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REPUBLICANS CALLED TO MEET IN CONVENTION.

Tuesday, May 9th, is Date Set to Select Delegates to District and State Conventions.

A Call to The Republicans of Floyd County:

By direction of our State Chairman, Phil. E. Bear of Paris. Texas, I hereby call a convention of the Republicans of Floyd County to meet at the courthouse in Floydada, at three p. m. Tuesday, May 9th 1916 for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternates to the state convention which is called to meet in the city of Fort Worth Texas, at eleven o'clock on the morning of Tuesday, May 23rd, 1916, for the purpose of electing eight delegates at large and eight alternate delegates at large to attend the Republican National Convention called to meet in the City of Chicago, in the State of Illinois on Wednesday, June 7, 1916.

As it has always been our custom to have a mass meeting of all the Republicans of our county that would come, to meet at the county site. I hope all will come. However, the Terrell Election law provides that each precinct may hold their primaries on Saturday, May 6th and each Precinct is entitled to 1 vote and 1 for every five votes cast for John W. Phillip for Governor in 1914. Also, we are to select delegates and alternates to our congressional convention which meets in Wichita Falls, Saturday, May 13th. And to select a county chairman for the next two years, and any and all other business that may properly come before the convention. The attention of all persons desiring to participate in Republican primaries this year is called to not vote in the other primaries, as well as to be a qualified voter according to the Terrell election law. Hoping to meet you all, I am yours for good government,

J. A. Baker.

W. O. W. Unveiling at Lockney First Sunday in May.

An unvailing at the Lockney Cemetery on the first Sunday in May will be held by the Lockney Camp at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The members of the Floydada Camp have been invited to be present and assist in the ceremonies.

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Impressive Ceremonies at W. T. S. N. Dedication.

The dedication exercises held last Friday at the formal reception of the West Texas State Normal School at Canyon were largely attended from points all over West Texas, and by prominent educators and state officials. The attending ceremonies were highly impressive

The large, beautiful auditorium of the new building was filled to overflowing. The auditorium is said to accomodate eighteen hundred people comfortably. It is one of the most beautiful auditoriums in the state.

Prominent among the people in attendance were the entire Board of Normal School Regents, President Bruce of the Denton Normal School and Evans of the Sau Marcos Normal School.

In the evening Miss Heinrich, of the Metropolitan Opera Co., of New York City, gave a recital which was almost as largely attended as the days' exercises. The Panhandle Press Association and the Panhandle Teachers' Association were honor guests at the recital.

Methodist Conference at Crosbyton May 3rd---4th.

The Methodist Conference of this district is to be held on May third and fourth at Crosbyton. At this meeting Rev. W. M. Lane, pastor of the Methodist Church of Floydada, will discuss "The organized Sunday School," Rev. G. W. Shearer of Tulia, will discuss "Missions in Sunday School," Rev. J. A. Sweeney, of Lockney will talk on "Church extension loan fund day." Rev. M. S. Leveridge will discuss "Pastoral visitation," and Rev. B. W. Wilkins, of Lorenzo has the subject, "Ministeral supply and what is being done to discover those who are called."

No More Stock to be Allowed on Courthouse Yard.

In order that the rank growth of wheat on the courthouse yard might be disposed of to the best advantage the Commissioners Court recently passed an order allowing stock to be grazed on the yard if the animals were secured so that they might not run over town.

Since the desired result has been obtained Judge Thompson stated Wednesday morning that no more stock would be allowed on the yard, this having been lett to his discretion by the court.

Lone Star Gets Pro Rata of Million Dollar Fund.

Having complied with the requirements of the State Educational Board, that 50 cent maintainance tax be levied in each district where funds from the Million Dollar Rural School Appropriation were paid, Lone Star School in the north part of the county last week received $400 which had been granted it.

Lone Star is the last of the schools to receive the funds promised.

Goodnight Citizens Want To Increase School Tax.

Goodnight School District No. 29 will have an election soon for the purpose of determining whether the maintainence tax for schools in that district shall be increased from 20 cents to 50 cents.

The petition signed by the required number of voters, was presented to Judge Thompson the earlier part of this week, who stated that the election would be ordered soon.

Read it in The Hesperian.

VERN NELSON DISTRICT DECLAIMER AT AUSTIN MEETING

Homer McCoy, Arthur Womack, and Leland Dawson Make Good Showing at Lubbock Saturday.

Some fifty Floyd County people attended the District Interscholastic meet at Lubbock last Friday and Saturday. Lubbock won first place in Athletics, while Hale County took three firsts in debate and declamation contests. Vern Nelson, Floyd County's junior boy declaimer won first in his division and will represent the district at Austin at the state meeting.

Lubbock County won first place in track and field events, Floyd County being second. Lockney school did not send her county winners to the district meet. The events, winners, time and distances were as follows:

120-yard low hurdles—Stubbs, first, 16 seconds; 100-yard dash—(a) Showalter, first, 10½ seconds (b) Womack, first, 11 seconds; 1 mile—(a) Goodnight, first, 5 minutes, 39½ seconds, (b) McCoy first, 5 minutes 31½ seconds; 220-yard low hurdle—(a) McCrummen, first, 29 seconds; 440-yard run—(a) Goodnight, first, 50 seconds; 220-yard dash—(a) Goodnight, first, 25½ seconds, (b) Womack 26½ seconds; 880-yard run, Goodnight, first, 3 minutes 48 seconds. pole vault—Stubbs, first, 9 feet; 12-pound shot—Showalter, first, 33 feet; 12 pound hammer—Spikes, first, 82 feet 7 inches; running broad jump—(a) Stubbs, first, 18 feet 4 inches; running high jump—Stubbs, first, 5 feet, 1 inch; 4½ pound discus—Stubbs, first, 78 feet, 10 inches.

Many Visitors from Floyd County at Dedication.

Floyd County teachers and school patrons were well represented at the dedication exercises for West Texas State Normal at Canyon last Friday. Among those who attended from this county were:

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith, Misses Ethel Tubbs, Jessie Green, Julia Collier, Oda Felton, Emma McClesky, Fannie Miller, Blanch Scott, Winnie McLain, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Nall, T. M. Moore, J. M. Bumgardner, wife and family and Warner Rose.

Lockney Branch House Reports Many Ford Sales.

Barker Bros. branch Agency, The Lockney Auto Co., reports a good business the past two weeks. Sales of Fords for the period are given as follows:

A. Noland, T. Z. Reed, Roy Griffith, John Fry, Chas. Turner, Dalt Cockerham, Walter King, Grover Fairy, John White, Watt Griffith, Orlin Starks, J. H. Ratjen, Olin Reagan, N. B. Pace.

Rucker Produce Co. Opening House at Floco.

Barney Ballard left Tuesday morning for Floco (Aiken) where he will have charge of a new produce business, which he is opening for the Rucker Produce Company.

Mr. Ballard is succeeded here by J. R. Maddox, who has charge of the Floydada business of the company.

Buyers After War Horses.

Charley Culp, representing W. L. Cook, horse and mule dealer, of Fort Worth, spent last week in territory adjacent to Floydada buying war horses and mules.

He left Monday after making several purchases.

Mrs. Frank Ross Died After Long Illness.

Mrs. Frank Ross, 38 years of age, wife of Elder Frank Ross, died last Monday morning at 10:30 after an illness of some six weeks of typhoid fever. Mrs. Ross was thought to be recovering but suffered a relapse.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, attended by many friends of the family. Elder Milton V. Showalter conducted the services. Interment was made in Dreamland Cemetery.

The Ross family have resided in Floydada for practically three years, coming here from Petersburg.

This is the second loss in the family within two months. On February the 27th Mrs. Cooley, mother of Mrs. Ross, died and was buried in Floydada. Mrs. Ross became ill shortly after her mother's death.

Besides the husband and two-year old son, Mrs. Ross leaves two sisters and brother, one sister living in Chicago, another in Chillicothe and the brother in Fort Worth.

Center People Enjoy Easter Sunday with Program and Dinner

Last Sunday an Easter Program held at Center in the forenoon was the opening exercise for a very pleasant day, which was spent there by many people of the neighborhood as well as visitors from Floydada and other communities.

In the early afternoon, following a delightful dinner spread on the ground, both young and old joined in an easter egg hunt.

Services were held at 3 o'clock conducted by Rev. W. M. Lane. Singing also formed a part of the afternoon exercises.

"Trip Around the World."

"The trip around the world," conducted last Thursday night from the Methodist Church, by one of the Circles of the Woman's Auxiliary of that church, was patronized quite liberally and proved a pleasant evening's diversion.

The funds derived from the evening's entertainment are to be used by the circle to forward church work now in progress.

Easter Egg Hunts.

A number of the Sunday School organizations enjoyed Easter Egg Hunts Saturday and Sunday. Among the egg hunts Saturday were those of the classes of Miss Annette Newell and Mrs. Emma Robbins, who spent the afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Henry.

Mrs. E. C. Henry and her class spent the day at the Henry farm northwest of town where an egg hunt and other pleasures were furnished.

Yandell Sells 60-Acre Farm for Three Thousand.

A. R. Yandell last week sold his 60-acre farm three miles northwest of Floydada to R. H. Buckingham, the latter paying $50 per acre for the farm, which has a good young orchard and other improvements on it.

Day on Canyon Delightful Outing.

Practically the entire congregation of the Christian Church of Floydada, together with the Union Sunday School at McCoy, spent last Sunday on Blanco Canyon above the Section 12 Crossing, where preaching services were held conducted by Pastor Mathews, and later dinner was served on the ground.

The Easter spirit was observed in the services.

SCHOLASTIC CENSUS REPORT SHOWS 423 INCREASE.

Report Shows 2154 Scholastics in Floyd County for the year of 1916-17.

County Superintendent E P. Thompson has completed this week his report of scholastics to the State Superintendent, made up from the census enumeration in March, which shows a healthy increase in the scholastic population over 1915 16. The increase is 423 scholastics. Every district with one or two exceptions shows a material increase.

The scholastic population, as by districts, given out by Judge Thompson Wednesday is as follows:

District	Scholastics
Floydada Ind. District	468
Lockney Ind. District	456
Irick No. 1.	68
Pleasant Valley No. 2,	38
Muncy No. 3,	28
Pleasant Hill No. 4,	28
Fairview No. 5,	45
Starkey No. 6,	58
Meteor No. 7,	74
Sunset No. 8.	38
Sandhill No. 9,	70
Harmony No. 10,	33
Lakeview No. 11,	86
Fairmont No. 12,	10
Center No. 13,	26
Lone Star No. 14,	59
Cedar No. 15,	45
McCoy No. 16,	51
Roseland No. 17,	52
Maview No. 18,	34
Baker No. 19,	59
Antelope No. 20,	32
Providence No. 21,	38
Blanco No. 22,	10
Allmon No. 23,	34
Liberty No. 24,	34
Bobbitt No. 25.	55
Campbell No. 26,	29
Ramsey No. 27,	18
Hillcrest No. 28,	19
Goodnight No. 29,	30
Weathers No. 31,	29
Total for 1916-17.	2154
Increase over 1915-16.	423

Thrown from Wagon Ligaments of His Arm are Torn.

