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Floydada Branch Being Ballasted

Work Train Laying Six-Inch Gyp Ballast on 26-mile Branch to Floydada.

Floydada Branch of the Santa Fe is being ballasted with a six-inch layer of gyp ballast, work on the line having begun last week out of Floydada, when Engineer James Smock with a crew of 150 men came over with a trainload of gyp.

The track grade had previously been established by the civil engineer.

The expenditure on the twenty-six miles of ballast is estimated here at about \$100,000, and sixty days will be required to finish the work.

Marshall Grain Company Increases Elevator Capacity.

The Marshall Grain Company have just recently finished improvements on their grain elevator which increases the capacity of the elevator to a large extent. While they have not increased their storage capacity the increased elevator facilities will enable them to handle more business than heretofore.

They are now able to elevate, weigh and dump one thousand bushels of grain every thirty minutes.

E. Shoppell Married.

Friday of last week Mr. E. Shoppell, of Slaton, Resident of Floydada for several months, and former property holder here, was married in Dallas to Mrs. Thelma Hudgens.

Mr. and Mrs. Shoppell will reside in Slaton.

A. J. Ryals was hurt rather seriously last Friday noon when a single rig he was driving ran over a high place on the industrial switch track, and threw him between the buggy and the horse. In extricating himself he fell on his head and shoulders, causing bruises about the head.

Mr. Ryals had to remain in bed for two days but is now able to be out and about town.

Dr. Haney, Jr. of Calhoun, Okla., arrived in Floydada on the Wednesday afternoon train, and in company with Dr. G. V. Smith left immediately by auto for Afton, where his father, Dr. Haney, Sr., is quite ill.

Miss Noema Harris, of Plainview, who has been visiting with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. French, has returned home.

Evangelist Flowers and Wife Arrived Wednesday.

Rev. Flowers preached to a good sized audience at the tabernacle last night. He is forceful and entertaining. Mrs. Flowers is one of the leading women workers in the evangelistic field. She conducts special meetings for children and women and speaks to mixed audiences as well. She has the reputation of being one of the best women speakers in the South and West. Mr. J. M. Edwards has organized two splendid choirs. The singing promises to be one of the attractive features of the revival.

Primary Election Judges Chosen

Primary Sub-Committee Chooses Presiding Officers for July 22 Primary

At the meeting of the Democratic Primary Sub-committee Monday afternoon the following were chosen as presiding judges at the primary in their respective districts on July 22:

Precinct No. One, Arthur B. Duncan; Precinct No. two, John W. Howard; Precinct No. Three, D. T. Scott; Precinct No. Four, S. A. Greer; Precinct No. Five, L. S. Kennedy; Precinct No. Six, H. H. O'Briant; Precinct No. Seven, J. H. Ratjen; Precinct No. Eight, C. Applewhite; Precinct No. Nine, Paul Sims; Precinct No. Ten, B. F. Hawkins; Precinct No. Eleven, D. B. Brown; Precinct No. Twelve, L. B. Maxey; Precinct No. Thirteen, S. E. Stiles; Precinct No. Fourteen, J. A. Jameson; Precinct No. Fifteen, J. D. Hopper.

The sub-committee also decided that precinct chairmen should be chosen by a mass-meeting of the Democratic voters in each precinct on the day of the election.

Methodist Meeting Begun Sunday

The Methodist meeting begun Sunday morning is progressing well with good attendance at each service.

No morning services were held the first three days of the week. Rev. and Mrs. Flowers, who were to have been here to lead in the services, reached Floydada Wednesday afternoon, Pastor Lane preached at each service before Rev. Flowers' arrival.

The song service is being led by Professor J. M. Edwards and a large choir.

The Allied Troops Continue to Win

Both Eastern and Western Fronts are Scenes of Victory for Entente Forces.

The English and French on the Western Front and the Russians on the Eastern front continue to win ground from their adversaries, the German and Austrian troops, in a concerted offensive which is said to be the strongest demonstration ever yet made in war.

The total gains of the French and English measure from five to eight miles deep on a front of about 35 miles. At Verdun the Germans have not slackened their pressure on the French lines, but have massed troops on the Somme front to meet the combined offensive.

On the eastern front the gains of the Russians are more spectacular. They are now drawing their lines tightly around important railroad centers, after having driven the Austrian armies back steadily for two weeks. The German portions of the line are holding better than the Austrian, but press reports state that apparently the intended drive of the Germans under Von Hindenburg in the region of Riga which was to have threatened Petrograd has been abandoned until the situation shall have become more auspicious on other fronts.

Plainview Gets Fire Insurance Key Rate Reduction.

The state insurance board has made another reduction in the key rate of Plainview, the business rate being reduced from 54c to 45c, a reduction of 9c; and the residence rate comes down 5c on the yearly rate or 10c on the three year rate.

The reduction applies on all policies written since the latter part of April.

Tulia to Celebrate.

Celebrating Tulia's twenty-sixth birthday the people of that city are planning a big picnic on July 18th.

Ideal Country for Diversified Farming

Joseph Swartz, investment dealer of Dallas, was in Floydada Wednesday while in the county inspecting the farm lands of his brother-in-law, Mr. Heidenhimer, south of town, occupied by Mr. Ferguson, told a representative of The Hesperian that he considered this the ideal country for diversified farming, enumerating the many good crops which may be grown here successfully, not failing to mention hogs and cattle as the great farm wealth producers.

Mr. Swartz pays visits to Floydada annually.

Union Meeting Tomorrow.

An All Day Open Meeting of the Floyd County Farmers' Union is to be held tomorrow at Baker School house.

Speaking is a part of the day's program, and dinner is to be served on the ground.

The Farmers' Union speaker will also fill three other dates in this section, one at Cone Friday night, at Lockney Saturday afternoon and at Floydada Saturday night.

T. E. Durham, of Lockney, was transacting business in Floydada Monday of this week.

Dr. J. C. Dail and Elder M. V. Showalter, of Lockney, were Floydada visitors Monday.

Freight Rate Meeting is Held

Plains Towns Interested in Hearing Before Commission August 8th.

A. V. Haynes and Geo. A. Lider attended a meeting last Saturday at Plainview of representatives from eleven plains towns where was discussed the question of railroad rates on the Panhandle and Santa Fe. The railroad commission of Texas has issued a call for this railroad to appear August 8th and show cause why the differential rate now applying on points between Fullerville and Canyon City should not be abolished and the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway and the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe should not be combined.

The committee representing the towns decided that an investigation of the freight tonnage in the territory mentioned should be made and presented to the commission, and in case it should be disclosed that the differential rates in the territory are necessary the claims for abolishing the differential would not be urged on the commission. Both the Crosbyton & South Plains and the Floydada Branch are affected by the forthcoming investigation. South Plains shippers believe that the largely increased traffic on the P. & S. F. in the territory affected will justify taking off the differential which was made at a time when the traffic was much lighter than at present.

Each town represented will send a delegate to Austin for the hearing, as the reduction in the rate will effect a saving to every merchant in the territory, and the livestock and farming interests as well.

Present at Saturday's meeting besides representatives of Plainview, were: J. P. Moore, of Kress; S. L. Forrest, Slaton; A. A. MacWhinnie, Post; J. W. Skipworth, Kress; C. W. Warwick, Canyon; Jno. R. Ralls, Ralls; W. R. McClusky, Muleshoe; R. E. Baker, Lockney; Geo. A. Lider and A. V. Haynes, Floydada; R. W. Lemond, Hale Center; Elbert Overland and R. M. Hester, Abernathy, and A. B. Spencer, Crosbyton.

Baptist Meeting to be Held in August

The Baptist people plan to begin their protracted meeting between the third and fourth Sundays in August, so soon as those having the tabernacle in charge for the first part of the month vacate it.

W. C. Carver, Pastor.

L. M. Flanary Opens Store in South Side Brick.

L. M. Flanary opened the White-Childers brick on south side of the square the latter part of last week and began stocking with groceries.

A complete racket line is to be a part of his business, stock for this department now being on the road.

Sells Gaines County Land.

C. H. Featherston spent the earlier part of this week in Gaines County where he closed up a deal selling one section of his land there. He leased the remainder of the land he has there for pasturage.

Carl Eubanks returned this week from Whitney, where he has been the past six weeks looking after business.

Harvest Hands Killed by Lightning.

At the home of Earl McDowell, 5 miles northeast of Curtis, Okla., two harvesting hands were killed by lightning while unloading a barge, last week. The stack was set on fire and Mr. McDowell, who was also stunned by the bolt came to in time to put the fire out and save the bodies from being burned. The bolt also knocked down the horses attached to the barge but they soon recovered. During the same storm, lightning killed a mule for P. J. Vogt, a hog for A. F. Burligame and a heifer for Will Jaques. It also struck John Jaques barn but did not set it on fire.

German Merchant Sub Crosses Atlantic

Brings 750 Tons of Dyestuff and Chemicals to America—First of Fleet.

