ected by the Depositers' Guaranty Fund of the State of Texas

le Large **Grain Shipments**

was Record to Jan 1; 80 Cars of Heads.

grain by individuals from Floy- without a scratch. dada, variously estimated at They were driving Glad's new plus production of maize in this juries. section, -probably three-fourths. ranged from 75 to 85 cents per them to extricate themselves. 70 cents. Figuring at 75 cents, aged. which will doubtless be accepted as conservative, the total value to the farmers who sell at this point in threshed grain alone is \$122,850. Farmers who have been selling since the middle of December have been receiving from 85 cents to \$1. The highest quotation on the local market Tuesday was \$1.02.

Seven threshers are still operating in this territory where the the Montgomery threshing comselling is usually done at Floy pany, was hurt in an accident list, who in 1913 conducted a two dada. This means of course, Tuesday evening, near Mr. that there is still much grain Camdens. Mr. Adkins was nacle a short time ago, died the year 1914 15. All patrons, lows: song Prayer, "How Can We still in the country, possibly trying to stop an excited team. at the Post Sanitarium at Post teachers and friends of educa- Do It," by Mrs. Maude Henry. more than a fourth of the crop In his attempt to stop the team as estimated above. Shipments he was knocked to the ground home in Snyder. since the first of the year have and run over by team and | rate of a car a day, three cars jous condition. going out on Wednesday.

nearly so valuable as a threshed Lakeview school house, Saturcar. The value of the 80 cars day evening, January the 16th. shipped was \$13000 or \$14000.

country held by those who have Lakeview. sold is amply large enough to run this section well up into the winter of next year, though

Cattle and Hogs Doing Well

Cattle and swine feeders report good results on their feed- her before her death. in8 operations over this section. good shape. Cattle that were in the pens during the recent damp weather are said to have been bothered little and the per centonly slightly less than usual.

STATISTICS ARE DRY, BUT INTERESTING

In Europe, the number of persons out of every thousand population who have bank accounts is, in the various coun-

les, as follows:witzerland In contrast with these

United States

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Their Auto Turned Over; Nobody Was Hurt.

Glad Snodgrass and Roe Mc-Cleskey last Friday were very 327600 Bushels Threshed Maize fortunate in an auto wreck, having a light auto turn over with them while a few miles out of town enroute to Plainview and Aside from the shipments of both coming out of the melee

from 15 to 40 cars, there have Hup roadster, and were on fairly been shipped from this point by good road, when the car turned the grain dealers 273 cars of over and pinned both undermaize and kaffir threshed. This neath. The top was up and bore is approximately 327600 bushels, most of the weight of the car, the auspices of the lyceum bu- er Association Work, D. M. first of this week. and represents a part of the sur- probably saving them serious in- reau, has beed postponed two Hopper.

The greater part of this grain minutes before R. M. Broyles of Extreme cold weather has in- Miss Pauline Smith. was marketed when the price Lockney, drove up and aided terfered with Mr. Elliott's sched-

Lakeview

At this writing Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baxter are enjoying the visit of a jolly, newly married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory, of Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. and Evangelist who Conducted Meeting Mrs. Gregory are talking of locating near Lakeview.

Mr Adkins, an employee of

If the weather permits there A car of maize in head is not will be a "box" supper at the The proceeds will be invested in The supply of grain in the books for a school library at Wm. F. Cook.

Mrs. B. B. Parish Dead At Matador

there are several hundred head Monday Mrs. B. B. Parrish, to the time of his death of cattle and hogs being fed in of Matador, died at the family meeting he held in Floydada was the country. Most of the feed- home from blood poison, and the one of the most successful ever ard, returned Tuesday from Pur- do in Floydada and be faithful. ers are holding their entire crop body was embalmed Monday conducted here. to put into stock and sell on the night for shipment to the The remains were shipped to they spent several days on a 10 21 miles dont know how family's former home in Le- his early home in Springtown, visit with relatives. Flore, Okla.

Relatives of the family who were called before her death did not reach Matador in time to see

Cattle on the range are also in Kilpatrick, sisters of the de-Misses Lela Sexton and Irene ceased, passed; through Floydada Monday night enroute to the scene, and Tuesday night anage of increase in weight was and her husband, came through Floydada and took an auto to that place, accompanying the remains on Tuesday to her burial place at LeFlore. Mrs. Phelps did not know of her sister's death until she had the information in Floydada.

Campbell Bonds Sold

The School House Bonds voted by Campbell School District during the last year, have ey in payment for the bonds way of Cone and Ralls. was received in Floydada last to Judge Duncan, under whose Springs on the Car Line of W. August 16th. administration the bonds were R. Cope and the rates of trans- Local people who are interestapproved, and by him endorsed portation will be the same. to Superintendent Thompson.

with accrued interest. \$1500 was ers who have heretofore found and Mr. Cornelius has written

amount issued. The district can easily arrange points from Floydada in the One of the largest attended to build their new school build- transaction of business. The and most successful music noring between this time and the line will make access to Spur mals is expected. A. J. Shotime they are ready for school in and to southern points by way walter, leading musician of the the fall. They have already of that town more easy, too, as a South says that Mr. Cornelius made purchase of 10 acres of line car already operates be- is the leading music writer and ground for the building site.

First installment of the Million Dollar Mystery appears in this weeks' Hesperian. Read the story each week and see the pictures at the Mc And Yon Friday nights.

Edward Elliott's Date January 16th.

The date for Edward Elliott's Devotional Exercises. days. It is now to be the 16th of What a Child Should

hundred. Some went as low as ! The car was pretty badly dam- appearing, and several dates Home Study, W. F. Gregory, have had to be cancelled. This Miss Ruth Pitts. is announced as the reason for

REV. F. L. HUTCHISON DEAD

last year in Floydada, Died at Post Sanitarium.

Rev. F. L. Hutchison, evange- Shearer.

been made from Floydada at the wagon. Mr. Adkins is in a ser- a very powerful preacher, having been converted in 1910 at the of the most successful lawyers and family, in that section. Entering the ministry of the Methodist church evangelist, which he followed up uncle, Shelly Scott, visiting.

Parker County.

He left a wife and daughter.

McSpadden- - - - McDermitt

Tuesday afternoon Mr. C. A. McSpadden and Miss Rilla Murrel McDermitt, of the Blanco neighborhood, were married in Presbyterian Church. Mrs. L. were united in marriage. H. Liston and a few other Both parties live south of Maude Henry.

the southwest part of the county Mrs. J. S. Williams. and the couple quite popular in the community in which they years of wedded life. live.

The Hesperian joins in con-To State School Fund gratulations and best wishes.

The bonds were sold at par perplexing problem for travel- vicinty have signed the contract it a hard matter to reach these accepting the terms, tween Crosbyton and that point, singer of Texas.

Program For Parent-

Teacher Association Fairview School House, Jan. 23, 10:30 a. m.-4:00 p. m.

appearance in Floydada under The Purpose of Parent-Teach-

They lay under the car several January. This is said to be final. Taught Before The School Age,

The Parents' Duty in Giving ule in the section where he is now The Child an Opportunity to do

The Evils Resulting From the delay in his coming to Floyd- Premature Promotion, F. E, Savage.

> The Importance of Regular and Prompt Attendance, W. F.

> Improving The Playground, and Obtaining Play Apparatus, Price Scott.

The Value of a Library and How to Obtain One, Rev. G. W.

weeks union revival at the taber- Parent-Teacher Association for with a very short program as fol-City, after becoming ill at his tion are cordially invited to at- We want to thank each officer In a very short time he became place. Dinner on the ground.

time Rev. Adair held a meeting Plainview, spent a short time and encouragement in any way.

cell and Lexington, Okla., where You women who live out four

transacting business in Floy-ty and if there is a collection dada this week. He arrived being taken for the orphan's Tuesday afternoon.