Harve S. Bolin suffered a painful accident last Friday morning when he was thrown from the rear end of a wagon by a runaway team. The ligaments of his right arm were severely torn at the elbow. The accident occured at the W. D. Zion farm north of Floydada. Mr. Bolin is not hurt otherwise.

More Rainfall

Sixty-seven hundredths of an inch of rain fell at Floydada Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning, followed by misty weather the remainder of Wednesday.

The rain guarantees exceedingly good season right up to late planting time.

Lecture Corps Spend Three Days in Floyd County

The Lecture Corps from the U. S. Agricultural Department spent last Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Floyd County as scheduled, speaking first at Lakeview on Thursday. At Lakeview they were given a hearty reception. a large crowd attending, and dinner was served for all at noon at the school building. At Lockney and Floydada only fairly good crowds were out.

Dr. R. F. Hare, county farm demonstrator, could not be present on account of being busy in the fight against the spread of hog cholera in Hale County.

The corps was headed by Wm. Ganzer, district agent, of Denton.

Commissioners of 1 and 4 Receive Elevator-Grader

Commissioners Jno. W. Howard and Chas. Trowbridge Tuesday received a new elevator grader, after a six mile demonstration of the machine.

Commissioner Howard said Wednesday, that they expected the new machine to save the two precincts some money. "We expect to get a mile of road built with this machine for about half the money we have been expending and also build a better road."

This machine has been used a number of years in Middle Western States, and people from that section living here now are optimistic of the results to be derived from its purchase.

Shipping Cattle to Grass

Today Rentfro & Haley, of Whiteflat, are shipping out of Floydada, 700 heifer yearlings and 150 cows and calves, which they will unload at Tahoka and drive to Terry County for pasturage.

R. A. Haley is shipping 250 head of two-year old steers to White Deer, above Amarillo, to pasture.

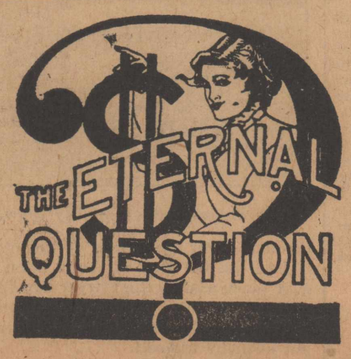
J. A. Seale & Son Buy Griggs Cash Grocery.

J. A. Seale & Son is the firm name of a new firm composed of J. A. Seale and son J. C. Seale, who have bought the Griggs Cash Grocery. Invoicing the stock was completed today, and Messrs Seale will take charge the first of the month.

J. C. Seale will be manager of the business.

Mr. Griggs will likely go to the coast near Port Lavaca between the first and tenth of the month to spend several months, if his present plans do not miscarry.

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The Diamond From the Sky

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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

A feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley, over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, found in a fallen meteor by an ancestor. Also, the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American. When a daughter is born to the colonel and the mother dies, the colonel buys a gypsy boy and substitutes him. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the girl, being reared in secret, and leaves her son undetected as the heir. The gypsy has obtained possession of the diamond from the sky, and a document with the Stanley secret. When Esther is grown a beautiful young girl, Hagar, now gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with her. Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's friend, adopts Esther. Arthur Stanley, son of Hagar, falls in love with Esther, and so does his companion and cousin, Blair Stanley, rightful male heir of Stanley. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor and tries later to put the blame on Arthur, who takes the gem.

Arthur Stanley eludes his pursuers and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. At a ball, at which an adventuress, Vivian Marston, is the guest of honor, Arthur and Blair find the diamond on the visitor. She has borrowed it.

Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, steals the diamond, and to avoid detection drops it into a mail box. Arthur leaves Richmond and goes to the west. The diamond passes into a mail bag, picked up by Quabba, organ grinder. Quabba's monkey steals the diamond. Hagar takes Esther to Stanley hall.

Tom Blake, a detective of Richmond, who is hired by Hagar, produces finger prints convicting Blair. Hagar proposes silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Hagar's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the finger prints, leaving the gypsy demented. The diamond is found by a negro boy and is later stolen from a Chinese den. Hagar is again with Esther among the gypsies. Marmaduke Smythe, lawyer, arrives to announce Arthur is heir to the deceased Earl of Stanley. Learning Arthur is a fugitive he seeks Blair instead. To win Vivian, Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Their train is robbed, Vivian losing the diamond, which a slain train robber drops in the desert. The $100,000 he stole is found by Arthur, now known as John Powell, sheep herder. Vivian deserts Blair, telling him he must regain the diamond for her. Luke Lovell, driven from the camp after learning Hagar's secret, leaves to seek Blair. Hagar is under treatment and Esther is in Richmond society, protege of Mrs. Stanley, who suspects her real name, and of Mrs. Randolph. Abe Bloom, gambler, who knows Blair's guilt, covets the diamond and calls it the price of his secrecy. Blair, at Richmond, instigated by his mother, pays unwelcome court to Esther, Mrs Stanley asserting Vivian had been married before. The diamond is picked up by an Indian woman. Dr. Lee, Arthur learns, died of heart disease. Becoming very rich he buys Stanley hall, sold at auction, through Blake, and also provides for Hagar and has money left secretly in Esther's room. Luke Lovell buys the diamond from the squaw, but loses it in a fight on Santa Barbara bay, the gem sinking. Vivian, desiring aid to ensnare Arthur, sends for Blair.

Esther and Quabba, also Blair, go to the California mines to seek Arthur. Smythe is sent west by Blake. Lovell repairs the coach in which Esther and Smythe ride. Quabba catches a fish with the diamond, but a pelican bears it off.

The coach rolls down the mountain, but Esther and the lawyer escape unhurt. Meanwhile Quabba returns, and he and Esther elude Luke and Blair. Vivian Marston is rescued from drowning by John Powell, who falls in love with her. Smythe finds the diamond.

Blair and Luke intercept a buckboard bearing Esther and Quabba seeking Powell. The driver is shot. Esther and Quabba escape and are joined by Marmaduke Smythe, who gives Esther the diamond to deliver to Arthur. Blair and Luke go to the yacht in Arthur's absence and find Esther with the diamond. To escape them she jumps overboard.

Esther and Quabba escape while Blair and Luke battle. Powell leaves Los Angeles and Esther Santa Barbara, each headed for the mines. Blair meanwhile has joined Vivian in Los Angeles. Durand, "king of diamonds," a crook known to Vivian, goes to a saloon near the mines in hope that he can learn the whereabouts of the diamond. There he meets Luke Lovell. Esther, unknowing the place's character, steps in. A ruffian seizes her, demanding a dance, and in doing so discloses the diamond. Arthur appears on the scene. Esther and he embrace only for a moment. The diamond is lost in a melee. The roof caves in. Under it is Arthur.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

Fire, Fury and Confusion.

WHERE was the diamond from the sky? It was not in the grasp of Frank Durand, erstwhile king of diamonds; it was not clasped in the tigress talons of Kansas Em, the dance hall fury; it was not in Esther's hands, as Quabba, the ever watchful poor Italian, drew her from the maelstrom of the melee ere the roof had fallen on the struggling mob in Pete's Palace.

It was in the first outbreak of Kansas Em's frenzied indignation when, after she had read aloud the prayer in the old locket—a mother's prayer come so strangely to the light after all these years—that the diamond, with its chain, had been knocked from the dance hall amazon's hand after her first screaming outburst in protecting the shrinking Esther, so strangely thrust into this sin stained, sordid saturnalia when she sought her love. Others had gathered there, moved by the spirit of greed, swayed by the desire for the diamond from the sky. Hers was a higher, brighter motive.

Arthur, gasping and wild eyed at sight of Esther, the center of a struggle for the diamond from the sky, had fought to her side and had embraced



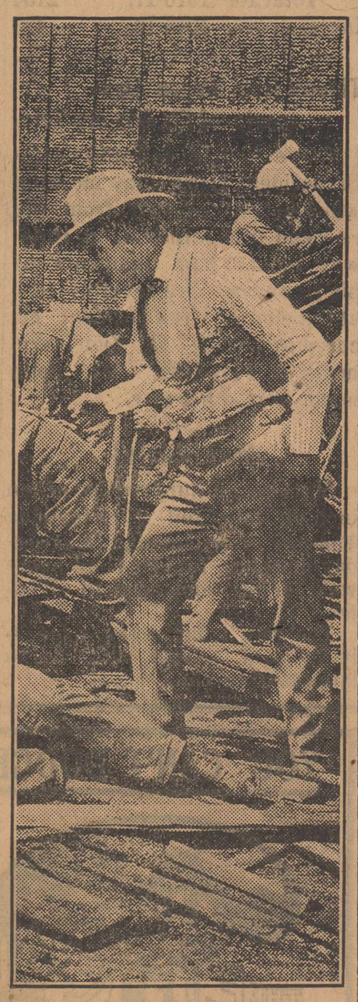
Others Still Fought at One Another's Throats.

her. Then like a mighty wave, the mass of stark mad and heaving humanity had broken upon them and torn them apart. Then it was that Arthur raged like a demon and struck out on all sides and knew no more in his madness, even when the wall gave way and the roof fell upon his unconscious body.

Eddied to the outskirt of the combat, Quabba had plucked Esther from the storm of blows and had led her, dazed, to safety.

When the riot had broken loose Smythe had struck out smartly, hitting every skull in sight. But when the surge of the crowd had borne against the side wall and men and women had turned like beasts to rend and tear each other the lawyer, taking advantage of being near the doorway, had darted out into the night, which seemed to promise safety.

In the excitement and the struggle he had not noted the diamond had been hurled through the air when Luke Lovell, struggling for it like the rest, had struck the arm of Kansas Em, loosening her grasp upon the chain of the locket as she held it high above the



He Struck Luke a Mighty Blow.

throng. Over the heads of the crowd it had flashed and fastened upon the deer horn, and so the lawyer had borne it from the scene of struggle unnoticed by any one in the struggling medley, not even by himself.

Scarcely knowing what he did, the panic stricken lawyer darted into the first haven of safety he encountered. It was a barrel that Pete's bartender had converted into a kennel for a stray puppy which had been given to him that day.

Those who had not been imprisoned or crushed by the falling roof of the dance hall dragged themselves from the debris. Some ran wildly through the muddy streets of the little town crying for help and calling "Fire!" Others plucked at the ruins with torn and bleeding hands, and others still fought desperately at one another's throats.

Such a group as still fought, despite the death and disaster all around them, were Frank Durand, who had come to these wild regions for the diamond, to see it and to lose it, and the bestial Peter Huff, the dance hall man. The two fought madly, still with Luke Lovell. The quick eye of Durand had seen the blow Luke aimed at Kansas Em to gain the diamond. Durand had not seen where the diamond had fallen, but instinctively he had torn through the little knot that fought around him and had struck Luke a mighty blow between the eyes with all his strength and skill, for Durand had been a boxer in his earlier career. But Luke had shaken himself as a dog might do and had closed in quickly on Durand.

