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DGE AND R. A. M. TALL OFFICERS FOR YEAR.

tion Saturday Night at asonic Hall Followed by Luncheon.

Saturday evening the officers of the year were installed in the Blue Lodge at the home of A. F. & A. M. and Royal Arch Mason Lodges of Floydada, a large attendance of the membership in each lodge being present participating.

Officers for the year in Blue Lodge are: R. L. G. Worshipful Master; J. T. Lawson, Senior Warden; W. Featherbee, Junior Warden; J. D. C. Arginer, Treasurer; J. D. K. Secretary; Tom P. Steen, R. of the Royal Arch Lodge C. G. Giner was installed High Priest; R. B. Smith, King; J. D. Parks, scribe; E. C. Nelson, Treasurer; Tom P. Steen, Secretary; R. C. Scott, Captain of the Post; L. B. Maxey, Principal Journeyman; Dr. V. Andrews Royal Arch Captain; W. T. Montgomery Master of the Thirt Veil; R. K. Bruner, Master of the Second Veil; Lee Montague, Master of the First Veil; R. H. Willis, Guard.

Following the Installation of officers the membership enjoyed a luncheon in the dining hall, served by the Masons' wives and daughters.

J. J. McNeely Withdraws from Justice of the Peace Race.

T. J. McNeely, who failed to get his name on the Democratic Primary Ticket has decided to withdraw from the race, not withstanding the announcement made last week that he would continue.

"I failed, through neglect, to get my name on the ticket," he said Tuesday. "And, while I have had encouragement to keep in the race, it is difficult to get my own mind's consent to continue under the circumstances. I am therefore withdrawing."

Mr. McNeely expressed his appreciation of the support tendered him from various quarters.

Steer Yearlings Shipped to Kansas Pastures Sunday.

Giddings and Green, of De Graft, Kansas, received six hundred and twenty-four head of steer yearlings in Floydada Saturday shipping them Sunday to their pastures near De Graft. The yearlings were bought of W. Moore, I. E. Martin and A. Newman, bringing \$37 head.

The Hesperian and Dallas papers, \$1.75 a year.

G. A. Crum Dead.

G. A. Crum died last Friday evening at six o'clock at his home on West Missouri Street, after a period of several months of intense suffering from asthma following an attack early in the year of pneumonia.

On Saturday afternoon the funeral services were held at the home. Rev. Mathews conducting the funeral, and interment was made in the Floydada Cemetery with Masonic rites at three-thirty.

Mr. Crum had resided in Floydada upward of four years. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and of the Methodist Church.

His death came unexpectedly, and relatives residing at other points in the state could not be notified in time to attend the funeral.

In Memory.

June 23rd, 1916. As the afternoon was drawing to a close the Soul of George Arthur Crum winged its flight, the poor tired heart and body are at rest. Or course it is best—why should we grieve? He patiently endured years of suffering—the past six months never free from pain. We often wonder why it is so and our answer is that "God knows best, He doeth all things well." George Arthur Crum lived an honest upright life—was respected and liked by all who knew him.

He was the oldest of nine children, leaves wife and small son, five sisters and two brothers to mourn his departure. Awaiting him around the Great White Throne will be Father, Mother, Brother and Baby Son.

Oh! what a joyful meeting. A few more years and we too will receive the summons to go. Hear the voice of our Savior—"Lo, I am with you always. I'll go with you all the way."

One who loved him.

State Land Commissioner on Tour of West Texas.

State Land Commissioner J. T. Robinson spent Wednesday afternoon and night in Floydada while out on a tour of the Western portion of the state in the interest of his candidacy for re-nomination as commissioner.

The Land Office is the biggest department of the state and West Texans are always much interested in the Commissioner's race.

This was Mr. Robinson's first visit to Floydada in recent years.

J. F. Mathews, pastor of the Christian Church of Floydada, will hold a revival meeting at the McCoy school house beginning Saturday night July 1st.

COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION TO BE HELD AT LAKEVIEW.

Saturday and Sunday are Dates Set for Annual Get-together of Singers.

The Floyd County Singing Convention meets next Sunday and Saturday before at Lakeview School House. The people of that community plan to have their new brick school building advanced to such a state of completion that it may be used for the session of the convention.

Classes from all over the county, and visitors from every community are expected. The attendance is expected to be larger than at any similar occasion held in the county.

Preparation is being made for the Saturday session as well as for Sunday. A barbecue dinner is to be a feature on Sunday.

R. E. L. Muncy is president J. A. Meador secretary of the County Convention.

Old Fashioned Games Feature Pleasant Evening.

Last Thursday evening Miss Gertrude Mathews entertained a few of her friends. The evening was passed in playing old fashioned games. At ten-thirty refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Those present were: Misses Marie Hughes, Bessie Thompson, Marie Henry, Louise Colville, Ida Lee Miller, Bernice Henry, Willie Slaughter, Dalia Webb, Nellie Collins, Sidney Belle Greenwood, Ruby White Cleo Andrews, Adeline Daily; and Messrs. Barker, Finger, Armstrong, McGuire, Shaffer, Dixon, Irvin Bishop, Stokes Bishop, Wilkinson, Henry, Thompson, Fry, Roy Snodgrass, Clarence Snodgrass.

Mrs. P. R. Underwood Very Ill With Peritonitis.

Mrs. P. R. Underwood has been ill the past five days with peritonitis, which developed from an abscess.

She was treated surgically Tuesday evening at the Childers Sanitarium and is much improved, though still quite sick.

Mrs. Underwood's parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. C. McCarver, of Pecos, and Mr. Underwood's brother, R. E. Underwood and family, of Amarillo, are here. They were notified of Mrs. Underwood's illness early in the week and came at once.

Boy Scouts on Hike Spend Two Days on Blanco Canyon.

Three patrols of the Floydada Boy Scouts of America spent Tuesday and Wednesday of this week on Blanco Canyon, hiking to their camping place on Tuesday morning.

They were accompanied on their expedition by Scout Master Tom P. Steen.

S. L. Rushing Stocking Farm With Hereford Heifers.

S. L. Rushing will receive this week six hundred head of Hereford yearling heifers, with which he will stock his ranch northeast of town.

The stock are grade cattle he purchased near Midland.

S. E. Allison, of Canadian, deputy sheriff of Hemphill County, was in Floydada Tuesday on official business and spent Tuesday night with A. L. Williams.

S. R. Featherston, of Jayton, is spending this week in Floydada, the guest of his brother, C. H. Featherston,

FARMERS' UNION SPEECHES IN FLOYD JULY 14-15.

County Union in Session Monday Make Series of Dates for Speaker.

The Floyd County Farmers' Union met in regular session in Floydada Monday, and among other business transacted, made arrangements for a series of four speeches to be made at four points in the county on Friday and Saturday, July 14th and 15th.

The speaker has not been named as yet, but the tentative dates are as follows: At Baker, Friday afternoon, July 14th; Cone, Friday night, the 14th; Lockney, Saturday afternoon and Floydada Saturday night, the 15th.

The Entre Nous Club.

The Entre Nous Club met with Mr. and Mrs. N. W. McCleskey, Friday evening, June twenty-third and was very royally entertained.

The guests upon their arrival were served with delicious punch, the punch bowl being presided over by Miss Gladys Felton.

A business meeting was held by President Massie at which Misses Bernice Henry and Mable Yearwood were voted in as new members.

Tables were arranged for games of "84" over which much fun was created. At the close of the games it was found that the "four lucky" partners were Mrs. N. W. Williams, Mr. Donaldson, Miss Moorehouse, and Dr. Lon Smith.

Delicious refreshments consisting of Balvarian cream with whipped cream and cake were served by the hostess.

Throughout the evening piano solos were rendered by Misses Oda and Gladys Felton.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Steen, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Donaldson, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Buckingham, Dr. and Mrs. L. V. Smith, Mrs. Dr. Massie, Mrs. Rittenhouse, Misses Erick and Moorhouse, and Messrs. Reagan and Ireland.

The next meeting will be with Miss Moorhouse, June twenty-ninth.

Secretary.

First State Bank Installs New Book-Keeping System.

The First State Bank has just completed the installation of a new bookkeeping and accounting system in the conduct of their banking business by which the greater part of their detail work is done with the aid of a Burroughs Adding and Subtracting Machine, which automatically makes date, credit and debit entries, and posts old balances and new balances as well.

By aid of the new bookkeeping device the time spent on the books is materially cut down and the chance for errors reduced to the minimum.

This bank's business has more than doubled within the past two years.

Last Week's Hail Damages Dickens County Crops.

All kinds of crops in Dickens County were considerably damaged last week by two hail storms which accompanied rains that fell in the section adjacent to Spur and extending north and west into the edge of Floyd County.

The Texas Spur states that replanting in the hail district is in progress and that the damage to crops is being made good.

Paducah Saxon Agent Will Make 300-Mile Non-Stop Run.

Floydada is on the route of a 300-mile non-stop run to be made Saturday June 30th by D. E. Jordan, of Paducah, Saxon dealer, who will make the trip coincidentally with 2000 other dealers over the nation, each of whom will make a 300-mile trip without stopping motor. The car to be used is a stock "six."

Mr. Jordan is competing for the silver loving cup to be awarded by the company to the best record made by any agent. He is to be accompanied by E. A. Carlock, of Paducah, and Bob Johnson, of Matador, who will act as judges on the trip. The 300-mile course has been laid as follows:

Leave Paducah at 5 a. m., Saturday morning; arrive at Matador at 7:20 a. m.; arrive at Roaring Springs at 8 a. m.; Afton, 9 a. m.; Dickens, 9:45 a. m.; Spur, 10:20 a. m. On the return trip he will arrive in Dickens at 11 a. m.; Afton, 11:40 a. m.; Roaring Springs, 12:40 p. m.; Floydada, 3:40 p. m.; Lockney, 5:00 p. m.; Floydada, 6:00 p. m.; Roaring Springs, 8:30 p. m.; Matador, 9:15 p. m. and thence to Paducah by 11:45 p. m.

Brick and Tile Residences Will be Built by Dane.

Sam Dane, contractor, builder of the Willis Building and other structures in Floydada, recently moved to Floydada from Colorado City, has brick and tile on the ground for the erection of two residences in Floydada, one in the West Side Heights Addition, the other in the southwest portion of the city.

Mr. Dane stated Saturday that both buildings would be begun sometime in the near future. He now has contracts under way and when these are completed he will begin the work on his own residences.

Both houses will be modern throughout.

Small Blaze Quickly Extinguished.

An incipient fire at the residence of J. D. Ratliff in the southwest part of town was started last Monday morning about 9:30 when trouble started from a gas or oil stove.

The fire was extinguished quickly when the call for help was made, one room being considerably damaged.

Mrs. Horace T. Owen and children left last Thursday for Lubbock to spend several weeks with relatives.

EARLY WHEAT RE- PORTS ARE GOOD.

Production Exceeds Expectations of Raisers in Floyd County This Year.

Early reports of wheat production, as determined from threshing figures, in Floyd County, have a very optimistic tone. A dry period during maturing stage was expected to reduce the crop from normal to half a regular crop. It is now believed that the average over the county, if late crops produce proportionally, will be around eighteen bushels.

A. J. Blackwell, who finished threshing this week, made a yield of twelve bushels per acre, after taking a hail loss of forty-five per cent.

J. W. Freeman's crop threshed out an average of twenty-three bushels testing 63. pounds per bushel.

A. C. Krause, of the southwestern portion of the county, made an average of twenty bushels on one hundred and fifty acres.

The samples from these crops indicate a high grade of grain in every instance.

Full Complement of School Faculty has Been Chosen.

With the acceptance of the principalship of Floydada High School by Jas. E. Parks, of Abilene, and the acceptances by Misses Leona Lenord, of Clarendon and Miss Adele Ford, of Abilene, of the two remaining places in the faculty the full complement of teachers of the local school was completed Tuesday of this week.

The board have chosen only teachers of proven ability and high scholarship.

2 Cars Cattle, 3 of Hogs, Shipped on Saturday.

Saturday's livestock shipments included two cars of mixed cattle to Kansas City, and three cars of hogs to Fort Worth, made by N. A. Armstrong.