It is reported that the port officials of Baltimore have found no reason why the giant submarine Deutschland of Bremen, Germany, should not be granted all the rights of a merchantman of a friendly country, and accordingly the giant sub, after unloading its 750-ton cargo of dyestuffs and chemicals valued at \$4,000 per ton, will be permitted to load a cargo sail for its home port.

The giant sub, which reached Baltimore Monday night, crossed the Atlantic without mishap or being sighted by enemy craft, and its commander declares that it is only the first of a fleet which will make regular trips between the two countries. The second will cross in about two weeks: The new undersea boat, according to its commander, can travel a distance of 13,000 miles from its base, and go to all parts of the sea as easily as can other craft.

Local Rains Prove Benefit

Local rains over the South Plains area the past five or six days are proving of benefit to the localities in which they fell.

Wednesday afternoon's rain in Floyd County covered quite a scope of country in the western portion of the county. Some rain has also fallen in the south and east parts of the county.

Kenneth Bain, candidate for District attorney, in company with Will Sedgwick and D. C. Lowe, of Silvertown is spending the day in Floydada.

Court Employs Road Builders

Frank W. Sims of Randall County in Charge of New Equipment of Floyd County.

Frank W. Sims, of Canyon, for the past four years in charge of the road work in Randall County, was employed Wednesday by the Commissioners Court of Floyd County as road grading manager for Floyd County, and was put in charge of the new grader-elevator with Frank Tye of this city, as engineer.

The commissioners are very much pleased to date with their new road-building equipment. It's work has cut the cost of road building materially and is getting equally as good as the best work in the county heretofore.

The grader-elevator is being pulled with an Emerson "Big Four" 30-60 engine of the new type.

Carr Surginer's Son Expected to Recover.

Leslie Surginer, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Surginer, is resting well at the Childers Sanitarium today following an operation Saturday night at twelve o'clock for virulent appendicitis.

The case developed while the boy was near Brownsfield enroute with his father to Knowles, N. Mex. to which place they were going with Mr. Surginer's grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wilhoit, who were returning home after an extended visit here with the Surginer's. The return home was begun Friday night but was necessarily slow on account of the condition of Leslie, Friday and Saturday being required for the trip.

On reaching home an operation was decided upon immediately. The appendix became so badly inflamed that it burst Friday night.

The doctor now believes that unless complications arise the boy is out of serious danger. While Leslie's condition was so serious his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ivey, of Amarillo, were notified and came down by auto Sunday.

Blair's Comedians Filling Week's Bill in Floydada.

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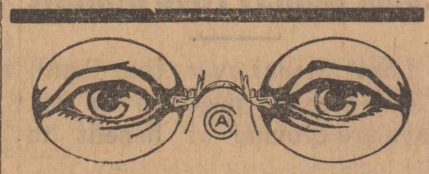
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To build a dreadnaught it really entails about 7,200,000 man hours, or labor equivalent to the work of one man working that time, says the Detroit Free Press. The making of a turbine machinery absorbs some 1,850,000 man hours, and the mountings of the big guns can easily acquire two years' work, while a single armor plate may take nearly three months to finish. None of these processes can be unduly hurried. Between 40 and 50 percent of the cost of a dreadnought hull goes for labor. Curiously enough far less is spent on labor when constructing a turbine engine than when making one of the old type. Much of the material is made by machinery, leaving only 28 per cent of the cost for labor, where before 45 per cent was spent entirely for wages.—Ex.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Kendrick, and children, of Tulsa, spent Sunday visiting F. W. Cooksey and wife.



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Senator Johnson Says Culberson is Physical Wreck.
Senator W. A. Johnson has just returned from a trip to Washington, where he spent a little time at the sessions of the Congressional body. Speaking of our present senator, C. A. Culberson, Mr. Johnson says:
While in Washington we saw Senator Culberson in the senate chamber. We were really shocked at the feeble condition of the man. He is as white haired as a centenarian and is palsied to a degree which almost prevents his getting about. His hands when he does not grasp something to steady will jerk continually as much as a foot and he can scarcely walk about the senate. The fact is we never saw a man so badly palsied in all of life. He should be retired to rest and his friends are not favoring him when they insist otherwise.

Guarding Railroad Bridges.
Since the Santa Fe began to haul so many troops during the past week guards have been stationed at all of the principal bridges on the line as far north as Kansas City. Guards were stationed at the bridge north of the city last week, and two men patrolled this bridge day and night.
The road is taking every matter of precaution, not only to see that the lines are unobstructed for the quick transportation of the soldiers, but if there are Mexican spies on the side, to see that they do no harm to the railroad lines over which the men are passing.
The railroads are using greatly increased vigilance along the entire line, as well as at the bridges.—Randall Co. News.

Judge Riddle Withdraws from Race for U. S. Senator.
Judge Geo. W. Riddle, of Dallas, candidate for the United States Senate, who was to have spoken in Floydada Thursday afternoon at four-thirty, announced on Tuesday through the press that he was withdrawing from the race.
Judge Riddle was to have filled a number of dates in the Panhandle, beginning at Amarillo. He did not fill these dates, but instead announced his withdrawal.
He made a statement that he would support Brooks' candidacy.

Hungry Mexican Women Shout "Viva Gringos!"
Via radio to Columbus, N. M., July 7.—Starving Mexican women have stormed the governor's palace at San Luis Potosi, according to reports received by General J. J. Pershing and have shouted "Viva Gringos."
Food riots, the reports to the American commander said, are occurring in the larger Mexican cities. At San Luis Potosi, the government's supply of corn for distribution has been exhausted.

Vacation in Colorado.
Dr. J. H. Massie, wife and daughter leave this week for Colorado, intending to spend some thirty days in one of the national Parks.—Probably Estes Park,—on a vacation.
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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 by 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 adventurer, 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 Hagar's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the finger prints, leaving the gypsy queen demented. Marmaduke Smythe, the 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.

Vivian is saved from drowning by Powell, who is infatuated by her. Smythe delivers 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. Arthur appears 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. 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 kills Durand, and later Esther and Smythe return to Virginia, the girl rejoining Hagar at the sanitarium. The diamond is stolen by De Vaux. He is later struck down and the diamond taken after Luke, aided by Quabba, escapes. Esther will not leave Hagar and take 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, but Luke drinks it by mistake and is then killed by an auto driven by Blair. He has taken some of Arthur's clothing, and the auto disfigures him so that he is taken for Arthur. Blair removes the diamond from his body. Arthur, now nameless, flies in his aeroplane, with which Blair has tampered, and falls near Esther. Hagar dies, forgiving Arthur and clasping Esther's hand in his. The two, assuming rule over the gypsies, are married near Stanley Hall in Virginia. Blair, having Arthur's money and the diamond, obtains the earldom and is struck down by De Vaux, in armor, in the London house of the Stanleys.

CHAPTER LX.

Arthur Stanley Harding.

BARRED out, Smythe and the lackeys of Stanley House hammered at the bolted door, while within they could hear the shrieks of Lady Vivian resounding through the somber old Tudor mansion.

Smythe, keener than the servants, though not renowned for quickness of wit, sensed that some murderous intruder, cause of the commotion within, had barred the great door.

The lawyer ran around to the back of the house just in time to see De Vaux, who had shed the armor he had concealed himself in, jump through the old Gothic window from the stair landing, the window turning back and snapping shut again.

Charging swiftly down upon the intruder, to him unknown, the lanky man of law made a perfect low tackle.

Although he was no exponent of football. In any case, he grabbed the hastening De Vaux below the knees and down went thief and barrister.

The diamond from the sky, which De Vaux still clutched, flew from his hand at the impact and, curving through the air, dropped unnoticed into the upturned hat that had fallen upon the ground from the lawyer's pate.

Meanwhile Vivian, in her coronation robes, was bending over the stricken form of Blair, in his court dress and peer's attire.

Instinctively Vivian realized what had happened. She hardly needed to place her hand upon the breast of Blair—the diamond from the sky was gone!

The lackey, who had been carrying out the tea tray from her boudoir when the sound of Blair's fall in the hallway



Vivian in Her Coronation Robes Held Blair's Stricken Form.

below and the clanging down of the discarded armor told some tragedy had befallen the American earl, ran to the door past his countess and the bleeding earl prone in the hallway.

With trembling fingers the footman threw back the old bolt, and his frightened fellow servants, shoving and heaving outside the door, fell in almost upon their noble master.

Blair by this time was recovering from the dreadful blow that had been dealt him by the mailed figure with the battle mace.

The blood trickled down his ghastly face and empurpled and smeared the snowy shirt front of his court attire and stained the ermine of his coronation robes. Vivian held his stricken form.

With a sickening pang at her heart Vivian realized there would be no pomp and ceremony for Blair, earl of Stanley, and Vivian, his fair countess, to grace this day. George, king of Great Britain, emperor of India and ruler of dominions beyond the seas, would be crowned today, surrounded by the nobles of his realm, but the American Earl of Stanley and his lady would not be there.