Williams- - - Burgett

the east corridor of the court er conducted the ceremony house by Rev. B. L. Baites, new whereby Mr. Addie Burgett and pastor of the Cumberland Miss Johnnie Belle Williams collection, write the amount and

friends witnessed the wedding. town a few miles. They are The McSpadden's and McDer- excellent young people. The mitt's are both good families of bride is a daughter of Mr. and

We wish them many happy

Prominent Musician to

Teach School Here

Prof. R. H. Cornelius, of Daily Line Car Service To Crosbyton Fort Worth, who, with his wife, Mr. H. S. Sparks will begin are instructors of music in the been purchased by the State this week the operation of a Baptist Theological Seminary at for the State School fund, and daily (except Sunday) line car that place, recogonized as a the first installment of the mon- from Floydada to Crosbyton by leader in music writing and teaching in Texas, will conduct The distance is about the a summer school of 17 days in week. The warrant was sent same as the distance to Roaring Floydada. The school will begin

ed in the advancement of musi-The new line will solve the cal training of the people of this

J. W. McCarty Sells To Woody Drug Co.

Woody Drug Co., a firm com- 7 o'clock. posed of B. P. Woody, of Jay- The child's father was in ton, W. J. Lane, of Crosbyton town during the afternoon and Ralls.

al days ago, but information lot and her five year old son left concerning the transaction was the house for a minute after a

the stock is being invoiced.

charge of business.

Announcement

All young ladies interested in burned all over. missionary work please meet me at my home at 4:30. Wednesday afternoon, January 13th. We wish to organize for work. Mrs. N. W. McClesky

Missionary Society Notes

We met Monday with 17 present to elect new offices for the coming year. We will have in-This is the first meeting of the stallation Monday at 3 o'clock tend. Dont forget the time and and member, and all in the town and country, who are not members but who have helped with Attorne A. C. Hatchell, of their presence, prayer money there. Rev. Hutchinson was en- in Floydada the first of this Some of the brethren have been gaged in the practice of law at week on business, visiting the a great help by lending their the time and was considered one time with his brother, G. M., presence and by encouragement and also their pocket books. We always keep open doors to all Frank Scott, of Pecan Gap, visitors. We are thankful for day of last week. his abilities were early recogniz- formerly a Floyd County boy, the opportunity of a small cored and he was given work as an has been out this week with his ner to work for our Blessed pastor for this year, succeeding Master. We can't do great or Rev. Davis who left to take the large things, but this we can pastorate at Meridian. W. W. Smith and son, Leon- do. Do the things we find to The Children's Missionary

much you encourage us when phone or write to know just J. C. Newsom, of Lubbock, is what is being done by the sociehome or some good cause. Then when you come, what a ray of sunshine you scatter. Last Sunday Rev. G. W. Shear- The sunshine of God's love. All who have not contributed and want to, to our Orphan's home what for and send to Mrs.

Press Reporter.

Miss Maggie Massey spent New Year's Day in Lockney.

W. M. Day's Little Girl Dead: Result of Burns

Saturday night the little threeyear-old daughter of Mr. and J. W. McCarty has sold his Mrs. W. M. Day, of the Starkey drug stock and fixtures on west vicinity, died as the result of Side Main, Floydada, to the burns which she received about

and Dr. W. M. Fullbright, of was enroute home at the time the accident occured. Mrs. Day The deal was completed sever- had gone out to the feed allowed to come to light only the scuttle of coal. Returning he found his little sister warming Tuesday of this week Mr. her hands before an open stove Woody arrived from Jayton and door and the sleeve of her dress afire. Failing to extinguish the Mr. Woody is an experienced fire he ran for his mother, the druggist and will have active little girl following. Before the mother could reach her the baby's clothing was burned off and the child was very badly

Dr. Childers was called but was unable to give more than temporary relief, the child dying within an hour of his arrival.

Burial services were held at the local cemetery Sunday, many friends of the young parents accompanying them here for the services.

The parents have been deeply grief-stricken at the sudden death of their little girl. They have hosts of friends both in their neigborhood and in Floydada who deeply sympathize with them in their loss.

Attend Cumberland Presbytery

Rev. B. L. Baites, pastor, and . L. King, delegate from the ocal Cumberland Presbyterian Church, returned Monday from Lubbock. They had been attending the sessions of the Amarillo Presbytery since Wednes-

Society Program

Sunday, January 10th.

Roll call, answer by Scripture Scripture reading,

Shearer. Reading, Myrtle Henry Missionary Stories, Holman

Reading, Miriam Olson. Mission lesson.

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NEW YEAR'S GREET-INGS

// E WISH to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the good people of Floyd County and surrounding country for the liberal patronage given us the past year 1914, making it one of the best in the history of our business.

At the beginning of the New Year, 1915, we wish one and all, through the entire year, health, happiness and prosperity. We extend you a hearty welcome, make our store your store.

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The Store With The Goods

Community Co-Operation

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Everybody is preaching diver- | chant. sification and, although the Finally, if the new tendency the preachment may not always toward diversified farming is be wise, there can be no doubt really to revolutionize farming of the wisdom of the practise. in the South. every community The farmer believes in it; no must grow into livestock raisless firm is the faith of the busi- ing.

what crops he shall put in, and stock produced. must be supplied by the mer gun, must needs fall flat.

A widespread purchase of But the farmer can't divesify pnrebred cattle, sheep goats and without the cooperation of the hogs will therefore be necessary, business man. He generally for which the cooperation of the has to be "carried" or "furnish- business men will be required to ed" by the business man and finance the undertaking and necessarily consults him as to later to find markets for the

how much of each. If the Will the community cooperate diversified - crops require new to get away from the one-crop machinery for planting, culti- idea? They must, else the vating and harvesting, these movement, so auspiciously be-

interest in more and better be had by writing Mr. Kazmier printed in the English papers poultry literally hundreds of at College Station, Texas. letters have been received by the The Relative Value department of poultry at the A. & M. College and the State Experiment Station, located at If twelve dogs are worth \$290, the College, during the past few what are 140 hogs worth? This letters the poultry business will cal process, increase by leaps and bounds on records of one county in Texas farms this year.

production of the hen.

Kazmier, of the A. & M. College property rendered by tenants in 'In 1840 Dr. John Brecken poultry husbandry department a certain county of Texas. The ridge visited Texas, During his has prepared a schedule of answer is that 140 hogs are visit to Houston the Doctor and

Balanced Rations Eor Chickens | ule being framed to meet Texas College Station, Tex., Dec., 29. conditions. The suggested feeds Indicative of the widespread for heavier egg production may

Of Hogs and Dogs

weeks. Judging from these cannot be solved by arithmetibut the county Texas answer it. The informa-Most of the letters have been tion came to light during an in inquiries regarding balanced vestigation on by Messrs. cences, running in the Texas rations for chickens, The better Austin and Wehrein of the Historical Quarterly, contain the the ration the larger the egg Public Welfare Division of the following account of Daniel To expedite matters F. W. mine the amount of personal school:

as against \$3.21 the average ton, then Secretary of War un- of the Item, was absent from payers of that particular county, Several other gentlemen were evieve Clark.

being land-owners.

Faith That Moves Mountains

A prominent German farmer, who believes nothing that is concerning the war, was plied with the remark:

Jacob, I see the Russians have takan Peruna."

read it so in my German paper.

Sunday School.

Rev. W. Y. Allen's reminis-University of Texas, to deter- Webster's tribute to Sunday

rations for chickens, this sched- worth \$550. In short, one dog the writer were invited to dine

s worth \$24.16 on the average | with Col. Albert Sidney Johns- | James M. Thompson, publisher | death inside of ninety days. the estimation of the tenant-tax sion was a very pleasant one, ton visiting his fiancee, Miss Gen-co-operative conversations." is 7 and one-half as valuable as present. The conversation was

from a person killing your dog much interested in the Sunday heard Edward Elliott. He says, value which the animal is rend- had gotten up a mass Sunday hear him again." bulletin on Farm-Tenancy will liver an address on Sabbath 18th. contain much statistical data school work. A large congregaconcerning the condition of the tion had assembled. Many had FARMERS NEED CO-OPERATION farm tenant in Texas, and will come to near Webster. He came treat exhaustively such questions in rather late and took a seat in as: "Is farm Tenancy a Transi- the back part of the house. The tion Stage?", it being contended Ductor went to him and invited stage in the progress of individ- speak,' said Webster. But you uals from laboring by the day to must speak,' said the Doctor. 'That is the language of an emperor,' said Webster. 'And it is Breckenridge. At this the great as and the Farmers' Union has man relaxed and, smiling, went preached it in season and out, forward and commenced with and the organization we have the those notable words: 'All great things are simple. The Sunday school is the simplest of all great ment looking to the practical sothings. It simply proposes to turn former should live children, of lockney, are spendput the book of God, on the day ture. Every farmer should live ing the week in Floydada, the "I won't believe it until I of God, into the hands of the at home and every influence that creatures of God.' And much of encourages him to do so is a his speech contained many like blessing. propositions. The doctor thought When Daniel Webster Boosted the the simplicity and power of the important factor, it is not the effort was scarcely exceeded by any effort the 'great expounder' farmer can solve unaided. The had ever made. Let Sabbath principal difficulty lies in the school workers ponder those sentences, 'The Book of God, on the price or no price for our products day of God, in the hands of the and the solutions of these prob- bridge returned to Canyon Monthe creatures of God., "