Both shipments sold well on Monday's market, the hogs bringing within two and a half cents of the extreme top.

Additional Filling Station.

In order to accommodate their growing business the Reagan Garage is installing a second filling station.

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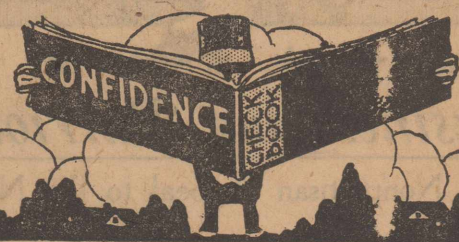
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A Mystery Cleared.

After more than a year a mystery within a mystery has come to light. The explanation was forthcoming when a set of whiskers were found in the dressing room of Paul Everton, at the Metro-Rolte studio, where he was playing the heavy role in "The Quitter." Edward Brennan, who was working in the same feature, picked up the whiskers, and in surprise asked Everton when he had ever used them.

"I do not suppose it matters now if I tell," said Everton, "but I am the man that played the 'Mysterious Mr. X' in 'The Exploits of Elane.' Everyone thought the part was played by Arnold Daly. I worked throughout the series until the last few scenes, when Mr. Daly stepped in, wearing my false whiskers. He took them off while working before the camera, and in that way successfully carried out the deception."

S E Wilhams and wife who are living in the south part of Hale County since removing from Floydada some eight months ago were here visiting with their children and families from Friday to Monday.

W. M. Knight Candidate for Associates Justice of Amarillo Court.

"The Tribune has noticed that the Hon. Wm. Knight of Hereford, Texas, who was for many years a prominent and useful citizen of Bosque County, is a candidate for the judgeship on the court of Civil Appeals at Amarillo. Mr Knight while residing in Bosque County, served as a County Attorney, special judge several times, member of State Legislature and as assistant attorney general under Gen. Crane. In addition to these positions served us as member of the county board of examiners, member of our City council and otherwise. It is but just to say that in every position occupied by Mr. Knight while he lived here, he faithfully and satisfactorily discharged every duty as an honest conscientious man. He is a ripe scholar, thoroughly grounded in the law by both study and an active practice of more than thirty years, which, combined with his sobriety integrity and high sense of honor, most peculiarly fit him for the place he seeks. The tribune can but hope that the good people of that district will elevate Mr. Knight to this judgeship, and we feel sure none of them will ever regret supporting him."

The Meridian (Bosque Co.) Tribune, June 16. -Advt.

One of the State Fair Catalogues Ready for Distribution.

We are just in receipt of a sample copy of the Panhandle State Fair Catalogues form Amarillo, and it is one of the best and most complete books of its kind.

The officers and directors are putting forth every effort possible to make this year's Fair the largest and the best every held in the State and Floydada is fortunate to have the opportunity to co operate with this fair, as it is a Panhandle and Plains country affair and not a County Fair.

The directors, it seems, have been carefully selected from among the foremost and progressive men of the country and its officers are among the leading spirits in the development of every line of industry entering into the elements of growth of the West and South Texas

Many Picnics During July.

Many picnics are scheduled for July on the South Plains and the country immediately adjacent thereto. Lockney, Slaton and Roaring Springs have announced picnics for the Fourth of July, while Clarendon a little further away on the Denver will also hold a picnic on that day. Tulia, Matador Lorenzo have each announced big doings for the latter part of the month.

Plainview and Amarillo are also planning Fourth of July picnics.

Milk House Plans.

Prof. Leroy Rhodes, of the Agricultural Engineering Department of the A. & M. College has completed detailed plans and specifications for a combination milk house and creamery.

These plans are suitable for the use of the small dairy farmer, who feels the need of a sanitary building for taking care of his products. They are now available for free distribution to citizens who will apply for them through the Extension Service.

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Federal Valuation of Railways.

A. M. Hove

For about two years the Santa Fe Railway has maintained a force of men at Amarillo in connection with the valuation of railways that the Interstate Commerce Commission is making of all the American railways. There are at present fifty seven men employed in the Amarillo office in connection with the physical investigation of Western Lines of which F. C. Fox is General Manager. The expense is borne by the railroad.

When Congress authorized the Interstate Commerce Commission to make this valuation, it was generally understood that the cost of this enormous undertaking would be paid by the Federal Government. But when the plans of work were finally made, it was determined that the railroads themselves should supply the data, many of them along lines that required absolutely new schedules. It then became apparent that the heaviest cost would fall on the railroads and eventually their customer, the American public.

So far nineteen orders for information have been made by the valuation division of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The first required detailed maps to be filed as of June 30, 1914, showing everything as to lines, location, lands, structures, grades as shown on the profiles; in short the map must be one with every detail, a kind few railroads had. Then there came an order for an inventory of all the property of the Carriers. Field parties were organized to go over the roads in detail, the railroads being required to supply pilots and other assistance.

Much has been done so far. But it will take at least four more years to complete the work, including accounting, original cost, present value, and estimate of what the reproduction cost new would be. Yet really the only work fully organized and progressing satisfactorily is the physical examination of the property, something like sixteen field parties being at work. They expect to cover close to 50,000 miles a year. About 50,000 miles are completed out of over 250,000 miles of railroad.

The director of valuation Chas. A. Prouty of the Interstate Commission estimates that this valuation will cost 35,000,000.00 and the government about half of this amount. It is likely that the total cost will exceed this amount. The making of the maps alone according to the commissioner is costing the railroads in some cases \$100.00 a mile, to say nothing of other things fully as costly.

In this connection a statement made last November by Mr. Prouty in a public address is worth noting. He said: "Now I speak from my experience of seventeen years as a railroad commissioner when I say I am sure that all of us in the past have been inclined to feel, that whatever was required of a railroad did not cost anybody anything, certainly that it did not cost the public anything. But, my friends, we have come to a time when that error has become apparent. We have come to a time when we realize that somebody has to pay for this work the railroad does, and that somebody is the public."

The object of this Federal valuation of railroads is to get a fair basis for rate making. It is agreed that the railroads are entitled to a fair return on the investment. When the value of the roads has been fully established, the rate will be made accordingly. When the work was first started, many people in government circles thought that this was the first step towards government ownership. But in two years those closest to this valuation work have changed their mind. It would cost close

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to twenty billion dollars to acquire all the railroads and it would place an enormous debt on the nation.

Movies of "Injured" Plaintiff, Secretly Taken.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 1. - Judge Jno. D. Shafer and a jury saw a moving picture exhibition in common pleas court here yesterday as a part of the defense of a telephone company which was sued for heavy damages by Mrs. Freda Garletz, who claimed both hands and her back had

been permanently injured after picking up a live wire of the telephone company.

After she had filed suit against the company a detective agency hired a house in the rear of her home and pointed a movie camera through the back window. The film showed Mrs. Garletz feeding her chickens, throwing corn over a high fence, lifting heavy boards and doing other feats requiring considerable strength.

C. M. Wilson, D. E. Pitt James Colville spent last day night and Sunday in C

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To Houston, Texas, June 26, 28, 1916. Round trip tickets, \$23.80, on sale June 25th, limited to June 30th.

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The confidential industrial inventory you are asked to supply is intended for the exclusive benefit of the War and Navy Departments and will be used in organizing the industrial resources for the public service in national defense.

At my request the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Institute of Mining Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the American Chemical Society are gratefully assisting the Naval Consulting Board in the work of collecting this data, and I confidently ask your earnest support in the interest of the people and government of the United States. Faithfully yours,

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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

A feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley, over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, found in a fallen meteor from an ancestor. Also the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American. When a daughter is born to the colonel and the mother dies, the colonel buys a gypsy boy and substitutes him. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the girl, Esther, reared in secret, and leaves her son undetected as the heir. The gypsy has obtained possession of the diamond from the sky, and a document with the Stanley secret. Years later Hagar, gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with Esther. Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's friend, adopts Esther. Arthur Stanley, son of Hagar, falls in love with Esther, and so does his companion and cousin, Blair Stanley, rightful male heir of Stanley. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor and tries later to put the blame on Arthur, who takes the gem. Arthur Stanley eludes his pursuers and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. At a ball, at which an adventuress, Vivian Marston, wears the borrowed gem, Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, steals the diamond. Arthur leaves Richmond and goes to the west. Quabba, organ grinder, befriends Esther. Tom Blake, a detective of Richmond, who is hired by Hagar, produces finger prints convicting Blair. Hagar proposes silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Arthur's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the finger prints, leaving the gypsy queen demoted. Marmaduke Smythe, lawyer, arrives to announce Arthur is heir to the deceased Earl of Stanley. Learning Arthur is a fugitive, he seeks Blair instead. To win Vivian, Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Their train is robbed, Vivian losing the diamond, which a slain train robber drops in the desert. The \$100,000 he stole is found by Arthur, now known as John Powell, sheep herder Luke Lovell, driven from the camp after learning Hagar's secret, leaves to seek Blair. Hagar is under treatment, and Esther is in Richmond society. Abe Bloom, gambler, knows Blair's guilt and covets the diamond.

The diamond is later picked up by an Indian woman. Dr. Lee, Arthur learns died of heart disease. Becoming very rich, he buys Stanley Hall, sold at auction, through Blake, and also provides for Hagar and Esther. Luke Lovell buys the diamond, but loses it in a fight.

Vivian is saved from drowning by Powell, who is infatuated by her. Smythe finds the diamond and gives it to Esther to deliver to Arthur.

Blair joins Vivian in Los Angeles. Durand, "king of diamonds," a crook known to Vivian, goes to a saloon to try to discover the diamond. There he meets Luke Lovell. Esther and Arthur appear on the scene. The diamond is lost in a melee. Esther saves Arthur, who is injured, and he goes to Los Angeles in care of the physician-crook, Durand. Esther follows and is refused admittance to see him. In the meantime the diamond is found by two billposters, one of whom murders the other for it. Arthur is "doped" by Durand, De Vaux and Vivian.

Blair makes Arthur believe he suffered from hallucination in thinking he saw Esther. Luke is "railroaded" to prison by Blair. Arthur buys the diamond. Blair, trying to take the gem from Durand, who steals it from Arthur, huris Durand from a window, killing him. Esther and Smythe return to Virginia, the girl rejoining Hagar at the sanitarium. The diamond is stolen by De Vaux, who assumes the name Lancia and hides with it. He is struck down and the diamond taken after Luke, aided by Quabba, escapes. Esther will not leave Hagar and takes her rightful place in society. Smythe examines an old parchment bearing Hagar's pedigree. The diamond is given by Luke to Esther, who will not keep it, but sends it back to Arthur. Hagar and Esther, rejoining the gypsies, travel westward. Arthur, repentant and informed of the treachery of Vivian and Blair, is about to take poison just as Luke breaks into his room.

CHAPTER LV. A Romany Rye.

STRANGE irony of fate! The gem desired, the great jewel that from "a charm against harm" had come to be a curse, was grasped again by Luke Lovell's gypsy hands that, strong as they were, were never to hold it!

John Powell, sometime Arthur Stanley of Stanley Hall, born son of Hagar Harding, sat collapsed in his chair.

As Luke Lovell grasped the diamond the prayer of Hagar fluttered to the table. Luke growled and tore it from Arthur's resisting grasp, glanced at it and tossed it back in scorn.

"You live soft!" he sneered. "Live soft in your luxury while I have wandered like a hunted wolf in the wilds. But now I shall live soft, and you shall be my servant and my banker. First, you shall feed me!"

And Luke, placing the diamond again in his rags, sat down and boited the food that had been brought the master of the house hours ago, but which that soul shattered wretch had not the heart to taste.

As in a daze, as in a dream, Arthur

stood without hope and without fear. Without hope and without fear! Yes, he had reached the end of everything. The prayer of his mother had come home as a curse in this hour of his shame and humiliation.

He had been the sorrow and sacrifice of her young motherhood and the heartbreak of her maturity. Esther, whom he had despoiled of birthright and patrimony, her steadfast faith outraged at last, had left him in scorn and contempt.