Luke was nearly a match for the two, but finally they beat him to his knees and searched him near the barrel where the hiding lawyer lay. Then, with curses of disappointment, Durand and Huff rushed back to the dance hall just as the roof fell, and Luke, staggering to his feet, made off in the darkness, firm now in the belief that the devil himself dwelt in the diamond from the sky, even though a mother's prayer had been all these years hidden behind it.

The lawyer, peering cautiously from his hiding place, hears a clink and clatter against the side of the barrel into which he has crept to hide. In the darkness, and on his hands and knees, he clutches the deer head closer, feels it to ascertain if it has been injured, and his trembling hand closes upon the diamond.

The roof has crushed, maimed and pinioned down a score of men and women who but a moment before murderously sought one another's lives.



"A gypsy woman bereft of reason in faroff Richmond."

Some lie crushed to death's stillness beneath the wreckage. Of these there is one stalwart young man in auto costume. His face, blanched in death or unconsciousness, is cameo-like. It is Arthur Stanley. A great timber is across his chest, and he is crushed and sorely shattered.

"Are you hurt, dearie?" asks Kansas Em, turning to Esther from the sickening sight of the wreckage and the hideous cries which still rise loudly behind them.

Esther is sick and faint. "I am not hurt," she said tremulously, "but where is Arthur? Has he escaped? Is he killed?"

"Was he your friend?" asked Kansas Em. "Why, that's the boss, Mr. John Powell, the millionaire, who has just bought the mines around here. He had just arrived when this broke loose. Is he your friend?"

Esther could have said that the young man known as John Powell was her only friend in all the world, save the poor Italian, Quabba, and a gypsy woman bereft of reason in faroff Richmond. But Esther said no word, but sped to the ruins and fought her way through several groups of men and women, who, coming to their senses, were beginning the work of rescue in the face of the flames that were now bursting out in several places in the wreckage.

The crackling fire shed its light among the ruins and down in such interstices as where Esther thrust herself in search of Arthur. Those who were pinned in the wreckage and were conscious of the added peril of fire screamed and begged for aid and succor.

There was no cry from the pinioned man whom Esther sought and whom she found. As one dead he lay, half covered by the wreckage, but with face unscarred and undisfigured. Already the red edges of fire were creeping near to him. Esther grasped at his shoulders, but the task was beyond her strength until Quabba and their friend, the outcast Kansas Em, joined their efforts with hers. Together they dragged the unconscious man from the burning ruins of the dance hall. Men were arriving with stretchers from the mine, and upon one of these Arthur was placed, and then Esther, her strength and resolution leaving her, feels a deadly numbness come swiftly over her.

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

To Be Near Her Love.

MAMMOTH is a lawless community, and Peter Huff, the den keeper, is one of its most lawless arbiters. But he has the gambler's temperament. The destruction of his gambling hall is the adverse turn of a card to him. The diamond from the sky, since Durand has told him of it, now fills the mind of Peter Huff.

"Joint keeper's luck" he calls it. "Easy come and easy go! In a gamble for a fortune, in a play for a stake worth half a million, I lose a dump worth five thousand. The odds were worth it even to lose!" says Mr. Huff. Then he turns to the late insurgent inmate of his den and says gruffly, "Well, Em, you pulled a fine bone for your boss when you started this scrap over your young lady friend there!"

Here Pete looked keenly into the white face of the fainting Esther. Pete was not altogether lost to the higher humanities. "Why, she's only a kid," he said, "and she's all in. Take her to your place and fix her up. We've sent for the doctor. We'll need the coroner, too—and the undertaker!" he added.

"I am a doctor," said Durand, who had been stooping over Arthur and thrusting aside several of the rough group who had gathered around the stretcher. "There are other people to help besides this one," remarked Durand to these. "Hustle; I'll take care of Mr. Powell."

"You think he'll live?" asked Huff. "Are you really a doctor?"

"He is badly injured internally," replied Durand. "Several ribs are broken and one of his arms. He should be taken to a hospital, as I think an operation is necessary. Yes, I am a doctor. I have a Heidelberg degree to prove it, but you must excuse me if I haven't it with me to clear up your doubts."

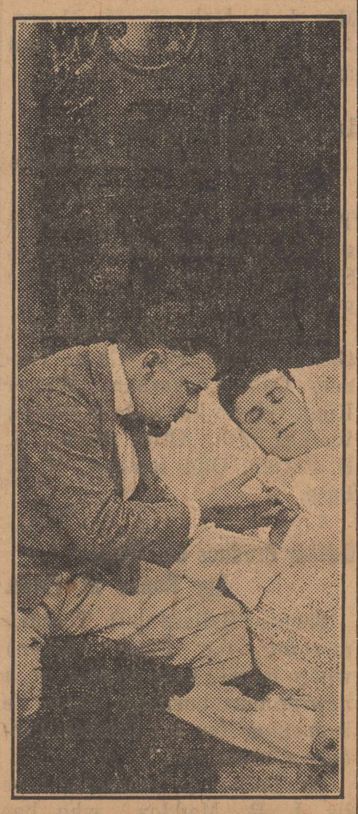
"Oh, don't be sore at me," retorted Mr. Huff. "I don't care whether you're a hoss doctor, a human doctor or no doctor. But as Mr. Powell's death may mean the stopping of these works you use your own judgment as to whether we will try to take care of him here or get him to Los Angeles. You had better attend to him, and I'll stick around here and search everybody, living or dead, and dig in those ruins when they're cool enough for that big stone you say is called the diamond from the sky. Don't worry about me. I'll be on the square."

"Of course you'll be on the square," replied Durand testily. "How could you dispose of it without getting into the penitentiary unless you handed it over to me if you find it? Don't worry about being square with me. Worry about me being square with you!"

And thus, having thoroughly subjugated Peter Huff, Durand turned to minister to the unconscious Arthur again.

It was no idle boast of Durand's that he was a physician and the possessor of a Heidelberg degree. His skill had been marked in his profession, and had he chosen to devote himself to it Durand would have been famous both as a physician and a surgeon. Mixed in several scandals, he had been forced to fly from New York, Paris and Vienna. But of recent years he had wholly abandoned the dealing in illicit drugs for the more exciting and desperate profession of international gem crook, sensational success in this line having secured for him the pseudonym of "the king of diamonds."

Arthur was badly injured, how badly Durand had surmised at his first superficial examination. But Durand had also surmised that his patient's youth and strong constitution would enable him to stand a hurried journey to Los Angeles ere the reaction from shock set in. Then, too, a daring scheme was already formulating in



Durand Ministered to the Unconscious Arthur.

Durand's mind. Arthur, crushed and helpless—John Powell, the millionaire, as Durand knew him—was wholly at his mercy. Surely when John Powell recovered strength and consciousness common gratitude would impel him to retain the services of the physician who had saved his life by hastening with his shattered form from the wilderness to the care and convenience of the city.

Besides this, Durand remembered Vivian speaking of Blair Stanley and the strange regard and fondness the now injured man had always held for his cousin, for Vivian had informed Durand and her other former associate, De Vaux, that Arthur and Blair were cousins, though she had deemed it best to keep the secret of Arthur being other than John Powell, as he was known in the west.

Hastily, but skillfully, improvising an ambulance by the aid of the stretcher and John Powell's high powered roadster and taking with him a mechanic



A Secret Spring Was Touched In the Breast of Kansas Em.

to aid him in running and caring for the great car, Durand departed from Mammoth with his still unconscious patient swathed in blankets.

When Esther had recovered herself the improvised automobile ambulance was gone. Esther knew nothing of Durand save what Peter Huff could tell her in answer to her frantic inquiries. "He's a doctor, kid. That's all I know," Mr. Huff had replied. "He's a big doctor, too, and an old friend of your friend, Mr. Powell. At least, he's a friend of friends of his. You ought to be thankful. Doc Durand told me Mr. Powell wouldn't have a chance for his life unless he was taken to a hospital at once and operated on."

There were tears in Kansas Em's worldly wise eyes at Esther's sorrow and distress.

"If you're not satisfied you go follow them," Em whispered. "Have you any money, pet?"

"Yes, thank you," murmured Esther, "I have quite enough money. I will have Quabba here get our horses from the stable, and we will ride to the station and take the first train to Los Angeles."

"You will think sometimes of me, won't you?" asked Kansas Em huskily. "Here is the prayer from the locket. Did you know that it was in it?"

"No," said Esther. "I don't think any one knew it. There seemed to be a concealed secret spring that was touched."

A secret spring was touched in the sinful breast of Kansas Em. "Your mother put it there when you were a baby," she murmured. "I knew it. I felt it. There is a faint perfume like lavender about it. A mother's prayer!" She sobbed as she took the paper from her bosom, where she had thrust it when the fight had begun in the dance hall.

"Even a sinner like I am is made the better by it," continued Em. "And will you pray for me?"

"Always," said Esther brokenly as she took the crumpled paper, with its faint, vague, old time perfume. Then Esther put her arms around the outcast older woman and kissed her in token of pity and gratitude.

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But the diamond from the sky? Of all the world Marmaduke Smythe is unmoved by its powers for good or ill. Whether it be baleful to those who have no claim or right to it or whether it be truly a charm against harm for Stanleys of the blood means and matters nothing to Marmaduke Smythe. He feels it his duty to surrender it to the Stanley heir, but meanwhile it is a responsibility he does not deem devolves upon him. He will be rid of it.

He halts by a signpost that reads, "Twenty Miles to Mammoth." He mops his brow and thinks, and, truly, it's a long, long twenty miles that he has come, bearing with him by its shawl strap handle the deer head that he bought at the auction at Stanley hall. Personally the deer head is far more to Marmaduke Smythe than the diamond from the sky.

Some thirty feet from the road, in a straight line with the signpost, is a great live oak tree. In its trunk a hole is hollowed. Smythe hides the diamond in this hole and makes a careful memorandum of the hiding place and nearby landmarks and his paced measurement to the road and signboard. Then he goes his way.

His way leads him to where two children—Toodles and Polly—come toddling down the road with their dolls and playthings. A glass of milk would refresh him, Smythe thinks. The children indicate their dooryard to the gaunt but kindly stranger, and there Smythe makes his way and is regaled with milk and bread and butter and honey by the rancher's kindly wife, the mother of Toodles and Polly, the little children.

The children go down the road to play "house," as is their custom, beneath the live oak. Toodles finds the gleaming bauble. She is a girl child. She knows it is a necklace, and with cries of appreciation and [illegible] seizes it and hangs it around Polly's neck. Immediately her little sister Polly demands it, nay, even grasps it. A slap, a scream, and Toodles jerks away the necklace and walks indignantly away, with both her doll and her treasure trove, while little Polly patters down the road to run home and tell mamma.

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At the ruins of his dance hall Peter Huff watches the diggers with a keen glance that never wavers. The dead that are brought from the charred debris are nothing to Peter Huff. He has them searched, as he had the living and the wounded searched in his frantic endeavors to find the diamond.

