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24,104 Bushels 1916 Wheat Shipped

Estimated 75 Per Cent of Crop
Being Held by Producers of
Floyd County.

From the estimates of local grain dealers the production of wheat this year in the plains trade territory served by Floydada will reach very close to 100,000 bushels. Of this amount about one-fourth has been sold and shipped to market. To be exact 24,104 bushels of wheat have been forwarded from Floydada at this writing. The remainder is being held in granaries and in local elevators for better prices.

Farmers have been receiving from 92 cents at the opening of the season to \$1.08 per bushel, the latter figures being yesterday's prices on No. 2 wheat.

Pitts-Andrews Delivery Co. Succeeds Pitts Delivery Co.

D. E. Pitts and Carter Andrews have formed a partnership for the purpose of doing a Transfer and Delivery business in Floydada under the firm name of The Pitts-Andrews Delivery Co.

The new partnership has taken over the Ford Truck belonging to the Pitts Delivery Co. and are adding a dray wagon for heavier work.

The new partnership expects to have the dray wagon in operation by the first of the coming month and up to that time all the business will be handled with the Ford Truck as formerly.

Transmission Line Will be Built Soon

Manager R. A. Drum, of the Texas Utilities Company in company with W. B. Tinsley, business representative of the company, were in Floydada the earlier part of the week making preparations for the work of wiring Floydada for electric current service.

The transmission high line will be begun within the next ten days, Mr. Drum thinks. The delay in beginning this work has been on account of inability to obtain material. At the time the franchise was granted it was figured that the plant would be ready to give service by August first.

Martin Off to Market.

J. G. Martin, buyer for Mathis-Martin Dry Goods Company, left Monday for New York City and other eastern markets where he will spend several weeks buying for his company.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES AT TABERNACLE TONIGHT

"Doing Things" Theme of Discourse.—Big Crowds at Meeting.

"Doing Things" is the subject chosen for tonight at a monster meeting of young people of Floydada planned at the tabernacle, when a special young people's service will be held. At this meeting seats will be reserved for the young men and women of the town.

The meeting at the tabernacle is now on its third week and forty-five came forward to date. Sunday nights audience is estimated at the largest ever gathered at the tabernacle.

The song service has been one of the most enjoyable parts of the meeting. At most every service the choir has been composed of from one hundred to three hundred singers.

The preaching of Mrs. Flowers has been especially appreciated by Floydada audiences, not only from the fact that many women preachers have been heard here, but also because of the fact that her sermons have carried a strong appeal.

W. B. Prestidge Has Half- Bale Cotton Her Acre.

W. B. Prestidge, in the Center community, has fifty acres of his 175-acre farm planted to cotton this year, and said Wednesday that his cotton crop will average around a half-bale per acre if no more fruit is put on.

He has a good stand and the cotton is growing most satisfactorily.

His feed crops are practically made. Maize heads on his farm are filling out well. He expects to harvest between one and one and a half tons per acre of maize.

More Help at Post Office.

Wells Henry has returned to Floydada and is now working permanently in the post office here.

The additional help in the post office was made necessary by the large and continued increase in postal business handled.

Dr. R. L. Hamilton and Lige Cooper, of Matador, were in Floydada the earlier part of this week enroute to Colorado and Wyoming where they will spend several weeks on a vacation tour.

Zell Probasco and Roe McCleskey left Tuesday for Wyoming, to be gone for an indefinite period of time. They are making the trip by auto.

—Don't Fail to
Read In this
issue:

—Complete election Returns
Floyd County,
by Precincts.

—Detailed report
of Financial
Condition of
City of Floyd-
ada.

—Rex Beach
short story:
"Arms and the
Woman"

ELECTION CROWDS GET QUICK RETURNS FLOYD COUNTY.

Hesperian Bulletin Board at Triplett's Drug Store Mecca for Crowds.

The bulletins of Floyd County primary election returns posted on the board at the Triplett Drug Store last Saturday night by The Hesperian attracted a large crowd. Possibly five hundred people, including visitors from over the county, watched the returns as posted up till eleven o'clock, when reports from over the county, four-fifths complete, had been bulletined. The polls closed at seven o'clock and at eleven The Hesperian had received and compiled four-fifths of the vote of the county for thirty seven candidates, these returns indicating all the winners in each race in Floyd County.

State reports, owing to the long list of candidates and slow returns over the state, were meager Saturday night. However, bulletins were posted at twelve o'clock indicating probable winners as estimated on a percentage basis.

Van Sickle Shows Coming to Floyd

Carnival Spirit Will Feature Week August 7-12th—Auspices Fire Department.

The Van Sickle Shows, ten in number are booked to spend the week of August 7th to 12th in Floydada, showing under the auspices of the Floydada Fire Department.

Besides the merry-go-round for the kiddies, included in the number of entertainments offered is a Wild West Show, Days of Forty-nine Show, a new feature, the Silo-Drome, and others. A mechanical show, the Miniature Farm, is said to be a treat in itself.

The advance agent for the show was in town Saturday and closed the contract with fire chief J. D. Starks, for the show to work under the auspices of the Fire Department. By the terms of their agreement the week's proceeds is expected to add materially to the firemen's fund.

Candidates returning from up Salt River report that happily no sharks infest those placid waters.

Miss Rowena Rutledge, of Dallas, is here this week visiting with her brother, O. P. Rutledge and family.

Grigsby Sheriff; Whyte Assessor

Interest Centers in Two Races at
Saturday's Primary in
Floyd County.

MORRIS GETS BIG VOTE HERE

Brooks Carries County for Senator
With Colquitt Second, Henry
Third.

The most sensational development in the Democratic Primary Saturday was the strength of J. A. Grigsby candidate for sheriff. This was the most spirited contest in the county races. Out of a total of 1061 votes cast in this race Grigsby received an even 500. Broyles ran second with Jenkins third and Farnsworth fourth.

A. A. Whyte won in the assessor's race against four opponents. His lead became apparent early Saturday night when returns began coming in. B. C. Willis, present assessor, ran second with Casey third.

In the county attorney's race Holloway had much the better of the race, leading Judge A. P. McKinnon in practically the same ratio over the county.

These were the only county offices contested for. In the precinct race Judge Gaither, the present incumbent in precinct one lost to R. T. Miller by 20 votes. Fields running third, while W. E. Smith was chosen commissioner of this precinct over V. F. Hodge and G. D. French. W. F. Weatherbee was easily winner in precinct four for commissioner. G. F. Rigdon is nominee for commissioner in Precinct two, and Roy Brown in precinct three. S. B. McCleskey is the nominee for weigher of Floydada winning over Colville and Watson. Leslie Floyd for weigher and J. T. Halbrook for Justice of the peace ran without opposition at Lockney.

In the three-cornered race for District Attorney A. C. Hatchell of Plainview has a lead of 250 votes in this county and is the winner of the race. Ellerd carried this county for Congressman thirteenth District, and Garrett is the leading candidate for congressman-at-large with J. H. Davis second.

Probably the most surprising vote for state officials was the strength of Morris for governor, who carried this county over Governor Ferguson by fifteen votes.

As predicted, Dr. Brooks carried this county for senator, with Colquitt Second, Henry third, and Campbell fourth.

The submission vote ran way under the strength of the ticket, little interest being evinced by either side. Less than two-thirds of the voters expressed themselves either way. The Robertson Law is evidently in favor in this county, the majority for its retention being strong.

D. R. Dollins, of Waco, is spending the mid-week here visiting with his nieces, Mesdames A. N. Gamble and Jno. W. Smith.

W. T. Brown and wife, and daughter, Mrs. L. M. Flanary, returned last Friday from a tour of the eastern portion of New Mexico, visiting at Portales, Elida and other points on their rounds. They visited a short while with a sister of Mrs. Brown residing at Elida.

M. M. Parker and wife of Paducah left Tuesday returning to their home after a short visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Messenger.

150 ACRES WHEAT AVERAGE 20 AND 25 BUSHELS.

Staley's Wheat Produces Good
Average.—70 Acres Summer-
Fallowed.

Obtaining a yield of 25 bushel per acre on 70 acres of summer fallowed land and 20 bushels per acre on one year land, J. E. Staley finished threshing his 140-acre field of wheat Tuesday of this week.

Mr. Staley has been uniformly successful with wheat on his farm every year since he has resided in Floyd County.

His wheat land is practically all already prepared for this fall's planting.

Farmers' Institute in Floyd- ada August First 10:30.

D. C. Dove, assistant organizer of Farmers' Institutes, will hold a series of Farmers' Institutes in the South Plains and Panhandle from July 27th to August 18th.

The date set for the institute at Floydada is August 1st at 10:30 in the forenoon. At Lockney the institute will be held at 2:30 in the afternoon of the same day.

The itinerary from Post City to Canyon, Texas, has been announced as follows:

Post City, July 27, 10:30 a. m.; Tahoka, July 27, 2:00 p. m.; Lamesa, July 27, 8:00 p. m.; Slaton, July 28, 2:00 p. m.; Lubbock, July 29, 10:30 a. m.; Ralls, July 31, 10:30 a. m.; Crosbyton, July 31, 3:30 p. m.; Floydada, Aug. 1, 10:30 a. m.; Lockney, Aug. 1, 2:30 p. m.; Hale Center, Aug. 2, 10:30 a. m.; Plainview, Aug. 2, 2:30 p. m.; Tulia, Aug. 3, 10:30 a. m.; Happy Aug. 3, 3:30 p. m.; Hereford, Aug. 4, 10:30 a. m.; Friona, Aug. 4, 2:30 p. m.; Farwell, Aug. 5, 10:30 a. m.; Canyon, Aug. 7, 10:00 a. m.

