

# Lockney Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY LEADS ALL WEST TEXAS IN VALUE OF CROPS PRODUCED. LOCKNEY IS IN THE HEART OF THE BEST FARMING SECTION OF THE PLAINS, AND IN THE GREAT SHALLOW WATER BELT

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## SHOULD ADVERTISE LOCKNEY COUNTRY

### OUTSIDE WORLD SHOULD KNOW THAT LOCKNEY COUNTRY LEADS ALL TEXAS

Lockney is situated in the best farming section of all Texas. A comparison of crop values for the past twenty years has placed the Lockney country in a class by its self, for here when the years have been the worst, as when the years have been the best, we have raised more crops and better crops than any other section of this country. But the world outside does not know these facts, for Plainview and Floydada have taken the credit for a large part of the production of the Lockney country. Thousands of dollars worth of crops have gone from the Lockney country to the credit of these nearby towns, and this writer does not envy these places for taking the credit for them when the opportunity is presented.

Lockney has a Chamber of Commerce and it is their business to see that the just dues of Lockney is cared for at home and to do this it is their duty to let the outside world know what the Lockney country is and what we are doing each year, also that the people want to "Build a sweet little nest some where in the West" can find no better or more profitable place to build them a home or business than in Lockney and the Lockney country.

Only one-third of the tillable land in the Lockney country has been invaded by the plow up to the present time, yet last year Lockney farmers marketed more than a million bushels of wheat, more than twelve thousand bales of cotton, more than a million dollars worth of feed crops were gathered, marketed and kept on the farm for feeding purposes, and thousands of dollars worth of poultry and dairy products were sent out from the Lockney country, yet Lockney received very little credit for the part she played in making Floyd and Hale counties the banner counties of the State of Texas, because Lockney failed to keep her name in the lime-light as her sister cities has done. It is time for Lockney to get busy and let the world know where the real honest to God farming section of the Great Staked Plains is.

The Lockney country is endowed with the best country the Lord has provided for man, here we have the soil with which to raise the crops. Our soil is from three to five feet deep with a clay hard-pan that conserves moisture longer than in most any section of West Texas, yet all the soil of West Texas is noted for the conservation of moisture.

Then Lockney is in the shallow-water belt. Here we have the purest and best water to be had anywhere in the universe. At a depth of from 18 to 40 feet you can have a supply of pure water to care for the household and farm needs pumped by a windmill, and the supply never runs out or becomes contaminated. If you desire to irrigate your farm, here you can find an inexhaustible supply of pure water at a depth of from 60 to 80 feet that you can put a pump over that will pump from 2,000 to 3,000 gallons per minute for twenty-four hours every day for many years without showing the very least decrease in the supply, as there has never been a well dug in the Lockney country for irrigation purposes that has shown the slightest decrease in the supply of water, and this water tests 99.5 per cent pure. The average rainfall in the Lockney country is twenty-six inches per year, and it is not necessary to irrigate to raise good crops, but where wells are sunk they are a sure assurance of big crops. Irrigation will become one of the biggest things in the Lockney country in the course of a few years, or just as soon as the price of pumping machinery reaches a normal basis again, and begins selling at a price that the farmers can afford to buy. Then it is only a matter of five or ten years at the farthest until electric power will be obtainable for farm use in this section of the country, and when electricity can be bought for 2c or 3c per kilowatt hour for irrigation purposes, the farmer will be able to dig and equip a 2,000 or 3,000 gallon per minute well for irrigating his land for about \$1,000 to \$1,500.

People who are seeking a permanent home on which to live and prosper should not overlook these facts, for here in the Lockney country good crops can be raised by dry farming methods, yet we have the water for irrigation purposes, and each individual can own his own irrigation plant and be independent of all others, can apply his own irrigation water on his own land at any time he so desires, and will not have to wait his turn as is the case in the ditch and canal irrigation sections of Texas and California.

And the beauty part of the Lockney country is that there is no other section of the country that can raise such a varied assortment of crops. Here all grains, cotton, garden truck, fruits, berries, potatoes, grapes, sugar beets, and many other crops do well and can be raised in paying quantities, and of the very best grades and high production per acre. This is where the wheat and cotton belt overlap, and we can raise from 20 to 50 bushels of wheat, and from 1-3 to a bale of cotton per acre, dry land farming, and from 40 to 60 bushels of wheat and from 1 to 2 bales of cotton per acre when irrigated. The person that is looking for a home where he can make a good living and some money besides should not overlook these facts, as here his property values will steadily increase and within ten years the lands of the Lockney country will be selling as high as \$250 to \$1,000 per acre, for it is only a matter of time until the facts of our superior farming country will become known.

Lockney should help to hasten the time when the outside world will know the facts concerning our country, but up-to-date very little has been done along this line. The business men of Lockney pay to the Chamber of Commerce for all purposes the small sum of \$100 per month, and this amount is not sufficient to care for the real needs for stamp money and small incidentals of a live Chamber of Commerce. Lamesa, a town about the size of Lockney, down in Dawson county, has a monthly income for the Chamber of Commerce of \$1,800 per month, and Lamesa is getting results. No town nor no organization can operate without funds to operate on, and this has been the reason that more has not been accomplished in Lockney. The business people of Lockney could well afford to donate at least \$500 per month to the work of the Chamber of Commerce. Any kind of a grafter can come along and touch the town up for that amount or more, and there is not a month passes that some grafter don't drop in and get the coin, but when the Commercial Club, an organization composed of the business men, needs money, every one is giving all they can stand. If you expect to build Lockney you have got to jar loose and do some advertising. Last year there was only \$125 spent advertising Lockney, and that was raised by A. R. Meriwether, who got up a subscription list to finance the printing of 10,000 small folders, and these folders did not last long enough to tell the tale, however, they got big results for the money invested. Lockney should have a regular advertising fund, and there is not a business man in the town that couldn't afford to drop from \$10 to \$50 a month in a fund to help put Lockney on the map and let the outside world know that we have a country worthwhile.

Every new family that settles in the Lockney country is worth from \$75 to \$150 per month to the merchants, therefore, four or five families added each month is worth more than output of \$500 per month in the community, and with a fund of \$500 per month the Chamber of Commerce would be able to add dozens of new families to our trade territory each month. If you are really a booster for Lockney and want Lockney to grow you will be ready and willing to get into the saddle and do your part, but if you are merely a dollar grabber and make a sinking fund out of every dollar you get a hold of, nothing will be expected of you, and Lockney will reap no benefit from you being one of the business men or citizens of the town. An effort should be made this year to build Lockney and the Lockney country, and it is your duty to do your part, just as much as it is mine.