A little, old, squat built workman arouses the suspicion of Peter Huff, for the little old workman has furtively picked up and secreted some shining object. Forced to disgorge, the workman shows a still warm silver dollar. With a bitter curse of disappointment and anger, Pete smashes the little old digger in the face and knocks him sprawling. The old fellow picks himself up. "You think I had the diamond that was lost last night, eh?" he asked. "Well, I'll tell you, since you've been so handy with your fists. One of the boys says he's seen that stranger with the side whiskers running out in that direction with the diamond when the fight broke loose."

There is such an air of sincerity about the fellow's words that Peter Huff feels a gambler's "hunch." He rushes from the work at the promptings of the hunch and commandeers the cheap, old automobile of a friend and with his friends goes in pursuit of the fugitive stranger with the side whiskers. So remarkable a figure as Smythe, not to mention the impedimenta of the deer's head, has left a blazed trail. Twenty-one miles from Mammoth Smythe is overtaken and held up at the pistol's point. The diamond is not on his person, but Pete and his pal find the memorandum of its hiding place.

Back to the oak tree they bear the protesting Smythe, but the diamond is gone again.

Pete and his pal part from the lawyer with curses and return to Mammoth. They pass Toodles, aged four, crying from a bee sting. Then Toodles runs, crying, home to mother, as little Polly did before her. The diamond has been cast aside and forgotten by Toodles, who had been engrossed with it as she crossed the bee yard, till, trespassing too near a swarming hive, she had been stung. The diamond, dropped by the scampering child in pain, lies on the alighting board of the beehive while the workers of the hive push out the drones and sting them to death against the bauble at the doorway.

In Los Angeles the newspapers spread stories of the dramatic first homecoming to his great mansion, shattered, insensible, more dead than alive, of John Powell, the young oil and mining magnate. The papers speak feelingly of the skill and untiring attention of the celebrated physician, Dr. Durand, and of the care and attention of friends and relatives of the injured man, including a favorite cousin, Blair Stanley of Virginia, who has recently arrived and will take complete charge of Mr. Powell's affairs, say the newspapers.

The papers also mention briefly that a pretty and agitated young woman called to inquire as to Mr. Powell's



Smythe Is Overtaken and Held Up.

condition, but refused to give her name to the servant, who informed her that no one could be admitted to Mr. Powell's bedside except Dr. Durand and the nurse in charge, Miss Marston.

So Arthur Stanley lies helpless at the hands of hatred while Esther of the loving heart is barred out at his door—and the diamond from the sky is buzzed about by bees who perhaps whisper of it to their sovereign, for it is, indeed, a jewel for a queen.

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The Carnation Club.

The Carnation Club met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Donaldson. Eight tables were arranged for the games of rook. "Violets, sweet spring violets" (hand painted) were the April greetings on the score cards During the games delicious lavender and white divinity was served. At the close it was found that there was a tie between Mrs. Buckingham and Mrs. Cannaday for high score.

Refreshments were then served, consisting of sandwiches elaborately tied with lavender ribbon, creole salad, coffee cake, stuffed apples served in grape juice, and ice tea. On each plate real violets were found, and th napkins carried out the violet design.

The following were the guests present: Mesdames Jenkins, Farris, Cox, Underwood, Borum, Harmon, Louis, Darsey, Smith, Andrews, Truett, Smith, Pitts, Buckingham, Savage, Greene, Lider, Starks, Colville, McClesky, McMillan, Cannaday and Ross, and Misses King, Colville, Ivey, Henderson, McClesky, Mathews, Burns, Mann, Irick and Moorhouse.

The Club will meet with Mrs. Jenkins, Thursday afternoon, April 27. A Guest.

Premonition.

The Colonel—So the bank refused to cash that check I gave you, Rastus?

Rastus—Yessah. Dat cashier man dun hav po'tively de most seeable mind Ah ebah saw, sah.

The Colonel—How's that?

Rastus—Yessah. Jes' as soon as Ah dun tell him whose check Ah had he said it wuz no good eben befo' he dun look at it, sah. —New York Globe.

Bring us any advertised price from anywhere. We meet all competition all the time.
2tc. White Sells for Less

MONEY—Now is your chance to get cheap money. I make farm loans at 8½ per cent net to borrower. Will Maxwell. 4tc

Blaze at Movie Cafe on West Side Causes Scare.

At three o'clock Saturday night L. M. Flanary and party who were returning from a trip out of town found an incipient fire in the front end of the Movie Cafe, which was extinguished before over $250 dollars damage had been done. The fire apparently originated in the cigar stand at the front of the building. The plate glass front was destroyed by the fire and the wall and floor were damaged considerably. The building belongs to J. D. Starks and the contents are the property of W. E. Pack.

Remember, our sale is on all the time; we meet all competition all the time, "then some."
2tc. White Sells for Less.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Steen returned Sunday from Amarillo, where they had been since Thursday attending the annual meeting of the Panhandle Press Association.

White Billows Flour

"It's not the Price you pay, but the Flour you buy," that makes peace in the family. Always call for White Billows for best results. *You don't have to pay more.*

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The Farm Seed Question of the Southwest.

GOOD SEED:—Good seed insures from 10 to 25 per cent better crops than the common seed now being planted over the Southwest. Good seed has as much to do towards the production of maximum crops as the right kind of cultural methods. The increase in yield coming from the use of the right kind of seed on one acre alone of the adapted row crops of the Southwest will pay for all of the good seed required to plant the entire acreage of this crop on the average farm.

The fanning mill or grain grader will do much towards improving the quality of field seeds The growing of seed in a special seed patch, as well as field selection, is to be strongly recommended, also acclimated seeds are usually better than those brought in from a distance.

AMOUNT OF SEED TO PLANT:—In sections of limited rainfall, crops should be planted for dry years, every year, and not for the wet or good years. Those that have been planted thin enough to lent stand if a good year comes instead. More "stooling" or suckering" comes during good years than during dry years. Crops planted thick for good years require more moisture than is available during dry years and therefore do not make any seed.

One pound of kafir, milo, or feterita seed is sufficient to plant an acre. Single plants of these crops that are from twenty to thirty inches apart in the rows are close enough. Five bushels of cotton seed is enough to plant twelve acres. Cotton stalks are close enough when they are from ten to fourteen inches apart in the row. One bushel of good oats and thirty pounds of good winter wheat is sufficient for an acre on well prepared land. Two pounps of sudan grass seed planted in rows, thirty-six inches apart for cultivation, or twelve to fifteen pounds sown broadcast with grain drill is the amount required for an acre.

TIME TO PLANT—For limited rainfall conditions, it is not advisable to plant all of any crop at one time. Part of each crop should be planted early, part late, and part in between. It does not pay however, to plant any spring crop until the ground is warm enough. It is better to spend a little extra time getting the ground in good condition rather than plant too early and get a stunted growth. Many successful farmers of the Southwest plan on killing one weed crop before planting time in spring.

It is usually best to plant corn first, kafir second, milo third and feterita fourth. Cotton, milo and Sudan grass, all require planting about the same time.

H. M. Bainer,
Agricultural Demonstrator
Santa Fe System.

Drove Over Fire Hose.

Amarillo. April 25.—Time's money. This time it was $25. A prominent citizen who was in a hurry, didn't want to drive around the block, so he drove over the fire hose, while the fire activities were in session at Turner's feed barn, 3rd and Pierce streets. Tuesday afternoon Bill Durkee trailed him down. He was arrested, arraigned and relieved of $25, down in Justice Derden's court.

For house-cleaning see Will McNeely. 4tp.

Sid Johnson, of Dardanelle, Ark., arrived in Floydada last week and will begin work with the City Bakery the first of May.

For Sale.

2 Durham, 1 Jersey and 1 Hereford milk cows, fresh, price right. Dr. Morris, 3 miles North of Floydada. tf

A "42" Club Organized.

The plans of several months were carried out Tuesday night when a "42" and "84" Club was organized at Mrs. Donaldson's. The officers elected were Mrs. Dr. Massey, President; Mrs. Donaldson, Vice-president; Miss Moorhouse, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. Underwood. Assistant Secretary and Treasurer. The club consists of a membership of thirty-two—husbands admitted, and "old bachelors" visitors.

After twelve games of 42 it was found that Henderson held high score with Dr. Massey as a close second. The score cards were made in shape of dominoes.

Delicious refreshments of marshmallow salad, cake and grape juice were served.

The guests present were: Dr. and Mrs. Massey, Mr. and Mrs. McCleskey, Mrs. Rittenhouse. Mr. and Mrs. Buckingham, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. Underwood; Misses Ivey, Henderson and Moorhouse; and Messrs. Dr. Hicks, Barker and Edwards.

The Club will meet with Mrs. Buckingham Thursday evening April 27. Secretary.

Floyd County People Attend Normal Dedication Exercises.

Many former students of West Texas State Normal School and a number of teachers and patrons of Floyd County schools attended the dedication exercises in Canyon last Friday for the new building which is undergoing the last stages of completion.

We sell only for cash. That is why White Sells for Less. 2tc

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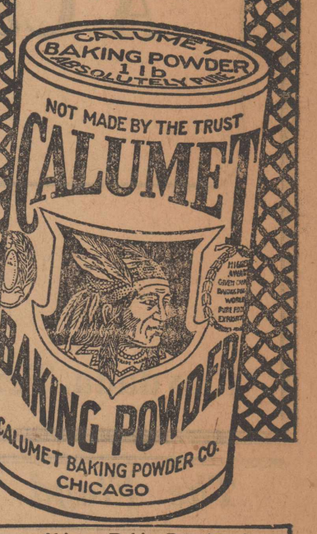
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Received Highest Awards.

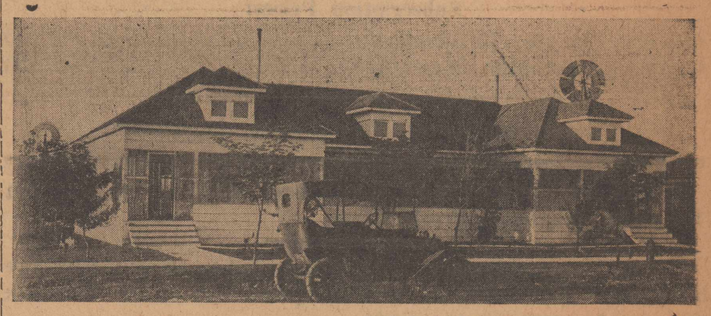
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Cheap and big can Baking Powders do not save you money. Calumet does—it's Pure and far superior to sour milk and soda.

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says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: "Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 35 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill.

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REMOVAL NOTICE!

We are moving this week to our new store south of the First National Bank and we want our trade to know that we appreciate the business they have given us in the past and hope to have a continuation of same in the future. Our stock is more complete now than ever before; having anything in Hardware you generally find anywhere.

We also have a complete line of Furniture such as,

Beds, Rockers,
Duo-folds, Dressers,
Chiffoniers, Chairs,
Dining Tables, Rugs,
Linoleums, Etc.,

And Our Prices are such that You will Buy.

Until our stock is exhausted we are making the following prices on the new Perfection Oil Stoves:

New Perfection Oil Stoves No. 34--4 Burner with Oven . $11.00

New Perfection Oil Range with Fireless Cooker Oven No. 47 $20.00

Nails by the keg . . . $3.50

These Prices are for Cash.