Tests Out New Cotton

-Memphis Herald.

daily newspaper shops of New interest prevailing, to contribute Orleans have been on a strike toward the expense of sending since December 28, the different out a trainload of book farmers shops having announced that who spend agricultural yarns and from here out they will run present get-rich-quick schemes The Item and Times-Picayune ed to break every farmer who are the newspapers affected. In tried them. each of the offices the first issue after the strike was on, was gotten out practically on time, but required the efforts of all the respeakers along the route and remaining employes in the work turning late at night to pick them good to look over for you will find shops to put out the papers. In up. We are especially interested the Picayune office the president in having them picked up, as we a prominent cotton dealer and fi-fear many of these agricultural Cal and see us any time. nancier, and the managing edit or, did service at the linotype on the farm, would starve to J. W. McCARTY, Dealer

varied and cheerful. Among Rev. B. W. Dodson, formerly Another element appears in other topics, the Doctor gave a pastor of the Methodist Church this estimate, however, and that reminisence of Daniel Webster. at Memphis, now presiding elder is the common belief that the While Dr. Breckenridge was in one of the districts of the damages which can be recovered chaplain to Congress he was Northwest Texas Conference, has is in someway influenced by the School cause in Washington. He "I would give \$2 any time to

School meeting and had gotten a Mr. Elliot will appear in Floy-The forthcoming University promise from Dr. Webster to de dada at the Auditorium January

AND NOT CONVERSATION

Fort Worth, Tex, Jan. 4.--The following signed article has been that it represents merely a him to come forward. 'I can't given out from the headquarters of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Texas, in

this city: "Much is being said on the the language of a beggar,' said subject of diversification in Tex honor to represent, stand ready to co-operate with every move

> "While diversification is an whole thing and it is one the high rate of interest and a low business men.

Picker at Memphis ment is on for city diversifiers to A very satisfactory test has put on a whirlwind campaign, been made here the past month using the press and a trainload spent Tuesday in Floydada of a cotton picker. Mr. Donald- of agricultural orators to impress looking after property interests. son of Chicago is the owner of upon the farmer the importance the invention and he has it well of diversification. The Farmers' near to perfection. He has had Union stands for diversification and feed. They'll treat you two machines here and has made along practical lines, but opposes right. extensive tests and observations. diversifying from a marketable be perfected according to the Texas can never hope to become January 2, a daughter. ideas gained in this test, and either wealthy or intelligent thru next fall will be again tried out. conversations with book farmers.

"It is a favorite pastime with city farmers, many of whom The printers in the English have profited by the high rate of 'open' shops. The Daily State, of farming that have never fail

"We uuderstand that it is proposed to start the train out early in the morning, dropping off expeats, if left to make a living

"The Farmers' Union stands worth of a hog. The dog, in der l'resident Lamar. The occa- New Orleans, being in Washing- for co-operative business-not

W. D. Lewis, President. Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Texas. Peter Radford, Nat'l Lecturer. Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union of America.

Meteor Teacher's

Meeting Postponed

The teacher's Institute which was to be at Meteor, Jan. 10, 1915, will conflict with a previous arrangement made by the church at that place at that time and therefore, is postponed until Feb. 6, 1915 Committee.

Mdmes. Glad Snodgrass and Tom B. Triplett left Wednesday morning to spend sometime in Central Texas visiting. Mrs. Snodgrass will go to Valley Mills to visit her mother and other relatives, and Mrs. Triplett to Forth Worth to spend sometime with Mrs. Sims W. Burton. She will later join Mrs. Snodgrass at Valley Mills.

Mrs. K. D. Middleton and guests of O. B. Olson and fall ily. Mdmes. Olson and Midd! ton are sisters.

Earl Rainer and family returned Monday from a short visit with relatives and friends at Merkel.

Misses Stella and Cora Trow-Jems requires co operation be day to the State Normal, after tween the farmers, bankers and visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Trowbridge "We understand that a move- during the holidays,

J. H. Applewhite, of Lockney,

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The machines are now being product to one that cannot be BORN-To Mr. and Mrs. W. H. shirped back to Chicago and will marketed, and the farmers of Finley, of Center, Saturday,



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We thank the long list of customers who gave us their business during the past year, and assure you that if your business is given to us this year that you will have the satisfaction of knowing that your prescriptions are filled correctly, and that all other goods you buy are the best in their line -- the highest quality that

Again, may the New Year be the most prosperous and happy yet, is the wish of

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TOM B. TRIPLETT

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Secretary Redfields Message.

merce Department of the Feder- order. al Government, has been greatly herrtened by a five month's study can examples of pluck. Do you States since the European War Galveston and Chicago-Boston, man in the president's cabinet.

listen to these words issued by him in a statement December 31st, and accompanied with abundant proof:

"If you want prosperity do your own share to bring it and your shop going; it will cost you are slaughtered yonder-they Is trade a bit dull in the works? Get those improvements begun.

"This country slows down a with a grouch, and slink into school term. your hole and pull it in after

and your blessings and come out Secretary Redfield of the Com- with your courage in working

"There are lots of good Ameriof conditions in the United remember San Francisco and began. He is said, with Frank- Charleston, Baltimore and Day- Item. The wedding will take lin K. Lane, to be the strongest ton and many others like them? Remember Thos. A. Edison and the Clark home in Bowling The man with a grouch should lots of other of your fellow-citi- Green, Mo. ens who showed pluck when things were hard. Nothing is the matter with the man with a grouch except an absentee heart and missing nerve. Cheer up, go to work, do your level best, quit talking misery. The war's do it now. Get that addition on over yonder—not here. Men less today than six months hence are living here. Its all clouds there-clear sky here.

place after all."

bit now and then, but it never | Saturday and Monday saw the not be out of place. In the first | Miss Ona Webb surprised her stops growing and it always exodus of school boys and girls place, one of the very first many friends Thursday last, moves up and not down. We who have been visiting with things an apprentice is taught when she quietly married to don't know what it means in home folks during the holidays. Is absolute secrecy concerning Fountain L. Harris, of Floydada. most of the United States to These boys and girls return to anything done in the office. Miss Webb is one of the most have real distress. Think of various colleges and schools over That is, he must not give out popular and lovable young Belgium and Poland, O man the state to spend the spring information as to what kind of ladies of this entire community

you. There think of your sins Carbon Paper at Hesperian office

Genevieve Clark To Wed

Washington, Dec. 27. - Speaker Champ Clark and Mrs. Clark tonight announced the engagement of their daughter, Genevieve, to James M. Thomson, editor of the New Orleans tentatively arranged itinery. place in the early summer at

in Baltimore during the 1912 the pastor, G. W. Shearer. Democratic convention, in Speaker for Presidency.

Secrecy In Print Shops

Every once in a while some day. one brings us some printing with "Get out and sell some goods, a request that it be kept abso-Prices are low and likely to rise. Plant some more acres; do more lutely secret. Only the other You've been thinking of that work than you planned. Talk day this occured and it remindcontract work; better start it cheerful talk and you'll find this ed us that perhaps a little inyourself before things get the country of ours a pretty good formation concerning the rules of all reputable newspaper offices and printing plants would Lubbock Avalanche printing is being done, neither and has been a valued employe must he give out any notice of of the Lubbock Mercantile Comits contents, neither should they al years. read the copy on the case before Mr. Hargis is a stranger to the compositor.

> alent to tending his resignation people of her new home. dealt with. - Vernon Call

A Spelling Lesson

What does Ghoughphtheightteeau spell?

Do you give it up? It spells potato, that is, according to the following: Gh stands for p, as you will find from the [ast letters in hiccough, ough for o, as in dough, phth for t, as in phthisis, eigh stands for a, as in neighbor; tte stands for t, as in grisette, and eau stands for o, as in beau. Thus you have

Dr. A. R. Taylor and wife returned to their home at Vernon Fountain L. Hargis, and we feel the first of the week, leaving Monday morning after a several day visit here with Rev. H. E. Smith and wife.

p-o-t-a-t-o-Author is dead.