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## GRUNEWALD STARTS RAILROAD SURVEY

### PROPOSED LINE TO FOLLOW ROUTE OLD LUBBOCK, AL- TUS & ROSWELL

Bright prospects for still more railroad facilities smile alluringly upon Lubbock and the South Plains, enthusiasm locally having been inspired by the receipt at the Avalanche office Saturday of a letter from Clifford B. Grunewald, president of the Memphis, Lubbock & Roswell Short Line Railway Company, stating that a crew of surveyors are to start work immediately at Wellington, in Collingsworth county, running a survey of the right-of-way of the old Lubbock, Altus & Roswell line, all properties of which were bought by the former company.

The right of way of the old company is considered valuable property by businessmen here who have been interested in the project, declaring that the construction of a road to Wellington from Lubbock would do more to increase Lubbock's railway facilities than any other line that was ever proposed for this section.

Construction Start Soon Mr. Grunewald and other officials of the company, all of whom are prominent business men of Houston, are expected to arrive here in the near future, having promised while on a visit here several weeks ago that just as soon as arrangements could be made to start actual construction of the line, they would call upon chamber of commerce officials in the various towns along the proposed line for help in expediting the building program.

A map of the proposed road running from Wellington, through Lubbock to points in Eastern New Mexico, has been received here. The survey of the road west of Lubbock practically paralleled the proposed new short line of the Santa Fe to be built out of Dood, seven miles southwest of here, through Hockley and Cochran counties, but runs north of the Santa Fe survey and bears northward and will according to figures compiled by local observers, be some fifteen miles north of the Santa Fe track at the New Mexico line.

No optimism over the success of this company to run the line west from Lubbock in competition with the Santa Fe is expressed locally, however, Grunewald, while here, stated that the course of his road would not be changed by action of the Santa Fe west of Lubbock.

Proposed Route Given The road runs southwest from Wellington to Memphis in Hall county, then to Silverton in Briscoe county from where it bears more to the south running straight from that place to Lubbock through Lockney in Floyd county and Petersburg in Hale county.

The right of way of the Altus, Lubbock & Roswell line was completed from Wellington to Lubbock several years ago, and only slight rebuilding of the dump will be necessary before work of laying the track can be started.

Rivalry over the location of the headquarters office of the company will probably grow keen before the officials decide upon the most practical location, much speculation already having been made as to which town along the proposed line would be favored in this connection, with local people naturally favoring location of the headquarters here.—Lubbock Avalanche.

## FOUNDER OF LOCKNEY BEACON DOING WELL

Clifton Oliver, employee of the Santa Fe, at Amarillo, was here over Sunday, visiting his uncle, C. A. Floyd and cousins, Leslie, J. M. Floyd and Mrs. Arch Keys. He was enroute home from a trip to Spur, Texas, where he had been to visit his father, F. N. Oliver. F. N. Oliver was the founder of the Lockney Beacon, having bought what was known as the Lockney Leader, in 1900 and changed the name to Lockney Beacon, under which name it still is published. Mr. Oliver stated that his father, who is now 77 years of age, is getting along fine, and is in fairly good health for a man of his age. Mr. Oliver will be remembered by the old settlers of the Lockney country.

## ACCIDENTAL SHOT KILLS JACK LONG

### SON OF PROMINENT FARMER VICTIM OF FATAL ACCIDENT WHILE HUNTING

Plainview, Feb. 24.—Jack Long, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Long, met a tragic death yesterday morning, soon after eleven o'clock. While hunting a shot gun was discharged, the lead passing through his heart, evidently causing instant death.

Mr. Long and his son had gone to the Long farm, eight miles east of Plainview. Mr. Long was going over to Aiken to get some pigs. Jack said that he wanted to hunt rabbits for a while and told his father that he would be ready to come back to town with him after the Aiken trip. Jack was planning to spend the remainder of the week at work on the farm.

Mr. Long left for Aiken, a distance of about two miles, about ten o'clock. He came back to the farm and not seeing Jack started a search for him and found him dead about three-quarters of a mile from the house. He was near a fence and it is thought that the gun was discharged as he went through the fence. The shell in the left barrel had been discharged and the gun was of "safety."

Mr. Long immediately phoned into town for help and friends soon gathered at the farm.

The body was prepared for burial by the Plainview Undertaking Co.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at the First Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. L. N. Lipscomb. Interment will follow in the Plainview cemetery.

Jack was associated with his father in farming. He and his father are among the most successful and prosperous farmers in the Plainview country.

## COMMITTEE IS OUT ON OIL MILL DEAL

### Plainview Is Tendering Free Site and Will Subscribe Stock in Mill Pro- posed by Terrell Capitalists

Citizens of Plainview have accepted the proposition of J. H. Hardaway and W. P. Allen of Terrell, Texas, and associates, who are wanting to locate an oil mill in Plainview. When completed the plant will have four stands and the buildings will be designed to increase the capacity of the plant as necessary.

The plant will represent an investment of \$125,000.

A site has been selected, meeting the approval of the men who are to put in the mill and the local committee. It will cost approximately \$4,000. This property is owned by E. H. Humphreys, L. R. Bain, W. H. Fuqua and Judge Avery Turner, being parcels from different tracts in the Wye addition.

E. M. Carter, A. M. McMillan, Guy Jacob, O. M. Unger and E. H. Humphreys are a committee to raise money for the site and to co-operate in the sale of stock, a small amount of which the owners wish Plainview interests to subscribe.—Plainview Herald.

## MASONS ATTEND CELEBRATION AT FLOYDADA SATURDAY

A number of the members of the local Masonic Order went to Floydada Saturday, where they attended a celebration given by the Floydada Masonic Lodge in honor of George Washington's Birthday. Messrs. T. Z. Reed, D. C. Lowe, Sr., and Dr. S. M. Henry from Lockney were on the program.

Quite an interesting meeting is reported by those who attended the affair.

## WILL OPEN AUTO PAINT SHOP HERE

H. S. McGonigull of Jayton, Texas, is here this week hunting a location to open up an auto paint shop in Lockney. He is an experienced auto painter and expects to become permanently located in Lockney.