You will find them to be a saving to you just like various other bargains we have in store for you. Our aim is to give each and every customer a square deal and to give as much for every Dollar as we can and have a little left for our selves, so don't forget us if it's Hardware, Furniture or Implements.

A Car of Buggies Coming. If in the market wait till they come. Our Prices will be right.

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Saturday of next week vote to increase the road tax if you live in Commissioners Precinct One.

Roads are necessary. If they are good an asset; if bad, we have to use them anyhow. Vote for the increase in the road tax rate, and help improve the roads.

The financial statement of the City of Lockney was issued last week; such a statement has also been promised bv Mayor Montgomery for Floydada to be issued in July after the close of the fiscal year June 30th

Have you taken advantage of the opportunity offered by the city government to keep your premises cleaned of all uncombustible rubbish? Old tin cans and glass are altogether useless; they are also unsightly.

The city has made the disposal of unsightly cans, glass, etc., easy. Notify the scavenger who will haul your rubbish free of charge on Mondays of each week. If you do this there'll be less rubbish in the streets and alleys.

You'll also render a great help in preventing sickness. Have the cans hauled away and burn the rubbish now.

There are times when one person may well excuse other persons who do not take interest in things which the first may consider quite necessary for the good of the town or country, for our ideas are divergent; one carries on certain enterprises, another another and so on.

The possibility that hog cholera may be introduced into Floyd County and infect the soil over the entire county, however, is a thing in which it will be difficult to excuse lack of interest The hog raising industry is one in which we are all deeply interested. The hog industry is making Floyd County too much money; the source of our revenue is threatened if not actually in danger. Hog cholera is all around us; carlessness introduced it into Lubbock and Hale County; it has cropped out in places in every county, save two, about us. It can be prevented from getting a hold in Floyd County by the exercise of good judgement, and it must be done.

Hog cholera means no good in the scheme of things. Anything we can do to prevent cholera in Floyd County is not too much to do.

The World is not much interested in the storms you encounter at sea—The question is: Did you bring the ship into port?—Anon.

A. B. Muncy, of Plainview, was in Floydada Monday transacting business.

Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1916.

For District Attorney, 64th Judicial District:
AUSTIN C. HATCHELL.
GEO. L. MAYFIELD.
KENNETH BAIN.

For Co. and Dist. Dierk.
TOM W. DEEN.

For County Judge:
E. P. THOMPSON

For County Attorney:
C. K. HOLLOWAY.

For Treasurer Floyd County:
MRS. ADDIE THAGARD.

For Tax Assessor:
FRED A. GRIFFITH.
A. A. WHYTE.
ROBT. E. JONES.
T. F. CASEY.
B. C. WILLIS.

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

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1
W. E. SMITH.
G. D. FRENCH.
V. F. HODGE.

For Commissioner Pre No. 4
W. F. WEATHERBEE.
J. H. TACKETT.

For Public Weigher Precincts, No, 3 and 4:
W. M. COLVILLE.
S. B. MCCLESKEY.

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



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May be a good one but it's impossible to do good work on any kind of a machine unless you have a good ribbon.

We have the ribbons for your machine. No need for you to do without or go to the trouble to order one by mail. The simplest thing you know,--telephone No. 8, and begin removing the old ribbon. The boy'll be there with the new one right away.

Don't forget to save yourself time and trouble.

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Floydada, -:- Telephone No. 8, -:- Texas.



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Special Saturday Train. Load Saturday morning and unload in Wichita 3 P. M. Sunday.

A Hatchett Wins First Blue Bird Dinner Set.

A. Hatchett held the number which won the first Blue Bird dinner set given away Saturday afternoon at four o'clock by the Floydada Drug Company.

The number was 4780 and Mr, Hatchett held the number nearest to this number of the persons in the store at the time.

Miss Mollie Crum Spirella Corsetiere and dressmaker. West side town. Phone 141. 4tp.

J. A. Noble and wife of Cone, were in Floydada Monday, while Mr. Noble transacted business.

It costs money for large display ads. Come and we will prove that
2tc White Sells for Less.

Miss Ethel Haag, who has been teaching the Campbell School east of Floydada, left Tuesday morning to return to her home at Jacksboro. Miss Haag if a niece of Mrs. Ellie Owen.

Nice country lard, at Duncan's. 2tc.

H. J. Willis and family spent last Sunday at Petersburg, the guests of W. E. Snyder and family.

At the Christian Chntch.

We will all remember the 1916 "Easter." It was a day full of enjoyment spent on the canyon, 8 miles southeast of town. Next Sunday should be just as full for us at home. If we expect to do things for the Master's cause, we must do all the time.

Don't forget—
Sunday School at 9:45.
Communion.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Come and hear the new piano. Our meeting conducted by Ernest C. Mobley of Amarillo, will begin the first Sunday in June. Will use the Tabernacle if necessary. J. F. Mathews, Pastor.

Dwarf Maize, Standard Kafir, Feterita, Sorghum, and German Millet Seed, at Duncan's 2tc

For Sale.

Lots, in city of Floydada, Price $50. Good terms.
3tc. R. O. Fields & Co.

Julian M. Bassett and wife of Crosbyton, were in Floydada Tuesday and Wednesday.

See those $12.50, $15 and $18.50 suits at Glad's. 1tc.

The Famous Wichita, Kansas, Triple "B" Stock Salt for sale in Floydada only at Duncan Grocery. 2tc.

oy Mixtures.

Everything is doing well in our community at this writing. Farmers are all busy, a great many have quit breaking sod until a rain, but the fields are in fine shape for planting. Some have planted sod with maize which is coming up. Alfalfa and wheat are both spreading and doing well.

J. A. Moore of Floydada was buying a few beeves in this community last Thursday.

W. E. Smith and family motored to Lockney the latter part of last week.

A. L. Hurst was seen in Floydada last Saturday.

G. W. Phipps was in town Saturday on business.

R. B. Caldwell was in Floyd last Saturday with maize.

W. E. and W. V. Smith and Will Jackson attended lodge at town Saturday night.

Messrs. Martin and Martin of Petersburg visited A. L. Hurst and family Sunday.

The picnic on the Canyon near here was well attended Sunday. There was a misunderstanding as to where tc meet and the picnic was somewhat divided, but there was dinner for all.

Singing was held in the school house Sunday and a large crowd attended. New gas lights have been installed in the school house and are a great benefit to the public.

A party consisting of Coleman McSpadden, wife and sister are visiting in Plainview this week.

Charley Payne was in Floydada the middle of this week on business.

STUPID.

For Sale or Trade.

Thrasher and Engine good shape. Bargain at $1000, will take in stock.
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J. C. Hubbard spent Easter Sunday and Saturday before in Amarillo with friends.

Never before has the clothing business been better at Glad's. 1tc.

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If you do, we have what you want.

They fulfill every requirement, even as to price, because we give you the smartest young men's garments, fully equal to those usually selling for more.

We now have the cool clothes---the Palm Beach, the Serges and Wool mixtures ranging in price from.

$6.50 TO $25.00

Mathis-Martin D. G. Co.

"The Store With The Goods."

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

S. L. Rushing and family, of Plainview, were in Floydada several days the past week visiting with friends.

J. H. Green has bought an Overland auto through the J. D. Starks Agency.

Revenue Officer on Visit.

Floydada and other South Plains points were visited this week by an officer of the Internal Revenue Department, inspecting under the Federal Income Tax Law effective since October of 1914.

3 good lines of garden seeds, at Duncan's. 2tc

Life Insurance.

We have the best Policy out, old line Company. $1000 only $8.60 per year.
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W. H. Gilliland, of Chillicothe, has been spending the past several days in Floydada. Mr. Gilliland will probably locate here and enter business.

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Gettysburg, S. D., April 17.—James Higginbotham is crazy again. He was committed to the Yankton asylum today. Apparently well educated. James says he realizes his condition and that he gets that way every 4 years. Presidential election year is to blame. Records substantiate him.

A Stray

One sorrel 3 yr. old filley came to my place 1½ miles south of town about fifteen days ago. Branded N on left thigh. Owner may have same by paying for this ad and trouble for caring for her while at my place.

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INDIA'S MASS MOVEMENT TOWARD CHRISTIANTY

Missionaries Report Nothing Equals it in History of Christian Religion.

India's recent mass movement toward Christianity constitute in many respects the most remarkable chapter in the history of modern missions. Indeed it is doubtful if even in the pentecostal days of the early church, if there was anything equal to it in magnitude. Vast multitudes in groups of hundreds and thousands, by families and communities and villiages, are turning to Christianity and asking for baptism—far beyond the powers of the limited force of missionaries to instruct and prepare them for church membership. Rev. A. E. Cook, for twenty-odd years a Methodist missionary in India, now in the United States on furlough, tells something of the wonderful story:

"The baptism of from one hundred to five hundred people in one day in one town is becoming so common in India that it is no greater wonder to the missionary in these days than the baptism of a whole family when I first went to India, in 1892. In those days the baptism of one individual was a matter of great rejoicing. The last year I was in India I baptized over one thousand and had sixteen hundred inquirers asking for baptism, but whom we could not receive, as we already had more than we could well instruct. Messengers were coming from various villiages asking us again and again to come to their villages and make all their people Christians, but again and again we had to refuse. It was more than we could do. The Methodist Episcopal Church could baptize one hundred and fifty thousand people this year if they had enough suitable instructors to look after the converts.

"There is nothing to equal it in the history of the Christian religion. Few, if any, even among the leaders of our church, seem to realize what it all means."

Chicago People Buy Large Body of Land to Colonize

Seminole, Gaines Co., Texas, Mar. 31.—Within the last thirty days approximately $1.500,000 has been expended for 267 sections of land in Gaines. Terry and Yoakum Counties. These lands were selected over a radius of ten to fifteen miles wide by forty miles long on the northern part of Gaines and the southern part of Terry and Yoakum counties. Conveyances were made to Thomas C. Spearman as trustee and the purchases were negotiated by Harry T. McGee.

The lands will be used as a colonization project by Chicago people. One hundred and seventy sections of this land is in Gaines, sixty sections in Terry and thirty-seven sections in Yoakum county, making a total of about 170,880 acres and if sub-divided into 160-acre farm tracts would furnish 1.060 stock farms and leave margins sufficient for roadways.

Adapting Him.

The manager of a small department store in the West sought out one of the proprietors, saying:

"I can't do a thing with Jones, the new salesman. I have had him in three departments and he dozes all day long."

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MONEY—Making farm loans with James Brown saves the agent's commission. He also buys Vendor's lien notes. Office with Banana Land and Loan Co. tf.

THINNING FRUIT ON PEACH AND APPLE TREES.

By W. B. Lanham, Horticulturist, Extension Service A. & M. College of Texas.

One of the reasons fruit trees fail to bear regularly, is because they are allowed to over bear. All the food and vitality of the trees are used up in trying to mature a very large crop of fruit. The result is, the fruit buds for the next year are not well nourished and are easily killed by any unfavorable conditions.