Blair, for whose sake he had borne undeservedly the brand of Cain and by his flight from Virginia had accepted the onus of Blair's guilt for the murder of Dr. Lee—Blair, too, had been false and faithless to every trust!

Vivian? The scales had dropped from his eyes. She, too, was false, as she had always been.

Without fear and without hope! Crushed, dazed, the so-called John Powell gazed at the poisoned glass of brandy with which he had stood to pledge a toast to death when Luke had burst in upon him.

Then his eyes turned upon Luke bolting his food like a ravenous animal. "I look strange to you, huh?" said Luke, answering the look and speaking with a mouth full.

"They shaved me and they clipped me in the pen, where you and Blair Stanley sent me. The express slip was all the proof that was needed against the poor, ignorant gypsy.

"They shut me up like a rat in a trap from the light and air in a rotten prison for stealing the money that you stole, the money from the train robbery! Oh, I went back over all our tracks and I found the dead horse, and I found the empty cache. There were clues plain enough, when I got out of prison and went back.

"That stolen money you found in the desert was the start of your fortune. Mr. John Powell. The money was secretly repaid by you, but when they caught one of the poor robbers—as they thought—in me, they sent me to the pen.

"I don't look like I used to, do I? That's prison pallor that even the sun of the desert couldn't wholly take away.

"I'm thinner, too, but I'll fatten on you. I'll spare your life, for you are Hagar's son, but if I go to prison again you will go with me, for I have the proofs you found and used the stolen money, and I know you left Virginia as Arthur Stanley, accused of murder."

"Where is your so-called cousin, your pal and fellow crook, Blair Stanley? Out with the fair lady, I suppose? He shall feed and clothe me and be my banker too.

"Durand, who helped you two railroad me to prison is dead, I hear. All fine gentlemen, eh, the whole of you! Well, I shall be a gentleman, too, a regular Romany Rye. You know what that means—it means gypsy gentleman. And now that I have fed, come



Arthur Stood Without Hope and Without Fear.

and clothe me. Your flunkies are asleep, so you shall be my flunky! One Romany Rye as valet to another!"

And Luke rose from where he had gorged, and Arthur followed him without a word to his suit of rooms and wardrobe upstairs.

The storm had passed; a few heavy drops fell from the leafage of the live oak and hissed as they died on the embers of the smoking ruins of Hagar's van.

Upon the ground Esther knelt, holding the head of the dying Hagar, for Hagar was dying, slowly dying.

Since their journey westward she had faded and faded, slowly but surely. Nothing but her deep love for Esther and her strong faith that she could reach her son in time and save him had held Hagar to life.

A harvest of heartaches through the years, sorrows and sacrifice had sapped her spirit and her physical strength. Only a sweet, complacent faith had sustained her.

But now the shock of the lightning stroke, the burning of the van and the exposure to the storm had hastened the passing of Hagar.

In their long journey westward, slowly but surely moving onward, they had reached within some twenty miles of Los Angeles and the end of their quest for Arthur.

Resolute in this great sorrow and calamity, Esther whispered to the ever helpful and loyal Quabba to mount one of the van horses and hurry back to

the slower moving cavalcade of gypsies and bid them hasten. This Quabba did.

The caravan was not far behind them, for nearing Los Angeles Hagar had given orders to move through the night that they might camp the next



Esther Sent Quabba Back to the Gypsies.

day on the outskirts of the city that was their journey's end. Hearing Quabba's cries, the gypsies lashed their tired horses, and soon Hagar was in the loving care of the women of her tribe, with Esther always beside her, holding her hand and comforting the dying woman with a communion of silence.

On the outskirts of the town, driven from their open roadster to the shelter of a roadhouse by the rain, Blair and Vivian drank and reveled, little knowing John Powell waited opportunity in the departure of Luke to drink his toast to Death at his mansion in Los Angeles.

They drank and reveled while a score of miles away Hagar and Esther, hand in hand, waited for the end of time and the beginning of eternity for the elder of the twain.

Up the steps of the roadhouse piazza, scattering the last raindrops from his apparel, came Dick Jones. With him was a lady whom he addressed as Gert. Well, I shall be a gentleman, too, a regular Romany Rye. You know what that means—it means gypsy gentleman. And now that I have fed, come

"Who are they?" asked Vivian. "I don't know the blond female with him," replied Blair carelessly, "but the boozey gentleman is Dick Jones, who was our shipping clerk at the Good Hope Oil company offices—until I fired him for coming to work after being out the night before, as you see him now."

"You didn't fire yourself for that of sense, or John Powell, the boss, I assume?" retorted Vivian sarcastically. "No matter what I do the night before, my head is clear and my hands steady the next day," Blair answered. "As for John Powell—my boss, as you call him—since he has taken to dope and flying machines we do not see him at the office. And that reminds me, I am sick of this whole business."

"I have got the money in my own name. I am tired of hanging on like a parasite to the poor boob until he dopes himself to death. When do we make a getaway?"

"When we get the diamond from the sky," replied Vivian. "I have set my heart and soul on having it. It must turn up again."

Nothing ever happens and everything happens. While Blair drank in gloomy silence and made no answer to Vivian's last remark, Jones, the tipsy ex-shipping clerk at the next table talked with the lady he called Gert.

Upon her ample bosom there hung a flashy lavalliere, suspended by a heavy chain. "Pretty nifty piece of junk, Gert!" said Jones. "But you should have seen the big diamond that John Powell got by express. It came in a sealed package, and our head clerk sent me up to Mr. Powell's house with it. He opened the package and nearly threw a fit, for there inside was a case and in that case was a letter that stung him hard, and with it was a chain and locket about 1,000 years old. And in that locket was a diamond as big as an English walnut."

"I think it was the same diamond that the circus guy gave the lady lion tamer. Then the lion killed the lady, and her husband, the clown, killed the circus guy and then shot himself."

"John Powell bought the diamond at the auction of the busted circus; then some gink stole it from him, and Powell got it back by express, just as I'm telling you. They say John Powell is crazy. He sure acted crazy when he read the note that came with the big sparkler. He give me \$50 to keep my mouth shut about it."

"But I don't have to keep my mouth shut about anything for anybody, for all I got for the way I worked in his office was to be thrown out! Wait till I see Powell: I'll get my job back all right, and nobody won't stop me!"

CHAPTER LVI. Luke Lovell's End.

BLAIR and Vivian had sat up as though electrified at the first words about the diamond they overheard. Now that the tipsy clerk had ceased speaking Blair stood beside him.

"You'll get your job back all right, Jones!" he said hoarsely. "Here's \$50 from me. Tell me again about the diamond coming by express."

And the clerk repeated his story. Even while he was speaking Vivian had called the waiter to bring the bill and their auto wraps. Once in their great roadster Blair put on full speed through the night and cursed fervently.

"The cunning dope!" he cried. "Arthur has had the diamond safe and hidden from us right under our noses for six months!"

"How will we get it?" asked Vivian eagerly. "Don't pull any more rough stuff, Blair. There has been too much of that. It gets us nothing, not even the diamond."

"Leave that to me!" said Blair fiercely. "The time is ripe. We've got his money; Durand is dead; De Vaux was evidently paid his price and sent the diamond back. He has skipped far away and need not be reckoned with."

"John Powell is no good to himself or any one else; he is better dead. When he is dead I can tell who he really was, and the earldom in England will be mine. You will be a peeress, Vi."

"Get me the diamond from the sky first," answered Vivian.

"There won't be any trouble about that," remarked Blair. "The diamond is hidden in the house, and we will find it after Arthur Stanley, alias John Powell, is dead."

As he spoke he stopped the machine, for they had reached the aviation field and the hangar where John Powell, amateur aeronaut, kept his latest toy, his aeroplane. Blair took a tire iron from the tool box, wrenched the hasp from the door and entered the hangar.

A file was on the work bench beneath the electric light Blair switched



"Leave that to me!" said Blair.

on. Just a little tampering with the stay brace wires, but sufficient.

The next time John Powell took a flight Death would ride beside him!

Vivian asked no questions. But she shuddered. For the man who was to die had been in her arms and her caresses had beguiled him. But she must choose, and as between the masterful Blair and the weakling doomed to die there was but one choice—for with Arthur Stanley dead and Blair Stanley come into his heritage all would be hers, she knew.

In the luxurious chambers of John Powell Luke Lovell, gypsy and escaped convict, stands attired, if not in purple and fine linen, at least in fine linen and tailored clothes of a cut and texture as only millionaires, or at least the rich, may have, and around his neck hangs the diamond from the sky! Arthur stood dumbly by. He had handed Luke the apparel in servile silence, the clothes, the fine kid boots, the snowy shirt and even English walking gloves.

Luke laughed as he gazed at his gloved hands and from them to his entire reflection in the cheval glass. "And now I am the Romany Rye for sure," he cried. "But where is my ring and my watch and my scarfpin? Why, here they are on the bureau. You are a careless valet, Powell."

"Suppose some ex-convict would walk right through my library window and come upstairs and coolly take them."

And Luke threw back his head and laughed again, for as he spoke he had taken the costly ring from the hand of the unresisting John Powell, removed his glove and put on the ring and replaced the glove, all with the mock actions of a dandy, such as Luke had seen in cheap vaudeville at some time.

He took the gold repeater and its diamond studded chain from the dressing table. He stuck the costly star sapphire pin from the cushion into the gey necktie he had selected.

Finding Arthur's monogrammed wallet, well filled with banknotes and some private papers, in the upper drawer of the dressing case, Luke had also taken it and remarked: "I'll have a bank account soon, but just at pres-

ent I'll use the ready cash. And now, if you don't mind, for it is getting toward morning, I will leave you.

"No; I won't go out the front door," he remarked as they walked from the room and down the grand staircase in the silent mansion. "I'll go out the way I came in. It's good luck."

In the library Arthur sank again into the easy chair. Not one word had he spoken. He was ready to part with the blackmail as he was ready to part with life itself—without fear and without hope.

At the thought his eyes fell upon the brandy glass, the poisoned chalice with which he was to drink his toast to Death.

Luke's eyes followed his. "Why, I declare," he cried, with an air of clumsy playfulness. "I actually forgot to take my brandy with my coffee!" He picked up the glass. "At parting," he said, "the Romany Rye drinks your good health!"

Arthur stirred as though to stop him. But he was without fear and without hope. This was destiny. What man may read the book of his fate? It was gypsy kismet that Luke and not he was to pledge the toast to Death.

Luke drained the brandy at a gulp, then licked his lips. "Queer stuff that," he said. "Why, curse it, it burns like acid!" He looked at Hagar's son, and plain as words he read what was in the dark eyes of the other.

"It was a trap!" he shrieked. "D—n your grinning, treacherous face, it was a trap! A gypsy trick! You have poisoned me!"

And, reeling and cursing and grasping at himself as though to stay the agony that burned at his vitals, Luke staggered through the window low to the lawn and across the grass plot to the driveway at the back of the mansion.

And then a great glare of light played upon him like a mighty beam of incandescence, and with a rasping shriek from the electric horn Blair's heavy roadster tore around the corner of the great mansion and in a flash had struck the poisoned man, crushing in his face and leaving him a huddled, quivering mass in the roadway.

John Powell clutched at his heart. In the agony of the moment his soul seemed to leap from him as he peered from behind the window shade at this last tragic toll taking of Death, the guardian of the diamond from the sky!

There was a shriek from Vivian as the swift auto struck the poisoned



Luke Lovell Stands Attired in Fine Clothes.

man. Then a grinding of the brakes, the car stopped with a jerk, and Blair ran back to the quivering figure in the roadway.

One glance at the crushed, disfigured face and Blair, in merciful pity strange to him, placed his coat over it to hide the dreadful sight. He bent down.

There was every evidence in the attire as to who it was. The wallet had fallen from the breast coat pocket of the dead man. Blair knew it.

He called for Vivian, and as she ran toward him he tore from the breast of the dead man the diamond from the sky, while the halted auto throbbed and panted as though it gloated at what it and Blair had done!