## Visits of the Stork

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bullock, Friday night, Feb. 20th, a 12-pound boy. The family lives in the northwest part of town. R. C. Wilson, nine miles east of Lockney, Monday, Feb. 23rd, a boy.

## KENDRICK BUYS INTERESTS IN CITY DRUG STORE

### Sweetwater Man Buys Tucker and Crager Interests in Red Cross Drug Store—Changes Name

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kendrick of Sweetwater, parents of Mrs. R. F. A. Truett, spent several days here the past week, visiting their daughter, and closing a deal by which Mr. Kendrick bought the interests of John C. Tucker and Grady R. Crager in the Red Cross Drug Store.

Mr. Truett will continue as manager of the drug store and retains his interests as before the sale. Mr. Kendrick expects to continue to live in Sweetwater.

The name of the drug store has been changed from Red Cross Drug Store to The City Drug Store, by which name it will be known hereafter.

## GET CAR, BUT ENGINE WAS TAKEN AWAY

On Friday night, Feb. 20th, some one stole the Ford car belonging to W. I. True from his farm near Flophot, and the officers were notified of the theft. Tuesday a deserted car was reported to the sheriff's department, that had been left on the section near Aiceno, close to the home of Walter Wood, and Sheriff Maddox went out to get the car, finding it to be the one stole from Mr. True. Upon investigation it was found that the car had been stripped of the engine and batteries and left there by the auto thieves. There is a \$25 reward offered for the arrest and conviction of the thieves. The engine No. is 10497848.

## ATTEMPT IS MADE TO ROB SOUTHLAND BANK FRIDAY

Lubbock, Feb. 21.—Sheriff departments in Lubbock, Garza, Crosby and Lynn counties are busy tracing vague clues this morning following an unsuccessful attempt to rob the Southland State Bank of Southland, Garza county, last night, which was frustrated by the vigilance of a night watchman in the little city. The robbers had laid elaborate plans to blow the safe of the institution which is a branch of a Post City banking house, and officers believe that they are schooled veterans in the art of safe robbing. As a result of the attempted robbery all of the principal outlets of escape are being closed watched by representatives of the forces of the sheriffs of the four counties. Reports indicate that information enough has been secured on the perpetrators of the attempted robbery to insure their apprehension in the near future.

## COTTON FUTURES BILL SIGN- ED BY GOV. FERGUSON

Austin, Feb. 23.—The cotton futures bill, permitting cotton futures contracts in Texas but prohibiting bucket shops, will become a law in ninety days, the signature of Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson having been affixed today.

The bill, introduced by Rep. Webb, Ector county, will permit Texas exchanges to deal in cotton and other contracts on future delivery, for the first time since 1907, when the present prohibitory law was passed. It conforms to the federal law on the subject.

Gov. Ferguson also signed the following: Senate bill 56—regulating construction of railroad bridges.

House bill 230—providing for sale of the American Legion memorial hospital at Kerrville to the federal government.

House bill 20—permitting appeals from orders granting motions for new trials.

House bill 189—providing preservation and conservation of inland and coastal waters of Texas.

Senate bill 6—providing penalty for false statements by persons or corporations in reference to their business.

Senate bill creating a lien in favor of persons furnishing materials to contractors for public improvements.

Mrs. C. C. Dowlen Operated On Mrs. C. C. Dowlen was carried to the Plainview sanitarium Tuesday and was operated on that night for appendicitis.

## CONTRACT FOR LYCEUM COURSE

### Course Will Include Five Numbers to Begin in October at Olympic Theatre

Miss Jane Musick, representing the White & Brown Lyceum Attractions of Kansas City, Mo., was in Lockney Wednesday placing a contract for a lyceum course for this winter, the course to begin in October and consisting of five numbers.

Messrs. C. R. Wilkinson and H. B. Adams entered into a contract with the lady for these attractions and they will be presented at the Olympic Theatre. The program consists of a Troup of New York Players presenting "The Storm," a great theatrical success, that won favor for many weeks in New York, The Heslie Concert Party, a musical company of note, The Qualen Company, Duo, Marshall Louis Mertins, lecturer and poet, and Miss Emily Waterman, Reader, Entertainer and Impersonator.

These gentlemen signed the contract for the benefit of the school children and the town at large, and as the Chamber of Commerce and Mothers Club were not in position to contract for same, and as they thought the entertainments would be appreciated by the citizens of Lockney, they consider that they are bringing to Lockney in this lyceum course five of the very highest class numbers to be obtained, and that both the educational and entertaining features of the course will be worthwhile to the citizenship of our community and most especially the school children.

These men solicit and expect the co-operation of the churches, school, clubs and organizations of the town in making the lyceum course a success. Season tickets will be placed on sale at the proper time, and dates of the presentation of the various numbers will be announced in due time.

## SLATON PLANS FOR WEST TEXAS C. OF C. MEETING

Slaton, Feb. 22.—Slaton is making great preparations for the holding of the district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, which will be held in our city March 12. Nothing will be left off on the part of Slaton toward making this an enjoyable event for this district.

R. A. Highsmith, who is associated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and who has just traveled over the North and West part of the district reports to the secretary, J. J. Ross, that a large representation will attend this convention.

## TEXAS TO RETURN TO CASH BASIS ON WEDNESDAY

Austin, Feb. 22.—After operating on a deficit since last July Texas will again return on a cash basis Wednesday, announced State Treasurer W. Gregory Hatcher Saturday afternoon. He said he felt justified in making this announcement because of heavy tax collections which have been reaching the Treasury Department during the past two weeks. This included a single check for \$1,500,000 from the tax collector of Dallas county.

During the past three weeks, however, the state has virtually been on a cash basis as far as state employees are concerned, as through an arrangement between the Governor and the American National Bank of Austin, all warrants have been paid at that bank.

## STATE AID INSPECTOR VISITS SCHOOLS

Jefferson G. Smith, state aid inspector for rural schools, was in the county last week and in company with the county superintendent, visited those schools which had made application for state aid money.

As a result of his visit nine schools will receive state aid as follows:

Pleasant Hill, \$600; Fairview, \$400; Harmony, \$335; McCoy, \$350; Rose-land \$500; Baker, \$500; Lone Star, \$645; Liberty, \$400; Campbell, \$550. Total, \$4,280.

Mr. Smith expressed himself as being highly pleased with the attitude of our people toward their schools, and of the progress that is being made in an educational way.



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You are safe because only the very best of quality is good enough for your Rexall Drug Store to recommend and guarantee.