When a tree has set more fruit than it should bear, a portion should be taken off. If it is properly thinned, not only will there be as much bushels of fruit as if it were all left, but the peaches will be large, more highly colored and consequently bring more dollars.

Peaches should be thinned as soon as danger to fruit is over. Be sure and thin before the seed becomes hard. It is the formation of seed and not the flesh of the peach (which is nearly all water) that takes the vitality of the tree. Leave the little peaches six to eight inches apart on the limb and, of course, leave the most perfect specimens. This is a good opportunity to harvest the culls.

Apples bear their fruit in clusters on short dwarfed branches called "fruit spurs" The apples should be thinned to one fruit on a spur, leaving of course the most perfect specimen. Fruit is set on the spurs every other year, so all the apples should be removed from a portion of the spurs, so that they may ripen up fruit buds for next year. As in the case with peaches, the fruit should be left about six to eight inches apart. This thinning is usually done just after what is known as "the June drop"

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Bibles Getting Higher.

New York, April 17.—The price of bibles has increased and probably will advance still further because of the war. Statements issued by the religious publication societies show that the expense of publishing prayer books, hymnals and other religious volumes is so much larger than heretofore that buyers have been obliged to pay nearly double the prices of last year. This is due mainly to the advance in the cost of paper, ink, leather and glue.

The American Bible Society announces that the stock of Bibles in European languages imported from Germany prior to the beginning of the war is now approaching exhaustion and the society does not know when it can be replaced.

The Methodist Book Concern says its bills for white paper will increase this year $130,000 and the cost of other material $20,000.

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Wage and Rate Making.

The public can not strike; yet in the pending controversy between all the American railroads and their train service employes, the American public, the real first party in interest, has no direct voice There are immensities of Federal and state laws and regulations, controlling railroad rates for service; but none to regulates the operating cost. wages included

The following editorial from the New York Mail is to the point:

'It seems to us that the railroad wage controversy is another example of government inefficiency and overbalance in one direction, and that the controversy is one sided. When the railroads seek to increase their return for service in order to meet the higher cost of wages and materials, the Interstate Commerce Commission sits for months taking testimony most of which is from shippers and against the increase. The decision of the commission is made after careful calculation and digestion of many angled evidence, concerning the ability or the economic consequences of taxing the man who pays the freight a little more in order that the transportation industry thrive and the millions who live by it, directly or indirectly, obtain steady work and fair wages.

Why should not this sort of investigation obtain when wages are in dispute? There ought to be some scientific effort made in the one instance as in the other to arrive at a fair conclusion and not one based on political exigencies or the inevitable dissolution of a well defined program into a feeble and temporizing compromise"

The Staked Plains of Texas and New Mexico without railroads, would still be in grass today, at best supporting fifty head of cattle to the square mile. Real development is just getting fairly under way. Every man, woman, and child is directly interested in the welfare of the means of transportation and its influence on Development Shall this be hampered by higher rates or curtailed service? The public has a right to be heard

A. M. Hove.

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The Yellow Leaf.

My step is feeble now and slow, that once was bold; my hair, once dark, is like the snow and my feet are cold; my legs are thin, my waist is fat, I have an ache in every slat, I cannot run or skin the cat, I am waxing old. I look around with gloomy eyes, at the growing lads: I like to sit and moralize with the ancient dads, and tell how boys of other days were better than the modern jays, of higher aims and nobler ways, shunning foolish fads. "With such a bunch of skates on deck," sadly I lament, "this poor old world will go to wreck, I stake a cent;" the graybeards all agree I'm right, and say the country's in a plight, with all these giddy youths in sight, on pleasure bent. There is, alas, no surer sign that I'm out of date, than are these mournful words of mine, which I here relate; for when a man talks bunk at last, compares the present with the past, and finds degeneration vast, he should pull his freight.—Walt Mason.

His Unyielding Attitude.

"A man has gotter be firm wid women, if he 'spects to be de head of his own household!" stated Brother Clank, a skimpy little hornet of a man. "Dey's all alike, sah! You gotter be firm, or dey'll ride you a bug huntin wid der notions. Tudder day me and muh wife done had a little 'spute 'bout a po'tion of de Scriptures, and she not only lost de ahgyment but picked up a skillit and slapped me down wid it. I riz in my dignitude and dived headfo'most under de bed, and de whack she gimme on my posterity smacked me so fur dat muh head popped agin de fall at de back side. Dat wus dess as good a thing as I wanted sah, uh-kase by de time she had got me by de britches and wus uh-pullin' like a yoke o' steers I done had my claws socked into a crack in de flo' an' was in de finest kind o' shape to frusticate her 'deavors.

"'Come on out'n dar, you coward,' she yelled. 'Come on out twell I bust yo' open wid dis skillet!'

"'Maddum,' says I, dess like dat. 'Maddum, yo' kin pull at me and whack me twell yo' gets plumb white in de face, but yo' kain't break muh manly sperrit!

"An I didn't, neder! Aw, yo' gotter be firm wid 'em, sah; firm as a rock."—Judge.

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Testing Him.

Mrs. Just Wed—And would you really do anything for me, Jack?

Justwed—Darling, I swear it!

Mrs. Justwed—Then would you please let my brother Bob, the surgeon, operate on you for something? He's just starting in, you know.—Life.

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Building for Permanancy.

Rufus J. Nelson in Farm and Ranch.

On the continent of Europe nearly all buildings, whether homes or otherwise, are of stone or brick. In older sections of this country much building has been done with brick and stone. Houses of wood are common, but even they have been built of durable timber in the most substantial manner possible, and many of them, still in splendid condition, are more than a century old.

But in Europe and in our own East people seem to have realized long ago that they were in their final dwelling place, that their children would probably live there after them, and that they might as well provide the home, and other homestead improvements with that basic idea in mind.

We people of the Southwest, on the other hand, have acted as if we expected to stay here but a little while and then move on. Our lands have been farmed as if we would need them only a few years. We have built our houses, barns and public highways, as for temporary occupancy. Too much of our road and bridge building has been to meet immediate emergenies.

Isn't it about time we decided to settle down? Might we not let ourselves be convinced that there is no better place in the world for us than where we are? Why go on, even down to old age, seeking the perfect homeland.

If this is to be our home, and our children's home, let us build for old age and for them and theirs. Let us build our houses, our barns, our fences, our bridges, our roads for permanency—to last, with simple repairs and reasonable care, a hundred years or more. Where we can let us build with stone, and brick, and concrete and steel. Where we must use timber let it be of the highest quality possible, always well preserved with paint. Let all construction be of a solid, lasting character, and let us get rid of our built-for-temporary-occupancy spirit and appearance.

Automobile repairs and accessories at the Main Garage. We want your work, H. O. Pope. tf.

LOST—Between Floydada and Plainview, two children's hats in flour sack. Finder please return to Post office. Floydada. 1tc

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Frank Sims, of Canyon, Randall County, who has for the past five years been in charge of the Randall County roadwork was in Floydada the first of the week demonstrating the new road grader, which precinct One and Four have purchased provisionally upon its doing the things claimed for it by the manufacturers. Mr. Sims' home county is using the same kind of grader.

Cream Separator, almost new for sale. See C. J. Menefee. tf

Call at Eubanks Restaurant and get a fresh loaf of Plainview Bread. tfc.

For accordian pleating up to 48 inches in depth see Mrs. W. H. Hilton for the next two weeks. 2tc.

C. H. Featherston and family returned the latter part of last week from Comanche County where they spent several weeks on a vacation and visit with relatives and friends.

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The Mule as a Boy Sees It.

Being told to write a brief essay on "The Mule," Ralph turned in to his teacher the following effort:

The mewl is a hardier bird than the guse or the turkie. It has two legs to walk with, two more to kick with, and wears its wings on the side of its head. It is stubbornly backward about coming forward.

FLOYD McDONALD

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Mares left in my care will receive personal attention, and care taken to prevent accidents or escape but not responsible should either occur.

W. M. COLVILLE

Floydada, :-: Texas.

PRICE-FOSTER

Chaplin Sues to Protect His Fame.

New York, April 20.—Charles Chaplin, the millionaire movie actor, has gone to law to protect his highly valuable reputation as a comedian. He has started the first suit ever filed because a picture is not funny enough.

Chaplin has brought suit against the Essanay Film Manufacturing Company, his former employers, and the Vitagragh-Lubin-Selig-Essanay, Inc., for permanent injunction against the distribution of the motion picture known as "Charlie Chaplin's Burlesque on Carmen." The action is in the Supreme Court of New York.

Chaplin is now working on a salary of $670,000 for the Mutual Film Corporation, which fact he cites as evidence of the great value of his reputation.

Chaplin's salary is the equivalent of six per cent return on an invested capital of $11,166,666, which may be taken as a measure of the value of his name as a a comedian.

The actor charges that the picture as originally made by him was in two reels of one thousand feet each and that it is being released in four "padded" reels of such quality as to seriously injure his fame.

An "order to show cause" directed against Essanay and the V-L-S-E was signed by Mr. Justice Nathan Biiur in the Supreme Court of New York. The comedian is presented by Nathan Burkan, attorney. The application for injunction is accompanied by a long affidavit signed by Sydney Chaplin, brother and agent of Charles Chaplin, setting forth the facts relating to the making of the burlesque on "Carmen," and citing the adverse criticisms of the production which appeared in newspapers, dramatic and motion picture publications.

Chaplin charges that the release of the picture in four reels is unlawful and a violation of his contract with the Essanay company. This contract is made an exhibit in the action.

L. L. Johnson, agricultural demonstrator for the Santa Fe, spent part of last week in Floyd County, with farmers who are co operating with the railway company this year in farm work.

Notice to the Public.

I have opened a barber shop on the south side of square next door to Steen's Meat Market, and will appreciate a share of your patronage. L. H. Robinson, Prop., Ruby Barber Shop. 1tc.

A Word of Thanks.

To the people who have given the Slaughter Grocery the nice business they have under my management I feel very grateful to you all, and wish to thank each one for this kindness shown me.

Yours very truly.

1tc. Robt. E. Jones.

We sold 30 suits this month, we want to make it 60 in May. Only $10.00 suit tailor made.

3tc R. O. Fields & Co.

District Commercial Manager, for the Southwestern Telephone & Telegraph Co., P. J. Becker, spent Monday night in Floydada and in company with local manager Hubbard spent Tuesday in Matador, Roaring Springs and Crosbyton.

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18 Blue Ribbons—Of the 30 prizes awarded at the Panhandle Fair, the Famous Seal Brand of Flour won 18 blue Ribbons, for best biscuit, best cakes and best light bread. No better flour on the market. Try a sack and be convinced. Sold at Floydada only at Duncan Grocery. 2tc.

Bostonian shoes at Glad's. 1tc.

Program.

At the Cumberland Presbyterian Church for April 30, 1916.

Leader—Lela Barton.
Song No. 102.
Prayer—Bro. Bates.
Roll Call answered with Scripture Verses.
Scripture Reading—Acts 2:1-8 by Leader.
Reading—Lillian King.
Reading of Minutes.
Song No, 39.
Sentence Prayer by Class.
Lesson story Thelma Williams.
Reading—L. M. King.
Talks by Committees.
Talks by Visitors.
Closing Song No. 124.
Prayer—Mrs. Taylor.