McCleskey—Cummings.

Mr. Harrison Cummings, of Weatherford, Texas and Miss Ada McCleskey, of Girard, Kansas, were married Tuesday afternoon, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. King south of town at 5 p. m.

Rev. B. L. Bailes officiated at the wedding ceremony.

Ephraim Norris and Dock Rhodes, of Crowell, Foard County, were in Floydada for a short time Tuesday seeing relatives or Mr. Norris here, going to Lockney to visit with J. J. and J. L. Norris and families.

Band Boys Make Initial Bow to Public

In Concert Friday Afternoon Boys
Show Creditable Results
of Practice.

The Floydada Concert Band, organized four months ago and for the past sixty days under the tutelage of Band Master R. N. Riggs, made a quite creditable showing in their first public concert given last Friday afternoon on the square.

Five selections were rendered for the benefit of the three hundred people gathered to applaud the first public efforts of the band boys.

Practice work continues with earnest efforts on the part of the membership, and Mr. Riggs thinks that on the next public appearance of the band he will have the boys make quite as creditable showing on more difficult music as they did at this time.

Dallas Man Opening Racket Store in State Bank Building.

F. P. Gibson, of Dallas, is opening a racket store in the First State Bank store room facing on Missouri Street, having occupied the building Tuesday.

Mr. Gibson has bought the Temple of Economy stock at Plainview. He plans to have everything arranged for his opening within a week.

Mr. Gibson's racket store is the fourth enterprise to enter business in Floydada within the past four months.

Four Loads of Hogs are Shipped

Four carloads of hogs comprised Saturday's livestock shipments. Two of these loads were shipped by N. A. Armstrong, one by S. A. Greer, and the other made up of hogs from the herds of Mrs. Holmes, John Hammonds and others of the Sandhill Community.

Notice.

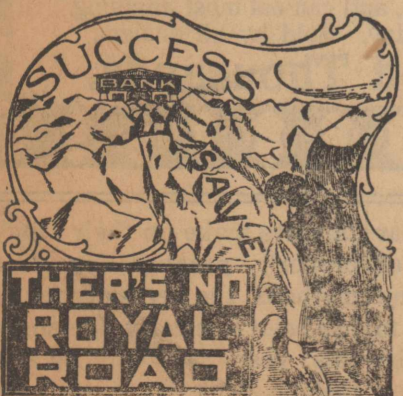
Notice is hereby given that the stockholders of the Farmers Exchange of Floydada are called to meet in Floydada at the house at 10 a. m., Saturday July 29th, for the purpose of electing officers and for the transaction of any other business which may come before them.

Geo. L. Fawver, President.

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We mount the ladder by which we rise
From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,
And we mount that ladder round by round."

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Now Owns Maxwell.
 R. H. Willis last Thursday bought a Maxwell "25" through the Gamble Land & Cattle Co., agents for Floyd and Crosby Counties.

Mrs. Horse T. Owen and children returned last week from Lubbock where they had been visiting several weeks.

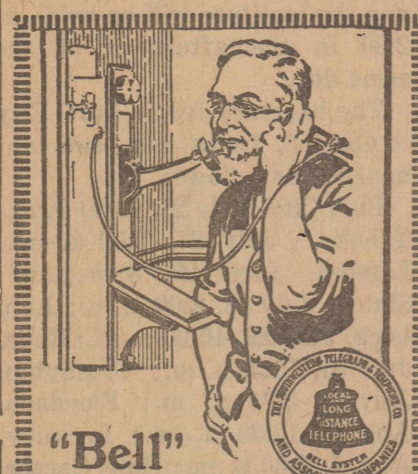
C. R. McAfee and family, of Canyon, visited here last week with Mr. McAfee's cousin, P. M. Felton and family.

Model 17 Buick for Sale. See O. A. Rittenhouse. Telephone 150. 1tc.

HAVE YOU WEAK LUNGS?

Do colds settle on your chest or in your bronchial tubes? Do coughs hang on, or are you subject to throat troubles? Such troubles should have immediate treatment with the strengthening powers of Scott's Emulsion to guard against consumption which so easily follows. Scott's Emulsion contains pure cod liver oil which peculiarly strengthens the respiratory tract and improves the quality of the blood; the glycerine in it soothes and heals the tender membranes of the throat. Scott's is prescribed by the best specialists. You can get it at any drug store. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

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 Floydada Camp No. 1175
 Woodmen of the World.

Meets at their hall Southeast corner Square each First and Third Thursday Night in the month. Visiting Woodmen are cordially invited to attend.

WANTED PICTURES OF JUAREZ. So he Took His Camera Over the Line.—Never Again Says Joplin Boy.

Joplin, Mo., July 19.—Harvey Evans, a former Joplin newspaper man, now in El Paso, Tex., is having exciting times on the border. A week ago he fell into the hands of Mexican soldiers and for a time feared that he would be put to death. A letter in which he told of his experiences was received in Joplin by one of his friends. The letter, in part follows:

"It's from 105 to 115 in the shade every day, and it's pretty hard to find the shade. Nights are about as bad, and dust storms are frequent. Just one rain in three months here and it had dried off in three hours."

"I crossed the line Sunday and came nearly taking the lead route. I crossed over, despite warnings, with my camera and was shooting right and left. I was taking a shot of the barracks in Jurez when about a dozen 'dobe' soldiers grabbed me and hustled me up to General Someone. No one could save English, so they hustled me down to the custom house on the Mex side of the international bridge. Here one of the inspectors could talk English, and after searching me, thinking I was a spy, and confiscating my films, he turned me back to the soldiers."

"Two shoved their guns in my back and started me toward the bridge. It was hard walking, as I expected to be leaded any time. Meanwhile the American troops were lining up, and I guess it gave the Mex cold feet. So one kicked me and the other gave me a shove towards the American side, commenting 'vamoose, muy pronto', meaning literally, to beat it quick. I did. The papers here carried a squib on it. It was said if I had been shot that reprisal would have been demanded. The next time I cross it will be after the 50,000 soldiers here have gone ahead of me."

"El Paso is a live burg now, everything wide open. The population has doubled in two years, not counting the soldiers. Everything is 50 per cent higher than elsewhere."

Maxwell Wins Road Race.

A Maxwell car won the Fourth Annual New Mexico road race recently. The car was pitted against a field of eight starters, comprising the cream of the industry. No mechanical trouble was experienced, but the winner was out for eleven minutes in the early stages of the race, following a collision. Five minutes from the finish the Maxwell threw a shoe, and finished an exciting brush running on the rim. The victory has created a lot of Maxwell enthusiasm in the southwest.

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Overland Factory Ships 94,155 Cars in 6 Months.

The Willys-Overland Company of Toledo, O., which has long held the title of the world's greatest producer of medium and high priced automobiles, has again smashed its world's record for production of cars of this type. For the six months' period ending June 30th, 1916, 94,155 Overlands and Willys-Knights were shipped.

The announcement a year ago that 37,841 had been built between January 1st and June 30th, 1915 occasioned no little comment in automobile circles. Many thought that the Toledo Factory had reached the limit of its production, but the capacity has increased steadily during the past year until a few weeks ago the Willys-Overland plant was shipping 1000 automobiles each day. It can, therefore, be easily understood why last year's splendid performance has nearly been trebled.

The biggest shipments for a single day were made on March twenty-seventh when 1111 cars left the factory.

"Why should we be astonished at such production figures?" said John N. Willys, President of the Company, when several of his business associates congratulated him on the production record at the factory the other day.

"It is simply the natural course of events. We are building more more cars, and selling them, because we are giving the public what it wants."

"Glance at our records for the Model 75-B. Since the announcement of the Model 75-B at \$635.00 we have been flooded with orders for that car, with the orders increasing every day and bidding fair to out-distance the demand for any automobile on the market today."

"Why shouldn't it prove popular? We have in the 75-B a light, economical, complete motor car, into which we have placed more value for the money than ever offered before. A fully equipped car like this one, at less than \$700.00, will sell itself, if given half a chance."

Not only have United States shipments increased, but the figures show that Canadian and export shipments have trebled in spite of the lack of sufficient shipping facilities to foreign lands.

Mr. Willys, unusual, was loath to make any claims as to production figures for the next six months; however, he intimated that a much greater production is being planned for the Willys-Overland factory than ever before.

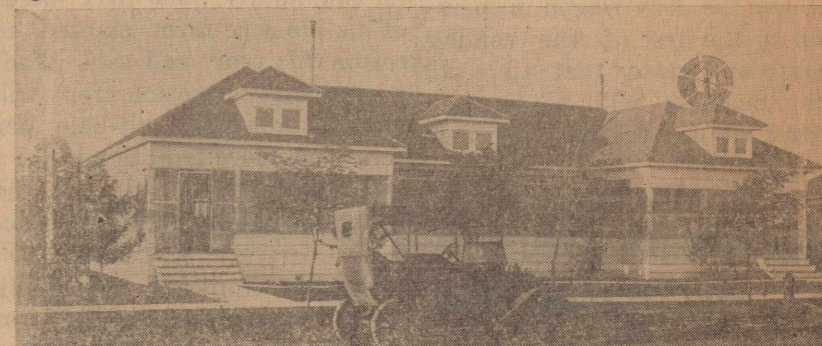
To the Voters of Precinct No. 1: I want to thank one and all who helped me in any way in my race for commissioner.
 W. E. Smith.

Prepare Your Seed Bed for Wheat Now.