Something of this must have passed through Blair's dulled, aching consciousness. "Stop him! He struck me down! The diamond is gone!"

He gasped and fumbled at his blood stained finery as he spoke.

The Gothic window had closed back in place. Seemingly the armored assailant had vanished as if by magic. Only the heap of old mail accoutrements and helmet on the floor told how the murderous intruder had hidden.

The servants stood open mouthed and helpless as Blair rose to his feet, assisted by Vivian, and then he roused to drive them out by his fierce commands and curses.

The struggle at the back of the house was strenuous, but brief. The doughty lawyer was no match for the younger and more muscular De Vaux.

Throwing Smythe aside and striking and kicking him viciously, De Vaux sprang to his feet and made off just as the servants, followed by the earl and his lady, came around upon the scene.

Suspicious and ever distrustful of Smythe, Blair refused to believe the lawyer had attempted to stay the mysterious assailant who had struck him down and borne away the diamond.

Forgetting his grievous wound and the blood that trickled down his livid face, Blair screamed hoarsely in his wild frenzy of anger and chagrin. "Pack up your things and get," said Blair. "Your own things and nothing but your own things, remember."

Smythe answered dutifully, but crisply. "As your lordship wishes," and picked up the parchment of the Harding gypsy genesis from the floor.

His bags were already packed, and he now shouldered the gun he had carried in the wilds of America and was turning to remove the deer head, was the cherished souvenir of his second visit to the Yankee jungles, when Blair's exclamation, "Leave that alone!" caused him to wheel around startled.

The gun went off pointed back over Smythe's shoulder, and the heavy charge of shot struck the deer head fair between the eyes. The impact loosened whatever bound the deer head to the wooden mount.

All hour preceding more evil days to come Vivian felt a wild affection for the stricken man beside her which was never to falter nor weaken.

In faraway Virginia there are love and happiness, increased and greater, in the joyous hearts of Esther and Arthur in the sweet, dear year that has passed.

At the gypsy rendezvous, unvisited by the outside world, Arthur and Esther, man and wife, have seen the happy year speed by and in its course bring them their heart's desire—a child.

Again a joyous gypsy festival, the christening of the little gypsy prince. Again the stranger minstrel, who was brought to officiate at their wedding from distant Richmond, comes.

This time there is no such wild revelry as at the maypole wedding, which so amazed and interested the good man. But once again the gypsy musicians play, and once again Quabba is drunk with joy.

At the hillside fountain that gushes in a crystal stream into the hollow trough that is nature's own christening font the minister from Richmond dips his fingers and sprinkles the son of Esther and Arthur and says, "I christen thee Arthur Stanley Harding." Then, after the christening feast and the strange gypsy rites by which a man child is taken into the tribe, the parson departs, wondering, as he has wondered before, what strange gypsies are these who are ruled in love and kindness by a young king and queen bearing every evidence in speech and action of education and refinement.

But that is their secret, and the good man respects it and goes as he has come and says no word to any one, as he has pledged himself to do.

When the pursuit of the murderous thief had halted and when Blair had been helped back to his chambers in Stanley House the still bewildered Smythe, dully smarting under the unjust accusation of Blair, had retrieved his hat and absentmindedly had placed it upon his head.

He winced as he felt a sharp, heavy object fall down within the crown and rap him smartly on the skull. He scratched his head and then in mild surprise felt his fingers entangled in a jeweled chain. He drew it down and gazed at it, dumfounded.

"My word," he said, "if it isn't the bally old diamond from the sky!"

Stupid, as Blair might think, yet wise as the serpent, as Blair might also think, Marmaduke Smythe took the great jewel and placed it carefully in the inside breast pocket of his frock coat and then buttoned that most respectable garment tightly around him.

One afternoon a few days later when Smythe returned to his room, half bed-chamber, half old library and office, quarters sacred to him as family solicitor of the earls of Stanley for over thirty years, he found the present earl busied among the papers and documents.

The curious old parchment Hagar had given him—the gypsy family tree of the Hardings—had been tossed upon



The Year Had Brought Them Their Heart's Desire.

the floor contemptuously by Blair, who regarded it as some trumpery.

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CHAPTER LX.

Love and Peace Dwell at Stanley Hall.

THE deer head dropped forward, held at the lower part of the neck to the mount as though by a hinge. A little puff of dust marked the breakaway, and then from within the hollow neck a little package of yellow parchment, bound with faded tape, fell to the floor.

Smythe picked it up and saw it was annotated in ancient angular handwriting, the ink faded to rust color by age. The lawyer's eyes opened wide as he scanned the faded markings:

Herewith the Ye Marriage Lines of My First Wyte Rachel Harding, A Gypsy Mayde, Who Bore Me A Son, But Left Me In Dudgeon And Cast Off My Name, Returning To Her Own People With Ye Child, Nor Would She See Me More. (Signed) ARTHUR STANLEY, Ye King's Province of Virginia, November 6, 1638 A. D.

"What was that? Hand it here!" snarled the American earl.

"The mild mannered Marmaduke was roused to revolt. 'I jolly well will do nothing of the sort,' he retorted.

"I bought that deer head at the auction at Stanley hall, Virginia, and carried it over the whole bally United States. It and all in it are mine."

Blair moved forward as if to take the paper, but Smythe shoved the li-



Vivian Shrieked and Fell Into Blair's Arms.

brary table between himself and the angry earl, pinning the latter to the wall in a most undignified position. At other times Blair could have easily freed himself and throttled the contumacious Smythe. But he was weak from the injury he had suffered, and he pressed his hand to his throbbing head and regarded the rebellious lawyer furiously.

And then the door opened, and a group of firm faced, well built men entered.

"I beg your pardon, my lord," said the first of the intruders. "I am Inspector Forde of Scotland Yard. This is an American detective, and he has brought proper requisition papers, and this warrant has been issued against you."

A heavy set man who towered behind the dapper inspector stepped forward.

"I arrest you for the murder of Dr. Henry Lee in Virginia three years ago," he said.

Blair moaned and staggered back against the wall. This, then, was the end. Blake, the Richmond detective, had struck at last!

Without a word Blair stepped forward and held out his hands. For once in his life he was cowed, beaten.

"Oh, not that, my lord!" said the little inspector agitatedly. "It wouldn't be necessary to put handcuffs on a man of your station or anything of that sort, my lord. Doubtless there is some terrible mistake, which will all be rectified, my lord, and I hope you will not hold it against us, my lord, that we were compelled to do our duty?"

Vivian had heard the strange tread of several men upon the stairs, and the startled butler had burst in upon her with the crushing information that officers from Scotland Yard had asked for his lordship, and it was not concerning the thief who had assaulted his lordship, they had said, "For," the trembling butler added, "that was the very first thing I asked them, my lady!"

Vivian ran from her boudoir, her beautiful hair in disorder around her fair shoulders.

One glance told her that fate, weaver of destinies, had called Blair to account for his crimes. She shrieked and fell into his arms.

In prosperity, in their wild schemings, she had not loved him as she did now in the hour of his downfall and humiliation.

At a nod from the inspector Blair's valet brought his hat, stick and street coat. One last, passionate parting embrace and Blair walked with his capers down the great Gothic stairs as a felon—where he late had trod as a noble of the realm!

De Vaux escaped scot free, but without the diamond. Wondering if he had been recognized under the vizor of the helmet or by Smythe, he laid low for several days and then got out his motorcar and gave his chauffeur orders to speed for Dover, where he would take boat and escape across the channel to France.

But it was fated De Vaux should not

gain Paris for some time yet to come, nor alone, for as his car sped swiftly through Mayfair it struck a taxicab with terrific force at a street intersection.

The heavy fender on De Vaux's big open car saved it from injury, but the lighter taxicab went over on its side and the uniformed bobby and the driver on the front seat were thrown to the ground.

From the uppermost door of the overturned taxicab a stalwart figure clambered. It was Blair, sometime earl of Stanley!

In his hand he held a heavy walking stick, and, acting with swift intuition, he turned and thrust the stick through the handle of the door and behind the taximeter, fastening the door hard and tight.

Within the muffled cries of two men could be heard. De Vaux sprang from his auto and faced Blair in surprise for one brief moment. And then the fellowship of the desperate was swiftly invoked.

"The traps have got me!" cried Blair. And the two adventurers sprang into the big, undamaged car, which, at a sign from De Vaux, the chauffeur backed from the wrecked, overturned taxi, turned in the broad street and darted away.

Ten minutes later, from the rooms of De Vaux, Blair sent the latter, his sworn ally now—such are the strange decrees of destiny—to Vivian with a note. It read:

Our old friend De Vaux has saved me. You hold the fort as Countess of Stanley. De Vaux and I will search for the diamond from the sky. We are not beaten yet! Lovingly, BLAIR.

It may be understood that, in all the desperate intimacy that followed, De Vaux never let Blair or Vivian know that he was the mysterious mailed assailant who had struck down Blair in his coronation robes and had borne away the great jewel, only to drop it in his flight.