"A gypsy trick!" the dying man had cried. There were other gypsy tricks. John Powell was dead; with him should Arthur Stanley pass! The now nameless man ran to his room and hastily donned a heavy dark suit of clothes.

The cries of Vivian and Blair had roused the house, and the nameless man heard the half dressed servants rushing down the stairs and out by the front door to the back of the house.

Unseen, he passed to the library, and then, as they bore the corpse of him they thought John Powell to the front and into his mansion for the last time, the man who had been Arthur Stanley and John Powell slipped from the window, stole across the lawn and made

his way through the murk before dawn to the hangar.

Bringing out the great, birdlike machine, he rose with it and climbed up the stairway of the wind and rode upon the wings of the morning!

Out to sea, far out! This was a death to die! But the wings of the morning wafted exaltation to his soul. He cast aside the husk of his degradation and turned and wheeled his distant flight—clear of mind and clean of soul again!

On the wings of the morning, and far below a gypsy caravan.

"Esther!" he thought. "Esther, my beloved, and Hagar, my dear mother!" And then, on the wings of the morning, something snapped. Down, down, he plunged. He saw in the bright light of day that now filled the earth the gypsies swarming out, and he could discern the slight figure of Esther.

Then he felt the air rise up on either side as he sank down like a plummet. And so he went down, down—seeing, he believed, the outstretched arms and upturned face of Esther—without fear and without hope.

At the mansion of the late John Powell a wreath of flowers is on the door. The newspapers screech sensationally of his death and the strange story Blair has disclosed that the mad millionaire, who took poison and threw himself in the way of an onrushing automobile, was not John Powell, but Arthur Stan-



The Supposed Death of Arthur Stanley. ley, fugitive from justice in Virginia and heir to an English earldom and the diamond from the sky!

A gypsy hunchback riding to the dead man's house on a travel tired horse is told all this. He turns sadly away. How shall he take such a message to a dying mother?

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Silencing the Questioners.

A French gentleman who had been with M. de Tallebrand for twenty years accompanied him to the congress at Vienna after Napoleon's exile to Elba. People naturally concluded that this long intimacy had made him familiar with a number of particulars of the minister's life and bearing also upon the events with which he had been mixed up. Worried with questions, the friend invariably replied that he knew nothing, but the questioners would not be satisfied and returned to the charge.

"Very well," finally said Tallebrand's confidant; "I'll tell you a peculiar and altogether unknown fact in connection with M. de Tallebrand. Since Louis XV. he's the only man who can open a soft boiled egg with one backward stroke of his knife without spilling a drop of the contents of the shell. That is the only peculiarity I know in connection with him."

Discretion had scored a decisive victory. From that moment the questions ceased.

Outmatched.

"Did you hear about the row round at Penhecker's house last night?" Mr. Jones asked his wife as they sat at supper.

"No," said the lady much interested. "What happened?"

"Penhecker tried to thrash his wife, and the police were called just in time to avert a tragedy."

"Oh, the brute! Did they take him to prison?"

"No; they carried him round to the hospital."—New York Journal.

The Absentminded Waiter.

Hungry Man (to man behind the counter)—Bottle of milk and graham crackers.

"Yes, sir. Want a bowl with it?"

"No; cut a hole in the stopper and I'll drink through it."

"Yes, sir. Have a spoon with it?"

"Oh, no. I always eat milk with a knife."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

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The Majority Primary in the Senatorial race, which is to be held on the fourth Saturday in August was not fully prepared for by the Democratic Executive Committee last week because of the highly excessive assessment required to be made of each candidate in the county.

The committee made an assessment sufficient to buy the supplies for this election and pay messengers for making the returns. This with the expectation that a number of men could be found in each precinct who would willingly hold the primary without pay rather than not have a voice in the selection of a senator.

Assessing local candidates for the senatorial "run-off" is a rank injustice any way it is viewed and the committee could not see its way clear to make the full assessment. Since the candidates have been assessed to pay part of the expenses the committee is expecting volunteers to contribute their part by holding the elections.

This is the only way your precinct may have a voice in the election.

Editor Johnson, of the Motley County News, says that some of the houses he saw in Juarez on the recent trip made to El Paso to the Press association Meeting, were badly shot while others were about half-shot. The subject is houses not editors.

In Hall County the cost of holding the Senatorial "run off" primary will be paid for by public subscription, rather than by assessing the local candidates. In most other counties reporting the entire cost was assessed against local candidates.

Do not forget that Submission will be on the Democratic ticket in the July primaries. If you are in favor of the state going dry in 1917, do not fail to vote for submission on the question.

As the situation now stands it is impossible for a Texan to be elected to high office on any

other than the prohibition question,—every other qualification is subordinated to the stand taken on this issue.

Virginia has a Blue Law that is a Blue Law. The second Sunday in June every industry that did business on that day was penalized by the arrest of its employees who worked on that day. Newspapers that issued Sunday editions, railroads, and every form of industry were notified to show cause. Many of the petty arrests were made to "stick" and the fines collected. One negro was arrested for spraying his lawn on that day.

Floydada Mail Lost in Canadian River on June 5th Wreck.

Out going mail from Floydada, bound for Kansas City and northern states, which was mailed on Saturday, Sunday or Monday Morning, June 3rd, 4th and 5th, is all supposed to have been lost in the Canadian River in the Santa Fe wreck which occurred the night of June 5th. Only one piece has been returned to Floydada, this being a portion of an application for hail insurance found by the post master at Enid Okla.

Quite a bit of Floydada mail is supposed to have been lost in the Canadian.

Mrs John Denman left Tuesday for Lubbock, after a visit of several weeks in Floydada with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore. Mrs. Denman will leave Lubbock the latter part of the week for San Marcos, where Mr. Denman has bought a vulcanizing business.

Attorney Otis Truelove, of Amarillo, was in Floydada Tuesday and spent sometime looking over his farming interests here.

The HESPERIAN does First Class Job work.

Returned Missionary Tells of Condition in Mexico.

Rev. H. L. Ross, who has been doing missionary work in Old Mexico the past ten years, made a splendid address at the tabernacle last Sunday evening, where he was heard by a large audience. His talk was largely on conditions in that unhappy country and the work there.

He and his family are here to spend a six weeks visit with E. C. Henry and family. Rev. Ross is a brother of Mrs. Henry.

Rev. Ross has been stationed for some time at Linares, Old Mexico, the continued disturbed conditions there making it necessary for him to leave temporarily.

Cumberland Pastor Will Finish Labors Here Sunday.

Rev. B. L. Baits will close his work at Floydada next Sunday when he will preach morning and evening at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

A cordial invitation to attend the services has been extended. Rev. Baits has not made definite plans for his future work.

Methodist Sunday School Gives Children's Day Program.

The Methodist Sunday School rendered a Children's Day program Sunday at eleven o'clock at the tabernacle.

The exercises were well-rendered and appreciated by the large number who attended.

Praicher Pounded.

Rev. B. L. Baits and wife were pounded Wednesday evening of last week by members and friends of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

The evening following the gathering of friends was very pleasantly spent.

Evangelist R. L. Flowers and wife, of Waco, will assist Rev. W. M. Lane, pastor of the Methodist Church, in the conduct of a revival which begins on July 9th, and will be held at the tabernacle.

Garza County Judge, Legislative Candidate, Visits Here.

J. M. Boren, of Post City, County Judge of Garza County, and candidate for the Democratic nomination for the legislature from the 122nd District, spent Tuesday afternoon in Floydada, on a tour of the counties in the northeast portion of the district seeing the voters.

In Judge Boren's party were R. E. Edwards, Mark Hardin and C. D. Morrel, business men of Post.

On Wednesday the party visited Lockney and Silvertown.

Socialist Meeting.

There will be a Socialist meeting at the court house in Floydada Saturday July 1st, 1916, at 3 p. m.

S. C. Vanderlip.

J. U. Borum and family returned Tuesday from Decatur, where they have been with his mother since last week. His mother has been quite ill, but is somewhat improved.

Mrs. Harry Benton has as her guests this week her mother and sister, Mrs. W. E. Buckley and daughter, Grace, of Polytechnic, who will visit here for several weeks.

Miss Kathleen Henry left Sunday for her home at Fort Worth, going by way of Jayton, where she attended the wedding of a sister on Wednesday of this week.

T. F. Casey, of the Roseland Community, has been in Floydada and adjacent country this week seeing the voters relative to his candidacy for the office of Tax Assessor.

Joe Robertson left last week for Coleman County to visit for three or four weeks with his brother, J. A. Robertson.

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McCoy News Notes.

Once more we have to say that McCoy is dry as usual. But everything is looking very well. Crops are clean and would do fine with a big rain.

Mrs. A. L. Hurst and children were shopping in Floydada the latter part of last week.

W. J. Berry was in Floydada last week on business.

J. A. Moore was in this community last Friday hunting beebes.

R. B. Caldwell went to Floydada Saturday.

R. N. Hamilton made a business trip to town Saturday.

C. H. Payne went to Floydada last Saturday.

Mr. C. Shipman, of Floydada, visited his son, Geo Shipman and family, Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Mathews filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday evening. A fair sized crowd attended the services.

H. L. Sparks was in this community Sunday evening.

V. F. Hodge and family of Floydada were the guests of George Shipman and family Sunday.

Several from here attended singing at J. J. Day's Sunday night.

Tobe Lincoln, of Floydada, was in this neighborhood Sunday evening.

W. J. Berry went to town Monday with a load of hogs.

W. E. Smith is threshing near Farmer this week.

M. W. Whitlow is heading wheat near Cone this week.

Miss Nora Phillipps of Plainview is visiting A. L. Hurst and family this week.

R. N. Hamilton was in Floydada Monday on business.

R. G. Elliott went to Floydada this week.

De Palma Wins 150-Mile Auto Race in Iowa.

Des Moines, Iowa, June 24th.

—De Palma, in a Mercedes, won the 150 mile Automobile race at the Des Moines Speedway today. Rickenbacker in a Maxwell third and Lewis in a Crawford fourth.

De Palma's time was 1:37:14, an average of 91.88 miles an hour, faster than last years race.

Rickenbacker in a Maxwell won the 50-mile free for all, covering the distance in 31 minutes, 47 seconds, an average

speed of 94.38, miles an hour, De Palma, Cooper, O'Connell and Lewis finished in the order named.

E. F. Stovall, of Abbott, Hill County, accompanied by W. R. Glasgow, president of the National Bank of Abbott, was in Floydada last week looking after his land interests in this county. Mr. Glasgow's first visit to the county gave him a very pleasing impression of the country, according to his statement Friday of last week, when he declared that his section looked very good indeed to him.

Old Mother Hubbard

She went to the cupboard

To get her poor dog something fine.

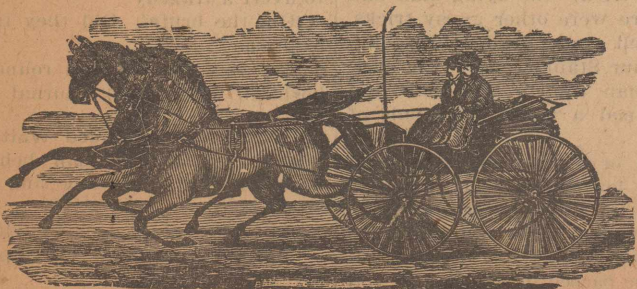
When she got there

Her cupboard was bare,

So she called up

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To the Public and Customers

In view of the fact that all cleaning material, as well as gas, has advanced to such an extent I am forced to quote the following prices, effective July 1st:

Suits cleaned and pressed	\$1.50
Coats cleaned and pressed	.75
Pants cleaned and pressed	.75
Suits pressed	.75
Coats pressed	.40
Pants pressed	.40
Palm Beach suits cleaned and pressed	1.00
Club Prices, per month	3.00
(Club members are entitled to two suits cleaned and pressed, and two suits pressed, each month).	
Ladies' Suits cleaned & pressed, \$1.50 to \$2.00	
Skirts cleaned and pressed	.75 to 1.00

W. A. SMITH, the Tailor at Glad's

PHONE 67

SALE CONTINUES ALL NEXT WEEK

Saturday, July 8th Is the Last Day to Get Such Money Saving Bargains

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HUNDREDS OF OUR CUSTOMERS have already taken advantage of this money saving Sale. Some lines are completely sold out but we have many bargains for you. You will find for next week merchandise out of our different departments that are broken sizes and remnants, and again specially marked low that we may make a clean sweep of everything. Note the new prices in this circular. We have just what you want for your vacation. Buy now and it will help you bear the expense of your trip. All mail orders will be filled promptly. Cash must accompany all orders at sale prices.