A circular has just been issued by H. M. Bainer, Agricultural demonstrator of the Santa Fe Railroad Company, which calls the attention of the farmers to the fact that July and August are the best months to prepare the soil for wheat, and that when the land is plowed or listed deep at this season, and properly cared for afterwards, it will show a better yield than if prepared later than this date. Those of our farmers that have lived in Hale and Floyd counties for several years know Mr. Bainer and appreciate the value of his advice, which is based on a number of years of experience and close observation of agricultural conditions in the plains region of Texas. However, the long protracted drouth in this section has made the soil so dry and hard that in many cases it will not be practical to plow deep until after we get rain. Where this is the case, it is best to double disc the soil that is to be

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 11:30 A. M. 6:00 P. M.
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used for wheat the coming year and prevent the growth of weeds as well as to break up the stubble and mulch the soil to hold the moisture and catch the rain when it comes.
 Let the wheat season just passed teach us all a serious lesson about "hogging-in" our wheat, and if necessary make the acreage smaller, but prepare the seed bed properly for the wheat before planting.
 The rains are sure to come soon, and we should be prepared for breaking or listing as soon as possible after the soil is in proper condition. When our farmers make up their minds to properly practice dry farming methods, the necessity for which has been so clearly demonstrated this year, we will be able to make a 20 or 30 bushel wheat crop regardless of the dry spring weather that may follow.
 Raleigh F. Hare,
 County Agent, Hale & Floy Co's.
 BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, City, Sunday, July 23, a son.
 BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. J. D Ratliff, Thursday, July 27th a son.

PRICE-FOSTER

RAILROAD WAGES

Shall they be determined by Industrial Warfare or Federal Inquiry?

To the American Public:

Do you believe in arbitration or industrial warfare?

The train employes on all the railroads are voting whether they will give their leaders authority to tie up the commerce of the country to enforce their demands for a 100 million dollar wage increase.

The railroads are in the public service—your service. This army of employes is in the public service—your service.

You pay for rail transportation 3 billion dollars a year, and 44 cents out of every dollar from you goes to the employes.

On all the Western railroads in 1915, seventy-five per cent of the train employes earned these wages (lowest, highest and average of all) as shown by the pay rolls—

	Passenger		Freight		Yard	
	Range	Average	Range	Average	Range	Average
Engineers	\$1747 3094	\$2195	\$1537 3076	\$2071	\$1056 2445	\$1378
Conductors	1543 2789	1878	1454 2933	1935	1151 2045	1355
Firemen	1053 2078	1317	751 2059	1181	418 1552	973
Brakemen	854 1719	967	874 1961	1135	862 1821	1107

The average yearly wage payments to all Western train employes (including those who worked only part of the year) as shown by the 1915 payrolls were—

	Passenger	Freight	Yard
Engineers	\$2038	\$1737	\$1218
Conductors	1772	1624	1292
Firemen	1218	973	832
Brakemen	921	1000	1026

A 100 million dollar wage increase for men in freight and yard service (less than one-fifth of all employes) is equal to a 5 per cent advance in all freight rates.

The managers of the railroads, as trustees for the public, have no right to place this burden on the cost of transportation to you without a clear mandate from a public tribunal speaking for you.

The railroads have proposed the settlement of this controversy either under the existing national arbitration law, or by reference to the Interstate Commerce Commission. This offer has been refused by the employes' representatives.

Shall a nation-wide strike or an investigation under the Government determine this issue?

National Conference Committee of the Railways

ELISHA LEE, Chairman, P. R. ALBRIGHT, Gen'l Manager, Atlantic Coast Line Railroad. W. BALDWIN, Gen'l Manager, Central of Georgia Railway. C. L. BARDON, Gen'l Manager, New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President, Southern Railway. E. COITZER, Gen'l Manager, Washakie Railway. E. CROWLEY, Asst. Vice-President, New York Central Railroad. H. EMERSON, Gen'l Manager, Great Northern Railway. H. EWING, Gen'l Manager, Philadelphia & Reading Railway. W. GRICE, Asst. to President, Chesapeake & Ohio Railway.	A. S. GREIG, Asst. to Receiver, St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad. C. W. KOUNS, Gen'l Manager, Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway. H. W. McMASTER, Gen'l Manager, Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad. N. D. MAHER, Vice-President, Norfolk and Western Railway. JAMES RUSSELL, Gen'l Manager, Denver & Rio Grande Railroad. A. M. SCHOYER, Resident Vice-Pres., Pennsylvania Lines West. W. L. SEDDON, Vice-President, Seaboard Air Line Railway. A. J. STONE, Vice-President, Erie Railroad. G. S. WAID, Vice-Pres. & Gen'l Manager, Sunset Central Lines.
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Train Strikes Auto.

The Q. A. & P. train ran into an auto at the crossing on the east side of the Fry farm last Thursday afternoon, completely demolishing the car. Some drummers were driving the car, but we have been unable to learn their names.

The driver of the car, so we understand, had the curtains up on the west side. He was going north and the train was going east. The engineer either failed to give a whistle for the crossing, or the driver failed to hear him. Just as the motor car got about half way the crossing the auto collided with it, tearing the car to pieces and throwing the occupants out. No one was hurt.—Paducah Post.

Mrs. A. O. Rittenhouse has as her guest Mrs. Hope H. Herron, of Shreveport, La., who arrived last week and will visit here for a month.

Contract for Mail Line

Crosbyton to Roaring Springs.

The new star mail route from here to Roaring Springs has been let to J. T. Driver and W. W. Smithee, their bid being \$990 per year. The schedule and orders for routing the mail have not yet been received by our post master, but within a few days at least this will be an established route and a very valuable acquisition for Crosbyton.

The schedule will probably call for leaving Crosbyton about 9 o'clock each morning and to return about 3 in the afternoon.—Crosbyton Review.

Miss Alice Gibson, of Graham, and Miss Grace Gibson of Paducah, are here this week for a visit of several days with their uncle, A. V. Haynes and family.

Read it in The Hesperian.

Financial Statement

Of the Receipts, Disbursements and Indebtedness of the City of Floydada, Texas, from May 1st, 1915, to June 30th, 1916, inclusive.

Date	Rec'd.	From whom Rec'd.	On what acc't.	Amount
May 1, 1915	To Balance			\$ 631.89
June 9, "	W. M. Massie	Sale of Lot 16 Blk. 52		80.00
" 24, "	P. H. Flynn, T. C.	Taxes Collected		181.40
Feb. 4, 1916	Tom P. Steen, T. C.	Taxes Collected		1400.00
Apr. 25, "	N. A. Armstrong	Sale of tank & troughs		35.00
June 21, "	Tom P. Steen, T. C.	Poll Taxes Collected		149.15
" 21, "	Tom P. Steen, T. C.	Taxes Collected		45.46
" 26, "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor Fines Collected		2.00
" 30, "	First Nat'l Bank	Interest on deposits		132.48
Total Receipts				\$2,657.38