## LOCKNEY DRUG CO

The Rexall Store

only in need of these structures, but is very badly in need of a first-class hotel building. Why not "kill two birds with one stone" and build the city hall, fire station and hotel all in one building. This can be done with very little extra cost in constructing the building and would prove a good investment for the city as the rent for the hotel in the twenty years which the bonds are to be issued for would pay off the bond issue and make the city hall and fire station cost the city very little, if any, money. The building could be built, say 50 foot front by 140 foot in length, using one 25 foot store room for the city hall and fire station, the other 25 foot on the ground floor being used for the lobby and dining room, then the entire second story could be cut up into bed rooms and used to accommodate the traveling public. A building would cost between \$20,000 and \$30,000, and bonds would be voted to care for the building of same to run twenty years and bearing a low rate of interest, the hotel part of the building could be leased for at least \$1,800 a year which would pay the interest and help create a sinking fund to care for the retiring bonds at the end of the twenty years, and in this way Lockney would virtually get the city hall and fire station free of cost and besides would own the hotel building. The only thing the town would be out would be using their credit in order to get the structure to begin with, it being necessary for the town to vote the bonds in order to get the money with which to build the building, and the rent from the hotel part of the building could be placed in a separate fund with which to pay the interest and retire the bond issue at its expiration.

Why not make such improvements pay for themselves, when it is just as easy to do so when good business judgment is used.

There are many things that small towns like Lockney need, and such towns could soon get things by making them pay for themselves, just as can be done in the above proposition. The people of Lockney should sanction such a proposition and the city council will be more than glad to carry it out.

### BAND TAX BECOMES A LAW IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

What is known as the "Band Tax" law was passed last week by the legislature and will become a law in the state of Texas this year. The law is that all towns and communities desiring to pay a tax for the maintenance of a municipal band can do so by the

majority vote of the property tax paying voters of the community in which the band was desired. The law limits the taxation to 3 mills on the \$1 valuation of property, meaning on a \$100 it would cost the property owner 3c per year; on a \$1,000 valuation it would cost the property owner 30c a year, and so on. In this way the property owners of the entire community would be paying for the support and maintenance of the band, and no one would be paying enough to feel the burden of supporting the band, and that was the reason the law was made by the legislature. The band, if it is worth while, is worth something to every inhabitant of the community, yet in the past it has been supported by business men and men who have had personal interests in the way of children who took part in the band. It has been the custom in Lockney that a committee go around among the merchants every few months and ask that they donate to the band, in order to pay the instructor and buy music for the band, and it has been in past that it was necessary for the members of the band to pay a regular monthly tuition in order to keep the band going. The band is a town institution, for the good of the town as a whole, it is for the learning of any and all children to be musicians, and is elevating and educational to the boys of our community, furthermore, it is not right for a handful, to be exact, about 25 men, to foot the bill of maintaining a band for Lockney, and as this has been the case not only in Lockney, but in most every town of the country, it became necessary to put the bands under a tax law, so that they would be controlled by the city council of each town and the city council hire band instructors and finance the bands of their local communities. In this way each person in the community who is a property tax payer would pay toward the support of the band from 3c to \$2 or \$3 per year, owing to the amount of property said tax payer owned, against as it is today a handful of wide-awake citizens pay from \$12 to \$100 per year in order to have a band. This proposition will be put up to the voters of Lockney in the near future to be voted on, and if you for or against the band, it will be well for you to give the proposition some thought and consideration. For each voter should weight the proposition and see what he considers it worth to the community and to the rising generation of the community.

### LOCKNEY RAILROAD COMES TO LIFE AGAIN

On the front page of this issue of the Beacon we reproduce an article taken from the Lubbock Avalanche regarding the Roswell, Lubbock and Memphis Short Line of Railroad. This company has bought the old dump and survey of the Altus, Memphis Lubbock Railroad, which was built across Floyd, Briscoe, Hale and Lubbock counties some years ago, and propose to begin at an early date the construction of a line of railroad that will run from Wellington, in Collingsworth county, to Roswell, N. M. The dump, which passes through Lockney is still in first class shape, and we are told by the general attorney for the new company, that the leveling off of the dump is all that is necessary to begin laying the steel through Floyd and Briscoe counties, and most of the dump between Lockney and Lubbock is in good shape and steel can be laid on it. The road is very badly needed along the entire line which it is surveyed to run, and would be worth a lot to the country as a whole, as the situation as it stands today is that the Santa Fe has this part of the country completely in its power as far as railroad facilities are concerned, and the service we get at Lockney is far from satisfactory. Our mail service is a real joke, and we take what we can get in all other kinds of service, and the service we have had for some time has drove to people to the point where the chiefly depend on line cars and trucks for the service that they are forced to have. This new line of railroad would give us a connection with the Fort Worth and Denver railroad at Memphis, and the Katy at Wellington, while at Roswell we would have connections with the Rock Island, it would afford us a far better mail, passenger and freight service than we now have, and would cause the Santa Fe to even look to better service along her lines. We are in hopes that the new company will soon begin construction along this line, and Lockney will do everything in her power to help build the railroad at the earliest date possible.

### AMHERST AND SUDAN GET LIGHT PLANTS

Amherst, Feb. 22.—The Lamb County Utilities Company is erecting light plants at Amherst and Sudan. The expenditure will be approximately \$20,000. Amherst will have twenty street lights.

W. W. Angel spent Monday in Tulsa on business.

## THE PASSING DAY

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Despite all that is said about the craze for jazz music there has been, in the last few years, a remarkable improvement in the character of musical entertainments given in both the cities and small towns of Texas. Most persons who dance seem to prefer to time their dances to the jazziest tunes and the harsh notes the orchestras will play, but when Texans pay to be entertained at musical concerts they demand something better. There is hardly a Texas town of as many as two thousand population that doesn't have one or more high-class musical entertainments a year given by professional musical artists, and the cities do not hesitate to pay high prices for the best talent obtainable. Texans are paying for good music and are getting the world's famous musicians.

When the player piano and the talking machine were perfected, fears were expressed that young people would no longer care to study music, since the very best could be had in the "canned" form. It has been found, however, that the general use of musical records and rolls has increased interest in the study of music. Young men do not hesitate to sing because they cannot rival Caruso or McCormack; young women are not afraid to let their voices be heard because they cannot sing like Schumann-Heink or Tetrazzini. Almost every Texas town has its band, its orchestra, its glee club that are not ashamed when told that they cannot compete with the best in the land. Even the radio has not diminished to any extent the interest in local musicians, but it appears to have stimulated the development of local talent everywhere.