The Ruby on the South Side square wants your barber business. L. H. Robinson, Prop. 1tc.

Jas. K. Green returned last week from a short trip to Fort Worth and Austin. Mrs. Green will remain in Fort Worth several weeks with friends.

Good Santos Peaberry coffee, 20cts per pound, at Duncan Grocery. 2tc

For Sale.

3 Sections of good smooth plains land at $6.00 bonus, $1.00 due state. This is a snap. See us. R. O. Fields & Co. 3tc.

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

W.O.W. **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.

Gamble Boys Maxwell Agency.

Gamble Land & Cattle Company are the latest to enter the automobile business, having last week closed the agency contract for the Maxwell automobiles in Floyd and Crosby counties.

The latter part of the week they delivered a Maxwell "25" to Mrs, Glady Moreman.

Notice, Ladies of Floydada.

Send your little boys to the Ruby Barber Shop for their hair cuts. It's located on southside square next door to Steen's market. L. H. Robinson, Prop. 1tc.

Last Friday evening Miss Louise Colville entertained several of her friends with a rook porty. Miss Carol White won high score. After the cards were removed from the table, lunch cloths were brought and dainty refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Those present were: Misses Bessie Thompson, Willie Slaughter, Gertrude Mathews, Marie Hughes, Marie Henry, Rubye White, Coral White, Gladys Felton, Ida Lee Miller, Kathleen Henry, Myrtle Thompson Virgie Baker, Ethel Young. Messrs. Tayte Fry, Norman Morris, James Colville, Thurmond Bishop, Sion Edgerton, Baily Finger, Travis Du Bois, Leland Dawson, Roy Armstrong, Roy Snodgrass, Earl French, Allen Coalson, Tom Ross. Fvery one bid Miss Colville a pleasant good night and went home. Contributed.

Found.

One hundred lb. keg wire staples. Owner may have same by paying for this ad. Inquire at this office. 2tc.

Fritz R. Smith, a brother of Ben F. Smith, publisher of the Lockney Beacon, is a candidate for the office of repesentative in the 105th Representative District to the south and east of this district.

For Sale.

7 Room house. 2 lots 50x150, near the School. A bargain for $1550—$300 down, balance terms.

3tc R. O. Fields & Co.

T. S. Thagard and wife of Lockney, grandparents of Mrs. C. W. Thagard's children, left during the earlier part of the month for California where they will probably visit until September with their son, Henry Thagard and family.

Go to the Ruby Barber Shop on Southside square for first class barber work.

L. H. Robinson, Prop.,
Next door to Steen's Market
1tc

Citizens and employers of Mexican labor have been asked by the State Board of Health to assist in preventing further spread of typhus fever which has made its appearance as far north as Jones county and as far east as Anderson county.

Very strict watch is being kept in some portions of the state to prevent futher spread of the disease.

No Mexican labor is employed in this section of the state except by the Santa Fe Railway.

Pure California Extracted Bulk honey 9cts per pound, at Duncan's. 2tc.

WANTED.—Young girl to help with work about the house, on farm, in a good home. Call Hesperian office. 2tp.

You can get yours at Glad's $12.50, $15, and $18.50 Don't speculate, buy them guaranteed. 1tc.

Thurmond Bishop nas accepted a position with the G. V. Slaughter Grocery as book-keeper and assumed his duties last Monday.

Lakeview News Items

Lakeview, April 24th.—The farmers are still plowing and breaking sod, and some are beginning to plant.

J. C Raley and daughter, Lula Seale, went to Spur last Saturday and returned Sunday. Mr. Raley's mother of Stamford, Jones County., is visiting with him and his family.

Miss Willie Weldun returned Sunday from Stamford where she has been attending school.

An Easter Egg hunt at the Mt. Blanco Cap Sunday was attended by a number of people from this community, and after the hunt was over attended a singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Matthews.

Tramble Hicks, of Mickey. was in this community Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Hopper is on the sick list this week.

Guess Who

A widow with one child wishes position as house-keeper. Call at Mrs. Carmichel's. 2tc.

Big Granite Ware Sale

Coffee pots, Tea Kettles, 17 qt. roll rim dish pans, and many other useful articles, at your own price. Sale begins at 2 p. m. Saturday, April 29, at S. W. Cor. Square.

1tc. R. O. Fields.

L. M. Honea. of Roseland community, was in Floydada Tuesday and attended the funeral services held for Mrs. Frank Ross at 10 o'clock.

Fishing tackle and canes, at Duncan's. 2tc

Don H. Biggers, representing the State Marketing and Warehouse Department, visited Floydada last week.

Chase & Sanborn's highest grade Diamond Santos Peaberry coffee at Duncan's. 2tc.

Why He is Afraid.

"Are you afraid of death?"
"Yes, I am."
"Why?"
"Well, I have never heard of anybody who ever licked it."—Detroit Free Press.

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$15.00 BARGAINS.

Not

$30.00 Suits for

$15

But real unexcelled $15 Suits that have no equal.

GLAD'S

GOOD MDSE.--SMALL PROFIT.

Dr. N. E. Greer of Petersburg was here yesterday, en route to Amarillo to buy a stock of drugs for the purpose of opening a drug store in his town. The Brown Drug Co. has moved from Petersburg to Ralls, which left the community without a drug store.—Plainview News.

Overland Sales.

J. D. Starks announces two sales this week of Model 83 Overlands. The purchasers are J. L. Montgomery and J. F Green.

To The Farmers!

Great Hail Storms are predicted for this spring. Why not put a $1000 Policy on your crops.

THE OLD SECURITY, 75 years old-- $5,000,000.00 Assets.

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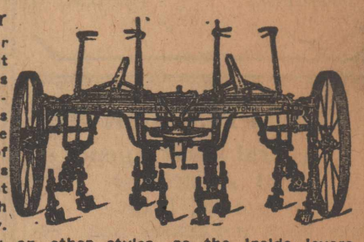
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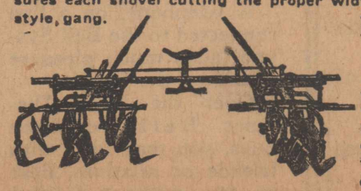
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An Ounce of Prevention---The Same old Story.

Floyd County has the opportunity to prove the old saying, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" this month in connection with the fight which is to be made against the introduction of hog cholera into Floyd County. The adequate quarantine against the introduction of cholera into the county by means of infected herds is one of the most important actions to be considered by the commissioners at their meeting next Monday. Also, stringent regulations as regards livestock, dogs and pigeons, which may have been in infected territory.

Every good citizen may make it doubly easy for this quarantine to be enforced against outside agencies. Care with the hogs now in the pens may also prevent spread of the contagion through stray animals, coyotes and fowls. Once infection becomes rank in the county it will cost thousands of dollars and great effort to eradicate hog cholera. Now is the time to act, and the Commissioners Court and police officers of the county need your wise cooperation.

Good Management in School Stewardship.

Good schools are an essential to the material, as well as other kinds of achievement, of a community. Floydada Public School is probably above the average of schools in the work accomplished as compared with other schools of like enrollment and scholastic population.

Credit for this condition is due to a far-sighted policy adopted by the school board of Floydada several years ago, in the selection of the best teachers and, as far as possible, supplying adequate buildings, apparatus, etc., for their use. This has required the wise expenditure of a large fund each year. The same amount of money has been made to bring much poorer results in other instances over the state.

The board this year has been obliged to adopt the policy of increasing the taxable valuations. Their idea is that proper publicity of this fact before the raise is made will be beneficial to the school interests of the community. The school during this year, on account of a large increase in attendance has been overcrowded, a contingency which could not be planned for. The ensuing term is likely to see a similar increase, for which arrangements must be made in advance by employing more teachers and increasing the housing capacity of the school plant. Some temporary measure will be necessary. All of this requires more money, which happily, as an afterthought, will be spent in the district. We believe the tax payers generally will approve the action taken by the board in increasing the funds and that there will be no dissatisfaction whatever with their action, which is characterized by the same sound business judgement as has been the good fortune of the district to have during the past several years.

Congressman J. H. Davis is undergoing severe tribulation in his effort to clear himself with the Old Soldiers of the South in the matter of his speech in Congress on Jefferson Davis, Tombs, Yancy and other leaders. It is quite probable that Mr. Davis was misunderstood, for the simple reason that he had a father and an elder brother who fought with the Grays, and is himself related to Jefferson Davis.

He could hardly be credited with an intentional reflection on his own relatives.

Santa Fe Surveyors Arrive at Slaton

Slatonite:

The Santa Fe railway surveying crew was working out of Brownfield to the northeast last week, says the Brownfield Herald, with head quarters at the L7 Ranch near Meadow, and was pointed toward Lubbock, and was supposed by Brownfield to reach Lubbock about April 25th—the present week. However, they reached Slaton instead and have established offices here and are working on their blue prints. But further than that the Slatonite sayeth not. The crew has made so may surveys in the Brownfield country that it is merely guessing to make any assertions as to which route will be decided on. They made a survey to Lamesa, one to Tahoka and now are in Slaton. The opinion of almost every person in the territory touched by the surveys is that the route reported favorably will be direct from Slaton to the terminal in Gaines County.

Cash paid for poultry, eggs, and hides. Rucker Produce Co., at Williams Bros. tf.

Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1916.

Foa Representative 122nd District.
J. M. BOREN, of Post.

For District Attorney, 64th Judicial District:
AUSTIN C. HATCHELL.
GEO. L. MAYFIELD.
KENNETH BAIN.

For Co. and Dist, Dierk.
TOM W. DEEN.

For County Judge:
E. P. THOMPSON.

For County Attorney:
C. K. HOLLOWAY.

For Treasurer Floyd County:
MRS. ADDIE THAGARD.

For Tax Assessor:
FRED A. GRIFFITH.
A. A. WHYTE.
ROBT. E. JONES.
T. F. CASEY.
B. C. WILLIS.

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

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1
W. E. SMITH.
G. D. FRENCH.
V. F. HODGE.

For Commissioner Pre No. 4
W. F. WEATHERBEE.
J. H. TACKETT.

For Public Weigher Precincts, No, 3 and 4:
W. M. COLVILLE.
S. B. MCCLESKEY.

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

FLOWERS HAVE FOOD VALUE

Scientific Men Have Proved That a Great Many of Them Are Edible and Delicious.

The food of flowers is a matter just beginning to interest the scientific world. Violets are said to contain considerable nourishment. They formed the basis of a refreshing drink, and in other forms figured conspicuously in the feasts of the ancient Persians. The modern confectioner crystallizes them in sugar.

The old Turkish confections made of rose leaves are declared delicious by those who have eaten them. A number of cooks have discovered that a handful of rose petals imparts a flavor of unparalleled delicacy to desserts of many kinds.