Date	P'd Out.	To whom P'd	On what Acc't.	Amount
May 1, 1915	L. C. Thomas,	pumping water		\$ 8.00
" 4, "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, 1st half Apr. '15		4.00
" 4, "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, last "		10.00
" 4, "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. last half Apr. '15		5.00
" 6, "	E. T. Burleson	dragging streets		12.00
" 26, "	E. T. Burleson	7 days, 2 teams, 2 hand, Sts		56.00
" "	E. T. Burleson	Draging Streets.		8.00
" 31, "	E. T. Burleson	44 days, 2 teams, 2 ha'd, Sts		36.00
Jun. 1, "	L. C. Thomas	Pumping water		5.35
" 1, "	L. C. Thomas	Repairing Water pipe		1.00
" 4, "	West Plains lbr. Co	Lime		8.15
" "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water		2.65
" 8, "	J. B. Jenkins,	Sec. May 1915		10.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor May 1915		20.00
" 28, "	G. D. Barnard & Co	Stationery, blanks etc.		9.50
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Postage and express		3.50
Jul. 1, "	J. R. Jenkins	Sec. June 1915		10.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, June 1915		20.00
" "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water, June 1915		8.00
" 9, "	P. H. Felton	Hoeing weeds		2.40
" 10, "	Hesperian Pub. Co	Printing Official Ballots		1.50
" 26, "	Pierce-Fordyce O.A.	Gasoline		6.05
Aug. 2, "	E. T. Burleson	Repairing water trough pipe		2.00
" "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water, July 1915		8.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, July 1915		20.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins,	Sec. July 1915		10.00
" "	G. D. Barnard & Co	Blanks etc.		4.50
" "	Jno. H. Reagan	Material & Labor on Engine		7.50
" 4, "	L. C. Thomas	Cleaning out water tanks		2.25
" 6, "	Jim Crag	Work alley Culverts		1.25
" 12, "	Exline-Reimers Co	Leaves for minute & Ord Bks		2.00
" 26, "	Hesperian Pub. Co	Assessor's Tax Inty. Blanks		25.75
Sep. 1, "	S. B. McCleskey	Carpenter Work		7.00
" 4, "	J. B. Jenkins	Express, postage etc.		4.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, August 1915		20.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins,	Sec. August 1915		10.00
" "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water Aug. 1915		8.00
" 10, "	G. A. Lidler	Hoeing and cleaning streets		11.00
" 15, "	B. D. Close	2 days work with team, Sts		8.00
" 21, "	E. T. Burleson	7 days, 2 teams, 2 hands Sts.		56.00
" 23, "	E. T. Burleson	7 1/2 days 2 teams, 2 hn'd Sts.		58.00
Oct. 4, "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water, Sept. 1915.		8.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, Sept. 1915		20.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. September 1915		10.00
" "	F. W. Ranft	Holding Election		2.00
" "	Pierce-Fordyce O.A.	Gasoline		7.15
" "	E. C. Nelson	Holding Election		2.00
" "	C. S. Jones	Hardware		2.15
" 5, "	The Main Garage	Float pan, water trough		1.00
" "	L. V. Steen	Holding Election		2.00
" 15, "	E. T. Burleson	8 days, 2 teams, 2 hands, Sts.		64.00
" 21, "	Homer Steen	Holding Election		2.00
" 23, "	E. T. Burleson	3 days, 2 teams, 2 hands, Sts.		24.00
" 27, "	S. N. McPeak	Draging Streets		4.50
Nov. 1, "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water, Oct. 1915		8.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. Oct. 1915		10.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, Oct. 1915		20.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Postage		2.00
" "	H. J. Willis	Hardware		5.25
" "	Exline-Reimers Co	Election supplies		3.00
" 22, "	Tom P. Steen	Assessment & Tax Rolls 1915		75.08
" "	Tom P. Steen	Disposing of dead Dogs		1.00
Dec. 1, "	Hesperian Pub. Co	Printing Official Ballots etc.		2.50
" "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water, Nov. 1915.		8.00
" 4, "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor Nov. 1915		20.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. Nov. 1915		10.00
" 10, "	Maverick-Clarke Co	City Warrant Book		14.75
" "	The Dorsey Co	Poll Tax Receipts etc		10.50
" "	West Plains lbr Co	Lumber and Lime		25.25
" "	West Plains lbr Co	Lime		5.60
" 14, "	Magnolia Co.	Gasoline		18.00
" 24, "	Geo. A. Lidler	Engineering work		150.00
Jan. 4 1916	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water, Dec. 1915		8.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. Dec. 1915		10.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, Dec. 1915		20.00
" 12, "	G. D. Barnard & Co	Stationery, Blanks etc.		5.52
Feb. 4, "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. Jan. 1916		10.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, Jan. 1916		20.00
" "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water Jan 1916		8.00
" 15, "	West Plains lbr. Co	Lumber		12.00
" 16, "	Wooldridge lbr. Co	Lumber		39.40
" 17, "	McAdams Lbr. Co	Lumber		3.95
" 18, "	Massie & Bro.	Int. on Note to Price Est.		41.10
" "	Hesperian Pub. Co	Stationery etc.		5.00
" 19, "	W. M. Colville	Diging ditches etc.		3.50
" 25, "	Mag Pet Co.	Gasoline		12.00
" 29, "	J. H. Hall	Carpenter work on Culverts		2.00
Mar 1, "	The Reimers Co	Tax receipt Book.		6.63
" "	The Selig Co	Chloro Nap.-disinfectant		25.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins,	Telegram, Express & Postage		2.40
" 4, "	J. B. Jenkins,	Sec Feburary 1916		10.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, Feb 1916		20.00
" "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water, Feb. 1916		8.00
" "	S. B. McCleskey	Carpenter work		15.00
" "	W. T. Montgomery	Annual Salary as Mayor		42.50
" 6, "	C. S. Jones	Hardware		4.70
" 20, "	R. M. Colville,	R. R. Freight & Drayage		3.40
" 21, "	J. E. Murray	2 days with team dirt hauling		7.00
" 24, "	Calvin Steen	Boxes & drayage		.70
" "	J. A. Pressley	One Fire horse cart		20.00
" "	J. E. Murray	2 days with team, on streets		7.00
" 25, "	V. P. Chancy	Placing Culverts		1.50
" 30, "	W. M. Colville	R R Freight and Drayage		3.90
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Postage & Telegram		1.80

" "	Tom P. Steen	Door Lock, Pump house		1.10
" 31, "	Carl Hedberg	One fire hose cart		25.00
Apr 3, "	Tom P. Steen	Pumping water		5.35
" 4, "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor, March 1916		20.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Secretary, March 1016		10.00
" "	Mag Pet Co.	Gasoline		6.30
" "	H. C. McCoy	Labor on Streets		.50
" 19, "	Jones & Mitchell	Hardware		4.10
" "	Pierce-Fordyce O A	Gasoline		34.65
" 21, "	C. Surginer & Son	Hardware		35.15
" "	S. B. McCleskey	Carpenter work		3.50
May 8, "	The Main Garage	Labor, etc. on engine		12.00
" 8, "	W. T. Montgomery	Mayor 1916		20.00
" "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. April 1916		10.00
" 18, "	Wooldridge Lbr. Co	Lumber		37.50
June 6, "	J. B. Jenkins	Storage fire hose & w. w. gds		2.00
" 6, "	W. T. Montgomer	Mayor May 1916		20.00
" 6, "	J. B. Jenkins	Sec. May 1916		10.00
" 15, "	Pierce-Fordyce O A	Gasoline		33.55
" 25, "	Bosley & Young	Blacksmith work		3.00
Total Disbursements				\$1,730.38
July 1, 1916, To bal. on hand, General Fund				\$927.00

Date	Rec'd	From whom Rec'd	On what Acc't	Amount
May 1, 1915	To Balance			\$ 0.00
Apr. 3, 1916	Tom P. Steen, T. C.	Taxes Collected		360.00
June 21, "	Tom P. Steen T. C.	Taxes Collected		507.28
Total				\$ 867.20

Date	P'd Out.	To whom P'd.	On what Acc't.	Amount
May 16, 1916	J. M. Hughes	Placing culv't in ditches		\$ 36.00
" 17, "	A. O. Woody	2 concrete alley crossings		50.00
" 18, "	A. O. Woody	3 "		75.00
" 18, "	J. W. Finney	Hauling dirt for alleys, etc.		12.00
" 18, "	A. O. Woody	1 concrete alley crossing		25.00
" 27, "	A. O. Woody	One concrete st. crossing		50.00
June 7, "	A. O. Woody	Bal. on concrete st. crossing		13.75
" 7, "	A. O. Woody	1 concrete st. crossing		63.75
" 7, "	S. N. McPeak	Culvert and cutting ditch		20.00
" 7, "	J. E. Craig	Work on st. crossing		1.00
" 6, "	A. O. Woody	1 concrete st. cross'g M. st.		39.00
" 17, "	A. O. Woody	1 concrete st. crossing		63.75
" 17, "	A. O. Woody	1 concrete alley cross'g etc.		31.25
" 19, "	J. W. Finney	Dirt fillings, etc. for cross'g		15.15
" 21, "	A. O. Woody	Lumber for forms		4.80
" 14, "	A. O. Woody	1 concrete st. crossing		63.75
Total Disbursements				\$ 615.06
July 1, 1916, To balance on hand, Street & Alley Fund				\$ 252.23

Date	Rec'd.	From whom Rec'd	On what Acc't	Amount
May 2, 1915	To balance			\$ 0.00
" 25, "	N. S. Sherman M.&I. W'ks	Sale of Bonds		21,597.22
Mar. 25, 1916	City Secretary	Colls. water cons.		68.60
" 28, "	"	"		

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When you have used it for bread biscuit or cake you will readily understand why American Beauty users won:

- 1st, 2nd, 3rd prize Salt Rising Bread
- Yeast
- Rolls
- Brown
- Nut
- Biscuit
- Ornamental Cake
- Pound
- Layer
- Tea
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd prize Angel Food Cake
- Silver
- Cocanut
- Sponge
- Nut
- Chocolate
- Gem
- Jam
- Fruit
- Doughnuts

and twenty-eight additional prizes on bread, Rolls, Biscuit and cake making a general total of eighty-eight prizes, in the great baking contest at the Texas State Fair of 1915, why at Texas State Fair baking contest 1914 forty-one prizes were awarded, and why in the great scientific baking contest at the National Corn Exposition in February 1914, all prizes offered were awarded to those who used our American Beauty.

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Firemen Meet Friday Night.

Fire Chief J. D. Starks has issued a call for the members of Fire Department to meet him Friday night at 8:30 at Geo. A. Lider's office, at which time important business is to have attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gant and daughters, of Wichita Falls, have been visiting here the past several days, guests of their daughter, Mrs. B. L. Baits, and of J. A. Seale and wife, neighbors of a former day. Mr. Gant is highly enthusiastic about this country, being greatly impressed with it.

Floyd County Primary Election Returns Tabulated by Precincts.