Stupid in some things, but with the wisdom of serpents in others, Smythe studied the strange documents, evidently placed in hiding in the deer head by the adventurer-colonist, the first Sir Arthur Stanley, in Virginia, three centuries before.

The Harding gypsy family tree gave strange confirmation to the other antique documents. There was Rachel Harding, born in Kentishtown, England, in 1606. A son was born to her, christened Matthew, after her own father.

Then descended from this Matthew, through all the generations, the Matthew born in Virginia in 1860. This Matthew Harding married one Hagar Lee of another gypsy tribe in America. There was noted a son born to these two, but the record was blotted here on the ancient parchment of the gypsy genesis.

A month after the Earl of Stanley's sensational arrest and still more sensational escape Vivian, countess of Stanley, migrated secretly to Paris and Smythe sailed for America with much on his mind.

He searched the ancient colonial records in obscure Virginia parishes and, with the wisdom of serpents, gathered all his proofs.

These proofs were that Arthur Stanley, born son of Hagar and Matt Harding, was strangely Arthur Stanley in name and right and in name and right the direct descendant in a direct line of the adventurer Sir Arthur Stanley



De Vaux's Car Struck a Taxicab With Terrific Force.

and therefore rightfully also the heir to the Stanley earldom and the diamond from the sky.

These proofs and the diamond Smythe brought to Esther and Arthur.

"It's all romantic and very pleasant," said Smythe. "To be a jolly king and queen of the gypsies and to dwell in Arcadian and primitive simplicity with these odd people, don't you know, but you have a duty to perform, a duty to your lineage, and a greater duty to your child. You must accept your rank and the diamond from the sky that I here restore to you."

"We want none of these things for

ourselves or for our child. Arthur, drawing Esther to him, "Station and wealth bring no sorrow and heartache. The from the sky has been a curse a charm against harm.

"It cannot be thrown back sky, so let us cast it into the rid the earth of its evil presence for the earldom, for myself a son I deem it better that we be American citizens rather than I earls."

And Esther earnestly coincided this judgment.

"But, your lordship," expostulated Smythe, while Arthur smiled at title, "your lordship may remain American citizen and still legally a British title. I can cite you an stance, several of them." And Smythe did so.

The skeptical may consult Burke peerage for the precedence in qu-



Quabba Was Now Ruler in Romany

tion. "Besides," Smythe went "you deal doubly unjustly with ladyship. Her ladyship should at be mistress of Stanley Hall, as was mother!"

And so the world and station came Arthur and Esther Stanley back Stanley Hall, and thus the wrongs many a grievous year were right. Perchance the dead, whose livid hearts had loved and hated, were met at ease for this.

The guilt of Blair, a fugitive some where on the continent, had been known some months. Arthur, free from all suspicion of the murder of Dr. Lee, received at Stanley Hall, with Esther and their infant son, every heart felt greeting a generous minded Virginia welcome could offer.

A great reception was given them by the high of Fairfax and the humble. Stanley Hall, brave in flags, saw happy throngs upon its lawns and within its stately walls again.

Vying with the Fairfax band, the gypsy orchestra, led by Quabba, now ruler in Romany instead of King Arthur and Queen Esther, abdicated in his favor, played again the wild Romany wedding strains. Arthur and Esther, with the ever attentive Smythe beside them, held the little American earl in their arms. On his baby breast gleamed the great jewel of the Stanleys, and ever his flower faced young mother murmured to her self and to him, "Oh, child of my heart, not a diamond, but a mother's prayer is the true 'charm against harm!'"

So sped the happy day, and so soft Virginia twilight gathered. Beneath the lanterns' glow upon the lawns the murmur and the pleasant laughter hushed, as to the accompaniment of violin and guitar a clear young voice thrilled the dusk—ah, how fittingly the singer never knew—with the appealing words of that sweet old melody:

The tale of one who wandered over earth By land and sea, by home and foreign shore, Until into your eyes he gazed and knew His search was o'er, his search was o'er.

Esther's bosom stirred with a happy sigh. Arthur's strong arms were about her, the child smiled on her breast and the loyal lips of Quabba kissed her hand ere yet she stole quietly away with the humble gypsy people.

The joy that transfigureth all sorrow, sin and death filled Esther's tender heart. It seemed to her that the loving gaze of Hagar rested on them in the dusk in benediction.

And so love and peace dwell again at Stanley Hall. The little American earl, son of Arthur and Esther, has the diamond from the sky, and all ends happily as Hagar prayed—except that somewhere in the world, hidden and perhaps waiting to strike, is the desperate and bitter Blair.

With him are his cunning ally, De Vaux, and also Vivian, she who is the incarnation of desire for the diamond from the sky!

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The big fight in Texas,—the race for U. S. Senator,—is attracting much interest outside of the state, because of the fact that most all the men in the race are of more or less national repute.

A recent statement in the Wichita, Kansas, Daily Times, is to the effect that from observations made in Texas, R. L. Henry is the stronger of the states' rights people in the race while between Brooks and Campbell there is practically a draw. The "Run-off" primary, the Times thinks, will be between Henry and Brooks or Campbell.

The fact that the Santa Fe is ballasting the Floydada Branch comes nearer being an index finger pointing to the future activities of that company in the matter of construction than any other action of the company since the completion of the Coleman-Texico Cut-Off.

While the freight and passenger haul on the Branch has probably increased four-fold since the establishment of the line, and is sufficient to warrant the expenditure of enough money to insure a good road bed to accommodate heavy trains, still this provision could be made without ballasting, it appears, which is fairly good reason for conclusions which are being drawn that construction work east out of Floydada within a reasonable time is altogether a reasonable probability.

No. 439 BANKS Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the First State Bank

at Floydada, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 1916, published in The Floyd County Hesperian, a newspaper printed and published at Floydada, State of Texas, on the 13th day of July, 1916.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$139,869.45
Loans, real estate	3,290.65
Overdrafts	2,190.69
Cash collections	2,494.71
Real estate (banking house)	8,792.99
Real estate	3,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,287.65
Due from approved reserve agents, net	21,843.74
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net	1,943.58
Cash items	669.05
Currency	7,943.00
Specie	742.70
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	1,568.67
Other resources as follows:	
Assessment guaranty fund	421.99
TOTAL	\$197,058.87

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 30,000.00
Surplus fund	3,240.00
Undivided profits, net	6,406.96
Individual deposits, subject to check	102,236.82
Time certificates of deposit	39,981.33
Cashier's checks	193.76
Bills payable and rediscounts	15,000.00
TOTAL	\$197,058.87

State of Texas, County of Floyd:

We, Jas. K. Green as Vice President, and N. W. McCleskey as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

JAS. K. GREEN, Vice President.
 N. W. MCCLESKEY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of July, A. D. 1916.

F. M. BUTLER, Notary Public,
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McCoy News Notes.

There is little or no news at this writing. Farmers are almost entirely through with work, except the few who have not threshed their grain. Most crops continue to hold up well. A few have maize which is heading.

R. G. Elliott was shopping in Floydada the latter part of last week.

W. E. Smith and daughter, Zora, went to Floydada the latter part of last week.

Miss Velma Moore spent last week in this community, visiting Miss Maude Swartz.

Messrs. Payne and Payne made a quick trip to the brakes last week. They were near Flomora.

W. E. Smith and family attended preaching services at Cone Sunday night. Rev. G. W. Tubbs began a meeting Sunday at that place.

R. H. Keasler and wife of the Sandhill community attended the service at this place Sunday night.

Mrs. Gladys Moreman, brother and sister, Frank and Fannie Mae Bishop, of Sandhill, were in this community Sunday evening.

Geo. F. Shipman, with a party of friends, went to the brakes last week near White Flat.

Monday morning, while repairing his windmill, G. W. Phipps received a very painful injury when a part of the mill fell on one of his hands.

W. V. Smith went to Lockney the first of this week to meet his son, Jasper, of Farmersville Texas, who will probably spend a short time here on a visit.

R. B. Caldwell went to town the first of the week on business.

A. L. Hurst went to Floydada this week.

R. N. Hamilton went to Floydada this week.

Stupid.

Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1916.

For 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. WILLIS.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector:
 J. B. JENKINS.
 J. A. GRIGSBY.
 SAM I. FARNSWORTH.
 R. M. (BUD) BROYLES.

For County Surveyor:
 GEO. A. LIDER.

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.
 R. C. WATSON.

For Justice of Peace, Pre. No. 1:
 T. J. MCNEELY.
 J. C. GAITHER.
 R. O. FIELDS.

JUDGE W. D. FISHER



Candidate for Associate Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals for the 7th Supreme Judicial District.

Canadian, Texas, June 27, 1916. To the Democrats of the 7th Supreme Judicial District:

Judge W. D. Fisher, of Canadian, Texas, is a candidate for Associate Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals for the 7th Supreme Judicial District of Texas. Judge Fisher grew to manhood in Rusk and Gregg Counties, Texas, coming West about twenty-seven years ago. He lived for a few years in Knox and Brisco Counties, and located permanently in Hemphill County twenty years ago. Judge Fisher is in the prime of life, a close student of the law, and well fitted for this high office. He has always stood for the best in society and politics.