R. B. Cousins Will **Visit Floyd County**

W. T. S. N. Teachers Will Spend Week Here in February **Visiting Schools**

President R. B. Cousins, of the West State Normal at Canyon in company with Prof. R. L. Marquis, a member of the faculty of the same school, will spend the second week in February visiting the schools of Floyd County. Their itinery has not been fully determined though a list of schools and the order in which they may best be reached has been mapped out.

The tour of the county will be made in five days, beginning on Monday. The liklihood is that three schools a day will be visited. The two representatives of the Normal will travel in company with County Superintendent Thompson.

West Texas State Normal has trained more teachers now teaching in Floyd County than in any other county in the state. For this reason, it is said, President Cousins desires to visit this county and its schools in person.

The visit of these educators to the county will be strictly for a study of the country schools. The Independent School Districts of Floydada and Lockney have not been included on the

M. E. Church Announcements

Baptismal services for infants will be held Sunday morn-Miss Clark met Mr. Thomson ing at 11 o'clock, conducted by

Rev. O. P. Kiker, presiding on business. which he was one of the leaders elder for the district, will preach in the fight to nominate the Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours. He will conduct teaching at Muncy, spent Sat- spending some weeks at Mr. Floydada Circuit on Saturday neighborhood, the guest of and for Floydada Station Mon- Miss Jessie Green.

> spent Saturday night and Sun- rillo, where he spent some three day in Floy.dada.

Webb - - - - Hargis

what is to appear in the paper. pany, being head saleslady for Another rule in all papers is the past six years. She was that the copy hook is sacred, also an appreciated contributor That is, outsiders must not read to the Avalanche the past sever-

most Lubbock people, but we This last is considered by the learn that he is an honored average printer as equally im- citizen of the Floydada section polite as the reading of private and we wish them a full meascorrespondence. All proof ure of happiness and prosperity. itself is considered private office has won a life partner that will easy terms. See or phone S. operation for appendicitis. property until it is delivered to share with him every measure the public. The employe of a of life, in sunshine and sorrow, print shop, if he has been proper- and while we regret to lose Miss ly instructed, knows that a Webb, at the same time we violation of these rules is equiv- heartily commend her to the

only he is not so courteously Elder Dunn, of Floydada, performed the ceremony at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. Webb, in the west part of the city, immediately after which, the young couple departed for their home near Floydada, where Mr. Hargis has extensive farm and stock interests, being numbered among the most substantial citizens of Floyd

An Appreciation

It is with deep regret that we lost the services of Miss Ona Webb, who has been our head sales lady for the past six years, yet we wish for her many years sure that Mr. Hargis is to be congratulated in his choice of a life partner. Respectfully

Lubbock Mercantile Co.

Margaret Is Taken as a Burglar, Then Turns Tables on Her Captor



OUR MUTUAL GIRL HOLDS UP RALPH HAMILTON WITH HIS OWN GUN-

Margaret is caught by Ralph Hamilton in his home when she tries to effect an exchange of two jewels, one with the letter H and the other bearing the letter B, which were mixed up a few hours earlier at Miss Hamilton's awn party. She fools Hamilton into breaking his gun to see if it is loaded. Then she picks up the two shells that pop out and runs. He reloads his gun and catches up with her.

She says she's hungry, and because he doesn't take her seriously as a burdar, he makes her get a pie, break it and give him both halves Then, after he has eaten his part and seems ready to tackle the other, he pushes it out

to Margaret on the end of his gun. While they are waiting on the porch Baby Lily's father breaks into the house and does steal the jewel that Margaret has put back in its place. When Margaret departs, with Hamilton's hope that he soon is to see her again, he finds out from his sisters, who have just returned from a party, that the gem has been stolen. So he does think she is a burglar, after all.

This exciting chapter in Our Mutual Girl's life is told in Chapter 39, which soon will be shown here

Locals And Personals

J. M. Massie and J. H. D. Irwin, Floydada, Phone No. Reagan spent the latter part of 198 24 last week in the brakes country

Miss Ira Cochran, who is the first quarterly conference for urday and Sunday in the Baker

Robert Miller returned Friday K. D. Middleton, of Lockney, from Hughlitt, north of Amaweeks with his brother, Olin, who had been ill.

> W. M. Ward and wife return-home the previous week. ed to Floydada Friday after spending the Christmas season BORN-To Mr. and Mrs H. E. in Childress with relatives.

For marble monuments see, S. B. McClesky.

E C. Nelson and nephew, Vern Nelson, returned last Saturday from Mt. Pleasant, and other points in northeast Texas where they spent some two weeks visiting. Mr. Nelson's father lives at Mt. Pleasant and his brother, E. P. Nelson, lives at Mt. Vernon.

Wanted To Trade

162 acres well located plains accompanied Mr. and Mrs. D. E. land in Dickens County partly Pitts to Spur the first of last sheets, and in fact the paper We feel sure that Mr. Hargis for cattle and mules, balance on week where Mr. Pitts had an

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Flanary returned Saturday from Bosque

County, where they had been Flanary's former home. T. H. Edwards, who has been in the southeast portion of the county visiting with friends,

returned home the first of this W. V. Phillips returned to Floydada Saturday from Gunt-

er. He had been at his former

Edwards, Sunday, January 3rd,

Five Section Pasture

Fenced and water for lease for 1915. Write W. H. Freeman, Box 143, Cordell, Okla. tf

Former Head bookkeeper Bocker, for the Matador Company, left Monday by the way of Floydada returning to Den-

Miss Lonie Steen returned home from Spur Saturday. She

Saved Girl's Life

"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.

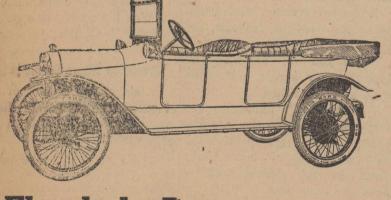
"It certainly has no equal for la grippe, bad colds, liver and stomach troubles. I firmly believe Black-Draught saved my little girl's life. When she had the measles, they went in on her, but one good dose of Thedford's Black-Draught made them break out, and she has had no more trouble. I shall never be without

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Typewriter and Carbon paper at Hesperian office.

the latter part of last week in next to a very haughty lady in Swisher County on a visit with a crowded sub-way car, kept on friends.

in Plainview on business.

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A Poison Spring

In Culberson County, Texas, about fifteen miles southwest of Guadalupe there is a small spring known as "Stinking Seep," one small drink from which means immediate death to any living thing that drinks it, says a correspondent of the San Antonio Express. spring is in the heart of a desert region, and countless numbers of cattle and wild animals have drank from it in a half famished condition only to immediately die. For many yards around the spring, the bones of its many victims abound. It is said that in the early days before the deadly properties became known many men who passed along the dim trail found quick death by drinking of the water, the sight of which they so gladly welcomed. Its dangerous qualities are now so well known that all human beings avoid it, and it is fenced off from the cattle. Dr. William B. Phillips, of the University of Texas, who has says that the water shows All barber work first class. through analysis 79 grains of sulphuric acid and a trace of arsenic in each gallon. Some of the water which Dr. Phillips put in a galvanized iron bucket ate the bottom out of the bucket within thirty hours. -- El Paso Times.

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Robert Jones and family spert A small boy who was sitting sniffing in a very annoying manner. At last the lady could A. J. Roberts spent Monday bear it no longer and turned to the lad.

"Boy, have you got a handserchief?" she demanded.

The small boy looked at her for a few seconds, and then, in a dignified tone came the ans-

"Yes, I'ave, but I don't lend it to strangers,"-New. York

Kitchen Repartee

Mrs. Brown was in the kitchen helping Nera, the cook, prepare supper.

"It's an old saying," she remarked to Nora, that 'too many cooks spoil the broth'. what do you think?"

"Sure, mam," she replied, 'there's only wan cook here.'

Bill Lingered

Bill Sprague kept a general store at Crcyden Four Corners. One day he set off for New York to buy a lot of goods. The goods were shipped immediately, and as Bill had lingered in New York sightseeing, they reached Croyden Four Corners before him. The goods, in an enormous packing case, were driven to the general store by the local teamster. Mrs. Sprague came out to see what had arrived and, with a shriek, tottered and fell.

"Oh, what's the matter, ma'am?" cried the hired girl. stenciled in large letters: BILL INSIDE.

an agricultural bent of his

CASH! PAY CASH FOR 1915!

