latter part of last week on a visit with his brother, Tom B. Triplett and family.

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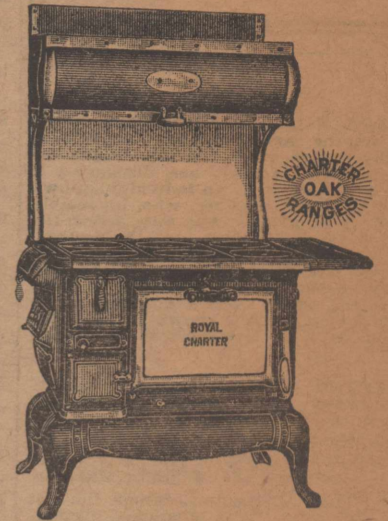
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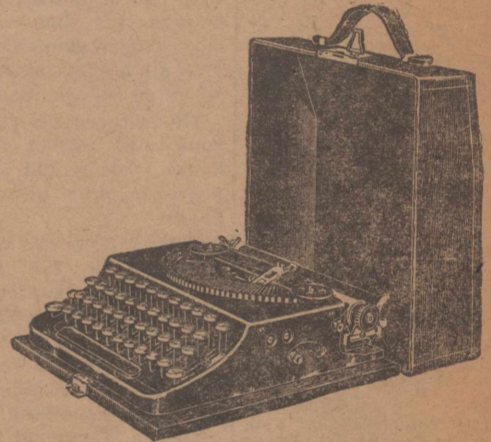
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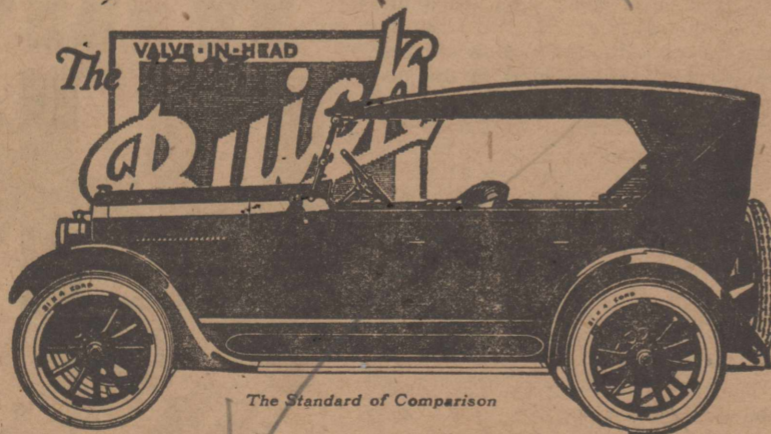
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The voice was strange to Gramont, yet he had a vague recollection of having at some time heard it before...

"Howdy, sheriff!" it said. "Didn't see you in there—what you doin' so far away from Houma, eh?"

"Why, I've been looking over the place around here," responded another voice, which was dry and grim...

"Me? Take me?" The voice of Chacherre shrilled up suddenly in alarm...

There came silence. Not a sound broke the stillness of the late afternoon.

Gramont, listening, lay bewildered and breathless. Ben Chacherre came here? Gramont knew nothing of any tie between Jaclin Fell and Chacherre...

Confused and wondering, Gramont waited. And, as he waited, he caught a soft sound from the marshy ground beside him—a faint "plop" as though some object had fallen close by on the wet grass...

Listening, Gramont fancied that he caught slow, stealthy footsteps amid the undergrowth, but defied the fancy as sheer imagination. His brain was busy with this new problem. Houma, he knew, was the seat of the parish or county. This Ben Chacherre appeared to have suddenly and unexpectedly encountered the sheriff...

Chacherre had nothing to do with the "place"—did that mean the adjacent property, or the Ledanois farm? In his puzzled bewilderment over this, he saw Gramont for the moment...

happened? Surely, Ben Chacherre had not been arrested and taken away in such silence! Why had the voices so abruptly ceased? Vaguely uneasy, startled by the prolongation of that intense stillness, Gramont rose to his feet and peered among the trees.

The two speakers seemed to have departed; he could descry nobody in sight. A step to one side gave Gramont a view of the land adjoining the Ledanois place. This was cleared of all brush, and under some immense oaks to the far left he had a glimpse of a large summer cottage, boarded up and apparently deserted. Nearer at hand, however, he saw other buildings, and these drew his attention. He heard the throbbing pound of a motor at work, and as there was no power line along here, the place evidently had its own electrical plant. He scrutinized the scene before him appraisingly.