Therefore, we the undersigned, cordially endorse his candidacy:

Frank Willis, Judge Thirty-first District of Texas; W. R. Ewing, District Attorney Thirty-first District; Newton P. Willis, attorney; J. L. Jennings, County Judge Hemphill County; H. E. Hoover, attorney; J. C. Dial, attorney; Dan B. Hoover, attorney; W. Sanders, County Attorney; G. L. Addison, County Treasurer; W. J. Todd Jr., attorney; W. C. Isaacs, President Canadian State Bank; D. J. Young, President First National Bank; A. H. Tandy, cattleman; Hayes Howell, Pastor Methodist Church; Thos. F. Moody, banker and cattleman; O. R. McMorde, County and District Clerk; C. H. Tipps, Sheriff; L. Williams, Pastor Christian Church; O. Hudson, Mayor; Will Crow, attorney; E. C. Gray, attorney; Higgins; C. Coffee, attorney, Miami; B. G. Taylor, Pastor Presbyterian Church; F. R. Jamison, Editor Canadian Record.

PRESS COMMENTS.

The Lakeview Promoter: "We have known Mr. Fisher since 1905, and at that time he was one of the leading and foremost lawyers of the entire Panhandle. He is a brilliant orator, and a close student of the statutes of the State of Texas."

The Canadian Record: "His ability to discern and interpret the law is recognized as inferior to none who practice before the bar of the district. The district will find in W. D. Fisher a man whose ability meets the requirements of this high station."

Canadian Monday Morning News: "All know him to be an upright, honorable gentleman possessed of much learning and practice of law, which qualifies him for this position."

Childress Post: "Mr. Fisher is a competent man and well worth the support of our people, and we trust they will give him a splendid vote in this County."

Miami Chief: "W. D. Fisher of Canadian is seeking the Appellate Judgeship for this district. Judge Fisher is a splendid gentleman, fully qualified for the position."

Childress Index: "Mr. Fisher is one of the most prominent lawyers of the North Plains."

County Agent Spent Tuesday With Farm Co-operators.

Dr. K. F. Hare, County Agricultural Agent, spent Tuesday in Floyd County with co-operating farmers.

Wednesday and Thursday were also spent in the northern portion of the county where he has had a dairy expert.

He stated Tuesday in Floydada that his regular office day would be spent here Saturday.

Joe Ellis and family, of Vega, have been visiting the past few days with Mrs. Ellis' mother, Mrs. M. J. Maxwell.

Miss Mary Maxwell, who has been visiting with her sister at Vega for the past month, returned home with them.

Attorney Wm. Boyce, of Amarillo, was in Floydada Wednesday on a tour of the South Plains in the interest of his candidacy for the office of Associate Judge of the Seventh Supreme Judicial District.

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That life is not all a proposition of guns and drums along the Mexican border is shown by the accompanying photograph, taken recently at El Paso, Texas. The Buquor Motor Company, distributors of Maxwell cars in El Paso, were awake to the romance of the month of June. They painted some of their Maxwell touring cars pure white, a real bridal tone, and any happy couples getting married in the Texas town had the use of the car free for the wedding festivities.

This photograph shows a gay wedding party. The bride and her attendants are wearing cunning sport jackets with stripes to match the slip covers on the Maxwell car.

Needless to say, the fleet of pure white Maxwells has been very popular in El Paso during the open season for matrimony. While a war game is in progress across the Rio Grande, the Maxwell distributors are promoting a little game of hearts in Texas. Business is reported brisker than usual at the marriage license counter in El Paso.

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RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$197,369.14
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	12,500.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	\$ 3,900.00
Less amount unpaid	1,950.00—
Value of banking house (if unencumbered)	20,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	3,000.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	10,097.50
Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	7,015.29
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	\$ 7,991.09
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	31,665.49—
Net amount due from banks and bankers (not included in 10 or 11)	1,353.80
Other checks on banks in same town or city as reporting bank	1,061.39
Fractional currency, nickles and cents	\$ 132.47—
Notes of other national banks	1,400.00
Coin and certificates	11,494.45
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	625.00
TOTAL	\$307,655.62

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits	\$ 28,816.31
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	6,614.28—
Circulating notes outstanding	12,500.00
Net amount due to banks and bankers (other than included in 29 or 30)	2,372.68
Demand deposits:	
Individual deposits subject to check	161,431.30
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days	18,267.50
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,624.04
Total demand deposits, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40	\$182,322.84
Time deposits, (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice):	
Certificates of deposit	9,558.57
Total of time deposits, Items 41, 42 and 43	\$ 9,558.57
Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed	10,000.00
Cash letters of credit or travelers' checks outstanding	150.00
Liabilities other than those above stated:	
Bills payable assumed	3,549.50
TOTAL	\$307,655.62

State of Texas, County of Floyd, ss:—I, E. C. Nelson, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. C. NELSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of July, 1916.

[SEAL]

J. B. BARTLEY, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: Jno. N. Farris, Harry Weatherly, C. Surgeiner, Directors.

Meeting at Cone.

Rev. G. W. Tubbs began a meeting at Cone Sunday, which will run through the week and possibly into next.

Dr. M. W. Daily and wife returned to their home at Hereford Monday after spending two weeks in Floydada, the guests of W. P. Daily and family.

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Blackman Friday, July 7th, a son.

Will McCarty and little daughter are here visiting with Mr. McCarty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McCarty and other relatives, arriving last Saturday.

C. S. Jones spent last Monday morning in Crosbyton on business.

The HESPERIAN does First Class Job work.

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

WE MUST CLOSE OUT OUR ENTIRE STOCK

of Goods by September First

This means that we are quitting business in Floydada, and it means that you are offered the biggest bargains in Hardware, Furniture and Implements you have ever seen, as a glance at the lists below will prove. ☞ We are putting on a sale to clean up. If we dispose of our stock before September first, we close before September first. Sold or unsold, our doors close not later than that date. ☞ As long as the stock on hand lasts the following prices will rule:

All Prices Are Made on a Cash Basis Only No Credit Business

Windmills	
10 foot Challenge	\$33.50
12 foot Challenge	43 50
14 foot Dempster	63 50

Buggies and Surries	
Parry Surries only	\$100.00
Parry Hacks	90.00
\$125 Parry Buggies, rubber tire	90.00
\$100 Parry Buggies	68.25
\$110 Parry Buggies	82.50

Miscellaneous	
Collar Pads, each	30c
Rope	13½c base
Axle Grease, per box	6c
Axle Grease, per bucket	17½c
Machine Oils, in gallon cans	40c
Machine Oils in barrels, per gallon	30c
Neats Foot Oil, per gallon	75c
Bolts, per pound	12½c
Cotton Hoes	40c
Grain Scoops	80c
Post Hole Diggers	\$1.00
Shovels, long and D handle	60c

Gas Engines \$45, \$75 and \$100

Implements and Wagons	
John Deere Row Binders with truck	\$130.00
Binder Twine at	10.75
John Deere double disc Plow	55.00
John Deere gang Plow	55.00
Deering Hay rake, 10 foot	27.50
Deering Mower	45 00
3 -inch Mogul Wagon	85.00
3¼ inch Mogul Wagon	87.50
3¼ inch Mogul Wagon, 12 foot led	90.00
Broad tire wood rim Truck	52.50
Low metal wheel truck	32.50

Dishes	
Plain White Plates, per set	37½c
White Cups and Saucers, per set	40c
Decorated Plates, per set	65c
Decorated Cups and Saucers, per set	65c
Crockery, per gallon	8½c
Other dishes in same proportion.	

Floor Coverings	
9x12 Fibre Art Square	\$ 7.25
9x12 Deltax Art Square	7.50
9x12 Axminster Art Square	15.00
9x12 Velvet Art Square	12.75
9x12 Congoleum Art Square	6.50
Linoleum, per square yard	.50

Furniture	
Cane bottom chairs	60c
Dining Chairs	75c to \$2.50
2-inch post Iron Bed	5.50
Child's High Chair	1.15
Child's Rocker	1.00
French Plate solid oak Dresser	8.50
Gents Wardrobe	18.00
Center Tables	1.65
Chiffonier, 5-drawer	9.50
Sealey Mattress	14.50
45-pound Mattress	5.00
Bed Springs, medium grade	2.50
Bed Springs, heavy grade	2.75
Dining Tables, 6-foot	6.00
54 inch round golden oak or fumed oak Dining Table	15.00
Rocking Chairs, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.50 and	5.00
\$100 Bedroom Suite, walnut or gum	65.00

Fruit Jars	
Quarts, Ideal, per dozen	60c
Half gallons, per dozen	80c
Quarts, Mason, per dozen	55c
Half gallons, per dozen	70c

Stoves	
Revonoc Oil Cook Stoves	\$10.75
Cole's Hot Blast Heaters	10.00
Cole's Combination Stove	27.50

Space Won't Permit of Our Listing Everything, but Everything in Our Stock Goes, Regardless of the Cost

We Remind You that These Unequaled Prices Are Not Profitable to Us, and Are Made Only on Account of the Fact that We Are Going Out of Business in Floydada

H. J. Willis & Company

West Side Square

Floydada, Texas

Rule of Pay for Soldiers of the United States Army.

recruiting officer has given the following information relative to the pay of soldiers, including all ranks of officers:

Major General	\$16.67 a day
Colonel	11.11 a day
Lieut. Colonel	9.72 a day
Major	8.33 a day
Captain	6.67 a day
First Lieut	5.56 a day
Second Lieut	4.72 a day
Sergants	1.00 a day
Corporals	.70 a day
Privates	.50 a day
Foreign service	20 per cent additional.