I have decided to run my business on a cash basis during 1915, and all times to come. As my stock is too small to put out goods on time I have decided to run on cash basis. I have been here five years and five months. Have sold goods to people on time and have been very lenient with them, and most people appreciate it. And I believe 95 per cent of the people are honest. As I know from experience that I can sell my goods cheaper by selling for cash, I thought I would do so and will give you prices all the year that will convince you. I appreciate the business you have given me in the past and will appreciate it more than ever in the future.

I hope you will respect Miss Walling and myself by not calling on us to charge anything, tor regardless of who you may be, man or woman, you will be refused.

O. B. () ISON

Texas

Floydada

own, and who dearly loves to cargo of cotton has been taken send free seed to his constituents. in by various authorities, especi-A woman wrote him recently ally the English and taken to steeds and paused to give them asking for some garden seed, port and searched, even when needed rest. The storekeeper He sent back by return mail a the goods were bound to neutral came out and looked them over

generous supply of what she nations. asked for, mailed in the regular official envelope. In a couple of weeks the seed went back to the Congressman. The woman had read the card on the corner of envelope, which says: "Three hundred dollars fine for private note to the Congressman:

"I am much obliged for the seeds, but I wanted them for private use and could not possibly afford to run the risk of latter became curious, having to pay the \$300 fine."

A Good Riddance

looked the little one over with Youth's Companion the disapproval natural to a deposed Monarch. The nurse brought the baby's bath tub and filled it with water. Then she watching the procedure with understanding illuminated his face and he rushed to the door.

the stairs, "come on up, quick. they're going to drown it."

they can deliver the fleecy wondered and complained. staple after they have it sold.

There's a fine bit of a story take the risk attendant on in- lose when you back horses?,,

He Learned His Value

A tourist in Scotland came to a wide ferry. It was stormy and the wind was constantly increasing. The Scotch ferryman agreed to take the tourist across, use." She wrote the following but told him to wait until he had taken a cow across.

When he returned and started across with the traveler, the

"Will you tell me why you took the cow across and made me wait?" he asked.

Little Willie had been permit- ferryman, "you see the coo wur error credited a son born Dected to enter the sick room to valuable, and I feared th' wind ember 26th, to Mr. & Mrs. Jesse view the little stranger who had wud increase so th' boat might Elder when as a matter of fact arrived a few days before. He upset on th' second trip."- they had no new arrival at their

Lnck in Gambling

One of the most noteworthy started unwinding the baby's characteristics of the Jewish outer shell, preparatory to race, which disproves Carlyle's bathing, while Willie stood by assertion that Jews are lacking in sense of humor, is their ca interest. Suddenly the light of pacity for enjoying a joke at ter, Miss Akard, spent the their own expense, says the holiday season in Floydada with Carpenter. Indeed they are the friends. They left Monday "Hey, Sis!" he shrilled down inventors of most "Jew" morning, Miss Akard returning stories and the best audience for to school at Wayland. Mrs.

The other evening a Jewish Transportation costs across the friend, with whom I was playocean are now the greatest ing bridge, told me a story of ed with tears, pointed to the problem of cotton dealers who a co-religionist who was very packing case, whereon was are up against a novel situation, lucky at cards. but very unforblack in that they are not sure when tunate on the turf. His wife

New Joke On a Georgia Congressman Ship owners are unwilling to poker," she asked, "and always at Petrolia.

lanes of travel. Cargo after horses."-London Express.

Basis For Exchange

He had a drove of dispirited casually.

"Want a horse?"

"Guess not."

"Ill take it out in goods," said the stranger. "I'll take it out in tobacco, in fact."

"Might do some business along those lines," responded the storekeeper, "if we kin agree on "What's your basis?"

"Well I'll trade with you plug for plug."-Judge.

Credit to Whom Credit is Due

In last weeks report of vital "Weel, now," explained the statistics The Hesperian through home on the date mentioned.

The new Elder is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Elder, and we take pleasure in giving these people credit for the addition to the 1914 census rolls.

Mrs. G. I. Britian and daugh-Britain will return to her home in Ochiltree.

Miss Beatrice Wiggins, who has been spending the early winter months in Floydada with her uncle, C. S. Jones and wife, employed at Price-Foster's during the time as saleslady, left "Why is it you always win at Monday returning to her home

out on a well known North suring delivery, with the wolves "Well, my dear," came the A. T. Swepston, of Matador, Georgia Congressman, who has of the ocean prowling about the genial reply, "I don't shuffle the was in Floydada Monday morning for a short time.

The Million Dollar Mystery

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

Illustrated from Scenes in the Photo Drama of the Same Name by the Thanhouser Film Company

CHAPTER I.

A Call in the Night.

country road at night, particularly if the thunderous knocking at the door. one does not know the lay of the The old maid felt her heart stop land. It is not difficult to traverse a known path; no matter how dark it be, at this time of night? Then the it, one is able to find the way by the thought came swiftly that perhaps the aid of a mental photograph taken in parent of some one of her charges was the daytime. But supposing you have ill and this was the summons. Stillhever been over the road in the day- ing her fears, she went resolutely to time, that you know nothing whatever | the door and opened it. of its topography, where it dips or rises, where it narrows or forks. You find yourself in the same unhappy state of mind as a blind man suddenly thrust into a strange house.

One black night, along a certain country road in the heart of New Jersey, in the days when the only good roads were city thoroughfares and country highways were routes to limbo, a carriage went forward cautious-From time to time it careened : She picked the bundle up. A whim- music. The wheels and springs voiced their carriage, unaccustomed to such ruts and hummocks.

"Faster, faster!" came a muffled voice from the interior.

"Sir. I dare not drive any faster." replied the coachman. "I can't see the for a farmhouse. It was frightful. horses' heads, sir, let alone the road. I've blown out the lamps, but I can't see the road any better for that."

"Let the horses have their heads; they'll find the way. It can't be much farther. You'll see lights."

The coachman swore in his teeth. All right. This man who was in such a hurry would probably send them all into the ditch. Save for the few stars above, he might have been driving Beelzebub's coach in the bottomless pit. Black velvet, everywhere black velvet. A wind was blowing, and yet the blackness was so thick that it gave to the coachman the sensation of mild suffocation.

By and by, through the trees, he saw a flicker of light. It might or might not be the destination. cracked his whip recklessly and the



"Why, You Cherub!" Cried the Old

carriage lurched on two wheels. The san Farlow grew heavy. man in the carriage balanced himself carefully, so that the bundle in his arms should not be unduly disturbed. His arms ached. He stuck his head was she to know the terrors which lay day. Ah, Norton, how are you?" out of the window.

"That's the place," he said. "And when you drive up make as little noise as you can."

posts. This was the place:

knocker and struck several times. He wide traveler. into which he stepped.

"Off with you!" we can make your train."

place again?"

again, sir, for a thousand; not me!" The door slammed and the unknown the hall door and opened it. sank back against the cushions. He took out his handkerchief and wiped Hargreave.

the damp perspiration from his forethrough his heart. So much for hind it.

olly of his youth.

was a quarter after ten. Miss Farlow had just returned to the otion room from her nightly tour

of the upper halls to see if all her charges were in bed, where the rules of the school confined them after 9:30 There are few things darker than a It was at this moment that she heard beating for a moment. Who could it

> "Who is it?" she called. No one answered. She cupped her hand to her ear. She could hear the

clatter of horses dimly. "Well!" she exclaimed; rather angrily, too.

She was in the act of closing the door when the light from the hall disgovered to her the bundle on the steps. She stooped and touched it. "Good heavens, it's a child!"

like a blunt-nose barge in a beam sea. per came from it, a tired little whimper of protest. She ran back to the anguish continually; for it was a good reception room. A foundling! And on her doorstep! It was incredible. What in the world should she do? It would create a scandal and hurt the prestige of the school. Some one had mistaken her select private school

Then she unwrapped the child. It was about a year old, dimpled and golden haired. A thumb was in its rosebud mouth and its blue eyes looked up trustfully into her own.

"Why, you cherub!" cried the old maid, a strange turmoil in her heart. She caught the child to her breast, and then for the first time noticed the thick envelope pinned to the child's cloak. She put the baby into a chair and broke open the envelope.

"Name this child Florence Gray. I will send annually a liberal sum for her support and reclaim her on her eighteenth birthday. The other half of the inclosed bracelet will identify me. Treat the girl well, for I shall watch over her in secret."

Into the fixed routine of her humshould be placed upon her own re- taurant. spectable doorstep! Suddenly she mon without let or hindrance. Al- the order himself come back.

watching.'

art of reading the true signs of breed- one but herself. by her exquisite face, her small hands us. He is looking at you." broken bracelet might come for her. recognition. As the days went on the heart of Su-

beyond the horizon?