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of softest weave and texture appeal to dainty women. Ready-made garments are a boon to the busy woman, and a real economy for all. A vast assortment of styles and prices, assuring every shopper a satisfactory selection

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20c values now	14½c
25c values now	19c
35c values now	27½c
40c values now	32½c
50c values now	38c

Voiles, Batiste, and All Fancy Dress Materials

20c values now	16½c
25c values now	19c
35c values now	27½c
50c values now	39c
60c values now	47½c
75c values now	55c
\$1.00 values now	79c

Ladies' Waists

Ladies' wash silk Waists, \$1.00 values	79c
Ladies' voile Waists, \$1.00 values now	79c
Ladies' white and flesh colored Crepe de Chine Waists, \$2.50 values. now	\$1.85

All Ladies' Dress Skirts at Half Price

Ladies' Aprons, made of Amoskeag Gingham, now 49c

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12½c lawns	9½c
15c lawns	12½c
20c lawns	16½c
25c lawns	19c
35c lawns	27½c

Work Pants and Overalls

Men's Mogul Express stripe Overalls, union made, now	90c
Men's Kahki Pants, our \$1.50 values, per pair	\$1.00
Men's Imitation Moleskin Pants now only	\$1.35
Men's Corded Moleskin Work Pants, sale price	\$1.95

Men's Dress Pants

Pants that are tailored right, and that fit. A large range of fancy and staple colors. All go in this sale at the following prices:

\$3.00 Pants	\$1.85
3.50 Pants	2.25
4.00 Pants	2.85
4.50 Pants	3.25
5.00 Pants	3.65
6.00 Pants	3.95
6.50 and \$7.00 Pants	4.25

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\$2.50 \$3.50 \$5.00

Bargains in Ties

Wash Ties, four in-hand, assorted colors, 25c values now	15c
50c Silk Ties, both bow and four in-hand, wide or narrow, all colors, plain or fancy, many attractive designs. reduced to only	40c

Men's 50c Belts 35c
Men's 25c Belts 20c

Men's Underwear

Men's Union Suits in ¾ and full lengths, sizes 34 to 46, closed crotch, \$1.00 values now	.85
1.50 values now	1.35
2.50 values now	1.95
Men's Union Suits, knee length, closed crotch, \$1.00 values, now 85c	
Elastic Seam Drawers, 50c values, now only	39c

The Store With the Goods

Men's Suits

Palm Beach and Keep Kool Suits, \$8.00 and \$9.00 values, now \$6.00

Men's Fancy and Blue-Serge Suits.

\$15.00 Suits	\$ 9.45
17.50 Suits	10.85
18.00 Suits	11.25
20.00 Suits	12.65
22.50 Suits	13.85
25.00 Suits	14.85
27.50 Suits	15.85

Buy 'Em for Less - - Sell 'Em for Less

Men's Hats

\$1.50 values for	\$1.35
2.00 values for	1.65
2.50 values for	1.95
3.00 values for	2.45
5.00 Genuine Panama	3.85
6.00 Genuine Panama	4.25
One lot Men's Sailors, your choice for only	.50c

CLEARANCE SALE OF BOYS SUITS

Every Boy's Spring and Summer Suit must go. Drastic reductions rules the Boys' Department—Genuine Bargains prevail in the values we're offering. To make room for fall merchandise we must clear the boys' section—and at once.



\$3.00 values	\$1.95
3.50 values	2.65
4.00 values	2.95
4.50 values	3.15
5.00 values	3.65
6.00 values	3.95
6.50 & \$7.00 values	4.45

Boys' Knickerbocker Pants

\$.50 values now only	\$.35
.75 values now only	.55
1.00 values now only	.75
1.50 values now only	1.10
2.00 values now only	1.45
2.50 values now only	1.85

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Oxfords

\$.50 Oxfords for	\$.40	\$2.50 Oxfords for	\$1.95
1.00 Oxfords for	.85	3.00 Oxfords for	2.35
1.50 Oxfords for	1.35	3.50 Oxfords for	2.95
2.00 Oxfords for	1.65	4.00 Oxfords for	3.25
\$4.25 Oxfords for			\$3.50

Buy 'Em for Less; Sell 'Em for Less

Men's Dress Shirts

Men's plain white Dress Shirts, \$1.00 values. now 75c

We have one lot fancy shirts in sizes only 14 and 14½, with soft collars, \$1.00 and \$1.50 values. Closing out price only 75c

Men's Work Shirts, 50c values now 40c



Gents' Hose

25 doz black hose branded seconds, regular values at 10c, sale price	5c
25 doz half hose branded seconds, regular 15c values, sale price 10c, 3 for 25c	
15c hose, first quality	12½c
25c hose, lisle and silk	22½c
50c silk hose	39c

Special Prices on All Misses', Ladies' and Children's Hose

Gents' Rubber Collars

Linen finish, sizes 14 to 16, regular 25c values, now 15c or 2 for 25c

The Store With the Goods

Notions

Hooks and Eyes, 2 cards	5c
Wilson Dress Fasteners	5c
Steel Thimbles, 3 for	5c
Sewing Needles, 2 papers for	5c
Fine Combs, 2 for	15c
Horn Combs, metal backs	8c
Rubber Combs, 25c values	15c
50c Combs	39c
35c hair brushes	25c
50c hair brushes	39c
\$1.00 hair brushes	79c
50c cloth Brushes	39c
4 bunches Hair Pins for	5c
Good 5c Writing Tablet for	4c
Good 10c Writing Tablet for	8c
Three 5c lead Pencils for	10c
5c Arm Bands for	4c
10c Arm Bands for	8c
Gents' 25c Hose Supporters	20c
Gents' 10c Collar Buttons, gold fin.	5c
15c Darners	10c
25c Darners	20c

You'll Find Our Bargain Counter Running Over With Bargains

Boys' Overalls

Boys' Express Stripe union made Overalls, guaranteed to be made fuller than the average overall, per pair 48c

Boys' 50c Shirts for 40c

Boys' White Blouses

We have one lot of Boys' White Blouses we wish to close out, regular 50c values, now while they last, 3 for \$1.00

Children's Rompers and Play Suits, 50c values for 39c

Mathis-Martin Dry Goods Co.

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THRESHER PROTECTION

Three Measures for Prevention of Dust Explosions and Fires in Grain Separators.

As a result of a study of explosions in threshing machines, the department now recommends that one or more of three measures be adopted to prevent loss from this cause. There are: (1) The installation of an efficient grounding system for the removal of static electricity from the machines; (2) the installation of a suction fan to remove smut and dust and to prevent the formation of an explosive mixture of dust air while the threshing is being carried on; and (3) the installation of a device to act as an automatic fire extinguisher which in the

event of fire will not only save the machine but prevent the flames from spreading to the surrounding grain.

The first two of these devices have been tried with successful results in the field. The automatic fire extinguisher was not constructed until the threshing season had been closed, but it has been tested under severe conditions in the explosion galleries of the Bureau of Mines at Pittsburg, and in these tests it has operated successfully. It has also been tested under practical threshing conditions at the Government farm at Arlington and proved effective in extinguishing fires which were produced in different types of grain separators there.

A total of 27 tests were made in both places. In no case was there a failure to act promptly

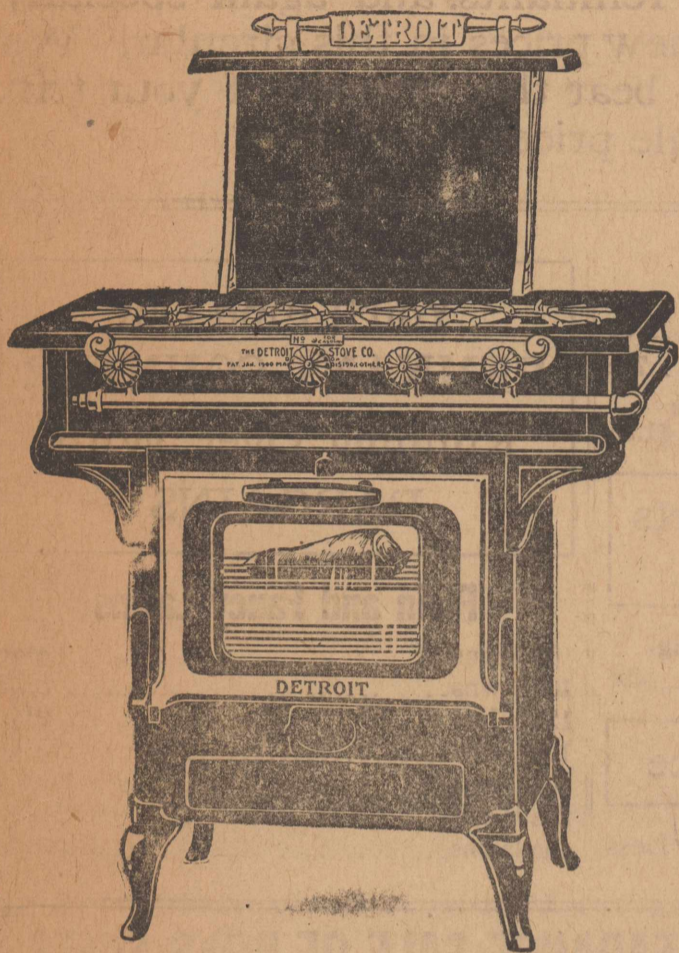
and efficiently, nor was there a premature action.

Blue prints of each of these three devices may be secured upon application to the Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering of the department of Washington. In view of the great damage which has been caused by these dust explosions in recent years, manufacturers, threshing machine owners, and operators are advised to give careful attention to the question of equipping their machines in this manner.

Studies of dust explosions and fires in grain separators have been carried on both by the department in cooperation with the University of Idaho and by the Washington State College. These indicate that static electricity may be produced in a number of ways by the operation of the machine during the threshing process and under certain conditions will readily ignite the dust-laden atmosphere with the thresher. It is generally agreed that before this can take place the dust must be fine and dry and in a state of suspension, but the exact conditions necessary to bring about an explosion have not been definitely determined. This uncertainty, it is said, is a strong argument for equipping all threshers with the preventive devices already named.—Agricultural News Letter.

Racing For An Oil Lease.

The Slatonite now has the explanation of the mysterious auto race referred to last week. The two men were attorneys representing clients in or near Fort Worth, and each was after a lease on land in Jack County. Oil has been struck there, and the owner of some valuable oil land in that county was on a ranch near Gomez. Both attorneys started for the Plains at the same time to secure this lease without knowing what the other fellow was about. They dodged each other all the way up the Denver to Amarillo, and then telegraphed to Lubbock for their cars. One man secured a four cylinder car which was supposed to be a mover, and he left town a mile and a half ahead of the other fellow. The car waiting for the second man was an eight cylinder make, and it soon overtook the first car and passed it. The run of fifty miles was made in one hour's time, and the lease was made out, executed and sworn to by the time the four cylinder arrived at the ranch.—Slatonite.