Measure or Candidate	Floydada	Starkey	Allmon	Sand Hill	Lockney	Meteor	Providence	Lone Star	Sunset	Fairmont	Cedar	Center	Baker	Lakeview	Antelope	Total
For Submission Amendment	157	26	6	34	155		7	12	7	4	24	2	29	11	3	477
Against Submission Amendment	59	13	5	13	59		9	3	10	12	11	9	10	18	9	240
For Retention of Robertson L. I. Law without change	125	18	4	20	129		9	9	7	13	11	13	23	6	5	392
Against Retention of Robertson L. I. Law without change	58	12	5	12	46		7	1	4	0	8	8	12	10	6	189
For U. S. Senator:																
O. B. Colquitt	62	16	4	15	52	6	9	5	16	8	18	8	15	27	8	269
T. M. Campbell	17	0	7	3	22	1	2	4	2	1	5	5	7	2	0	78
S. P. Brooks	113	15	10	13	98	4	7	2	4	11	21	14	7	3	322	
C. A. Culberson	19	5	10	53	3	1	0	4	2	15	3	4	3	0	122	
John Davis	0	1	4	4	0	0	1	1	0	11	1	1	1	1	21	
R. L. Henry	50	8	9	15	51	2	1	5	4	2	7	7	9	11	181	
For Governor:																
Jas. E. Ferguson	134	22	11	27	111	7	12	7	17	14	36	24	25	42	9	498
C. H. Morris	135	22	21	35	185	8	7	12	10	6	14	19	28	8	3	513
For Lt. Governor:																
W. P. Hobby	269	43	33	60	294	16	20	22	27	20	53	43	53	54	12	1019
For State Comp.:																
H. B. Terrell	174	32	14	33	170	10	16	12	19	12	40	28	28	20	11	619
Chas. B. White	73	10	12	20	101	5	2	6	6	2	18	8	16	17		296
For State Treasurer:																
Jno. W. Baker	178	33	20	31	188	11	8	11	20	5	31	27	30	22	11	626
J. M. Edwards	61	9	11	16	72	4	9	6	2	6	12	8	15	13	1	245
W. E. Munn	6	0	0	7	10	0	2	0	2	2	1	3	2	4		29
For Com. Gen. Ld. Office:																
J. J. Robison	266	43	34	58	292	16	19	21	25	19	52	44	51	50	12	1002
For Atty-General:																
John W. Woods	96	13	10	28	135	8	6	9	9	4	18	17	15	15	10	393
Chas. T. Rowland	22	5	5	5	13	2	2	3	4	2	7	3	7	9		89
B. F. Looney	134	24	13	21	122	6	12	7	11	7	19	28	27	18	8	457
For State Supt. Public Inst.:																
W. F. Doughty	271	42	33	56	293	16	19	21	25	20	53	44	52	53	12	1010
For Com. Agriculture:																
H. A. Halbert	148	23	18	32	118	5	9	7	12	6	20	22	20	15	11	466
Fred W. Davis	94	19	13	23	142	7	9	10	7	6	24	16	28	25	1	424
For R. R. Com.:																
Rufus B. Daniel	66	12	7	12	64	2	2	5	6	1	13	12	9	12	6	229
Allison Mayfield	94	19	6	18	91	7	9	8	7	11	14	13	25	14	3	339
Jno. W. Robbins	84	10	15	21	111	3	8	3	12	4	19	15	12	10	3	330
For Chief Justice Supreme Court:																
Nelson Phillips	119	25	14	30	116	9	9	5	9	6	20	17	17	20	5	421
Chas. H. Jenkins	123	16	11	21	144	6	9	10	14	6	31	21	27	16	7	462
For Ass'te Justice Supreme Court:																
J. E. Yantis	83	13	8	14	83	4	12	6	7	4	12	11	14	2	7	230
R. W. Hall	160	30	18	36	176	10	7	11	16	6	32	25	30	32	5	594
For Judge Court of Criminal Appeals:																
A. J. Harper	120	20	12	27	123	11	12	15	16	5	29	22	22	26	10	470
W. C. Morrow	120	22	13	24	132	4	7	2	8	5	15	12	22	13	2	401
For Ass'ts Justice Ct. of Civil Appeals: 7th District:																
W. D. Fisher	71	13	10	19	69	8	10	9	12	2	16	12	10	9	11	231
W. M. Boyce	110	15	15	13	101	4	3	6	10	8	22	15	21	16	3	362
B. Frank Buie	27	3	2	6	21	1	1	0	1	1	11	4	6	3	1	87
Wm. M. Knight	43	10	3	15	75	3	4	3	3	3	5	5	8	9	1	190
For Congressman-at-Large:																
D. E. Garrett	169	20	16	22	157	7	7	6	14	4	21	24	24	22	7	520
H. N. Fitzgerald	60	14	9	15	49	3	5	5	5	2	15	4	11	7	4	208
Jeff McLemore	43	17	10	6	68	4	11	6	5	4	8	5	13	7	6	213
H. G. Cooley	13	6	4	2	19	0	1	2	2	1	5	6	3	1	1	65
H. L. Darwin	40	2	5	5	34	2	1	2	2	0	2	6	4	2	0	107
S. C. Padleford	30	1	3	7	29	1	0	2	1	1	3	2	5			85
Roger Byrne	6	1	1	2	10	1	1	3	2	1	4	6	2	1		41
Rufus J. Lackland	8	1	1	7	10	1	1	1	2	0	1	1	3	5		42
J. H. Davis	69	29	7	26	93	9	5	6	7	5	27	17	23	21	6	341
For Congressman 13 Dist:																
W. H. Prescott	4	2	2	4	7	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	3	3	31
Marvin Jones	86	12	3	14	115	5	5	3	9	4	16	10	12	15	2	311
Jno. H. Stephens	45	8	2	11	57	2	5	5	9	13	4	11	10	17	5	205
R. M. Ellerd	132	19	26	31	109	9	9	14	11	1	31	18	24	12	2	448
For Representative 122 District:																
W. H. Bledsoe	138	18	12	20	102	9	15	6	20	7	20	20	15	13	9	424
J. M. Boren	117	26	15	32	161	6	3	10	6	7	27	17	32	27	2	488
For Dist. Atty. 64 Dist:																
Geo. L. Mayfield	67	10	6	5	64	4	11	7	3	7	7	10	17	17	1	241
Austin C. Hatchell	114	24	25	51	111	11	3	13	14	4	37	23	26	29	5	490
Kenneth Bain	89	9	4	8	117	2	7	0	7	7	7	10	9	6	6	290
For Co. Judge:																
E. P. Thompson	273	45	35	64	294	17	21	22	30	21	53	43	51	57	12	1038
For Co. Atty:																
C. K. Holloway	173	32	26	42	195	15	18	14	21	11	45	27	28	30	11	688
A. P. McKinnon	92	11	9	20	91	2	3	4	5	9	11	17	22	22		318
For Co. & Dist. Clerk:																
Tom W. Deen	272	45	35	66	302	17	21	23	30	21	54	45	51	59	12	1053
For Sheriff and Tax Collector:																

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 TURKEYS, " " . . . 13c
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Pentecostal Camp Meeting.

August 1st to 31st 1916. For further information see or write C. J. Menefee. tf.

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Notice—Residents of Floydada.

People residing within the corporate limits are requested to notify me at the earliest possible time when carcasses of dogs, chickens or other fowl or small animals are found lying about the streets or on their premises. It is impossible for me to visit all sections of town frequently and your co-operation in the matter of keeping carcasses from putrefying on the streets will greatly aid in keeping the town healthful. Telephone 174. eow

Hats cleaned and blocked for \$1.50 each. Panhandle Steam Laundry Co., D. E. Pitts, agent.

Electricity

All estimates given for house wiring will have to be accepted before Monday, July 29th, as owing to the increased cost of material we will charge more for the work. All signed contracts will have to be carried out at old prices. Take advantage of the low prices and have the wiring done NOW.

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G. W. Ford, of Lockney, was in Floydada Tuesday on business.

Panhandle Steam Laundry is after your business. Phone 216 or leave laundry at the Palace Barber Shop.

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His Last one Redeeming Trait.

The effort to keep out of war is laudible, but the president's

statement that we are too proud to fight don't apply to Arkansas. Most of us are too darned lazy to work. But the average citizen will fight, and raise children and dogs, and h—, and drink white mule and profess true religion every fall—and then vote the Democratic ticket.—Salem Sun.

City's Financial Report.

In this issue The Hesperian is carrying the report of the financial condition of the City of Floydada, as of date June 30th, 1916, and a detailed report of expenditures made for the term beginning May first, 1915, approximately fourteen months.

This report is being printed at this time without cost to the city, for one reason that The Hesperian does not desire to be

accused of an ulterior motive in lending support to the agitation for this report—merely to get the fee for the publication; and for another reason that the city is an infant industry which is entitled to subsidy.

The HESPERIAN does First Class Job work.

B. P. Woody returned last Saturday from Central Texas, where he had been spending a months vacation visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. E. E. Brown, who underwent an operation at the Childers Sanitarium last Thursday is resting well at this writing and recovering rapidly.

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Our buyer left this week for New York and Eastern markets to complete his purchases for the coming Fall and Winter Seasons.

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Startling Figures on Illiteracy in Texas

State Superintendent Says 282,000 Texas Boys and Girls Neither Read nor Write.

"The census shows that 282,000 boys and girls in the state of Texas have grown to manhood and to womanhood without knowing how to read and write—in absolute illiteracy," declared Hon. W. F. Doughty, state superintendent of public instruction, to the assembled delegates of the farmers' institute assembled on the campus of the University recently.

Supt. Doughty cited this startling statement in justification of

his policy of turning the greater part of the energies of his department to the building up of rural schools of the state. He referred to the million dollar rural school appropriation as the greatest law ever put on the statute books of Texas. He stated that he had created 1,420 standard rural schools in 173 of the counties of the state. "We still have left \$500,000 of this appropriation," he said, "and have only made a beginning."

The speaker's concluding statement that he was going to do everything in his power to give every boy and girl in Texas the opportunity to attend school nine months of every year was received with great applause.

Claude V. Hall Attended Nat. Congress of Teachers.

Supt. C. V. Hall returned Sunday from an extended trip to New York, Boston, Washington and other eastern points. While away he attended the National Congress of Teachers and he comes back to Matador enthused with a number of ideas for the advancement of our schools. His association with these hundreds of teachers from elsewhere, cannot but help him and our schools also. Mr. Hall states that aside from the information gained on the trip, it was highly enjoyable in every way. He visited such historic places as Bunker Hill, Panuel Hall, Washington's home at Mt. Vernon, etc.—Mofley Co. News.