The house of Stanley Hargreave, dazzling eyes, hesitated. in Riverdale, was the house of no or-"Yes, sir," called down the driver. dinary rich man. Outside it was sim- You're in no hurry, are you?" When the carriage drew up at its ple enough, but within you learned journey's end the man inside jumped what kind of a man Hargreave was. out and hastened toward the gates. There were rare Ispahans and Saruks It was the old compliment, said in an He scrutinized the sign on one of the on the floors and tapestries on the unusual way. It pleased her. MISS FARLOW'S PRIVATE SCHOOL. ing. The library itself represented a When inactive he was rather a far past, your ancestors were orien-The bundle in his arms stirred and fortune. Money had been laid out dreamy-eyed sort of chap. He poshe hurried up the path to the door lavishly but never wastefully. It was sessed that rare accomplishment of morrow. I must hurry. Good-night."

"Yes, sir."

head. The big burden was off his Hargreave stared into his face keenmind. Whatever happened in the fu- ly, as if trying to pierce the grave re, they would never be able to get face to learn what was going on be-

"How long have you been with me?"

"Fourteen years, sir."
"Some day I shall need you." "My life has always been at your

cued me.'

"Well, I haven't the least doubt that

when I ask you will give." "Without question, sir. It was al-

ways so understood." Hargreave's glance sought the mirror, then the smileless face of his man. He laughed, but the sound conturned and went down the steps slowhis liking. He had sent an order for old cock; brave as a lion, but as quiet his car, but had immediately counter- as a mouse." manded it. He would walk till he grew tired, hail a taxicab, and take a run up and down Broadway. The wonderful illumination might prove di- princess. verting. For 18 years nearly; and now it was as natural for him to throw a glance over his shoulder whenever he left the house as it was for him to breathe. The average man | prised to see him here." would have grown careless during all these years; but Hargreave was not an average man; he was, rather, an extraordinary individual. It was his life in exchange for eternal vigilance, and he knew and accepted the fact. Half an hour later he got into a

taxicab and directed the man to drive downtown as far as Twenty-third street and back to Columbus circle. The bewildering display of lights, however, in nowise served to lift the sense of oppression that had weighed upon him all day. South of Forty-second street he dismissed the taxicab and stared undecidedly at the brilliant ty woman?" sign of a famous restaurant. He was neither hungry nor thirsty; but there would be strange faces to study and

It was an odd whim. He had not entered a Broadway restaurant in all these years. He was unknown. He



The Introductions Were Made.

belonged to no clubs. Two months was the longest time he had ever remained in New York since the disdrum life had come a mystery, a tan- posal of his old home in Madison alizing, fascinating mystery. She had avenue and his resignation from his read of foundlings left on doorsteps clubs. This once, then, he would break -from paper covered novels confis- the law he had written down for cated from her pupils-but that one himself. Boldly he entered the res-

Some time before Hargreave sursmiled down at the child and the rendered to the restless spirit of re- Adieux were said. Inside the taxicab said simply. child smiled back. And there was bellion, bitterly to repent for it later, nothing more to be done except to there came into this restaurant a man lible sigh. bow before the decrees of fate. Like and a woman. They were-both eviall prim old maids, her heart was full dently well known, for the head waiter of unrequited romance, and here was was obsequious and hurried them over something she might spend its floods to the best table he had left and took I've flown about seas and continents,

woman who had left it might never gent face. You might have marked of that man we have just left. At him for a successful lawyer, for there first glance I wasn't sure; but the The child grew. Regularly each was an earnestness about his expresyear, upon a certain date, Miss Farlow sion which precluded a life of idle-received a registered letter with ness. His age might have been anymoney. These letters came from all where between 40 and 50. The shoulparts of the world; always the same ders were broad and the hands which sum, always the same line-"I am lay clasped upon the table were slim but muscular. Indeed, everything Thus seventeen years passed; and about him suggested hidden strength to Susan Farlow each year seemed and vitality. His companion was she whispered. shorter than the one before. For she small, handsome, and animated. Her loved the child with all her heart. She frequent gestures and mutable eyehad not trained young girls all these brows betrayed her foreign birth. Her years without becoming adept in the age was a matter of importance to no

ing. There was no ordinary blood in They were at coffee when she said: Florence: the fact was emphasized "There's a young man coming toward

and feet, her spirit and gentleness. The man turned. Instantly his face And now, at any day, some one with a lighted up with a friendly smile of rupted, with a touch of bitterness.

"Who is it?" she asked.

"A chap worth knowing; a reporter "Never mind, aunty," said Florence; just a litle out of the ordinary. I'm I shall always come back to see you." going to introduce him. You never She meant it, poor child; but how can tell. We might need him some "Good evening, Mr. Braine." The

"The Princess Perigoff, Norton.

"Not now," smiled the reporter. "Ah!" said the princess, interested.

walls, and here and there a fine paint- The reporter sank into a chair. of the house. He seized the ancient the home of a scholar, a dreamer, a talking upon one subject and thinking upon another at the same time. and watched the taxicab as it whirled abominable tangle, he had resolutely he rarely blundered into a trap. If then placed the bundle on the steps In the library stood the master of the So while he talked gayly with the around a corner. The man held her torn her out of his life completely. he failed it was for the simple fact and ran back to the waiting carriage, house, idly fingering some papers young woman on varied themes, his which lay on the study table. He thoughts were busy speculating upon any jewel. She knew him to be a grow into girlhood he had denied himshrugged at some unpleasant thought, her companion. He was quite cer- great and daring rogue, cunning, pa- self. She at least would be safe. Only tion of the Black Hundred was almost "That's a good word, sir. Maybe settled his overcoat about his shoul- tain that the name Braine was asders; took up his hat, and walked from sumed, but he was also equally cer- mind of his there were a thousand ac-"Do you think you could find this the room, frowning slightly. The but- tain that the man carried an exler, who also acted in the capacity of traordinary brain under his thatch of futilely the police of two continents. he always saw the mother whom he "The patrolman has been trussed up "You couldn't get me on this pike valet, always within call when his salt and pepper hair. The man had Braine! She could have laughed. The had loved and hated with all the ardor like you," began Vroon. "If they find master was about, stepped swiftly to written three or four brilliant mono- very name he had chosen was an in- of his youth. the hall door and opened it.
"I may be out late, Jones," said radium, and it was through and by

> well, but inconspicuously. Suddenly the pupils of Braine's Over the smoke of his cigarette he two, then one, then three, and again was looking into the wall mirror. A man had passed behind him and sat | inside. Round a table sat several men, down at the next table. Still gazing also masked. They were all tried and

disposal, sir, since that night you res wave his hand; saw also the open knew what Braine looked like. He

still unturned.

ly, like a man burdened with some night. We've since had some pow- Their god dwells in the hearts of all see. thought which was not altogether to wows over some rare books. Queer men and is called greed.

> "Bookish, eh? My kind. Bring him Braine alone remained. over." Underneath the table Braine maneuvered to touch the foot of the Braine.

> "I don't know." said the reporter dubiously. "He might say no, and burg." that would embarrass the whole lot of us. He's a bit of a hermit. I'm sur- Did he recognize you?"

to meet men who are hermits."

but don't blame me if I'm rebuffed." luctance and approached Hargreave. through the window at the risk of The two shook hands cordially, for the breaking his neck. He landed safely; elder man was rather fond of this that is the only reason he eluded us. medley of information known as Jim Millions-and they slipped through our

Norton. "Sit down, boy; sit down. You're to his heart! The lure we held out just the kind of a man I've been want- to him is dead." ing to talk to tonight."

"Wouldn't you rather talk to a pret-

"I'm an old man." and you know it. My friends at the next table have asked me to bring library table, the maxillary muscles

you over." strangers."

face to face.

a life, though, you reporters lead! To had been trapped by a band of brilmeet kings and presidents and great liant thieves. Kidnapers and assassifinanciers, socialists and anarch- nators for hire; the Black Hundred; they were everyday friends!"

thick brogans ready to kick me down him into their clutches. the steps; don't forget that."

Hargreave laughed. "Come, then; let us get it over with."

but he was always willing to risk the ends of the world. He would tire labor these nine entailed for the sake them out. They would find that the of the tenth.

watch, and the princess nodded. Braine leaned back with a deep, aud-

"What it is?" she asked.

said. "Child of the Steppes, for years careful." ready she was hoping that the man or The man possessed a keen, intellifor what? For the sight of the face sound of his voice was enough. Olga, the next time you see that reporter, throw your arms around his neck and kiss him. What did I tell you? Without Norton's help I would not have been sure. I'm going to leave you at your apartment.'