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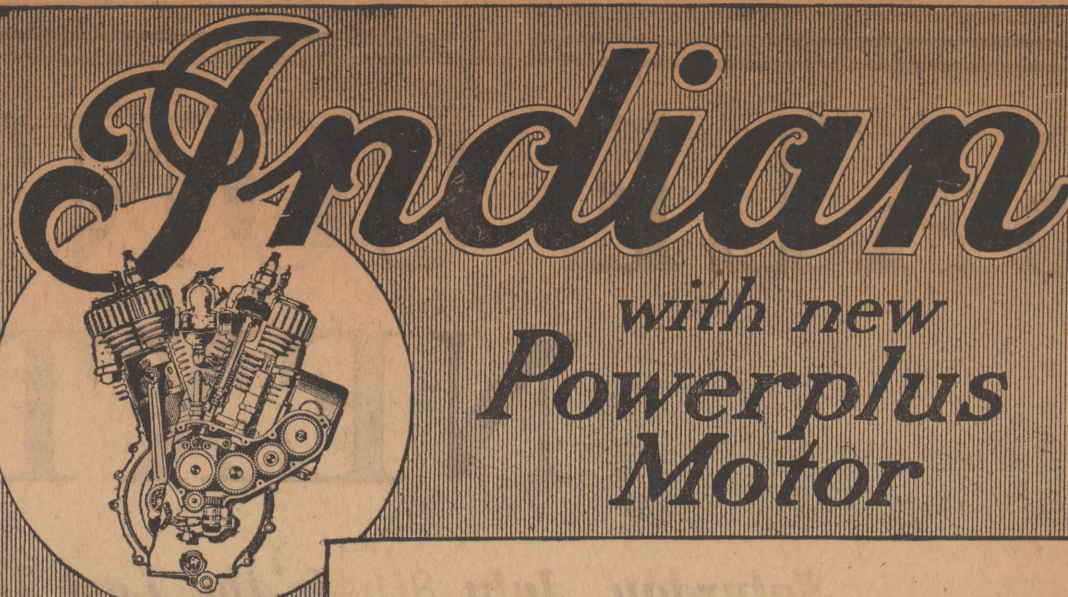
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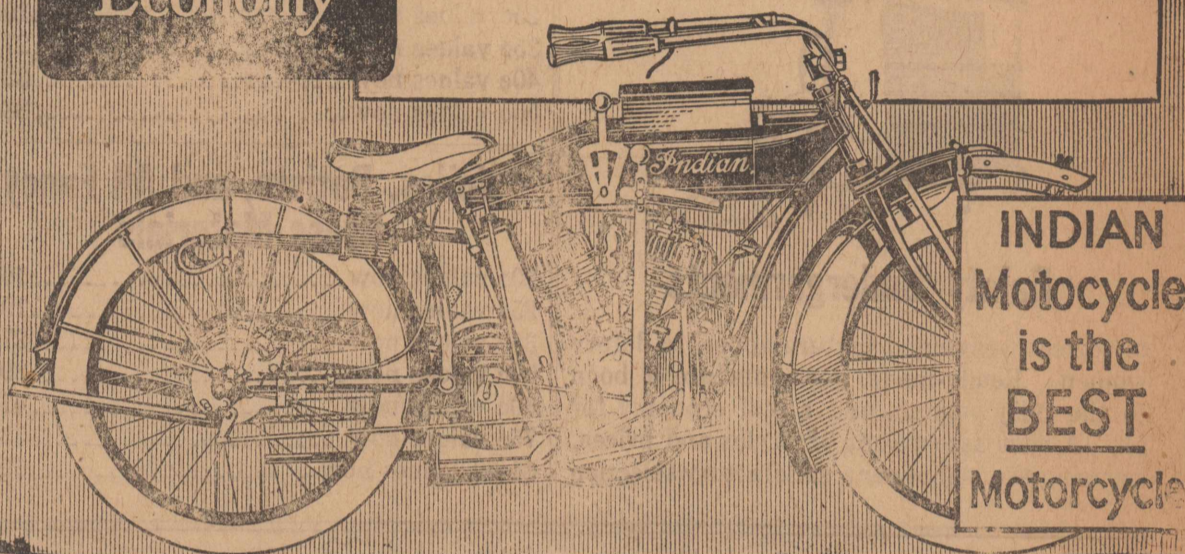
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J. F. BOOTHE, Agent, Floydada, Tex.



Citizens Forfeit Justice to Save Money.

In the discussion of the Administration of Justice much has been said about the legal profession, and very properly so, for it is perhaps the most important single factor in the Administration of Justice, but the client has the last word in all cases, and he cannot escape final responsibility for his acts. The citizen has been too willing to forfeit integrity to save a few dollars, too eager to accept ready injustices in preference to delayed justice.

It is to be regretted that so few business men are taking part in this discussion; they no doubt remain silent through fear of legal blackmail. Benjamin Franklin said, "They who give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety," and those who do so in Texas now are sowing dragon's teeth into the life of the state, which future generations will reap. I perhaps possess more property than the average man, but when I have to surrender my rights as a citizen in order to hold property, then the State can take it. If poverty is the price of freedom, then I choose to be poor. I will fight for justice, but I will not buy it.—J. S. Cullinan.

Duncan Grocery is Installing Oil Storage Tanks.

The Duncan Grocery Company received oil storage tanks last Saturday, one each for gasoline and kerosene, of 7100 gallons capacity.

These will be installed some time during this month on brick piers near the industrial switch.

The grocery company have made application for a two-hundred foot extension of the switch, the preliminary survey for which has been made by the Santa Fe.

Hall County Wife-Beater Gets Quick Pen Sentence.

F. E. Biedsoe, a Hall County man who beat his wife and child into insensibility on Monday of last week was sentenced on Wednesday morning following to twelve years in the state penitentiary.

He resided near Estelline. Coming home in a drunk condition he beat his child most brutally and when his wife attempted to interfere also beat

her. Late that afternoon he was apprehended on the railroad track going south from Estelline. The wife and child were taken to town for medical treatment. A mob formed but was dissuaded from violence. The grand jury was empaneled Wednesday morning to return the indictment, and sentence passed before noon of the same day.

D. C. Bosley, of Gainesville, is out on a visit with his brother, H. C. Bosley and family.

No. 24. MOTHER'S TENDER HAND.

C. W. G. CHAD. W. GOTT.
With feeling.

1. Lol ma - ny years a - go, I sought the way to know; No
2. Those childhood days are o'er, Those sun - ny days of yore, When
3. I found that to the end She was my tru - est friend, In
4. The way of Truth and Right I dear - ly love to - night, Un -

oth - er one but moth - er, then would I o - bey; She turned me
then I used to see her kneel at night and pray; I know we'll
time of need, in earth - ly cares she was my stay; Her worth was
til I die, I'll turn not from this pre - cious way; Some day, at

D. S.—I love our

to the right, She saved my life from blight, It was mother's hand that
meet no more, Till on the oth - er shore, It was mother's hand that
nev - er known Till from us she had gone, It was mother's hand that
home we'll be, Where mother's face I'll see—It was mother's hand that

bless the day I heard my moth - er say: "Some sweet day we'll meet and

FINE REFRAIN.

point - ed out the way. That point - ed out the way That leads to
nev - er - more we'll part."

D. S.

end - less day, I to that ten - der hand - print now up - on my heart;

C. W. GOTT. OWENS.

PROHIBITION SUBMISSION COMMITTEE URGES ORGANIZATION.

In Statement Calls Attention to Importance of Quick Work by Submissionists.

To the Democracy of Texas:
The Democratic Executive Committee of Texas has decided to submit to you, in the July primaries of this year, the question as to whether the Legislature shall be instructed to submit to the voters of Texas a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcohol beverages.

We have been appointed, as a committee of those who favor submission to call your attention thereto and to urge upon you the propriety and necessity of voting to instruct the Legislature to submit the question, as stated. It is only necessary to mention a few of the reasons:

The last expression of the people of Texas on the question of prohibition was in 1911. The difference between the contending factions on the subject was less than 7,000 votes. Many charges and counter charges of illegal voting in that election were made. Six years will have elapsed between that election and the one that we are seeking to have held. Since the last prohibition election many thousands of voters have come to live in Texas. It is believed that since 1911 many persons who were then here have changed their views. Inasmuch as the issue enters into every political question discussed and is more or less considered in the election of every officer, legislative, executive and judicial, it is relieved wise to now definitely settle the question so as to preclude its further discussion and agitation, and thereby enable us to give our attention to the great economic problems which confront our State.

To this end we urge upon the Democrats, of every shade of belief, the importance of organizing in their various counties and precincts, with a view of securing as many qualified voters as possible to cast their ballot in favor of submission. It is not necessary to discuss past differences, either of men or measures. The only issue is: Do we want a prohibition election to be held in Texas next year? We earnestly urge all submissionists to bear this in mind and not permit themselves

to be divided by immaterial matters. No doubt there are many opposed to prohibition who desire to see the question settled. Surely all prohibitionists will vote for submission.

In perfecting the organization, we urge that our chairman, M. H. Wolfe, be advised of the names and addresses of the several chairmen of the clubs so organized, with a view of uniting all the organizations throughout the State for more effective work. Please bear in mind that no speech-making campaign will be made by us; no workers will be sent out; but we shall confidently rely upon the Democrats of each community and precinct to take up the work above outlined and energetically press it forward. The cause is not personal to us; it is as much yours as ours.

- M. H. Wolfe, Chairman
- O. W. Gillispie
- M. M. Crane
- C. A. Sandford
- W. S. Rowland
- Clarence E. Gilmore.
- Jas. M. Harris.

The Cotton Crop of 1915.

Washington, D. C., June 26.—A bulletin on cotton production in the United States, just issued by Director Sam L. Rogers, of the Bureau of Census, Department of Commerce, and prepared under the supervision of Mr. William M. Steuart, chief statistician in charge of inquiry, shows the American cotton crop of 1915—11,191,820 equivalent 500-pound bales—to have been the smallest since 1909. The tables contained in this publication will be reprinted in the annual cotton bulletin, to be published about October 1, which will also include more detail figures as to production, together with data in regard to consumption, imports, exports, and stocks of cotton.

The crop of 1915 fell below that of the preceding year by nearly 5,000,000 bales, or more than 30 per cent. The production in every state showed a decrease, the greatest proportionally being in Oklahoma, where the crop of 1915 was only a trifle more than half as large as that of 1914.

The increase in the production of linters during recent years is noteworthy. Starting at 114,544 bales in 1899, the output of this production increased to 880,780 bales in 1915. The 1915

linter product even exceeded that of the preceding year by nearly 24,000 bales although the cotton crop of 1915 was very much smaller than that of 1914. This increase in linter production is due to some extent to closer delinting of the seed for the better separation of the meat from the hulls, but more exactly to the high prices obtained for the fiber, which is used extensively in the manufacture of cotton and smokeless powder. Many mills now obtain considerably more than 100 pounds of linters per ton of feed treated, whereas in early years 50 pounds per ton was a high yield.

WOMEN CARE FOR HORSES

Scarcity of Men Workers in England Has Brought About a Peculiar State of Affairs.

A notable example of the utilization of female labor in war-time is afforded by three large military horse depots at Reading.

There is not a single man on any of the staffs, the work of attending to the horses being done by gentlemen. Some of them have been brought up in Australian and Canadian horse-ranches, but most of them are members of the South Berks and other hunts. The depots are convalescent homes for army horses. They have been organized by Mr. Cecil Aldin, the sporting artist and a joint master of the South Berks hunt.

The fifty ladies working at the depots wear caps, short breeches, and gaiters. They meet the horses at the railway stations and do all that is necessary for their comfort, duly dispatching them from the railway stations when they are restored to health.—London Mail.

'HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYEE' NOW

Cincinnati Has Entered Into Movement to Abandon Old Titles of Servants.

Cincinnati women who may need household assistance will be asked hereafter when seeking help to ask for a "household employee" instead of a "girl" or "maid" or the now practically obsolete "laid girl."

In an address in New York several days ago Miss Elizabeth Dodge, national secretary of the Y. W. C. A., stated that all housemaids should be called household employees, as the term carries with it the proper dignity and an accurate description of the work indicated. It is distinctly favored by Miss Elizabeth Attee, secretary of the Cincinnati Y. W. C. A., and by Miss Margaret Maxon of the woman's department, city-state labor exchange, who stated their intention of using the term and doing all in their power to make its use general.

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Have You Seen It?

We have one on our floor right now for your inspection, and we would kindly urge you to come and look it over and let us get one for you so that you'll be ready to take care of that crop.