Many of the colleges and universities of Texas send out brass bands, orchestras, and glee clubs to towns throughout the state. These are well received everywhere and prove almost, if not quite as popular as the athletic teams. The schools are finding that these musical entertainments, while not getting as large crowds as the athletic contests, are doing even more to bring the schools to the favorable notice of the public. Band contests of statewide extent, or between neighboring towns or communities, are now common and popular forms of entertainment. Community and county singing conventions draw large crowds of participants and auditors. Community singing, unknown in Texas a few years ago, is now proving popular in many places. In every form of music, interest appears to be growing in Texas.

Yes, jazz is also popular. As stated before it is now the favorite dance music of the day, and most persons like a little of it even on a program given mostly to classical music. In community singing and at civic club luncheons jazz songs find a place along with the old-time melodies. They seem to afford a sort of relaxation not to be found in the better music, to free the pent-up strain of business worry or overwork. If they do in fact serve such a purpose, even in a small degree, no one should complain of the jazz airs. All persons need relaxation at times, and there is after all nothing demoralizing in such music, unless it be its tendency to vitiate the taste for something better. The increasing love for the best music, despite the popularity of jazz, shows conclusively that musical tastes are not corrupted by the inferior musical compositions. Nor is the universal desire for musical self-expression weakened because music may be bought to order.

While music may not be the highest expression of art, there being no way in which a comparative evaluation of the arts may be made, it can safely be said a universal love of music is evidence of a cultured people. All that is called music does not deserve the name, however, for much of it is merely a survival of barbarism. Even barbaric music is better than no music. The person who sings or whistles as he goes about his work, however poor his music may be, is all the better for it. Many factory owners and other employers of labor have learned this and furnished lively music for their workers. It serves the double purpose of getting more work out of the laborers and of making them better satisfied with themselves. A well-known newspaper is now trying the experiment of music in the editorial rooms to determine whether it will prove an aid to brain work.

In keeping with the general interest in musical matters, the State of Texas is now trying to decide on a state song of a kind that will represent the spirit of Texas in its sentiment, its rhythm, and its melody. It is proving a bit difficult to find a composition with all these qualities, one that will adequately represent the greatness of Texas and that will find a responsive chord in the hearts of all the people, and yet be simple enough for all to sing.

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### WEEKLY NEWS SUMMARY FURNISHED BY WEST TEXAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Lubbock—The \$150,000 necessary to put over the big \$350,000 hotel here has been raised, making the proposed hotel an assured proposition.

Slaton—A movement is now on foot at this place to put over a new modern fire-proof hotel. A 50-room building is contemplated.

Haskell—A \$60,000 hotel is now assured for this city, as the amount of stock necessary to make it a sure thing has been subscribed by the business men.

Quanah—This city through the efforts of the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce put over a very successful poultry show and much good will come of it.

Slaton—This city is assured a cotton oil mill with a six press mill. This will be of great benefit to the livestock feeders of the Yellow House Canyon.

Cleburne—Porter A. Whaley, Manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce was in Cleburne on the 20th where he had been invited by the Chamber of Commerce of that city to address them during their annual banquet.

Albany—P. S. Hendrick of this city was elected president of the American Polled Hereford Association at their annual meeting held in Des Moines, Iowa, a short time ago.

Abilene—February 23 was the beginning of the city clean up week and the citizenship of Abilene are planning to make a real good job and have Abilene one of the cleanest cities in West Texas.

Aspermont—14 public school districts of this county were given State aid totalling \$6,920.

Abilene—The public schools of this county received \$6,700 State aid, all of which goes to the rural districts.

Seagraves—This city is planning to build a new school building as the present one is too small to accommodate the more than 250 pupils enrolled.

Dimmitt—A trades day will be staged each first and third Monday of the month according to the report of the Chamber of Commerce at a recent meeting.

Muleshoe—This city has secured a new 40-room hospital, also a new lumber yard making the fourth lumber yard for this place.

Post—The one slogan at Post today is "Cut Down the Caprock." A movement is on foot to reduce the grade from the valley below to the top of the Cap Rock and in every window and automobile windshield is to be seen this slogan. A bond issue to cut down and then to pave the 6 miles from Post west to the "Top O' World" is being asked for and the petition will soon be filed calling for this election.

Tahoka—This city has since Jan. 1, granted 19 permits for new buildings, which amounts to more than \$50,000, and several more applications will be filed for permits shortly.

Olton—The Chamber of Commerce met here recently and elected the following W. H. Bohner, H. P. Webb, L. S. Kennedy, C. F. Farrar, R. E. Dennis, J. E. Fuller, C. E. Bley, M. R. Cavett and L. D. Jones as directors. The directors will meet shortly and elect officers.

Littlefield—The Yellow House Land Company of Littlefield has sold to more than 600 bona fide settlers land out of the Littlefield estate. All of these purchasers are settlers or soon will become settlers.

Haskell—The new location of the Postoffice is at the North East corner of the public square. New boxes were installed and modern fixtures put in.

### Important Notice to Our Customers

Owing to the fact that the National and State laws require all banks to put each days work on their books, the undersigned banks will open their business at nine o'clock and will close at four p. m., beginning March 9th. Hereafter there will be no admittance after 4:00 through the back door.

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### STOCKMEN AND FARMERS TO MEET AT SPUR

An event which promises to be of much interest to the stockraisers and farmers of western Texas is the meeting to be held on the afternoon of March 4 at Substation No. 7 of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, one mile west of Spur. This meeting will mark the close of this winter's experiments with two hundred head of sheep on full feed for 70 days and forty-four steers on full feed 112 days. The finished animals will be there, speechless but eloquent witnesses of the effects of the different rations, different methods of handling, and different lines of breeding which are being studied. Plain explanations will be made by the men

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in charge of the experimental work and by workers of the Extension Service; also comments will be made by men prominent in livestock affairs in the state. In this way, the new facts found through the present experiments will be made public for the first time, and the relation of these new facts to good livestock farming practice in western Texas will be explained. The final facts of the experiments will not be known until a few days later when the steers and sheep are slaughtered at Ft. Worth and the quality of their meat is studied; but on the afternoon of March 4, all will be known about them which can be known about an animal before it is killed. These animals will be loaded for Ft. Worth next morning. All who have ever fattened cattle or sheep or ever expect to have anything to do with fattening cattle or sheep are invited to take advantage of this last opportunity to see these experimental animals and to learn what has been found out from them.