For those who do not care for sweets, the gayly-colored nasturtium offers delights to the palate. It may be used as a filling for sandwiches, mixed judiciously with other materials in salad. Its delicious pungency appeals to the epicure, while physicians say it aids digestion.

A favorite Italian dish consists of fried squash blossoms. When properly prepared this food is both appetizing and nourishing. The yellow blossoms of the common field pumpkin may be cooked in the same way, and to some tastes are even more pleasing.

DECLINE IN FRENCH POETRY

Prose Has Superseded It in the Favor of the People, Is an Opinion Given.

It is a fact that the French mind uses prose as its readier instrument, and it is also a fact that at this present moment, when the French spirit reasserts itself, poetry is far in the background compared with what it was at the beginning of Romanticism, when Hugo, Lamartine, Musset and Vigny occupied the front part of the stage.

There are more poets than there were at any period of French literature, and their average work is superior to what it was in the nineteenth century; but poetry is not popular, and the best known poets, the most successful—say, Henri de Regnier and the Comtesse de Noailles—do not reach the twentieth part of Victor Hugo's public.

COLORED CROSS IN SKY.

There was considerable excitement about this section all day over the appearance in the western sky of a rainbow-colored cross, and Bible students have been searching for something that would enlighten them on the matter. The Book of Revelation has been scanned and ministers called up, but up to this time the sign has not been interpreted satisfactorily.

The superstitious naturally foresee continued wars all over the world, and, within 1,000 years, the end of the world. Those who saw it, as the sun came up, say it was a perfect cross of brilliant colors.—Woodbury (N. J.) Dispatch Philadelphia Record.

TOO DEEP FOR HIM.

"No," murmured the man who occasionally lets out an audible thought, "I can't understand it."

"Can't understand what?" queried the party who had overheard.

"Why a woman will weep at the imaginary woes of a stage hero and laugh at the real woes of her husband," explained he of the noisy thoughts.

IMPOLITE GEORGE.

Caller—That's a very good cake, my dear; did you make it yourself?

Hostess—No, I didn't, and I'm never going to make another cake. George was perfectly horrid about the last one. He broke a tooth over it, and said I ought to be making munitions.

MUCH THE SAME.

"My life," said her husband, "is like an open book."

"That's right," replied his wife. "I can only see two pages at once."

OH, PIFFLE!

"What is woman's mission in life?" asked the suffragette.

"Sub-mission," growled the scanty-haired bachelor in reply.

ENOUGH FOR A SQUARE MEAL.

Butcher—Will you have a round steak, ma'am?"

Mrs. Youngbride—I don't care what shape it is, so it's tender."

Victrolas $15 to $300

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PANHANDLE TEACHERS ASS'N. ADOPTS RESOLUTIONS.

Favor Raising Tax Limit in Independent School Districts of the State.

At their meeting held in Canyon April 21 and 22, the Panhandle Teachers' Association, passed resolutions of appreciation to the faculty and students of W. T. S. N. as well as the railroads of the Panhandle for the courtesies extended, and also resolved themselves in favor of the adoption of the amendment to the State Constitution authorizing Independent School Districts to raise the school maintainence tax from 50 cents on the hundred dollars to one dollar. At this meeting C. A. Gilley, of Canadian, was elected president. D. A. DeFee. Channing, vice president, Miss Annie McDonald, Amarillo, Secretary.

The resolution favoring the amendment to the State Constitution follows:

Whereas, The Citizens of the State of Texas are to vote this year upon the adoption of House Joint Resolution No. 30, providing an amendment to the State Constitution authorizing that Independent School Districts may raise their school tax limit from fifty cents to one dollar, and Whereas, we believe that the adoption of this amendment means the rapid development of Texas Schools—therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Panhandle Teachers' Association give the amendment their support by actively agitating the public mind in their communities in its favor.

Howard Lands on the Market

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Easy terms. 6 per cent interest. In small or large quantities. Located in Floyd, Motley, Briscoe and Hall Counties. Rich plains and Fertile Valleys.

A variety of soils and locations in a country fast growing famous for its productiveness of cotton, maize kaffir and many other crops.

Address, W. M. Massie & Bro., Floydada, Texas. tf.

J. F. Garrison and J. M. Adams, of Plainview, the latter latter the editor of the Plainview News, were in Floydada Wednesday afternoon boosting the Chautauqua at Plainview, week of May 21.

Fishing tackle and canes, at Duncan's. 2t



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The Causes and Treatment of Hog Cholera

There is probably no place in the United States better suited to hog raising than Floyd and Hale Counties, and those who have grown hogs here in the past have found it a profitable occupation. All large hog raising districts have been troubled with hog cholera, the most dreaded disease among hogs. Floyd County has been extremely fortunate in being free from this trouble so far, but it is prevalent in several of the surrounding counties and it behooves the swine raisers of this county to take immediate steps to prevent its introduction here.

The hog raisers should organize themselves into an association for mutual protection, and present quarantine regulations to the county commissioners for adoption at their next meeting.

Hog cholera is spread only through the germs of this disease. and if these are present healthy hogs may be infected. They are however, like all animals, more susceptible to the disease when not in good health. The first steps that should be taken is to give them proper feed, keep the hog lots in sanitary condition, and their sleeping, feeding and drinking places clean. Care should be taken to keep your herds away from those of your neighbor. Allow no hogs to be brought into the county that have not been immunized dipped, held for 30 days and redipped. No hogs should be purchased that have apparently recovered from the cholera. It is well to keep your neighbor, his dogs, pigeons, and other animals out of your hog lots until all danger from the spread of the disease is past.

The external symptoms of cholera are not always characteristic and to determine its presence definitely it it is usually necessary to make post mortem examinations. Before death cholera sick hogs are sluggish and weak. they have no appetite, high fever, sore eyes, and purplish spots on the skin over the surface of the abdomen, arched backs, and a wabbling gait when forced to walk. The post-mortem appearances are: reddening of the skin, bloody spots on the lungs, heart, kidneys. intestines and stomach, enlargement and reddening of lymphatic glands, and ulcera- of the large intestines.

far no cure has been found hog cholera. The U. S. Gov- ment would reward liberally ne who could show a definite for the disease. The Gov- ent has spent thousands of 's in study of the treatment cholera, and the only remedy they have to offer is the use of hog cholera serum. which is a reliable prevention, but not a cure, at least for advanced, chronic cases. The one objection to serum is its cost. It must be prepared from the blood of hogs that have recovered from cholera, which necessarily makes it expensive. The A. & M. College prepares it at cost for the citizens of this state. They charge 1¼ cents per cubic centimerer, 30 cubic centimeters equal one ounce. It should be administered at the rate of about one ounce to one and a half ounces per hundred pound hog, and more or less in proportion to weight. The high cost of serum and the fact that it renders the hog immune only from six to eight weeks renders its use impractical, unless the owner has reason for believing that his herd is infected, or is likely to be exposed to infection. If virus (blood containing germs from a cholera sick hog) be administered simultaneously with serum, it renders the hog permanently immune from cholera, but the use of virus is attended with great danger of infection, and it should not be used except by competent veterinarians licensed to administer it by the State veterinarian.

The County Agricultural Agent will be glad to administer serum for any citizen of this county without charges, and any cases should be reported to him, or to Judge Thompson at Floydada, so that steps may be taken to check the disease in the herd and prevent its spread in the county.

R. F. Hare,
County Agricultural Agt.

To Open a Pocketknife.

Opening a pocketknife is often very hard on finger-nails, and a stiff-hinged penknife or jackknife is particularly useless to a boy if he can't open it readily. Tear off a piece of newspaper or writing paper about three inches square. Fold it across once, and then slip the crease under the blade of the knife. Grasp the paper firmly between the thumb and forefinger, as close to the blade as possible. Then pull steadily as if you were opening the knife without the paper. If you do not jerk it, the paper will not tear. In this way you can open many a rusty blade that has been useless for months.—The American Boy.

Bela Wilkinson, of Dallas, is in Floydada with friends of former days. He will remain indefinitely.

$2.50 for the return to the meat market of a deep red short legged Red Duroc gilt which left my place Saturday.
1tc Edgar Jones.

Mrs. Joe McKee, of Plainview, has been spending this week in Floydada the guest of Mrs. Tom B. Triplett.

Ples Skeen, of Silverton, was in Floydada Tuesday afternoon on business.

Your Typewriter . . .

May be a good one but it's impossible to do good work on any kind of a machine unless you have a good ribbon.

We have the ribbons for your machine. No need for you to do without or go to the trouble to order one by mail. The simplest thing you know,--telephone No. 8, and begin removing the old ribbon. The boy'll be there with the new one right away.

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Model 75 Touring Car $615; Roadster $595
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Model 86 Six—Touring Car $1145
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All models are completely equipped in every particular. There are no extras to buy.

Carnation Club Meeting.

The Carnation Club met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs Jenkins The following officers were elected for the ensuing quarter: Mrs. Andrews, President; Mrs. Buckingham, Vice President; Mrs. Pope, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. Truitt, Reporter. Mrs. L V. Smith was received as a new member.

Several games of rook was played during which delicious pink and white divinity was served. Mrs. Williams won high score.

Refreshments were served, consisting of olive sandwiches, chicken salad, marshmallow cream, angel food and tea. The club will meet with Mrs. Truitt May 11th.

Those present were Miss Myrtle King. Mesdames Farris, Starks, Triplett. Lider, Montague, Williams, Cannaday, L. V. Smith, G. V. Smith, Pope, Massie, Steen, McMillan, Boerner, McClesky, Andrews, Donaldson, Buckingham, Ross, Snodgrass, Bruner, Truitt and Campbell.

Reporter

Has Concrete Walks.

J. A. Callihan this week completed ten foot walks across the front of the City Hotel on North Main Street.

FOR SALE—One good second hand go-devil. See R. A. Ball, Phone 195 5. 3tp.

Wm. Allison, of Titus County, a brother-in-law of C. Snodgrass, arrived in Floydada Tuesday to spend some two weeks on a visit.

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Ford Company Barred from Doing Business in California.

Governor Hiram W. Johnson, has issued a proclamation excluding from interstate business in California about 5,500 corporations, including the Ford Motor Co., for failure to pay the State franchise tax last year.

The tax in the case of the Ford Company, amounted to $24,000, on which payment was refused on the ground that it was excessive. The company's intrastate business was reported at $7,000,000.

W. F. Williamson, counsel for the Ford Company, said that the Ford branches in California would continue to do business. Necessary legal steps will be taken, he said. The courts may be asked to grant an injunction against the governor's order. Another method, he said, might be the nominal incorporation of various companies to carry on the intrastate business of the Ford.

W. J. BRYAN BUYS FLOYD COUNTY REAL ESTATE

Great Commoner Thinks Floyd County Dirt is Worth the Money and Invests.

William Jennings Bryan, who was in Plainview last Friday and spoke in the afternoon on "The War and the Lessons it Teaches Us" as an introductory number to Chautauqua Week to be held there the latter part of May, took the opportunity while in this section to visit Floyd County and invest in land, according to report which seems well verified.

Mr. Bryan bought from the Texas Land & Development Company, securing a choice piece of dirt near Aiken (Floco)

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