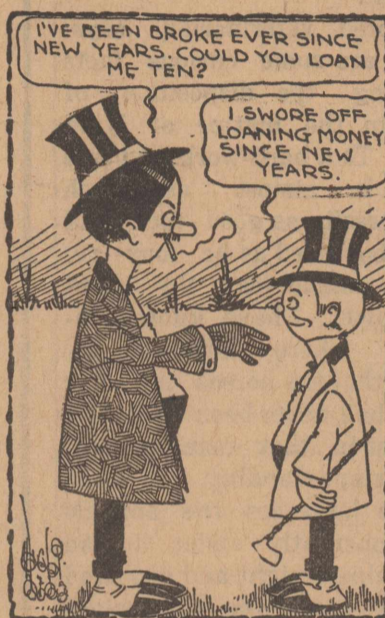
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THIS GOLF BALL HARMLESS.

Another knick-knack has been added to the golfer's indoor equipment.

A woolly little ball, the size and shape of a regulation golf ball, now enables one to take one's stance in a corner of the living room and aim at any piece of bric-a-brac, cut glass or hand painted vase without fear of serious consequences. Of course there is always the chance that the ball will not go where it is directed, but if it should, and if it should pop the porcelain dairy maid square in the nose it would rebound without causing any damage.

The indoor ball was placed on the market in Kansas City several weeks ago, and already several hundred are in use. The material is soft wool tied so it retains its spherical shape.

ADDING INSULT TO INJURY.

"Pray compose yourself," said the man who was getting the best of the argument.

"Compose myself!" exclaimed the other. "I'd have you know, sir, that I am already a self-made man."

MAKING A DISTINCTION.

Mrs. Owens—I'm going to the butcher's, Tom. Shall I order the Sunday dinner?

Owens—No, don't order it; just ask for it. Last month's bill isn't paid yet.

MARITAL HINT.

He—I see where the government wants women to save their rags.

She—Well, if the government only takes a look at the clothes I have to wear, it can see one woman's doing it.

TREATING A FAVORITE AS SUCH.

"You haven't been heard yet on your favorite topic."

"No," replied Senator Sorghum. "I think too much of that topic to risk making it unpopular by bringing it up at the wrong time."

AWFUL.

Bix—I've smoked an awful lot of cigars lately.

Dix—You're right, if that one you're smoking now is a sample.

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WOULDN'T STAND FOR TEETH

Irate Husband Objected Strenuously to His Wife Securing a New Set of Molars.

To advertise his business a dentist recently offered to fit with false teeth the twelve aged women in poor circumstances who were the first to apply to him.

The earliest applicant on the appointed day was an old lady in a faded bonnet, who was politely shown into the consulting room. Scarcely had she seated herself, however, than a red-faced old man presented himself at the door and gruffly announced that he'd "come about them teeth."

"You're making a mistake," the dentist told him. "I only agreed to fit twelve ladies with teeth. There's an old woman inside waiting treatment now."

"Aye, an' it's her I'm after," the old man grimly replied. "Tell her that her husband's waitin' for her, and that she's to come back home at once, or there'll be a rumpus. She's got an appetite like a horse as it is, and if ye fits her up with a strong set o' grinders she'll eat both herself and me into the workus in a fortnit! Send her out this instant, I tells yer!"

And out the crestfallen old lady, still toothless, had to come.

THE POLITICIAN



"The business of a politician is—"
"Is what?"
"It is made up of workin' hard to get de public to notice him an' den tryin' to git back under cover."

NOT A "BEST SELLER."

"Do you recommend this book?"
"Certainly," answered the librarian. "It's a book that everyone ought to read."

"But it shows very little handling. I don't believe it has been taken out more than once or twice."

"Quite true," answered the librarian, wearily. "That should convince you, madam, that it is really worth while."

NATURAL DEDUCTION.

"Speaking of heirlooms," said the hash-house landlord, "I have one that has come down through seven generations."

"Pardon me," interrupted the dental boarder who fills other people's teeth between meals, "but do you refer to this alleged butter?"

WHEN ALL OIL IS GONE

Likely to Be a Problem to Find Something That Can Replace It.

How much petroleum there is in the United States no one knows, writes Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, in an article on "Economic Preparedness," published in the Scientific American. But at the present rate of consumption—265,000,000 barrels a year—it will soon be exhausted, for the geological survey's maximum estimate is 23,000,000,000 barrels.

"Whatever the supply," says Secretary Lane, "it should not be allowed in its crude state to compete with coal as fuel. Petroleum is a priceless resource, for it can never be replaced. Trees can be grown again on the soil from which they have been taken. But how can petroleum be produced? It has taken ages for nature to distill it in her subterranean laboratory. We do not even know her process. We may find a substitute for it, but have not yet. It is practically the one lubricant of the world today. Not a railroad wheel turns without its way being smoothed by it. We can make light and heat by hydro-electric power, but the great turbines move on bearings that are smothered in petroleum. From it we get the quick exploding gas which is to the motor and the airship what air is to the human body. To industry, agriculture, commerce and the pleasures of life, petroleum is now essential."

ALL BILLS LOOK ALIKE TO HIM.

Collector—Did you look at that little bill I left yesterday, sir?
House Member—Yes; it has passed the first reading.

THE REASON.

"Why did the author call his play 'A Bunch of Kings'?"
"I suppose he wanted a lot of royalties on it."

FRENZIED FINANCE.

Short—I wish I were a rumor.
Long—What's the answer?
Short—Why, a rumor soon gains currency.

IN THE BOARDING HOUSE.

"I hear you are saying we have poor coffee, Mr. Smythe."
"Yes, madam, and I have grounds for my assertion."

More Men Than Women

Have Appendicitis.

Surgeons state men are slightly more subject to appendicitis than women. Floydada people should know that a few doses of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler-i-ka, often relieve or prevent appendicitis. This mixture removes such surprising foul matter that ONE SPOONFUL relieves almost ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas. The INSTANT, easy action of Adler-i-ka is surprising. T. B. Triplett, druggist.

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Fish Do Well in Natural Lakes of South Plains.

Floyd County people have in a manner surfeited themselves on fish the past several weeks, during the period in which the natural lakes have subsided to a marked extent, and the finny tribe have been easily caught with hooks, tubs, nets and other devices. Many of the lakes in Floyd County have been stocked with catfish and carp for a number of years. When the water gets low it becomes necessary to catch out some of the fish, which multiply much faster than in running streams which are subject to overflows.

Some of the biggest catches have been made the past two weeks; it has not been a question of how many could be caught, just a question how many were desired.

Strangely enough, however, there have never been any of the fish which are raised in the government hatcheries introduced in this county. A lake stocked with white perch, with bass or other kinds of fish should prove as good or better than streams for propagating the varieties.

Just recently J. M. Massie, and probably others, have arranged for fish from the government hatchery at San Marcos. Mr. Massie will have white perch. These are to be placed in his tank in the west part of Floydada. The government requires that a report be made re-

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garding the fish they send out, at regular intervals.

A unique plan for having fresh fish on the average plains farm came to the attention of the writer last week. A well-known farmer has a shallow ditch extending from his reservoir at the windmill. This ditch extends the length of his garden and berry patch, and is used for irrigating. A small number of both scale and catfish are kept in the ditch where the fresh water pours in at all times. When his family get fish hungry they go out and catch a fish out of the ditch in about the same way they'd go to the chicken lot to catch a chicken—and, incidentally, its about as simple. The only difficulty to date has been keeping the fish tribe from increasing too fast for the amount of water for their use.

Considering the ease with which fish may be raised here and the natural available ponds it is not unreasonable to expect not many years hence to see summer homes dotting Floyd County where the best grades of fish are kept, the lakes parked and planted around with pretty trees—and, to finish the picture, the old man of the place, out in his little skiff with an umbrella and fishing paraphernalia—fast asleep.

W. R. Cope Buys Lots on Corner Missouri and Fifth Sts.

W. R. Cope last week bought the Bosley & Young blacksmith building and lot, and according to agreement will take over the property on August 1.

At the time Mr. Young will retire from the firm of Bosley & Young, Mr. Bosley continuing the business in a new location upon which he has not as yet determined.

Mr. Cope has also bought the lot just east of the blacksmith shop.

He will use the property just purchased as a private garage for the cars used on the Floydada Roaring Springs Auto Line.

A RESPITE.

"How would you like to be an explorer and visit unfrequented parts of the earth?"

"I would like that first rate," replied the weary mortal. "It would be a positive relief to find myself in a place where I wouldn't hear any war news for six months or a year."

THE OLD OBSTACLE.

"Is there anything between Jennie and young Jones?"
"Nothing that I know of, except poverty."

How the Horse Sleeps.

All horses, when turned out in pasture, are more prone to take their rest lying down than when confined in stable stalls, but even when practically free from human restraint and observation, or any likelihood of danger, they seldom take more than an hour each night in the recumbent indulged in at about midnight.

A noted veterinarian says: "There are some curious facts regarding the disposition of horses in the matter of lying down. To a hard-working horse repose is almost as much of a necessity as good food and water, but tired as he may be, he is an animal very shy about lying down. I have known instances where stablemen declared that the horses in their charge had never been known to take rest in that manner, but always slept standing. In some of these instances the animals were constantly under human watchfulness night and day and in other cases the conclusions were arrived at because no marks of the bedding were ever found upon their coats. I now recall an instance of a horse that stood in a stall near the entrance of a livery stable. No one ever saw that animal lying down within a period of fifteen years and he finally died standing."

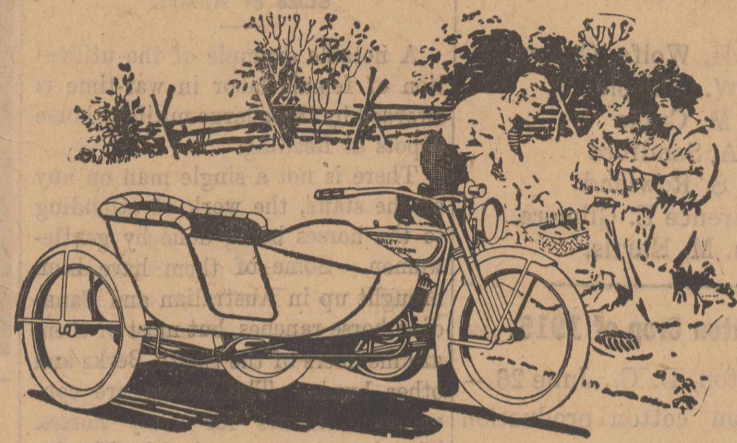
It is a theory—only a vague supposition—that a horse sleeps standing because he fears insect or mice may creep up his nostrils. It is also known that the elephant has the same horror of mice and that a small rodent can cause more consternation among a herd of those colossal animals than can a tiger or a boa constrictor. A mouse in the hay at a circus will cause every elephant in the collection to hold his trunk aloft, plainly indicating that they fear the little creature may take refuge in the proboscis orifice.

But to return to horses: It has always been said that they "sleep with one eye open," and are constantly on guard. An Indian shod in cotton felt moccasins, practicing all the sly arts of his people, could not with a wind in his favor, approach a sleeping horse without being detected. No odds how weary a horse may be, his ears are constantly turning and twisting, so that their funnels may catch the slightest unusual noises.—Inland Farmer.

Judge Hendricks, one of the judges of the Seventh Supreme Judicial District of Texas, announced recently that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself. Following this announcement a very rank growth of candidates for the place has grown up, which will require "thinning to a stand" at the primary election.

Memphis, Hereford, Canyon, Amarillo and other Panhandle cities have aspirants for the office.

Mrs. Ruby Rentfro, of Ralls, is visiting this week in Floydada with her brother, E. E. Brown and wife.



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BONUS TO WEEPING SUPERS.

Sad Story Stirs Jury's Emotions in Motion Picture Court Room Scene.

William Nigh, the Metro director who produced "Notorious Gallagher," a five part feature in which he is starred with Marguerite Snow, believes in a sliding scale of wages for his actors, especially those playing small parts. He has often rewarded some particular person playing a small part, for playing it well. In the court room scene in "Notorious Gallagher," which is one of the big scenes of that production, Director Nigh found it difficult to arouse an appearance of intense interest and sympathy on the part of the jurors.