W. G. Sears Breaks Arm.

The latter part of last week W. G. Sears happened to the misfortune of falling off a windmill tower on L. B. Sweeney's place which resulted in a broken arm and a badly bruised hip. We understand that a rotten tower was the cause of the accident.—Silverton Star.

C. C. Doniphan of Lubbock Killed by K. E. McDonald.

Kirby McDonald of Lubbock shot and killed C. C. Doniphan of that city Tuesday morning of last week about 7 o'clock. The shooting occurred in front of the Oakland Garage, just west of the Howard Hotel. There was only one eye witness to the homicide. Doniphan was shot three times in the breast and he died after a short scuffle in which he took McDonald's gun away from him and threw it away. McDonald went to the sheriff and surrendered himself.

Both men are married and have families. They were neighbors. McDonald is owner of a livery stable, and Doniphan has been working in Rankin & Sons store for some time.

At this time no statement has been made for the public by McDonald.

McDonald was held on a bond of \$10,000 to await the action of the grand jury.

Dave Wheeler and John Gound, both former residents of Floydada, but for the past several years residents of Knox City, were in Floydada for a short time Friday on their return home after a tour of eastern New Mexico.

NAMING THE COCOANUT.

What the Word Originally Meant and How It Became Altered.

The brown, hard shell nut covered with coarse fiber and containing a white, brittle, oily "meat" and some sweetish liquor, generally called "milk," is the coconut and not the cocoanut. This fruit of a great palm tree is a familiar thing on the fruit stands and in the fruit shops and food markets all over the world. It has been an acceptable article of food among Europeans for centuries, among Americans ever since there were such people as Americans, and among the peoples of the tropics for an undetermined number of centuries. It is one of the very useful things that grow, its use being so extensive and its uses many.

Its name is a curious one. Being about the size of a man's head, the Spanish early explorers and over-sea traders called it the coconut, "coco" being a slang or vulgar Spanish word for a man's head. The word in that sense survives in American slang.

So, some early Spaniard, disregarding the native names for this nut, capriciously called it a co-co-nut, and there being something catching in the name it passed from mouth to mouth until it became established as the proper name of the nut.

A man who took the trouble to look up the reason why the co-co-nut is perhaps more often than not called the co-coa-nut has written:

"Cocoanuts have been misnamed for a century or more. It is 100 years since a proofreader in London allowed the word to slip into a dictionary as co-coa-nut. As many dictionaries printed since have shown a sheeplike imitation of this edition, the misspelling of the word has been established. The word 'cocoa' is the name of the bean from which chocolate is made."—Washington Star.

Rings That Touch.

A clerk in a downtown jewelry store was being instructed by his new employer. "When a man comes in to buy a wedding ring always ask him if an engagement ring will be worn with it and what carat it is. The two should be the same. If the engagement ring is eighteen carats, say, and the wedding ring is fourteen, as they rub together the softer ring will show the wear and usually just under the stone, which becomes loosened. We have had to reset hundreds of diamonds for this very reason."—New York Sun.

Mistakes of Early Geography.

An American geography printed in 1812 contains this interesting information: "California is a wild and almost unknown land, covered throughout the year by dense fogs. On the northern shores live anthropophagi, and in the interior are active volcanoes and vast plains of shifting snow, which sometimes shoot up columns to inconceivable heights."

The book adds that some of these statements would seem incredible were they not so well authenticated by trustworthy travelers.

Brother Jonathan.

Brother Jonathan as a national name for the United States of America is generally understood to have originated as follows: Governor Jonathan Trumbull of Connecticut was often looked to by Washington for advice and support, and so great was the assistance rendered by him that Washington was fond of referring to him as the "first of patriots, my brother Jonathan." Very naturally the name was transferred to this country itself, and before long it was widely popular.

Limited Capacity.

"That chorus girl is very attractive. I'd like to give her a small part."

"I don't think she could learn a part."

"Still, she is so pretty that I should like to feature her in some way."

"Well, you might let her raise her eyebrows in response to something said. I think she could learn to do that."—Kansas City Journal.

A Calamity.

Neighbor—My! My! So the story is true and your husband has really eloped with the servant girl. Deserted Wife (weeping)—Yes, and she was the best girl I ever had, too, a perfectly lovely cook, and so quiet and respectful. Dear knows where I'll be able to get another!—Exchange.

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Hereford Man Killed by Lightning.

Hereford, Tex., July 20.—Paul Black, a farm hand working for Ed Money, was struck by lightning yesterday afternoon and instantly killed. Black was driving a team to Hereford after supplies and was within four miles of town when killed. His remains were shipped to Farwell near which place his parents reside.

Santa Fe Pays Death Claim.

Mrs Weizbrood, widow of Leu Weizbrood, fireman who lost his life in the Santa Fe flood wreck three miles west of Mooreland early in the morning of June 6, has received a check from the railroad company for a total of \$8,500. For the death claim \$500 was allowed and \$500 additional for each day the dead man's body remained under the water in the wreck.—Woodward (Okla.) Democrat.

Miss Lena Burdett, of Childress, is visiting here with her cousin, Miss Mary Dee Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pelphrey, of Plainview, were visitors in Floydada last Friday afternoon.

Miss Jewell Burrus, of Lubbock, returned home last Friday after a week's visit here with Miss Myrtle Nelson.

Judge L. S. Kinder, of Plainview, was in Floydada Monday on legal business.

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A few of the feature attractions: Big Wild West Show; The Georgia Minstrels; Days of Forty-nine; Big Side Show and Museum; The Dare Devil Motorcycle Driver in the Silodrome; The Great Mechanical Show; The Miniature Farm; and others.

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Come out, bring the family and the children.

Peculiarities of Streams in Flood.

Interesting features in the behavior of streams during the floods are explained by a scientist of the United States Geological Survey in a recent official letter. It has long been known that swift streams are higher at the center than near the banks, that driftwood moves to the banks during the rise and crest of a flood and returns to the center as the waters fall, and that foam is generally abundant on a rising stream and absent from one that is falling, but owing to the imperfect development of the science of hydrology as applied to streams and to the special obscurity of the laws relating to the energies involved in stream flow the causes of these phenomena are not generally known.

It can be shown, however, that the intricate and bewildering play of energy in streams, like all other natural phenomena, is fundamentally systematic. Different causes create distinct sets of forces, which act at the same time but independently in the mass of a stream. A single particle in motion is commonly affected at any instance by forces belonging to several different sets, some local and some general, and the forces of first one and then another set may dominate its movement.

The composite movement of groups of particles constitutes currents, and the composite of currents constitutes stream flow. To understand these phenomena it is necessary to study the origin of the different sets of forces and see how they affect the currents and how the currents affect the shape of a stream.

The elevation of the center of a stream above its margins during a flood is generally the result of the roughness of its bed. Boulders, sand waves, and riffles, and even sand grains, turn parts of the current that strike against them outward from the banks and upward from the bottom of the channel. The particles directly deflected by the obstacles may move but a short distance in that direction, but their energy is transmitted to other particles and by them to still others, setting up a system of forces that act toward the upper middle part of the stream. All forces acting in a liquid cause motion until friction completely wastes the energy involved. Therefore, these forces cause movements in the stream's mass that converge toward the upper central part of the cross section. This causes the center of the stream to rise above the margins until hydraulic head balances the deflected forces. The height to which the center of a stream may rise above its margins depends upon the size, shape, and roughness of the channel and the velocity of the current. It is greater in relatively deep and narrow streams and in rough than in smooth channels. Artificial troughs lined with paraffin, planed wood, rough lumber, sand and gravel are increasingly effective in the order named in producing the phenomenon, and natural streams that have their channels in coarse material show a greater effect than those beds are in fine material. The phenomenon is pronounced in the rapids of Niagra River that it is indicated on the topographic maps published by the Survey.

The peculiar behavior of driftwood during floods is due to the fact that the deep central part of a stream, because of its greater freedom of flow, tends both to rise and to fall slightly in advance of the margins. The swelling of the central part of a stream during a rise gives a shoreward movement to the surface currents which carries the drift toward the banks. During the falling stages the center of the stream is slightly depressed and the surface currents converge toward the center, carrying the drift with them. Eddies also play an important part in this phenomenon, for water is added to the eddy mainly at the surface and is drawn off some distance below the surface, where it is dragged away by the swifter part of the main current. This gives a surface slope toward the eddy and away from the center of the stream. The eddy begins to give up its drift only when the depression of the center of the stream due to the falling stage overcomes the shoreward slope due to the eddy.

The development of foam along the margins of rising streams is escape of air and gas from the soil after it has been covered with water. Observation along the edge of a stream during a rise will show quantities of air bubbling to the surface and forming foam. Foaming is especially notable where the water rises over ground covered by vegetation, but it occurs also even on bare, loose sand and gravel bars.

E. Thornton, who early in the year sold his farm east of Floydada to P. M. Felton, has bought a half section of land north of town ten miles on the Silverton road in the Liberty neighborhood. He has practically finished moving his stock and other effects to that place.

Ross Cope, of Swisher County, was in Floydada Saturday to Monday.

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Arms and the Woman By REX BEACH. Copyright by Otis L. Wood.

'HERE'S the point,' said Hoffmeister. 'If you send a messenger they'll know there's treasure aboard. The stage has been stuck up so often its habitual. We've got to use ingenuity. I've wired to Horn for two Wells Fargo men. They'll meet you at the second relay, so you pull out alone, as usual, and pick 'em up there.'

Shorty nodded acquiescence. 'All the same, I ain't weighed down with glee at bein' duenna for \$30,000, even for twenty miles—that is, not in the vicinities of this neighborhood.'