U. S. Has 21,000,000 Men of Military Age.

Washington, July 3.—A Census Bureau table issued today estimates the number of able-bodied men of military age in the United States at about 21,000,000.

The estimate is based on the assumption that there has been an increase of 10 per cent in the population since 1910, when the total male population over 18 years and under 46 was

19,183,000. In geographical subdivisions, the total for the Northern States is 13,004,615, for the Southern States 6,006,139 and for the Western States 1,960,322.

3 Cars Cattle; 1 Car Hogs Saturday's Shipments.

Three carloads of two-year-old steers shipped by N. A. Armstrong to the Kansas City market, and one load of fattened hogs shipped to the Fort Worth market by Bonnie Parrish were loaded out at Floydada Station Saturday.

Hog shipments out of Floydada are averaging better than \$4000 a week during the past several months.

Harry Weatherly and family returned home Thursday last from Clarendon after spending the Fourth there at the annual picnic and races. They were accompanied on their return by Miss Irene Bell, of Clarendon, niece of Mrs. Weatherly, who is spending a few days here visiting.

Read it in The Hesperian.

POISON FOR RODENTS.

Methods of Combatting Rodents with Poison are Suggested by Government Specialists.

To assist in the destruction of such noxious rodents as mice, ground squirrels and pocket gophers, the Government specialists recommend a number of poisons. Some of these are as follows. In their use, however, it is pointed out every precaution must be taken to keep the poison out of the reach of children and domestic animals:

PRAIRIE-DOG POISON.

Dissolve 1 ounce of strychnine sulphate in 1½ pints of boiling water. Add 1 heaping tablespoon full of gloss starch, previously mixed with a little cold water, and boil until a clear paste is formed. Add 1 ounce of baking soda and stir to a cream mass. Add one-twelfth ounce of saccharine and one-fourth pint of molasses and stir thoroughly. Pour over 14 quarts of milo maize or ferterita and mix well until grain is evenly coated. Allow to dry before using. If hard water is used, add one-fourth pint of vinegar for each ounce of strychnine.

In bushel quantities use, as above directed, 2½ ounces strychnine sulphate, one-fifth ounce saccharine, 2½ ounces soda, 1¼ ounces of starch, 1½ quarts boiling water, and five-eighths pint molasses.

Scatter poison when the natural food of the prairie-dog is scarce on a clean hard place near the hole, one quart to 40 holes.

JACK RABBIT POISON.

Alfalfa poison: Dissolve one ounce of powdered strychnine in 2 gallons of boiling water and sprinkle over 16 pounds of leafy alfalfa hay, chopped in 2-inch lengths. The poisoned hay may be scattered in small heaps along rabbit trails in enclosures from which stock is excluded.

Grain poison: Mixed together 1 ounce of powdered strychnine (alkaloid) and one ounce of baking soda. Sift this into 1 pint of thin hot starch paste and stir thoroughly. (The starch paste is made by mixing 1 heaping tablespoonful of gloss starch in a little cold water which is then added to one pint of hot water and boiled until a clear thin paste is formed.) Add one tenth ounce of saccharine and stir.

Apply to 12 quarts of milo maize or ferterita. Mix well until grain is evenly coated. Use as directed for alfalfa poison. If the powdered strychnine, alkaloid is not available, strychnine sulphate crystals may be used if prepared as for prairie-dogs.

POCKET GOPHER POISON.

Mix together while dry one-fourth ounce powdered strychnine (alkaloid) and one-sixteenth ounce of saccharin and sift over 5 quarts of dampened baits made by cutting sweet potatoes or carrots into one-half to three-fourths inch cubes. To insure even distribution of the poison stir baits while applying the powder.

The gopher's runway may be located several inches below the surface by probing with a bluntly pointed stick. An opening should be made admit 2 of the baits and then closed.

RAT POISON.

To 1 part of barium carbonate and 4 parts of flour or meal, or 1 part of barium carbonate and 8 parts of oatmeal, add a little cold water and mix thoroughly into a stiff dough. The barium carbonate may also be sprinkled on fish, toasted bread, or moistened bread and butter.

Arsenic may be used in place of the barium carbonate as above described, but it is unreliable in its effect.

Grain poisoned with strychnine, prepared as above recom-

mended for prairie-dogs, is very effective if all other foods are carefully covered. Baits should be placed in rat runs or holes.

Who Owns the Railroads?

There were 626,122 stockholders of 1285 railway corporations, having an average mileage of 257,211 miles, at the close of the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1915. These figures are compiled from the returns of railroads to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Beginning with the fiscal year of 1915 the railroads were required to report the names and holdings of the twenty largest stockholders except of railroads in class III. This makes it possible somewhat to separate the railway and private holdings of railway stock.

688 railroads held stock in other roads to the amount of \$2,519,956,813 face value, while, 607,630 individuals held a total of \$9,004,496,162. This indicates how widely the stock of railroads is owned by the public.

The average holding per stockholders for the United States as a whole is \$9,882. In this compilation is included 170 class I. roads with annual revenue of \$2,000,000 or more; 267 class II. roads with annual revenue between \$1,000,000 and \$100,000; and 401 class III. roads with annual revenue of \$100,000 or less.

A. M. Hove.

Private Obeys Instructions.

Douglas, Ariz., July 2.—Adams Dockery, a private in Company B, Arizona National Guard, reported Friday as missing, returned to camp yesterday after walking nearly forty miles while on outpost duty. The private, a recent recruit, it was said at headquarters, was placed on guard at the international line with instructions to walk to the east until he met the sentry he was to relieve.

In some manner Dockery missed the sentry, officers stated. He kept walking until finally late at night he met a patrol on guard at Slaughter's ranch, eighteen miles east of the camp.

"Dockery certainly obeyed instructions," an officer remarked, "But it is a good thing he met the patrol or he probably would have walked to El Paso."

Tahoka Woman Killed in Auto Collision at Post City.

Post, Garza, Co., Texas, July 4.—In a collision between a Santa Fe passenger train and an automobile here this afternoon, Mrs. Coleman Wells of Tahoka was instantly killed.

Others injured are Colman Wells, assistant cashier of the First National bank of Tahoka, three small children and Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Wells of Tahoka. All are seriously hurt but will probably recover.

90 Acres Average 13 Bu. Wheat.

Not all the wheat crops in Floyd County made fifteen bushels per acre and better. None of the fields have as yet failed to show a good profit, however.

Tobe Picklesimer finished threshing a field of ninety acres last week, his wheat averaging thirteen bushels per acre. E. C. Henry also threshed a 200-acre field last week showing a slightly lower average.

J. W. Kennedy and family, of Aspermont, is visiting in Floydada with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Seale and other relatives. Mrs. Kennedy is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seale.

\$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, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Have You Got 10 Cents?

Then deposit it here, and we will promptly deliver to you a Tuftless Sealy Mattress—the kind that so many people are now talking about.

"A Sealy Mattress Will Put an Owl to Sleep"



Sleeping on a Sealy is like sleeping on a Cloud

Can You Save 20c in a Week?

That's the payment that will be due a week after you buy a Tuftless Sealy.

Are You Good for 30c in Seven More Days?

That sum will keep your contract up to the pledge.

Is Not 40c Easy for the Next Week?

That is all that is needed for the next payment.

Are You Good for Half a Dollar a Week Later?

That gets you by in good shape. In brief, we want every weary restless body in an honest family to have the blessing of a Sealy Tuftless Mattress, for \$22.00 which the bottom price, full size, is

To make this easy, so you can plan the payments, we will, during our Sealy Mattress Sale, accept 10c down, and an additional 10c every week thereafter, until you have paid \$22.00—then you will own the best mattress made, one that is guaranteed for 20 years. May we send you one?

KIRK & WINDSOR

Floydada, Texas

Phone No. 8

Improvvidence.