Mr. Nigh worked with them for half an hour, instructing them to try harder and look with sympathy upon the prisoner at the bar who was telling his story. He wanted to use a "close up" of the jury box and jurors for this scene. He was on the point of giving up, when he thought of a story he used to recite at Leland Stanford University that always brought tears to the eyes of the students.

Warning his camera man to be ready to turn his crank at a signal from him Mr. Nigh approached the jury box and smiling told the men that they would take a rest of a few minutes. He turned as if he meant to go away, he then hesitated. Addressing one of the jurors he asked him if he had ever heard the story of so and so. Then Mr. Nigh launched upon the tale. Within five minutes he had five of the men in tears. He stepped back

out of the range of the camera, dramatically continuing his story. The camera began to grind. An effective result was obtained and the five men each got three dollars extra for their tears.

Big Prizes Hung up for Cowboys at Las Vegas, N. Mex.

June 10.—"Lucrative pleasure" is the kind of sports the annual Cowboys Reunion to be held here on July 4-5-6-7 is going to furnish many of the men who complete in the various events. Of course, it is always fun for a cowboy to ride and rope, but when he has a good chance to have a good time, and while engaged in doing so may incidentally rake down some real coin, his enjoyment is sure to run up to the top of the thermometer.

The word "lucrative" comes stealing into the scene to be enacted here next month in company with some significant figures; to be exact, 5,000—preceded by a dollar sign, and spelled out in real modern English, "five thousands bucks." This is to be divided among the winners of the various events. The management believes the real money will look a sight better than any old saddle or sombrero that might be hung up.

Here's some of the ways that \$5,000 is going to be distributed: Bronc riding, purse \$800; steer roping contest, \$400; goat roping purse \$300; cowboys' relay race, purse \$550; steer bulldogging, purse \$400; range relay, purse \$250; pack race, purse \$200. Other events will be: Cowboys' pony race, 300 yards, steer riding, wild horse race, wild mule race, cowgirls' pony race, boys' pony race, chuck-

Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1916.

Foa Representative 122nd District.

J. M. BOREN, of Post.

For District Attorney, 64th Judicial District:

AUSTIN C. HATCHELL.

GEO. L. MAYFIELD.

KENNETH BAIN.

For Co. and Dist. Clerk.

TOM W. DEEN.

For County Judge:

E. P. THOMPSON.

For County Attorney:

C. K. HOLLOWAY.

A. P. MCKINNON.

For Treasurer Floyd County:

MRS. ADDIE THAGARD.

For Tax Assessor:

FRED A. GRIFFITH.

A. A. WHYTE.

ROBT. E. JONES.

T. F. CASEY.

B. C. WILLES.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector:

J. B. JENKINS.

J. A. GRIGSBY.

SAM I. FARNSWORTH.

R. M. (BUD) BROYLES.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1

W. E. SMITH.

G. D. FRENCH.

V. F. HODGE.

For Commissioner Pre No. 4

W. F. WEATHERBEE.

J. H. TACKETT.

CHAS. TROWBRIDGE.

For Public Weigher Precincts, No. 1 and 4:

W. M. COLVILLE.

S. B. MCCLESKEY.

For Justice of Peace, Pre. No. 1:

T. J. MCNEELY.

J. C. GAITHER.

R. O. FIELDS.

For County Surveyor:

GEO. A. LIDER.

wagon race, singe stake race, potato race, cowboys' quick change novelty race and Cowboys money race.

Christian Church Revival Closes.

The revival conducted by the Christian Church at the Tabernacle in which Pastor Mathews was assisted by Rev. E. C. Mobley and L. Daugherty, closed last Thursday night, after a series of services extending over twelve days and nights.

There were seven additions to the church.

VERY OFTEN.

"X is an unknown quantity, isn't it, mamma?"

"It is to your father when I ask him to give me one."

HE REMAINED UNTIL LATE.

"Caroline—I saw an awfully pretty girl today!

Carroll—You've been looking in the mirror again.—Judge.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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Wichita Beacon Tells of Rapid Growth of Hog Industry in Texas Banner County.

Staff Special to the Wichita
 (Kansas) Beacon:
 Floydada, Tex., June 20.—
 Three years ago hogs were
 so scarce in Floyd County that
 the average shipments per month
 was less than three cars. The
 introduction and cultivation alfalfa
 and milo maize has so increas-
 ed the hog business since then
 that now over 25 carloads are
 being shipped from the
 county each month and buyers
 are going into the business in
 earnest.

They are breeding and raising
 all they can on their own farms
 and then buying and shipping in
 stock hogs which are given a
 diet of alfalfa to start them on
 the upgrade and then finished
 on feterita and milo maize. Hogs
 which, when purchased, were
 in the poorest possible condition,
 have been fed as indicated above,
 "finished" and marketed in one
 hundred days, bringing a price
 near the top of the market in
 Fort Worth, Wichita and Kansas
 City.

FOUR CARS A WEEK.

Griffith and Sons of Lockney,
 on the Santa Fe Railways in the
 western part of the County,
 have shipped an average of four
 cars of hogs per week during
 April and May and have several
 cars almost ready to ship. N. A.
 Armstrong of Floydada has
 shipped thirty cars since January
 1, 1916. Mr. Armstrong handles
 both cattle and hogs and his
 business amounts to about \$20,-
 000 per month. Mr. R. N.
 Hamilton feeds about 600 hogs
 per year. Mr. Sid Greer ships
 about 24 cars each year.

Bonnie Parrish, nine miles
 south of town, is a large raiser
 of cattle and hogs. J. N. Farris,
 besides being a banker raises
 registered Herefords on a large
 scale. J. E. Staley handles 300
 hogs per year and Harve Snod-
 grass ships the same number.
 J. F. Connor and many other
 farmers around Floydada handle
 from 100 to 300 hogs annually.

N. A. Armstrong is a booster
 for milo maize as a fattener for
 both hogs and cattle. He declar-
 es it is superior to corn. Arm-
 strong is a native Kansan and
 says he marketed corn fed hogs
 in that state many years before
 he came to Texas where corn
 does not do as well and where
 the stockman must depend on
 maize and feterita to fatten his
 stock. He says that he fre-
 quently has shipped Texas hogs
 that were fed on milo maize to
 Wichita and in competition with
 Kansas corn fed hogs has received
 the best prices. He shipped
 four cars to Wichita in March
 this year and 298 hogs of the
 lot averaged 238 pounds apiece.
 One car sold at \$9.65, two at
 \$9.60 and another at \$9.55.
 These hogs had been fed sixty
 days. Mr. Armstrong handles
 about 3,000 cattle per year. He
 operated a small packing plant
 in Kansas for five years before
 coming to Texas. He will plant
 200 acres of alfalfa this season.
 One farmer near Floydada realized
 from nine acres of "dry"
 alfalfa last year in three cut-
 tings, 23 tons.

GROWS BIG CROPS.

Blanco Canyon, six miles south
 of the town, is growing big crops
 of alfalfa each season. Mr. Mc-
 Cart, living there, cut three
 good crops last year. Cotton in

Floyd County in 1915 averaged
 a bale and a half to the acre.
 There are two modern cotton
 gins at Floydada and two at
 Lockney.

Floydada is the seat of Floyd
 County; has a public school en-
 rollment of 500, with Prof. F. E.
 Savage in charge. The court
 house was built in 1913 and cost
 \$80,000. The town has two
 elevators to handle the wheat
 and other grains. Besides the
 high school in the county seat
 and one at Lockney there are
 four rural high schools and there
 are eighty two teachers in the
 county. Homer Steen is editor
 and owner of the Hesperian at
 Floydada. Homer landed in the
 county fifteen years ago and
 though his boyish looks would
 not indicate it, he is said to have
 grown up at Floydada.

Lockney, with a population of
 1,000, is in the extreme western
 part of the county and is the
 location of the \$25,000 Christian
 College. Lockney lost seven
 business houses in a fire a month
 ago but all are being rebuilt.
 The Floydada branch of the
 Santa Fe, running out from
 Plainview, ends at the county
 seat and the one train a day
 each way is said to handle more
 business than any line of equal
 length in Texas. It was con-
 structed in 1910. Conductor
 Thompson, fat, hale, hearty
 good natured and imposed upon
 by the local public, is in charge
 of the entire system from the
 loading of baby cabs to attach-
 ing the superintendents' car on
 the rear.

WAVE AT HIM.

Farmer boys lean on the plow
 handles and wave at him as the
 train creeps past the farms;
 draymen borrow chewing tobacco
 of him at the stations and lovers
 ask him to mail unstamped let-
 ters; hotel keepers ask him to
 look out for board bill jumpers
 and old ladies request him to
 look for lost pocketbooks and
 eyeglasses, and occasionally a
 request comes to bring ice cream
 from the county seat for the
 Ladies Aid. But Thompson
 keeps his sunny temper through
 it all. His friends say that he
 once held the train ten minutes
 while a lady, who had torn her
 skirt in alighting from an auto,
 rushed home in the car and made
 a lightning change. When the
 lady returned to the station and
 climbed up the rather high steps
 of the day coach Thompson turned
 his back with the manner of a
 tempted Saint Antony while he
 softly whistled, "It's a Long
 Way to Tucumcari."

Raise in Freight Rates in Texas Became Effective Monday.

A raise in freight rates in
 Texas, allowed after an exhaust-
 ive hearing by the Texas Com-
 mission, became effective on
 Monday, June 26th. This raise
 is the only general raise allowed
 the railroads in the past few
 years. A raise on several com-
 modities was allowed a few
 months ago.

The raise which became ef-
 fective Monday is a raise of
 several cents on the hundred
 pounds.

At the same time the raise be-
 came effective the differential
 territory was extended ten miles.
 By the former ruling of the
 Commission railroads had to
 haul freight two hundred and
 forty-five miles into differential
 territory, except on certain
 roads, before being allowed
 differential charge. The mile-
 age haul was increased to two
 hundred and fifty five miles.

Abilene Man is Elected Principal Floydada High School.

James E. Parks, of Abilene,
 has been elected principal of
 Floydada High School.
 The selection of Mr. Parks by
 the board was made public last
 week. He is an A. B. man and
 has strong recommendations for
 the place.

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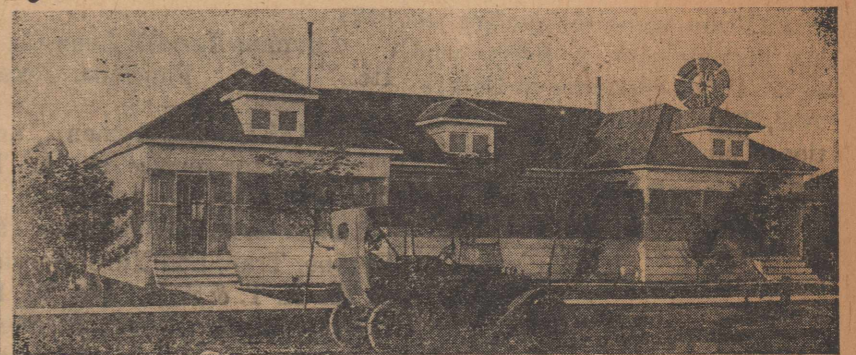
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- Coats cleaned and pressed75
- Pants cleaned and pressed75
- Suits pressed75
- Coats pressed40
- Pants pressed40
- Palm Beach suits cleaned and pressed 1.00
- Club prices, per month 3.00

Club members are entitled to two suits cleaned and pressed, and two suits pressed, each month.

- Ladies' suits cleaned & pressed \$1.50 to 2.00
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stopped us from advertising and we are receiving letters from people every day who are coming to this part of the country in July and August and if you want to sell your land don't say that you haven't had a chance to do so. We will appreciate your business.

Banana Land & Loan Co. Itc. Floydada, Texas.

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Applications will, therefore, be received from experienced men for positions as Engineers, Conductors, Firemen, Brakemen, and Switchmen, and from inexperienced men for the positions as Firemen and Brakemen. Applications should be made to the undersigned and should give the experience, former employer, reason for leaving service and present address. These applications will be considered confidential and the applicant, if his application is approved and his services are required will be notified where and to whom he should report.

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