· "The man of the Black Hundred?"

"The man who deserted and defied the Black Hundred, who broke his vows, and never paid a kopeck for the privilege; the man who had been appointed for the supreme work and who ran away. In those days we needed men of his stamp, and to accomplish this end. . .

"There was a woman," she inter-"Always the woman. And she was as clever and handsome as you are."

"Ah, yes!" ironically. "Sometimes you wish you could settle down, marry and have a family! Your domesticity would last about a month.'

"Thanks. Sometimes

She made no retort because she recreporter, catching sight of a pair of ognized the truth of this statement. "There's an emerald I know of," he said ruminatively. "It's quite pos-

sible that you may be wearing it within a few days." "I am mad over them. There is

cinates me. I can't resist it." "That's because, somewhere in the tals. Here we are. I'll see you to-

solence directed at society.

these that the reporter had managed arrived at his destination. A flight of stairs carried him into a dimly lighted to pick up his acquaintance. He lived hall, smelling evilly of escaping gas. He donned a black mask and struck The door opched and he slipped one. into the mirror, Braine saw Norton trusted rogues; but not one of them check, and they had to pay.

dred, an organization with all the ram-"Stanley Hargreave. Met him in ifications of the Camorra without their inquiries afterward. Hongkong when I was sent over to abiding stupidity. From the assassina-

The ordinary business over, the chief dismissed the men, and he and He put the money in the safe and was

"There are but few: which one?"

"Eighteen years ago, in St. Peters- house is surrounded." "I remember. The millionaire's son.

"Try," urged the princess. "I like he always had good nerves. He is being followed at this moment. We brave. You remember how he braved He left the table with evident re- us that night in Russia. Jumped boldly fingers. If I could only find some route

> "Or in the fortress, which is the same thing. What are your plans?"

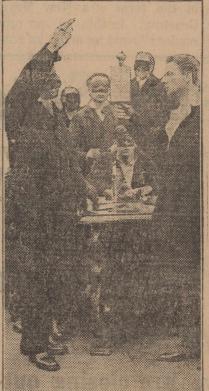
"I have in mind something like this." And Hargreave was working out his "Bah! That's a hypocritical bluff, plans, too; and he was just as much of a general as Braine. He sat at his in his jaws working. So they had found "I do not usually care to meet him? Well, he had broken the law of his own making and he must suffer "Make an exception this once," said the consequences. Braine, who was the reporter, who had seen Braine's Menshikoff in Russia, Schwartz in eyes change and was curious to know Germany, Mendoza in Spain, Cartucci why the appearance of Hargreave in in Italy, and Du Bois in France; so the mirror had brought about that the rogue had found him out? Poor metally gleam. Here were two fool that he had been! High spirited, unique men; he desired to see them | full of those youthful dreams of doing good in the world, he had joined what "This once. My fault; I ought not he had believed a great secret soto be here; I feel out of place. What cialistic movement, to learn that he ists, the whole scale of life, and to fiends from Tophet! For nearly slap these people on the back as if eighteen years he had eluded them, for he knew that directly or indirect-"Now you're making fun of me. For ly they would never cease to hunt for one king there are always twenty him; and an idle whim had toppled

He wrote several letters feverishly. Farlow and read: "Dear Madam: Send The introductions were made. Nor- Florence Gray to New York, to arrive force their way in." ton felt rather chagrined. So far as here Friday morning. My half of the he could see, the two men were total bracelet will be identification. In the front yard. strangers. Well, it was all in the closed find cash to square accounts." game. Nine out of ten opportunities He would get together all his available whispered Jones down the hall. for the big story were fake alarms; funds, recover his child, and fly to the peaceful dog was a bad animal to At length Braine glanced at his rouse. He rang for the faithful Jones.

"Jones, they have found me," he

"You will need me, then?" "Quite possible. Please mail these and then we'll talk it over. No doubt "The luck of the devil's own," he some one is watching outside. Be

"Very good, sir." Hargreave bowed his head in his



Joined What He Believed to Be a Great Socialistic Movement.

something in the green stone that fas- hands. Many times he had journeyed berly. The one reason why Braine to the school and hung about the made this man his lieutenant was begates, straining his eyes toward the cause Vroon always followed the letmerry groups of young girls. Which ter of his instructions to the final peamong them was his, heart of his riod; he never sidestepped or added heart, blood of his blood? That she any frills or innovations of his own, She stood on the curb for a moment might never be drawn into this and because of this very automatism with a fascination more terrible than The happiness of watching the child that the master mind had overlooked tient, fearless. Packed away in that when she was safe in a far country totally unknown to either the public complished deeds which had roused vain to conjure up a picture of her; that you are found out.

The subject of her thoughts soon There was a visit to the hangar of hungry. Where did your master put one William Orts, the aviator, famous that money?" for his daredevil exploits. There were two visitors, in fact, and the second visitor was knocked down for his

who protested against such large with- heard the pistol shots; but Mr. Hardrawals without the usual formal an- greaves was always practicing in the nouncement. But a check was a backyard."

Hargreave covered a good deal of wonder on the reporter's pleasant alone remained unknown save to the ground, but during all this time his man designated as the chief, who was right hand never left the automatic in "Who is your friend, Norton?" only Braine's lieutenant. The mask his overcoat pocket, except at those Braine asked indifferently, his head was the insignia of the Black Hun- moments when he was obliged to sign his checks. He would shoot and make

Far away a young girl and her handle a part of the revolution. War tion of a king, down to the robbery companion got on the train which was veyed no sense of mirth; then he correspondence stuff. First time I of a country post office, nothing was to carry her to New York, the great ever ran across him on Broadway at too great or too small for their nets. dream city she was always longing to

And the spider wove his web.

Hargreave reached home at night. telephoning when Jones entered and "Vroon, I have found him," said handed his master an unstamped note.

'Where did you get this?' "At the door, sir. I judge that the

Hargreave read the note. It stated briefly that all his movements during the day had been noted. It was known "I don't know. Probably he did. But that he had collected a million in paper money. If he surrendered this he would be allowed twenty-four hours "I haven't the least doubt about shall strike quick; for if he recognized before the real chase began. Otherthat," the reporter laughed. "I'll try; me he will act quick. He is cool and wise he should die before midnight. Hargreave crushed the note in his



Visited the Hangar of an Aviator.

hand. They might kill him; there was a chance of their accomplishing that; but never should they touch his daughter's fortune.

"Jones, you go to the rear door and I'll take a look out of the front. We The last was addressed to Miss Susan have an hour. I know the breed. They'll wait till midnight and then

Hargreave saw a dozen shadows in

"Men all about the back yard," The master eyed the man. "Very well, sir," replied the latter,

with understanding. "I am ready." The master went to the safe, emptied it of its contents, crossed the hall to the bedroom, and closed the door softly behind him, Jones having entered the same room through another door to befool any possible watcher. After a long while, perhaps an hour, the two men emerged from the room from the same doors they had entered. So whispered the watcher to his friends be-

"Hargreave is going upstairs." "Let him go. Let him take a look at us from the upper windows. He will understand that nothing but wings

will save him." Silence. By and by a watcher reported that he heard the scuttle of the

roof rattle. "Look!" another cried, startled.

A bluish glare came from the roof. "He's shooting off a Roman candle!" They never saw the man-made bird till it alighted upon the roof. They never thought of shooting at it till it had taken wing! Then they rushed the doors of the house. They made short work of Jones, whom they tied up like a Christmas fowl and plumped roughly into a chair. They broke open the safe, to find it empty. And while the rogues were rummaging about the room, venting their spite upon many a treasure they could neither appreciate nor understand, a man from the out-

side burst in. "The old man is dead and the money is at the bottom of the ocean! We punctured her. She's gone!"

A thin, inscrutable smile stirred the lips of the man bound in the chair.

CHAPTER II.

The Master's Man. Vroon faced Hargreave's butler som-

him they will probably find you. But Many things happened the next day. before that you will grow thirsty and

"He carried it with him."