The country's being painted red by cheerful, careless lads, who never look a day a head, but blew in all their seeds Today they have abounding health, and sickness seems afar; today they're earning goodly wealth, so why not buy a car? The sage rebukes them with a sigh, and says, "Be safe and sane, and while the weather's fair and dry, prepare, my sons, for rain." In vain his noble words are sad, they list with scornful look, and beg that he will soak his head, in some convenient brook. And then they make the village hum with their resounding mirth; but sickness comes, reverses come, to every man on earth. And when the luck is breaking rank, how bitterly they say, "We have no kenpecks in the bank, and

here's the rainy day!" If you've a package in the bank, you do not fear the worst, when Fortune gives your nose a yank, and sets you back a vest—Ex.

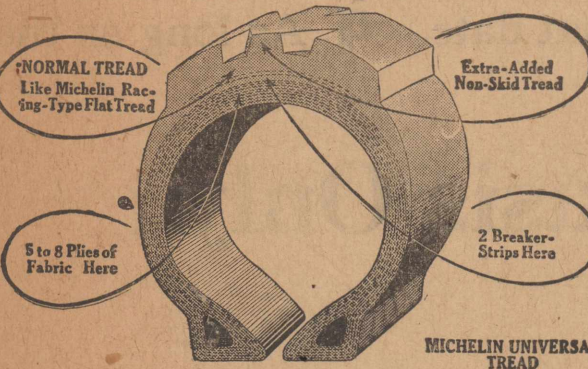
Mrs. J. D. Starks left Saturday for Coleman where she will spend some time on a visit with a brother.

How Appendicitis Can be Prevented.

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 simple mixture removes such surprising foul matter that ONE SPOONFUL relieves almost ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas. A short treatment helps chronic stomach trouble. Adler i-ka has easiest and most thorough action of anything we ever sold. T. R. Triplett, druggist.

MICHELIN—FOUNDED—1832

MICHELIN
12 to 15% Extra Weight



When you buy your next tire make this simple test. Let us weigh a Michelin Universal Tire in comparison with any other non-skid of the same size.

You will find the Michelin 12 to 15% heavier than the average, the exact percentage depending on the size of the tires used in the test.

This extra weight represents extra rubber and fabric, which means extra service.

John H. Reagan,
Floydada, Texas

ONE QUALITY ONLY—THE BEST

Farmers' Exchange

The Place to Get your Money's Worth.

We have Flour both soft and hard, wheat Brand, Cotton Seed Meal and Cake, Seed Oats, Feed Oats, Hay, Maize Heads and the best Coal you ever burnt.

We are in the market for different kinds of feed stuff, also have stock salt in four varieties. Pure Big German Millet seed and Pure Mebane Cotton seed grown by White Bros., Lockhart, Texas, -- Above boll-weevil district -- yield 39 per cent lint.

J. S. DICKEY,
Manager.

SINGER! I'll Get It for My Wife; No Other Like It, No Other As Good!

Purchase a "SINGER" and you will have a life asset at the price you pay. The elimination of repair expense by superior workmanship and best quality of material insures life long service at minimum cost. Insist on having the "SINGER." Warranted for all time. Known the world over for superior sewing qualities. Not sold under any other name. On display at Manley Johnson's, second door of Postoffice. Repairs, Needles and Oil on hand at all times.

B. B. KING, Salesman and Collector

Attention— Mr. Farmer!

We want to buy your Wheat, Oats, Corn, Maize Heads, Bulk Maize, Kafir Corn—in fact, most anything you have to sell.

We have for sale the best domestic and steam Coals on the market, at live-and-let-live prices.

Don't fail to see us if you want to sell or buy.

B. F. Yearwood & Son
COAL, GRAIN AND HAY

Floydada, Texas - - - On Earth

P. S. All weighing done over the public scales, at Our Expense.

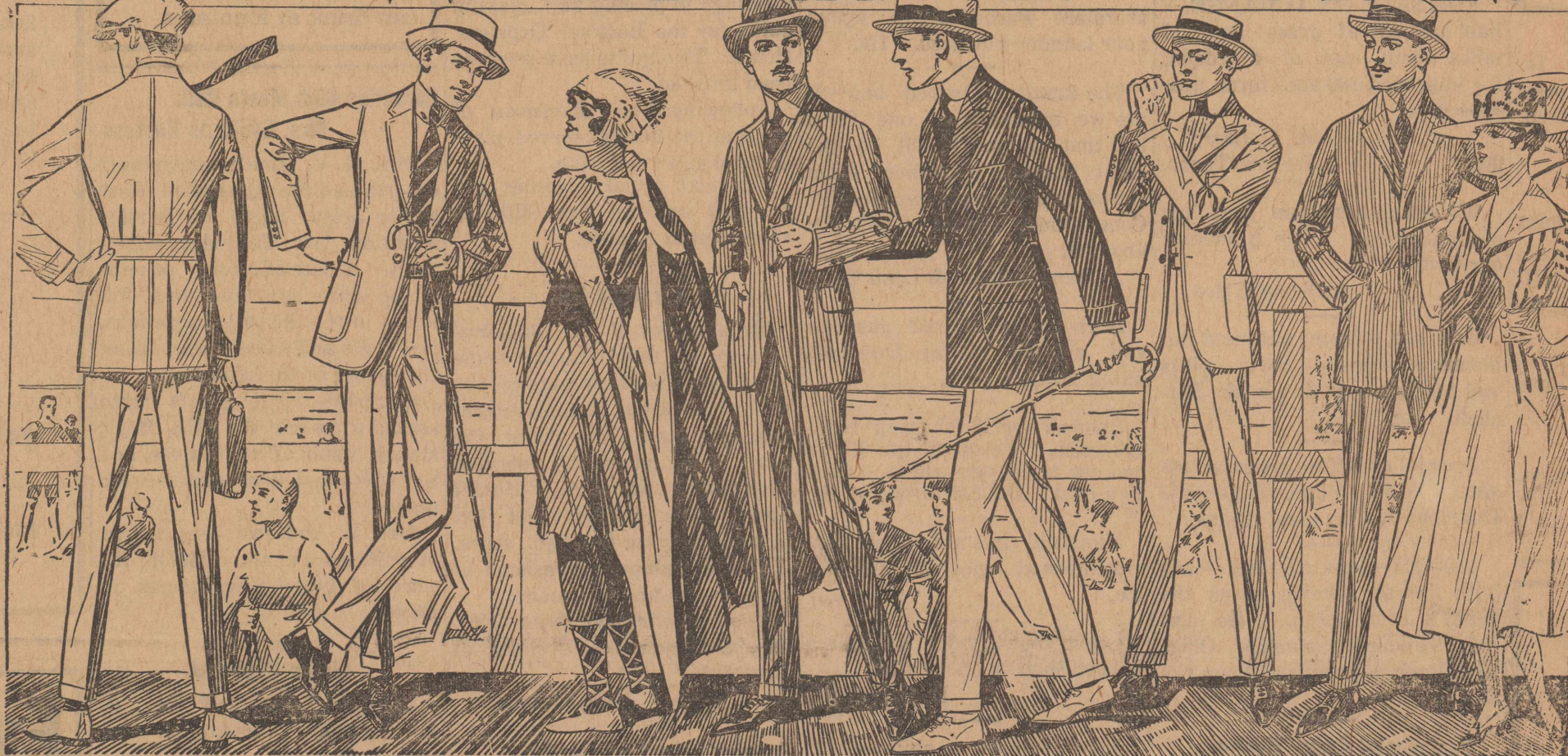
CLOSING OUT SALE

\$2,500.00 worth of Men's and Boys' Suits and Pants to be Closed Out in the Next Ten Days. Sale begins Friday, 7th; will last ten days, provided goods last. However, we are of the opinion that one week will wind up the little ball of yarn.

NOTICE: This is the first time in the history of our business that we have offered a special sale. We have always clung close to the one price system, and it is not at all necessary that we tell you our regular price has always been in line with the prices quoted in the numerous sales each year. Our goods were not marked for a special sale; they were marked at a price that was right, and in line with our competitor's selling price.

We are quoting you prices below, that are not only less than you have had quoted to you before, but for less money than we could replace these goods for, if we were to buy on the market today. It is our aim to raise \$2,500 within the next ten days. We only ask you to come look at our merchandise, compare our suits and prices with any and all, and if you find they are right, and our prices are as quoted, then buy a suit and save money.

SCHLOSS BALTIMORE CLOTHES



Why not Dress Up in a Schloss Bros. Suit?
None Better for the Money.



Schloss Bros. Suits for Men and Young Men

\$27.50 regular price, now	\$15 65
25.00 regular price, now	14 65
20.00 regular price, now	12 35
12.50 All Wool Mohair	8.35
10.00 All Wool Gray Palm Beach	7.85
10 00 All Wool White Palm Beach	7.85

Men's Pants

See our Men's Pants; we have your size.

\$1.50 regular price, now	\$1.05
2.00 regular price, now	1.40
2 50 regular price, now	1.95
3.00 regular price, now	2.40
3.50 and \$3.75 regular price, now	2.85
4.00 regular price, now	3.35
4.50 regular price, now	3.65
5.00 regular price, now	4.10
6.00 regular price, now	4.65

Remember This Sale Lasts Only Ten Days

Boys' All Wool Hercules Suits, Very Latest Styles

Fast colors, unshrinkable materials, heavy double warped lining; sleeve lining double reinforced at vital points.