The sheep are being used to find out which of various combinations of home-grown feeds are most practical western Texas. Some of these combinations have not been studied previously and others have not been tried out often enough to permit the drawing of absolutely certain conclusions.

The steers are all receiving the same ration but some of them are coming two-year-olds and others are coming three-year-olds. Some of them are high-grade Herefords and others carry Brahma blood. Body measurements and individual weights have been taken on these steers ever since they were born and much new and practical information is going to be obtained from these figures.

This is the sixth annual meeting of this kind and at previous meetings stockmen have attended from more than a hundred miles away. This meeting will begin soon after one o'clock so that visitors arriving in Spur by train will be on time. In the event of bad weather, the meeting will be held under shelter. In the past a large percentage of those attending have come in automobile parties often being accompanied by the county agent.

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came dressed in styles ranging from hoops to present day fads.

In the "Grand March" before the judges, Dutch, Scott Snyder, made lasting impressions, but on account of the "combination" Ralph took first prize. Dorothy was by far the tuckiest one of the ladies and at the same time one of the most unfortunate. Ask her!

The party called time out from such games as wink'em and the Virginia Reel to visit the picture man to get their likenesses struck. They hope the picture man hasn't had to repent or buy a new camera.

After a tin plate of tackle refreshments eaten leisurely with a knife, the guests departed praising the tackle hostesses long and loudly.

Others present were Messrs. Applewhite, L. Gilbert, D. White, Misses Bigby, Ford and Keas Kaprice members.

#### Albert Smith Marries Colorado Girl

Albert G. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Smith, formerly of Lockney, was married on Feb. 20th, to Miss Jessie M. Davis of Colorado, Texas, at that place. The young people will make their home in Slaton, where the groom's parents are running a newspaper.

#### Celebrate Their Silver Wedding

A number of neighbors, friends and relatives gathered at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Foster to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the married life of this splendid couple, Sunday, Feb. 22, at 3:30 p. m.

The occasion was one of much enjoyment for those present. At the appointed time Mrs. Roy Perry, the eldest daughter, sang beautifully and impressively: "Silver Threads Among the Gold," while Miss May, the second daughter, presided at the piano. While the strains of the wedding march filled the house Mr. and Mrs. Foster, preceded by the following couples: Mr. and Mrs. McGehee, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony and Mr. and Mrs. Schott, entered the room and took their places facing their pastor, Rev. T. B. Hilburn. After a few words and a short prayer, the twenty-five-year bride and groom received the congratulations and hearty good wishes of their friends. Then followed a period of social enjoyment, of the hilarious kind, after which came refreshments, served in the cafeteria style, which were abundant and of such a quality as to rejoice the heart of the most fastidious epicurean.

The bride, upon whom twenty-five years of wedded life rests so lightly, still retains much of the charm and beauty of twenty-five years ago, and was the subject of many complimentary remarks.

The groom was at his best, and wore a smile befitting the occasion. He scarcely looked to be the subject of twenty-five years of married life.

Besides the family the following were present to share the festivities of the occasion: Mr. and Mrs. Hatchett, Mr. and Mrs. Huffman, Herman Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Cowart, and Juanita Cowart, Mr. and Mrs. Schott, and children, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony, of Clarendon, Mr. and Mrs. Rexrode and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ruth and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. McGehee, Scott McGehee, Rev. and Mrs. T. B. Hilburn, Miss Ethel Hartman, Mrs. Lily Wofford, Mrs. Kitchen, Mr. Arthur McAda and Miss Mildred Perry.

The bride and groom were the recipients of many nice presents, which for years to come, will not only bring to their remembrance the happiness of the occasion, but will be permanent tokens of the love and esteem of friends who delight to do them honor.

When the guests departed, they must have carried with them a higher regard for the marriage relation, and deeper sense of the value of our Christian homes where love is the ruling principle.—A Guest.

#### PROVIDENCE

Feb. 3.—There is lots of sickness in the community.

A program was given at the school house Monday by the primary room. A good crowd attended.

The Home Demonstration Club met at Mrs. Algood's Monday, but Miss Faulkner failed to be present.

Mrs. Kennedy entertained the young folk with a party Saturday night.

Mrs. R. J. McLaughlin is sick with flu this week.

Joe Phillips left Tuesday for Portales, N. Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. Windewhen and family moved to near Kress this week.

#### Farm Bureau Notes

The Floydada local of the Texas Wheat Growers Association met in the courthouse on Feb. 17th and elected officers for the ensuing year.

The following officers and directors were elected: J. D. Christian, pres.; W. N. Jones, V. Pres.; W. C. Cates, Sec.; Earl Rainer and A. F. Norton, directors.

There were several other matters discussed at this meeting. A resolution was passed by these men to serve notice on the local grain buyers

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to not buy wheat from the members of the association, and to insist upon the enforcement of the contract and delivery of the products.

The local endorsed the plan adopted by the Texas Farm Bureau Federation in financing that organization. This new plan of financing the parent organization will abolish the annual dues and will collect a small per cent from the products. It is thought that this will be a more satisfactory way of financing it.

Also these men endorsed the work of the county agent and the efforts of the farmers are making in retaining his services since the commissioners court has refused to continue the appropriation for this work.

W. C. Cates, Earl Rainer, and W. N. Jones were appointed as a publicity committee.—W. C. Cates, Sec.

On Feb. 13th the Board of Directors of the Floyd County Farm Bureau met in their regular monthly meeting.

Earl Rainer was appointed as assistant secretary of this organization. Mr. W. B. Jordan, Earl Rainer, and T. S. Wilson were appointed as a publicity committee.

There was a discussion of the coun-

ty agent situation and a committee was appointed to continue the raising of the funds for the county part of the salary, since the commissioners court has refused to continue the appropriation of their part. The farmers believe in this work and they are going to soon have the money all raised for continuance of the work.

There was also a discussion of the office arrangements as the commissioners court has asked us to vacate the present quarters for the grand jury. A committee was appointed to arrange for new quarters, as a result the county agent and Farm Bureau headquarters will be on the third floor of the court house. All farmers are welcome to come up any time and read and be with us whether you are members of the Farm Bureau or not.

A resolution was passed to have the secretary and the county agent to write a letter to the representatives of this district to support a measure to get an appropriation for the state to help the Federal government in the control of rodents.