'Oh, there's no danger this side of No. 2. It'll be on the Big Grade if it's anywhere.'

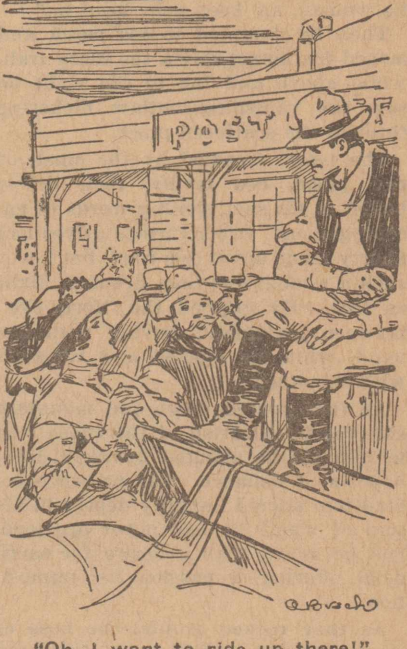
'Let me impress on you once and forever that there ain't no danger to me in neither place—I'm the driver. Black Bart knows that the olive wreaths of peace and concord is grafted on to me and sproutin'. It's the messenger that fills the exactin' duties of target. A driver ain't s'posed to exhibit himself as a marksmanship sample. All he does is to straddle the strong box and goad the horses out of a walk.'

The two men spoke cautiously, as benefits people under stress of extreme care, and the rumble of the dwarf's deep voice sounded to the miners at the front bar like the faint summer mutterings of heat thunder.

Details completed, he slid down from his chair and rolled forth behind the ruddy German. His wide body swayed oddly on its sturdy legs, while the contrast between his dachshund lower limbs and the heavy shoulders, with their long, loosely pendent arms, would have excited laughter in a stranger. Not so with the local population. As Shorty entered the room with the superintendent an air of forced unconsciousness, tangible and oppressive, settled heavily over the men lined up against the counters. Your miner is not a finished mask. Dissimulation sits gloomily upon him, and this unnatural naturalness that seized the assembly bore eloquent witness to the prowess of the diminutive man who had saddled a punctilious decorum upon an irreverent community.

Hoffmeister and his companion drank, the large man wetting the bottom of his glass with the vitriol and tossing it off wryly, the other filling his to the brim and rolling it in his mouth like a toothwash. He swallowed lingeringly, with lazy enjoyment, breathing the fumes through his nostrils. One felt that a struck match would ignite him into the likeness of a dragon or a blue flamed cigar lighter.

'What's the matter with you?' 'Well, it's this way. The minute I see skirts I go plumb dippy. My eyes vocal cords, 'you saw the girl that came up yesterday with Newcomb?' 'What! Girl here? In this camp?' Shorty suppressed his nervousness. 'Why, I come off up here on purpose to get shed of 'em.'



'What's the matter with you?' 'Well, it's this way. The minute I see skirts I go plumb dippy. My eyes hang out like loose ulster buttons, an' them little saleratus glands in my mouth goes dry till my throat feels like I was beatin' carpets in a closet. My speech splinters up and sticks in my neck like I was eatin' sun perch. Talk about suspended animation, mine's hung up so high I couldn't reach it with a boat hook.'

A man inserted his head through the door and yelled 'All aboard!' That was an example of Forest Hill's mild irony, for very rarely did passengers ride with Shorty, now that the mining season was on, and only such as had urgent business left the train at Auburn to toll back up the rugged divide to the camp at the head of the American river.

Two men carried the messenger box from the rear room, lifting it on to the boot. The postmaster tossed a dyspeptic mail bag into the stage body, and the driver scrambled to his throne with dignity. Extracting a plug of tobacco, he bit a large farewell half moon therefrom, rolling the quid into his cheek for company. Then as he gathered his reins the voice of Peg Leg, the landlord, came to him.

'Hey! Wait a minute! Passenger for you, Shorty.'

There was a rustle and scurry, and the Jehu's widening gaze beheld a flashing white clad feminine figure approaching. It launched itself upon him, more dreadful than a plague, and he froze in his seat.

'Oh, I want to ride up there!' she cried brightly, and Shorty's heart turned to water. He slid dumbly along until he crowded the edge, while she was lifted by willing hands and settled beside him like a bit of thistledown. An odor of sachet, strange and demoralizing, enveloped the doughty driver so that he gasped and wriggled, glancing miserably at Hoffmeister. He encountered only a great expanse of gleaming, gold filled teeth, while he heard the snicker of the loafers.

'All right, Shorty!' said Peg Leg. 'Goodby, miss. Come again.' And the populace of Forest Hill doffed felt and fur to sweep the ground in a Chesterfieldian salute. The men at the rearing horses' heads watched the driver, buckled to the snapping reins, vainly waiting the signal to let go, but the little man's eyes were roving helplessly. He licked his lips and opened his mouth. There issued—silence, broken only by the tramp of the dancing animals.

It is said that the bat's cry is too high pitched for the human ear. Perhaps the converse held with Shorty's voice—mayhap it had gone so low as to be under the aural range where the sense could grasp its slow vibration. Theatrically it was a stage wait, silent, agonizing, sweat producing, with a delighted audience grinning its approval. He swallowed desperately and—too late—felt his quid slipping over the precipice of his esophagus like an oreskip diving into a shaft. His body doubled convulsively, and there came a cough, unheeded and sharp, as sudden, metallic and loud as the exhaust of a switch engine on a frosty morn-

ing. Men and horses leaped together, and the stage was snatched clattering into full flight. Simultaneously there was a jolting crash and a muffled squeak from the girl.

Oh, lasting disgrace! Shorty had taken out the corner post of the hotel porch.

For many endless minutes he sat in a blue funk; then gradually his emotions quieted, for the girl chattered gayly, either oblivious to his shyness in the perfect beauty of the ride or feigning a preternatural interest in the ragged scene through which or above which they rolled, for the road follows the comb of the great divide between the north and middle branches of the river. Away down at the tip of this granite tongue, far across the main river, lies Auburn.

Hundreds of feet below them gleamed the Middle fork, ochre with the silt of the hydraulics that roared amid the heavy timber.

Under the girl's tactful loquacity the dust dissolved in Shorty's mouth, the constricted paralysis left his larynx, and sounds born of intellect began to issue, hoarse and unintelligible at first, but approximately rhetoric of a kind. Then as the wine of her presence rose in his head he straightened in his seat, his sturdy legs braced themselves more stiffly against the iron box, and he drove with a skill and dash that surprised himself. Down the grade they fled, the old coach yawning drunkenly, through narrow gorges, round curves whose long sides overhung green redwood tops or tall, naked bluffs.

Never in his life had the little man been so long in the company of the unknown sex, and now this unwanted intimacy with its most lovely member, together with the sense of being in a measure her protector, stimulated him strangely. His chest swelled round and full, and he thought:

'If the boys could only see me now! I ain't sweatin' a bit.' Occasionally he stole furtive sidewise glances, then stared fixedly at the thirsty road ahead, planting the impressions of this lady in his memory that they might later grow and bloom into marvelous reminiscence. Manifestly such a visitation as this could, in the economy of affairs, occur but once in a lifetime.

'Do you always carry a gun?' the girl inquired, gazing doubtfully at Shorty's holster, from which protruded a carved ivory pistol butt, smoothed by much usage.

'Yep! I learned the habit as a baby.'

'It's an awfully big one, isn't it?' 'Sure! An' she jumps like a goat too. First time I shot her she bucked me through a fence an' then kicked at me twice under the bottom rail. We've got acquainted now, though, an' she knows more'n some Swedes. Want to try her?'

'No, no!' hastily disclaimed the girl. 'It might frighten the horses.'

'Not on your life—they're used to it. Tain't over two weeks ago that Black Bart shot up the Auburn Kid—Wells Fargo man, you know. He was settin' right where you are.'

'What do you mean?' said the young lady, moving uneasily. 'Who is Black Bart?'

Shorty gazed incredulously at her, but she smiled into his eyes till he suddenly felt chills racing madly up his spine.

'Er—ah—ain't you heard about Black Bart, the outlaw? You must live plumb out of the world. New York? I thought so. Folks down your way is clean off the map, ain't they? Well, this Bart is a road agent with leamin's toward politeness an' a — of an aim. I beg your pardon,' he stammered, while his face grew red and hot. 'Them little cusses hide around the back of my mouth among the holter teeth jest layin' to hop out like that.'

'Go on, please.'

'Nobody's ever seen Black Bart's face, though more than one claims hankerlin's for a sight of it, such bein' mostly sheffits an' Wells Fargo directors. He works alone, an' shotgun messengers sort of riles him. They must be associated with something sad in his past, for he's acquired such an aversion to 'em that he's laid out five in eight months.'

'What a horrible creature,' said the lady with heat.

'Oh, he might be considerable worse. S'posin' he couldn't shoot straight, for instance. He'd puncture me some day. As it is, I hold my mitts up, chew tobacco an' throw him the box when he's through divertin' himself with my escort. I sort of like his nerve, too, tacklin' a job single handed.'

'He ought to be shot!' said the passenger with emphasis. 'Mebbe so, but I couldn't do it. It wouldn't be reglar. I'm the driver, and drivers ain't supposed to draw cards in the game. Besides, I ain't a fightin' man. If I took a shot at Black Bart an' missed he'd just insert himself into the landscape an' lay for me on my next trip.'

The young lady studied for some moments. 'It hate to think about robberies. All the money I have in the world is in that box.'