\$ 3.00 regular price, now	\$1.90
4.00 regular price, now	2 65
4.50 regular price, now	2.95
5.00 regular price, now	3.35
6.50 and \$7.00 regular price, now	4.35
7.50 regular price, now	4.95
8.50 regular price, now	5.45
10.00 regular, all blue serge	7.10

Boys' Pants

Our Own perfect fitting Boys' Pants. These pants are sewed with the best standard thread, having the Imperial Waist Band

\$.50 regular price, now	\$.35
.75 and \$.85 regular price, now	.50
1.00 regular price, now	.70
1.25 regular price, now	.95
1.50 regular price, now	1.30
2.00 regular price, now	1.65
2.25 regular price, now	1.85



A Few Boys' Palm Beach Suits

We sold them regularly at \$5.00. Get them now for
\$2.95

The Closing Date Is Tuesday, July 18th; Place, Price-Foster; Town, Floydada; State, Texas. Come early, get your choice before they are picked over. Why not dress up with a famous Schloss Bros. suit? None better for the money. Look for the brand, Schloss Bros., Baltimore.

Price-Foster Dry Goods Co.

"The Store of High Quality and Low Prices"

Announcing The New South Side Grocery

One door east of the southwest corner.

Brand new stock, and more coming every day. Stock will be complete within ten days.

Highest prices will be paid IN CASH for eggs, chickens and hides.

Watch for further announcements.

L. M. Flanary

Telephone 124 South Side Square

The Hesperian's Want Ad Department

See J. A. Lowry & Son for expert Blacksmithing and horse-shoeing. Satisfaction guaranteed. tf.

No Commission Charged on Farm Loans

We are in position to make farm loans at 9 per cent ANNUAL INTEREST net, with no commission charged.

Gamble Land & Cattle Co., Floydada, Texas

For Sale or Lease.

Hay baler in good condition. Phone 188-21. L. H. Dorrell.

Business Is Good

I have Ten Customers to Where I Had One Two Months Ago—

Why?

I am selling just a little lower than most anyone.

I'm handling a large line of Bright, New goods.

I'm paying more for eggs than anyone.

I want your business, and can make money selling you goods cheaper than anyone else in town.

My expenses are lighter than any store in Floydada, considering the volume of business.

—ain't it the truth!

BROWN'S

In the Old Wooden Building

For quick laundry service phone 159 or 216 ltc. D. E. Pitts, agent.

Listen here old boy; we have a nice piece of property that we want to sell and will take in an auto on first payment and the rest by the month. ltc. Banana Land & Loan Co.

Windmill oil, auto cylinder oil and high grade filtered gasoline, at Duncan's. 2tc

Stains and enamels at Jones & Mitchell. ltc.

Panhandle Steam Laundry "The Old Reliable," is represented by D. E. Pitts, phone 216. ltc.

TO TRADE—Some nice residence property, will take Auto and balance per month, like paying rent. ltc Banana Land & Loan Co.

A nice line of crockery and churns at Duncan's ltc.

Mansfield tires and Good Service tubes at Jones & Mitchell. ltc.

D. E. Pitts with headquarters at Palace Barber Shop, wants your laundry business. ltc.

The drouth is broken and so are we, but we have one farm left that we would sell to the right party if another cloud shows up in the next two months. Come around and let us tell you about it. ltc. Banana Land & Loan Co.

High grade filtered gasoline and cylinder oil at Duncan's filling station. 2tc.

Phone 77 or 88 for clean fresh groceries. We have the goods and our prices are right. Give us a trial. Duncan Grocery. ltc

Mansfield tires and Good Service tubes at Jones & Mitchell. ltc.

Leave your laundry at Palace Barber Shop or phone 216. ltc. D. E. Pitts.

Just received a shipment of extra fine South Texas honey at Duncan Grocery.

War, War, War. If the United States gets into war with Mexico we will not go, but if you will come and let us tell you about the nice piece of property that we have for trade you will want to go and look at it. ltc. Banana Land & Loan Co.

FOR EXCHANGE—Fifty acres, well improved, close in to Plainview, for Floyd County land or Floydada residence. I will sell for small cash payment down and give 1 to 15 years time on balance. M. C. Hancock, Plainview, Texas. R. F. D. tf.

LOST.—Large round belt pen, of grape design and red cherry stone in it. Lost Wednesday 5. Reward will be paid to finder. ltc. Mrs. W. A. Parks.

Notice of Loss.

The public is hereby notified that Fire Policies Nos. 934274 to 934275 and 5001 to 5025; Tornado policies Nos. 163059 to 163060 of The American Central Fire Insurance Co. of St. Louis Mo. have been lost from the office of R. H. Baker (Deceased) and no liability for loss under above numbered policies will be recognized by The American Central Fire Ins. Co. of St. Louis Mo. Cravens & Cage, Managers. 7-11-16. ltp. Houston, Texas.

For Sale.

Wagon Yard well equipped, good location.

Two residences, might take good Vendor's Lien notes on one. Some choice business and residence sites. tf. W. M. Massie & Bro.

Chase & Sanburn's highest grade coffees in sealed cans and in bulk at Duncan Grocery. 2tc

FOR SALE, BARGAIN.—One Galesburg Broom Corn Seeder with Blower attachment. One Galesburg Baler, one four sweep Horsepower, all in good condition. Address Panhandle Warehouse Co., Amarillo, Texas. 3tc.

No Commission Charged on Farm Loans

We are in position to make arm loans at 9 per cent ANNUAL INTEREST net, with no commission charges.

Gamble Land & Cattle Co., Floydada, Texas.

Ladies Aid Has Meeting With Mrs. A. E. Johnson.

Monday afternoon's social meeting of the Ladies Aid Society was held with Mrs. A. E. Johnson as hostess, at the pretty Johnson home on South Main Street. The guests, upon arriving were served punch and ushered into the spacious living room.

The Society is at present engaged on their social afternoon meetings in piecing and making quilts for the Buckner Orphans' Home. Two quilts have recently been finished.

Following the afternoon of quilting the hostess served pineapple sherbet and cake.

The next social meeting will be held on the first Monday afternoon in August.

Entre Nous Club.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Buckingham opened their beautiful home on South Wall Street to the Entre Nous Club Thursday evening, July 6th. We spent the hour very pleasantly playing Progressive 42, Mrs. Homer Steen, Mr. Triplett and Mr. Donaldson tying for high score. The refreshments consisted of cake, cream and lemonade.

The club will meet with Mrs. Rittenhouse on the evening of July 20th.

—Contributed.

Training School for Baptist Sunday School Teachers.

A teachers' Training School for the teachers of the Baptist Sunday School, closed last Sunday after two weeks session held at the Church, and conducted by Dr. M. W. Daily, of Hereford, a cousin of W. P. Daily.

N. W. McCleskey and family left Tuesday for Spur where they are spending the week with Mr. McCleskey's cousin, W. H. Putman and family.

—pleasing others is more than sentiment—it's almost an obligation.

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Mrs. G. V. Smith charmingly entertained the Carnation Club at her pretty home in Bartley Addition last Thursday afternoon. A patriotic color scheme of red white and blue was followed in the house decorations, tiny flags and sweet peas being the favors of the afternoon.

On their arrival guests were served to punch by Miss Marie Henry, sister of the hostess, and red white and blue mints were served.

Mrs. V. Andrews was holder of high score at the close of the series of interesting games of Rook.

Births Reported.

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sparks, Thursday, a ten pound girl.

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. L. West, Wednesday, July 12th a son.

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks, Sunday, July 9th, a daughter.

G. W. Cooksey, a brother, and J. E. Watson a cousin, of F. W. Cooksey, who in company with District Clerk R. V. McClain, of Waco have been visiting the Cooksey's returned to their homes the first of the week.

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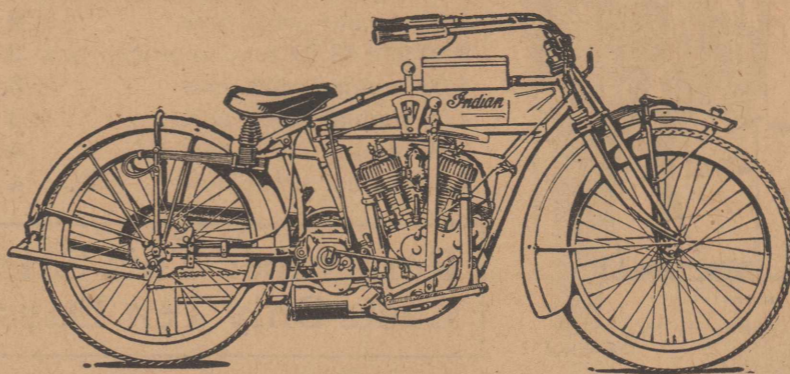
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