J. D. Christian, Earl Rainer, and W. B. Jordan were appointed as a committee to investigate the gin busi-

ness and to get information with the idea of either buying or building a gin which should be run on a co-operative basis.

A resolution was passed to take the matter up with the Santa Fe to try to get them to put in a derrick for loading the cotton from wagons which is to be shipped by the association members.—Earl Rainer, Sec.

#### Hall's Catarrh Medicine

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### Personal Mention

A. B. Brown spent the first of the week in Fort Worth on business.

Lawrence Gruver had business in Hereford the first of the week.

Mrs. A. B. Brown and Mrs. E. C. Cox were visiting in Plainview Wednesday.

Mrs. Z. W. Shackelford, who has been sick with the flu for five weeks is again able to be up.

Mrs. Bifle and daughter, Caribel, of Silverton, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Morris Tuesday night.

Mrs. R. G. Morgan left last week for Philadelphia, Pa., to spend two months visiting relatives in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Pearson and children of Plainview, spent Sunday in Lockney visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Adams and family.

Henry Stalcup, who has been in the Plainview Sanitarium for several days was able to return to Lockney the latter part of last week.

Mrs. S. S. Welch and children, accompanied by Elmer Shackelford, are in Texico, N. M., visiting their brother, Richard Shackelford, and family.

Mrs. John Stalcup left Tuesday morning for Dallas, where she will again receive treatment for her hearing, of which she has been troubled with for some time.

Mrs. Alma Cloyd and Mrs. G. C. Patton of Silverton were in Lockney Tuesday, getting prices on the printing of a cook book for a local organization at Silverton.

Joe H. ... of Dallas, was here last week visiting his brother, H. A. Harris, while en route to Amarillo where he will be connected with a jewelry establishment in that city.

Mrs. R. F. A. Truett and baby, returned home with her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. A. S. Kendrick, of Sweetwater, who have been here for several days. They will be away for several days.

Miss Olive B. Davis, stenographer at the First National Bank, has returned to her work here, after being absent for several weeks, at Weatherford, at the bedside of her sister, who has been quite ill.

Miss Allman of Hale Center had her tonsils removed Thursday last at the sanitarium. Miss Allman is now employed in the office of Dr. Wofford.

A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. John McVickers of this city last Friday at the sanitarium. The mother and baby are both doing nicely.

Paekel Barrott of Quitaque, Texas, underwent an operation last Friday for appendicitis. The young man so far is doing fine.

Mrs. U. F. Coker of Turkey is in the sanitarium under treatment of physicians.

Mr. C. E. Lowe of Plainview is under treatment of doctors at the sanitarium.

J. B. Patton's little 6 year old daughter is under medical treatment at the sanitarium and today is doing nicely.

Mr. Lee Jesse is in the sanitarium in a precarious condition caused from drinking wood alcohol. His chances for recovery at this time are not good.

Ross Hamilton of Kress, Texas, underwent an operation for Hernia on last Sunday. He is resting well today.

Orby Mulder of Silverton had his tonsils removed Sunday and is leaving today for home.

Little Wilma Dickerson of Silverton daughter of C. L. Dickerson of that city is in the sanitarium under treatment of physicians.

Little Olive Ferguson of Plainview underwent an operation last night, the 23rd, for ruptured appendix. The little girl who is just 6 years old is resting very well today.

Richard McCrury of Hale Center is recovering from an attack of pneumonia and will be able to go home soon.

Bill Collins employed by the Texas Utility Co. of this city was very painfully burned by an electric wire at the plant a few days ago and was carried to the sanitarium for treatment.

Miss Lois Pack who has been under treatment at the sanitarium is now able to be up again.

Herbert Shumard who was shot several days ago, the ball passing through his body and through the intestines fourteen times was operated on and is now recovering rapidly.

Miss Alma Vineyard of Turkey is

under medical treatment at the sanitarium.

Dr. Mayhugh of this city who was operated on several days ago for ganglionic appendix is some better today.

Roy Hutchison of Quitaque is in the sanitarium under medical treatment.

E. G. Thomas of Tullia is in the sanitarium under treatment of physicians.

Mr. R. E. Dennis of Olton, Texas, who recently underwent an operation is reported today to be doing nicely.

Mrs. H. S. Hilburn was able to leave the sanitarium Sunday after a few days under the treatment of doctors.

Mr. L. J. Pierce of Lamesa who was brought to the sanitarium a few days ago from Silverton after an auto mobile accident is in a precarious condition. However, at present hopes are held out for his recovery.

J. G. Kennedy of Olton is now recovering after several days in the sanitarium under treatment of physicians.

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### RURAL SCHOOL AID BILL PASSES HOUSE, \$500 LIMITS

Austin, Feb. 23.—The Wallace House rural aid bill was passed finally in the house Monday afternoon, carrying an appropriation of \$1,500,000 annually to aid the rural schools of the state. The bill limits to \$500 the amount that may be granted to any one rural school district. The administration of this measure is placed under the Department of Education.

The Simpson house jury wheel bill also passed finally. This measure amends the present jury wheel law to make the act apply to counties having a city of 10,000 or more. The law now applies only to counties having a city of 20,000 or more.

The Wells house bill readjusting the license fees for commercial fishing was passed finally in the house, as was also the Findlay-Storey house bill, imposing a tax on trappers of fur bearing animals.

Without opposition the house also passed finally the Westbrook house bill, authorizing transfer by the Board of Regents of the University royalties received from University lands in Reagan county from the permanent available fund and to be used by the University in carrying out its building program.

These royalties now average \$50,000 a month. This with about \$250,000 received annually by the University as rental from its land will be sufficient to carry on its building program.

Rep. Loftin's bill amending the workmen's compensation law to permit employers to insure their own risks by depositing collateral in the Department of Insurance was ordered printed on a favorable minority report. The State Federation of Labor is vigorously opposing this bill.

### NEW CUT IN TAX ON INCOMES DUE IN 1926

Washington, Feb. 23.—A cut in the taxes paid in 1926 on incomes received during the current year and as sweeping as that made through the 1924 revenue law for the taxes to be paid beginning March 15, will be put through the new congress, according to plans already well under way. This time, however, the reductions will be made chiefly in the higher surtaxes and will be aimed chiefly at incomes of more than \$10,000.