'What?' Shorty squared around. 'Yes! Two thousand dollars.' Suspicion lurked in the driver's voice as true mountain adroitness he questioned her. 'How'd you get all the money?' 'It's the first payment for my brother's claim. Perhaps you know him, Lincoln Cushing? He was a trifle wild. I'm afraid.'

Shorty guessed maybe her brother was wild and recalled only too well how the young rascal had jumped camp owing him a hundred dollars. He had been a likable scamp for all that, but had fallen in with the wrong lot and lacked moral courage to break away. There had been a shooting scrape. No one knew just how it Continued on Page 8

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started nor what became of young Cushing thereafter.

The lady leaned over confidentially.

"That's not the worst though. I've heard he drank!" She said it breathlessly with open shame.

Her listener didn't seem particularly horrified.

"Well, he et, too, as I recall it now."

"Yes, yes! I don't mean that way. He drank whisky. Think of it!"

"I often do," said Shorty, licking his lips. "Why?"

"We heard he was dead," she continued sadly. "It nearly killed mother, and as soon as my school closed I came out to sell the mine. Just think—\$2,000 right in that box. Won't that come in handy for us?"

Shorty "lowed" it would.

"We can't be too kind to our mothers, can we?" she smiled at him brightly.

"I s'pose not. What're they like? I was drugged up on goat's milk an' cut my teeth on chewin' tobacco."

The young lady told him, greatly to his interest.

They reached Number Two in a rattling burst of speed, and as the fresh animals were bent in the driver inquired: "Where's them messengers? Hey! You there!"

The stableman started from his staring admiration of the passenger.

"Guess they're late. I reckon you'll meet 'em in a few miles."

As they left the relay station Shorty admitted that he was uneasy, and when after a few miles the Wells-Fargo men failed to appear his uneasiness grew. They were threading deep into the heart of Bart's stamping ground by now, and at every hill and every curve the driver strained ahead for a glimpse of the tardy escort.

He concealed his forebodings from the girl, for he had acquired a strange feeling for her, a feeling that had grown rankly with the demise of his shyness, fostered, no doubt, by the warmth of her gentleness and which was too unusual as yet to permit of analysis.

Swinging past an elbow in the trail, the stage rushed rattling down across a gully, thence up a gentle rise, where the horses slowed. As it topped this the girl shrieked muffledly, and the driver leaned back on the reins, cursing.

Instinctively he approved of the fact that his passenger did not crouch against him, as any other woman would under sudden fright, but instead sat tight and still, leaving him free and unhampered.

Two figures had risen from the top of the bank, armed, masked and sinister. One, the familiar form of Black Bart, tall, debonaire, mocking; the other, a stranger whom Shorty had never seen before. Each carried a Winchester, the taller man holding his loosely in his hollowed arm, the other half leveled in the position for quick action.

Before the horses had reared at the back pull the little teamster had grasped these points and swore again at the luck which sent two men against him on this of all days.

It had come too suddenly for him to formulate a plan of action. Moreover, it was contrary to all precedent for a driver to assume other than passive duties. He even doubted whether road etiquette permitted it. Still, it was quite impossible that his companion should lose her fortune.

As these thoughts hurried through his brain he likewise weighed the odds against him. Even if he got one the other would probably kill him where he sat. Bart he knew for a deadly shot, whereas the stranger seemed oddly shaken—regular buck fever apparently, from his trembling. Evidently it were better to wing Bart if possible—the other man might miss.

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"I've smashed its stummock!" yelled Shorty gleefully, firing at each ex-

posure of the retreating figure. "It's spiked his gun!"

As the bandit dodged out of range he leaped down.

"Here! get inside, quick!" he called to the girl, and she fung herself into his arms.

Oh, the indescribable sweetness of that moment! Shorty had held a woman—a real, regular woman—on his breast! The boys would swear he was a liar if he ever told.

Thrusting her inside, he ran forward to the figure that lay in the road by the heads of the snorting horses, but as he did so the man raised uncertainly upon one elbow, the mask, a bandanna kerchief, still hiding his features. Blood trickled from a thin gash over one ear.

"Just creased him, I reckon. So much the better," said he and snatched the long neckcloth from his own throat. He rolled the man roughly on his face, drew his arms together and knotted his wrists at the back. He worked with fury, glancing up the mountain side, where on the bare ridge he saw the figure of Black Bart running westward along its crest, paralleling the direction they would take.

"He's making for the cut-off," Shorty gritted. "This fight ain't started yet, and if I turn back he'll get me sure."

Knowing the mountains like a book, Bart was racing for a sheep trail which led down from the "hog back" and intersected the wagon road at the far side of a great bend where it hugged the hill before debouching upon the flat at the forks. Gaining this point ahead of the stage, he could lie in wait with the certainty of getting his man with his side arms.

Disregarding his victim's groans, the dwarf swung him over his great shoulders and rushed at the stage. Hurling him abruptly in upon the girl, he slammed the door, shouting, "Hang on, little woman, an' keep your head in."

Then he mounted to his perch and lashed his horses down the dizzy trail, while above and far to the right he saw the vanishing outlaw flickering through the scattered pines.

The team, frenzied by the smell of raw blood, fled madly, their driver bolted to his seat, yelling words of encouragement. Other furious drives had Shorty made down this road, but never such a racing, swaying, drunken flight as this. He gripped the "forty-five" between his knees, driving with one hand, while he ejected and reloaded with the other.

As they roared down the mountain side the intoxication of the chase rose in him till he shouted hoarsely great bellows of defiance. The presence behind him stirred knightly depths in his soul of which he had never dreamed, and he ached with a desire for sacrificial offering—a passion for immolation.

As they rocked around the nose of the last bluff he yelled again, far ahead of him and midway down the zigzag sheep trail was Black Bart, literally dropping off the vertical cliff. It was evident he would be within range.

"Hope he gets me 'stead of a horse," thought the driver. "If he drops one of them we'll go over the mountain side like a rocket."

The animals were stretched flatly in the foam flecked delirium of a runaway, their rattling hoof roll thundering above the hubbub of the jolting, jumping coach.

Bart knelt, resting his weapon over the crook of his folded arm. The splinters bit off from the seat at Shorty's side. Then they both fired, but the heave of a winded, panting man is as bad for the aim as a perch on the summit of a careening stage.

"Thank God, he ain't tryin' for the team," thought the dwarf; then, as the two drew together, he beheld the other's face and saw that rage rioted there so savagely that it blinded him to his surer revenge. His mask was gone, and Shorty knew that he alone had seen the features of the mysterious road agent. As the team tore up abreast of the outlaw his gun belched again, and Shorty felt the paralyzing stroke of a missile, while the ribbons slipped from his left hand.

"Ye got me!" he bellowed, then he was whisked past and, kneeling, shielded his short body behind the vehicle top, sheathing his six shooter.

They swung down to the flat amid a spatter of gravel, splashed through the ford of the North fork and rushed scrambling up the bank to the Wire bridge toll house. Old Charley Crane appeared, followed by Winters, the Wells Fargo messenger, and a stranger, doubtless his companion. Both carried abbreviated shotguns.

"What's up, Shorty?" questioned Winters, speaking with the restrained curiosity of the mountaineer. "Sounded like a gun play back yonder."

"Ye don't say?" replied the driver testily. "Why didn't ye meet me at No. 2?"

"Smashup on the railroad! Who was it—Black Bart?"

Shorty nodded.

"How'd you come out?"

"Oh, not too bad. I got a little something to show for it." He clambered down, finding it impossible not to swagger slightly in spite of his wound, for he felt an overpowering satisfaction. The safety of his lady, the capture of a desperado, the preservation of the company's bullion; all this he had effected single handed—and against odds.

With the others crowding him he jerked the door open, then his jaw fell.

The outlaw rested limply on the girl's breast, while she sopped at his bleeding temple. Her clothes were awry, her face tear stained and swollen.

It was not this that abashed the little man and shattered his complacency. It was the look of her eyes. She flashed upon him the glare of an animal at bay and spoke words that left him numb.

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W. J. Berry hauled a load of wheat to market the latter part of last week.

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W. E. Smith was in Floydada Saturday.

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Miss Laura Smith is visiting relatives in Farmersville Texas this week. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jasper Smith returned after an extended visit here with relatives.

D. F. Payne was shopping in town Saturday.

Miss Emma Woodlock, of Okla., is visiting D. F. Payne and family. She may remain

in this country throughout the summer.

The revival meeting held here last week by Rev. Tubbs, closed Sunday morning after a number of conversions. Several joined the church and were baptized near this place Sunday evening.

Glynn Armstrong of Floydada was in this community Sunday.

Joe Sawyers of Farmer was in this community Sunday evening.

W. E. Smith went to Floydada Monday.

Lee McSpadden is visiting in Altus and other parts of Okla. this week.

W. H. Furrow went to Floydada the first of the week.

R. N. Hamilton made a flying trip to town this week.

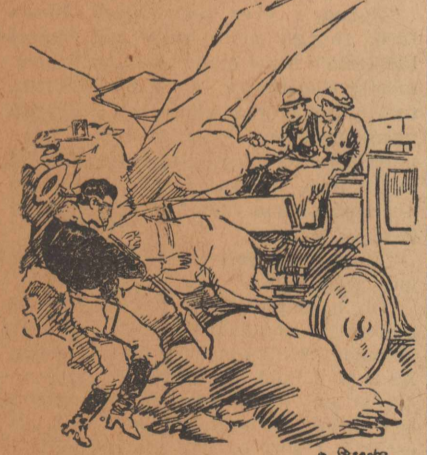
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