"Why didn't you call for help?" "The houses on either side are too pains. He had tried to bribe Orts. far away. I might yell till doomsday There were several excited bankers, without being heard. They will have

'The people in those two houses

Did you get yours? With a suit or overcoat order we are giving away a pair of pants absolutely free. Plenty of time yet to wear a winter suit. We still have some good bargains in Gents furnishings. A few raincoats left at a very special . CASH IS WHAT WE WANT

Furnishings

Laundry Phone 100

Homer Steen.

Entered as second-class matter April 20 1907, at the post office at Floydada, Texas

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SANTA FE TIME TABLE.

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give you such a bargain you won't

Also a big reduction on

all boys suits.

Mens 2 suits size 34 \$18 & \$22 suits

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7 suits size 36 \$12.00 suits now

Your own price on what we have

The Saturday Blade, the Chicago weekly, published by W.D. Boyce Company, have announced that they will run decision was summed up in the in the form of a New Year's last paragraph of an editorial Greeting. In this ad our proof

ask for a greater.

henceforth.

THE FLOYD COUNTY the Boyce Weeklies are fully passing of years. convinced that the use of alcoeverybody. Published every Thursday by therefore, encourage anyone to for which we are responsible. The Hesperian Pub. Co. use them by advertising same. But as aforesaid, unintentional Heretofore the advertising of errors will get by occasionally. Ed-Mgr. whisky has paid us an average of \$50,000 a year, The last contract expired December 31, under the act of Congress of March 3 and we have refused to renew any such business."

> As a final joke added to the their value for the 1914 season. that." ment was issued by Mr. Lind- not much. sey on January 3rd.

to tone up the market.

An Error Made Right

no more liquor advertisements. Hesperian, Mathis-Martin Dry This announcement was made Goods Co., issued an expression of the first of the year, and their appreciation to their customers "The publisher and employes of reader allowed an error to creep

County and surrounding country; before. the proofreader had them thanking only the people of Floyd County. The people of the sur-

rounding country were left out. Now, there are scores of people not in Floyd County who give this firm much business, and doubtless, Mathis-Martin appreciate this business as much as anyone could. Hence this correction. The Hesperian is as unwiling as anyone that those who do not live in Floyd County but trade in Floydada, should not be thanked for the gratifying business they give to the merchants of this town, -a business that is growing with the

We try to be as religious, too, holic beverages is injurious to with our advertising and store We shall not, news as we are with the news

> other column of this issue to get by, but the typo must bave give a practically accurate state- set this item the last minute and and kaffir from Floydada and late already, we wont proof

\$135,000,000 loan pool made up The figures were carefully in financial circles to carry the collected from the dealers of cotton crop of the south it is Floydada. They represent only announced by Henry D. Lind- the simpments made by them. The State of Texas sey, chairman of the Texas The estimate of the worth of County of Floyd division of the distribution the crop marketed from Septem- of a certain Order of Sale is sued tion, 5c per line for each subse- agency, that the funds are now ber to January 1st, made on a out of the Honorable District available, but that it will be basis of 75 cents per hundred Court of Floyd County, on the necessary to withdraw, all loans pounds, is not high at all. It 6th day of January, 1915, by on February 2nd, The state- is possibly a little low, though Tom W. Deen Clerk of said Court last, on their way to Lockney, re-

Probably the pool was meant fact that the grain shipped also and Two Hundred and Six and for a "psychological" movement only represents only the surplus 33.100 (\$5206.33) Dollars and It is said that the slow move- around Floydada, and this grain said Court, styled Paul Howes ment of the funds is not the has not had to pay all the debts versus J. M. Garrison and W. L. fault of Mr. Lindsey or the either for cotton has helped Jones and placed in my hands originator of the idea, Festus J. greatly, though the price of the for service, I, A. C. Goen as fleecy staple has been depres- Sheriff of Floyd County, Texas, sing through out the season, did on the 6th day of January feed. Joe will deliver the flowever, about half of the 1915 levy on certain Real Estate, goods, cotton is still being held in ware- situated in Floyd County, de-In last week's issue of The houses in large centers to be scribed as follows, towit; 320 sold when the price is more in acres of land, being the east 1-2 viting.

two institutions in Floydada will Adams, Beatty & Moulton, locat-

but an error just the same. There is no reason for any change for meat salt and rib-In their copy Mathis-Martin body to be anything but optimis- bon cane syrup in 5 and 10 galsaid, "We wish to extend our tic with these conditions exist- lon cans. sincere thanks and appreciation ing, and every line of business to the good people of Floyd on a more solid basis than ever

Yes, That's Circulatin' Some.

ilar to ones we have heard of, but the occasions. which we never experienced before, happened in the News office this morning. A check for three in payment of a bill. The recip-kinds. East Side, ient gave it to another man in payment of another debt, and be- Miss Pearl White fore stopping, or leaving the office, the check exchanged ownership ten times. In other words, this three dollar check paid thirty dollars worth of debts, changing hands ten times without leaving the office. Circulatin' some, eh?' -Clarendon News.

The error which Warren commits is that he didn't credit that story to "exchange" or "author dead," but puts it in first person newspaper singular, we.

In such good papers as this An attempt is made in an-Clarendon sheet, errors rarely ment of the shipments of maize Warren said, "We are an hour

Sheriffs Sale.

against J. M. Garrison and W. L. We wish to emphasize the Jones for the sum of Five Thousfeed crop, -and not all of that, costs of suit, in cause no 893 in of section No. 4, in Block No. 1 The bank statements of the Certificate No. 280, issued to

in, altogether unintentional, weather permits, at full time. Come to the Farmer' Ex

Several pleasant Parties

Several pleasant parties the past ten days have been enjoyed at various homes in town. The "A transaction, somewhat sim. weather has been favorable for

Coal, Coal, Coal!

Williams Bros. have 'em: dollars was made out and tender- niggerhead lump, Maitland ed by the maker to another man Fancy Lump. Also feed of all

Teaching at Canyon

Miss Pearl White left the latter part of last week for Canyon where she has been employed as teacher in the Canyon Puplic School taking the place of one of the lady teachers who married during the holidays. Miss White is a graduate of West Texas State Normal.

Williams Bros. will buy your

Mrs. H. D. Butler returned Tuesday from a visit in Weathcrford with her father, W. A. Massie. She had been visiting during the holidays.

Rev. Jewell Howard who filled his regular appointments Sunday morning and evening with the congregation of the Christian Church, left Wednesday for his home at Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Addington passed through Floydada Friday turning from a visit with relatives in Childress.

Preaching Announcement

Elder C W. Smith, of Sandhill, will preach next Sunday morning at 11 a. m., at the Church of Christ.

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Office Room 6: 1st Nat'l, Bank Bldg.

LANDS, LOANS & ABSTRACTS

Farm Loans a Specialty, on

Lands Bought, Sold and **Exchanged on Commission.** Titles investigated.

also show a surprising feature ed about 15 miles northeast from Men's suits we are closing out-- too. These statements will be Floydada in Floyd County, Texas made public next week. They and known as the Paul Howes Will handle only those in tailored style show more deposits on December place, and levied upon as the 31, 1914, than on October 31. property of said J. M. Garrison 1914. One day last week was and W. L. Jones; And on Tues-Bargains in men's extra pants, also reported as the largest day's day, the 2nd day of February, the period of a year.

\$9 dada with unusually good bus- I will sell said Real Estate at iness prospects. To be frank, public vendue, for cash, to the \$6 the prospects are better than highest hidder, as the property this time last year. Business of of said J. M. Garrison and W. L. all kinds is all done on a more Jones by virtue of said levy and 10 suits size 38 Green Tag Carries solid basis. Everybody is a said Order of Sale. year. The business of the Hesperian a newspaper published banks is good. They have prac- in Floyd County. tically no korrowed money. Coal and grain dealers are day of January 1915. busy. Cotton, with a steady up

Floyd County, in the Town of Floydada Texas, between the The New Year opens in Floy- hours of ten A. M. and four P.M.

fraid to take any chances. And in compliance with law, I There might (that psychologic- give this notice by publication, al feeling) something happen, in the English language, once a But business is going on here week for three consecutive weeks just the same more briskly in immediately preceeding said day most lines than at this time last of sale, in The Floyd County

WITNESS my hand this 6th

A. C. Goen, ward tendency is selling daily Sheriff Floyd County Texas. running when the 1-7-4tc

(Daily except Sunday)

Car Leaves Main Garage, Floydada, 8:30 a.m. Arrives Crosbyton 11:00 a.m. Returning leaves Inn, Crosbyton, 1:30 p. m. Arrive Floydada 4:00 p. m. Rate: \$3.50 one way; \$6.00 Round trip.

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