There were two large buildings here. One seemed to be a large barn, closed the other was a long, low shed which was too large to be a garage. The door of this was open, and before the opening Gramont saw three men standing in talk; he recognized none of them. Two of the talkers were clad in greasy overalls, and the third figure showed the flash of a collar. The sheriff, Ben Chacherre, and some other man, thought Gramont. He would not have known Chacherre had he encountered him face to face. To him, the man was a name only.

The mention of his own name by Chacherre impelled him to go forward and demand some explanation. Then it occurred to him that perhaps he had made a mistake; it would have been very easy, for he was not certain that Chacherre had referred to him. There could be other Gramonts, or other men whose name would have much the same sound in a Creole mouth.

"I'd better attend to my own business," thought Gramont, and turned away. He noticed that the motor had ceased its work. "Wonder what rich chap can be down here at his summer cottage this time of year? May be only a caretaker, though. I'd better give all my attention to this oil, and let other things alone."

He retraced his steps to the bayou bank and turned back toward the house. As he did so, Hammond appeared coming toward him, knife in hand.

"I'm going to cut me a pole and land a couple o' fish for supper," announced the chauffeur, grinning. "Got things cleaned up fine, cap'n! You won't know the old shack."

"Good enough," said Gramont. "Here, step over this way! I want to show you something."

He led Hammond to the rivulet and pointed out the thin film of oil on the surface.

"There's our golden fortune, sergeant! Oil actually coming out of the ground! It doesn't happen very often, but it does happen and this is one of the times. I'll not bother to look around any farther."

"Glorious!" said Hammond, staring at the rivulet. "Want to hit back for town?"

"No; we couldn't get back until some time tonight, and the roads aren't very good for night work. I'm going to get some leases around here—perhaps I can do it right away, and we'll start back in the morning. Go ahead and get your fish."

Regaining the house, he saw that Hammond had indeed cleaned up in great style, and had the main room looking clean as a pin, with a fire popping on the hearth. He did not pause here, but went to the car, got in, and started it. He drove back to the road and followed this toward town for a few rods, turning in at a large and very decent-looking farmhouse that he had observed while passing it on the way out.

He found the owner, an intelligent-looking Creole, driving in some cows for milking, and was a little startled to realize that the afternoon was so late. When he addressed the farmer in French, he received a cordial reply, and discovered that this man owned the land across the road from the Ledanois place—that his farm, in fact, covered several hundred acres.

"Who owns the land next to the Ledanois place?" inquired Gramont. "I sold that off my land a couple of years ago," replied the other. "A man from New Orleans wanted it for a summer place—a business man there, Isidore Gumberts."

Gumberts—"Memphis Izzy" Gumberts! The name flashed to Gramont's mind, and brought the recollection of a conversation with Hammond. Why, Gumberts was the famous crook of whom Hammond had spoken.

"I saw the sheriff a while ago, heading up the road," observed the Creole. "Did you meet him?"

Gramont shook his head. "No, but I saw several men at the Gumberts place. Perhaps he was there—"

"Not there, I guess," and the farmer laughed. "Those fellows have rented the place from Gumberts, I hear; they're inventors, and quiet enough men. You're a stranger here?"

Gramont introduced himself as a friend of Miss Ledanois, and stated frankly that he was looking for oil and hoped to drill on her land.

"I'd like a lease option from you," he went on. "I don't want to buy your land at all; what I want is a right to drill for oil on it, in case any shows up on Miss Ledanois' land. It's all a gamble, you know. I'll give you a hundred dollars for the lease, and the usual eighth interest in any oil that's found. I've no lease blanks with me, but if you'll give me the option, a memorandum will be prepared."

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and said so. The hundred dollars, however, and the prospective eighth interest, were sufficient to induce him to part with the option without any delay. He was only too glad to get the thing done with at once, and to pocket Gramont's money.

Gramont drove away, and was just coming to the Ledanois drive when he suddenly threw on the brakes and halted the car, listening. From somewhere ahead of him—the Gumberts place, he thought instantly—echoed a shot, and several faint shouts. Then silence again.

Gramont paused, indecisive. The sheriff was making an arrest. He thought. A hundred possibilities flitted through his brain, suggested by the sinister combination of Memphis Izzy, known even to Hammond as a prince among crooks, with this secluded place leased by "inventors." Bootlegging? Counterfeiting?

As he paused, thus, he suddenly started; he was certain that he had caught the tones of Hammond, as though in a sudden uplifted oath of anger. Gramont threw in his clutch and sent the car jumping forward—he remembered that he had left Hammond beside the rivulet, close to the Gumberts property. What had happened?

He came, after a moment of impatience, to an open gate whose drive led to the Gumberts place. Before him, as he turned in, unfolded a startling scene. Three men, the same three whom he had seen from the bushes, were standing in front of the low shed; two of them held rifles, the third, one of the "inventors" in overalls, was winding a bandage about a bleeding hand. The two rifles were leveled at Hammond, who stood in the center of the group with his arms in the air.

Whatever had happened, Hammond had evidently not been easily captured. His countenance was somewhat battered, and the one captor who wore a collar was bleeding copiously from a cut cheek. The three turned as Gramont's car drove up, and Hammond gave an ejaculation of relief.

"Here he is now—"

"Shut up!" snapped one of his armed captors in an ugly tone. "Hurry up, Chacherre—get a rope and tie this gink!"

Gramont leaped from the car and strode forward.

"What's been going on here?" he demanded, sharply. "Hammond—"

"I found a dead man over in them bushes," shot out Hammond, "and these guys jumped me before I seen 'em. They claim I done it—"

"A dead man!" repeated Gramont, and looked at the three. "What do you mean?"

"Give him the spiel, Chacherre," growled one of them. Ben Chacherre stepped forward, his bold eyes fastened on those of Gramont with a look of defiance.

"The sheriff was here some time ago, looking for a stolen boat," he said, "and went off toward the Ledanois place. We were following, in order to help him search, when we came upon this man standing in the bushes, over the body of the sheriff. A knife was in his hand, and the sheriff had been stabbed to death. He drew a pistol and shot one of us—"

Gramont was staggered for a moment. "Wait!" he exclaimed. "Hammond, how much of this is true?"

"What I'm tellin' you, cap'n," answered Hammond, doggedly. "I found a man layin' there and was looking at him when these guys jumped me. I shot that fellow in the arm, all right, then they grabbed my gun and got me down. That's all."

The sheriff—murdered! Into the mind of Gramont leaped that brief conversation which he had overheard between Ben Chacherre and the sheriff; the strange, unnatural silence which had concluded that broken-off conversation. He stared from Hammond to the others, speechless for the moment, yet with hot words rising impetuously in him.

Now he noticed that Chacherre and his two companions were watching him very intently, and were slightly circling out. He sensed an acquaintance among all these men. He saw that the wounded man had finished his bandaging, and was now holding his unwounded hand in his pocket, bulkily, menacingly.

Danger flashed upon Gramont—flashed upon him vividly and with startling clearness. He realized that anything was possible in this isolated spot—this spot where murder had so lately been consummated! He checked on his very lips what he had been about to blurt forth; at this instant, Hammond voiced the thought in his mind.

"It's a frame-up!" said the chauffeur, angrily.

"That's likely, isn't it?" Chacherre flung the words in a sneer, but with a covert glance at Gramont. "This fellow is your chauffeur, ain't he? Well, we got to take him in to Houma, that's all."

"Where's the sheriff's body?" demanded Gramont, quietly.

"Over there," Chacherre gestured. "We ain't had a chance to bring him back yet—this fellow kept us busy. Maybe you want to frame up an alibi for him?"

Gramont paid no attention to the sneering tone of this last. He regarded Chacherre fixedly, thinking hard, keeping himself well in hand.

"You say the sheriff was here, then went over toward the Ledanois land?" he asked. "Did he go alone, or were you with him?"

"We were fixin' to follow him," asserted Chacherre, confidently. "This was all Gramont wanted to know—"

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"I was, too, when they found me—I was cuttin' me a fishpole," said Hammond, sulkily. He was plainly beginning to be impressed and alarmed by the evidence against him. Gramont only nodded.

"No one saw the actual murder, then?"

"No need for it," said Chacherre, brazenly. "When we found him that way! Eh?"

"I suppose not," answered Gramont, his eyes fastened thoughtfully on Hammond. The latter caught the look, let his jaw fall in astonishment, then flushed and compressed his lips—and waited. Gramont glanced at Chacherre, and launched a chance shaft.

"You're Ben Chacherre, aren't you? Do you work for Mr. Fell?"

The chance shot scored. "Yes," said Chacherre, his eyes narrowing. "What are you doing here, then?"

"For an instant Chacherre was off guard. He did not know how much—or little—Gramont knew; but he did know that Gramont was aware of what he had taken the lot of the Midnight Masquer from the luggage compartment of the car. This knowledge, very naturally, threw him back on the defense of which he was most sure.

"I came on an errand for my master," he said, and with those words gave the game into Gramont's hands.

There was a moment of silence. Gramont stood apparently in musing thought, conscious that every eye was fastened upon him, and that one false move would now spell disaster. He gave no sign of the tremendous shock that Chacherre's words had just given him; when he spoke, it was quietly and coolly:

"Then your master is evidently associated with Memphis Izzy Gumberts, who owns this place here. Is that right?"

Both Hammond and Chacherre's wofriends started at this.

"I don't know nothin' about that," returned Chacherre, with a shrug which did not entirely conceal his uneasiness. "I know that we've got a murderer here, and that we'll have to dispose of him. Do you object?"

"Of course not," said Gramont, calmly. "Step aside and give me a moment in private with Hammond. Then by all means take him in to Houma. I'd suggest that you tie him up, or make use of handcuffs if the sheriff brought any along. Then you'd better take in the body of the sheriff also. Hammond, a word with you!"

This totally unexpected acquiescence on the part of Gramont seemed to stun Chacherre into inaction. He half moved, as though uncertain whether to bar Gramont from the prisoner, then he stepped aside as Gramont advanced. A gesture to his two companions prevented them from interfering.

"Keep 'em covered, though," he said, shifting his own rifle slightly and watching with a scowl of suspicion.

Gramont ignored him and went up to Hammond, with a look of warning.

"You'll have to submit to this, old man," he said, in a tone that the others could not overhear. "Don't dream that I'm deserting you; but I want a good look at this place if all three of them go away. They must not suspect—"

"Cap'n, look out!" broke in Hammond, urgently. "This here is a gang—the whole thing is a frame-up on me!"

"I know it—I was present when the sheriff was murdered; but keep quiet. I'll come to Houma later tonight and see you." He turned away with a shrug, as though Hammond had denied him some favor, and lifted his voice. "Chacherre! How are you to take this man into town? How did you get here? Will you need to use my car?"

"No." The Creole jerked his head toward the barn. "I came in Mr. Fell's car—it's got a sprung axle and is laid up. We'll take him back in another one."

"Very well," Gramont paused and glanced around. "This is a terrible blow, men. I never dreamed that Hammond was a murderer or could be one! You don't know of any motive for the crime?"

They shook their heads, but suspicion was dying from their eyes. Gramont glanced again at his chauffeur.

"I'll not abandon you, Hammond," he said, severely, coldly. "I'll stop in at Houma and see that you have a lawyer. I think, gentlemen, we had better attend to bringing in the body of the sheriff, eh?"

The wounded man dodged into the barn and returned with a strip of rope. Chacherre took this and firmly bound Hammond's arms, then forced him to sit down and bound his ankles.

"You watch him," he ordered the wounded member of the trio. "We'll get the sheriff."

Allowing Chacherre and his companion to take the lead, Gramont went with them to the place where the murdered officer lay. As he went, the conviction grew more sure within him that, when he lay there by the rivulet, he had actually heard the last words uttered by the sheriff; that Chacherre had committed the murder in that moment—a noiseless, deadly stab! That Hammond could or would have done it he knew was absurd.

They found the murdered man lying among the bushes. He had been stabbed under the fifth rib—the knife had gone direct to the heart. Chacherre announced that he had Hammond's knife as evidence and Gramont merely nodded his head.

Lifting the body between them, they bore it to the barn.

"Now," said Gramont, "don't miss my opportunity. Hop on!"

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drove away. He had no fear of anything happening to Hammond; the evidence against the latter was damning, and with three men to swear him into a hangman's noose, they would bring him to jail safe enough.

"A clever devil, that Chacherre!" he thought, grimly. "We're up against a gang, beyond any doubt. Now, if they don't suspect me—"

He turned in at the Ledanois gate, knowing himself to be beyond sight or hearing of the Gumberts place. He drove the car away from the house, and into the thick of the densest bush-growth that he could find, where it was well concealed from sight. Then, on foot, he made his way along the bank of the bayou until he had come to the rivulet where oil showed.

Here he paused, concealing himself and gaining a place where he could get a view of the Gumberts land. He saw Chacherre and Hammond there beside the body of the sheriff; the other two men were swinging open the barn door. They disappeared inside, and a moment later Gramont heard the whirr of an engine starting. A car backed into the yard and halted.

The three men lifted the body of the sheriff into the tonneau. Chacherre took the wheel, Hammond being bundled in beside him. The other two men climbed in beside the body, rifles in hand. Chacherre started the car toward the road.

"All fine!" thought Gramont with a thrill of exultation. "They've cleared out and left the place to me—and I want a look at that place."

Suddenly, as he stood there, he remembered the slight "plump" that he had heard during that interminable silence which had followed the conversation between the sheriff and Ben Chacherre. It was a sound as though something had fallen near him in the soggy ground.

The remembrance startled him strangely. He visualized an excited murderer standing beside his victim,

knife in hand; he visualized the abhorrence which must have seized the man for a moment—the abhorrence which must have caused him to do something in that moment which in a cooler time he would not have done.

Gramont turned toward the little marshy spot where he had lain listening. He bent down, searching the wet ground, heedless that the water soaked into his boots. And, after a minute, a low exclamation of satisfaction broke from him as he found what he sought.

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