Rep. William R. Green of Iowa, present chairman of the Ways and Means committee, and certain to continue in that post in the new house, has arranged to call to Washington either late in September or the first of October the members of his committee to begin work on a general new tax reduction bill. In addition, Secretary Mellon is having prepared a "Mellon tax plan" which he wishes to lay before the President by the end of the present fiscal year and which will reach congress later on.

It is probable that when the Ways and Means committee comes together it will have before it the new Mellon plan and also a bill by Chairman Green as bases to work on and from these will emerge the genesis of the proposed tax legislation which it is hoped to get through congress before Jan. 1, 1926, so that the taxpayer will be able to balance his budget for that year accordingly.

### \$25,000 GIN FOR RALLS IS PLANNED

Ralls, Feb. 22.—P. B. Ralls, executor of the John R. Ralls estate, closed a deal here today whereby B. W. Plunket of Grapevine, secured a block of land in this city on which to erect a new gin. Plunket expects to begin construction of the plant at once and says the gin will cost \$25,000.

There are 17 gins in Crosby county now and the erection of several others is being contemplated.

### BROWNFIELD TO VOTE ON BONDS FOR COURTHOUSE

Brownfield, Feb. 23.—Notices are

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being published of the recent order of the commissioners' court for an election to be held next month for \$120,000 bonds to build a court house for Terry county.

Architects have been employed and bonds sold, if carried. The plans call for a basement and three floors, with all on top; steam heat and sewerage.

Another election to be held in a few days for \$25,000 addition to the city's school building.

### PROTEIN FACTORS IN WHEAT PRODUCTION

"The present value of hard wheat is being controlled by the per centage of protein, very much the same as the value of milk and cream is controlled by the per centage of butterfat," says H. M. Bainer, Director of the Southwestern Wheat Improvement Association. Continuing, he says, "Wheat that produces the best grades of flour must contain from 12 to 12 1/2 per cent protein. But when we stop to consider that the bulk of our wheat contains less than 12 per cent, we can readily understand why high protein wheat must sell at a premium."

"General run wheat contains from 9 to 12 per cent protein. The miller, in order to maintain his best grades of flour, is compelled to purchase considerable quantity of higher than 12 per cent protein wheat to bring up his average to 12 per cent or more. And it often happens that the miller is not able to secure enough of this high protein wheat at home and is

forced to ship some of it in from the outside. The premium now being paid for high protein wheat runs from about 7 cents a bushel for 12 per cent protein to 18 cents a bushel for 14 per cent protein."

"It is true that climatic conditions have a great deal to do with the protein content of wheat but there are several things the farmer can do to increase its percentage. It is generally known that higher protein is produced in sections of limited rainfall than in humid sections and that dry seasons decrease yield but increase the percentage of protein. Sandy and bottom lands produce less protein than uplands. It is also known that protein is controlled to a large extent by the amount of available soil nitrogen. Lands that have been in rotation or have grown legumes, like alfalfa, clover, sweet clover, cow peas, and soy beans always produce high protein wheat. Good seed makes more protein than poor seed. July and early August preparation of the seed-bed insures more protein than later preparation. Some varieties of wheat are richer in protein than others."

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# The Free Traders

By Victor Rousseau

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### SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Lee Anderson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police sergeant, is sent to Stony Range to arrest a man named Pelly for murder. He is also instructed to look after Jim Rathway, illicit liquor runner. At Little Falls he finds Pelly is credited with having found a gold mine, and is missing.

CHAPTER II.—At the hotel where Anderson stops, a girl, obviously out of place in the rough surroundings, appears. A halfbreed whom Anderson hears called Pierre, and a companion, "Shorty," annoy the girl. Anderson interferes, earning the animosity of the two men.

CHAPTER III.—The girl sets out for Slaton Lake, which is also Anderson's objective. He overtakes her and is two men with whom he had trouble the night before.

### CHAPTER IV

#### The Trap Is Sprung

In the morning she greeted him with a forced gaiety. She nodded and smiled when she came out of her tent.

"Well, we shall ride on together today, I suppose," she said. "I have told you that I do not desire your company, and that your enterprise is probably a dangerous one. You have taken the responsibility upon yourself. With the understanding, we go as companions instead of enemies. Is that not so?"

And this time it was the girl who extended her hand. Lee took it and held it for a moment in his own.

"That's the understanding," he answered. "I intend to see you to your destination, wherever that is, and after that you need not be afraid of my troubling you any more."

"And as for yesterday," said the girl, "you will forget that I was a little hysterical and upset? You see, it is quite an ordeal, going on so long a journey, and I was tired and said foolish things that had no meaning in them at all."

She watched Lee's face closely as she said this. But Lee did not reply.

They mounted and continued the journey. It was about ten o'clock when they heard two or three full

reverberations in the distance. The girl, who was riding a few yards ahead of Lee, reined in and stood her horse upon a tuff hillock, waiting for him to catch up with her.

"What was that?" she asked, looking at him with startled eyes.

"Dynamite," Lee responded.

"Some prospector blasting rock on his claim, no doubt," answered Lee, and again there sounded a detonation.

She seemed to muse a moment or two. "It rather startled me," she said. "I have been afraid since those two men left us—afraid some harm may come to you from them. You will be on your guard, won't you?"

"Yes, I promise you that," Lee answered; and she fixed her eyes on his face with her peculiar scrutiny for a few moments, and then started her horse.

The afternoon began to wear away. They were slowly descending toward the northern pass of the range, beyond which lay the immense territories that they had seen. They began to traverse precarious ledges, overhung by huge boulders, prismatic from the corrosion of the season. Underneath them, at the bottom of a long descent, in places nearly perpendicular, the torrent raced among the rocks.

It was so still upon those heights that the rush of the torrent far underneath them sounded thunderous; and the air was so calm, the sky so blue, that it might have been an Italian summer, rather than a Canadian autumn. An eagle, floating motionless, high overhead, seemed to have been pinned against the background of the blue void.

The girl reined in and waited for Lee to ride up to her.

"Be very careful with that horse of yours," he said. "There's a difficult bit a little distance ahead, but it's the last, and then we'll have an easy journey down through the pass."

She started off again, Lee following some twenty paces behind her. But of a sudden Lee's horse balked, laid back his ears and snorted, planted his forefeet firmly and refused to move.

It was almost impossible to dismount and lead him, for at that point, the narrowest part of the trail, there was hardly standing room for man and beast together. Lee held in the animal with a tight rein, and patted his quivering flanks.

He could not understand what had alarmed it, but now some instinct, perhaps communicated from the beast's brain to his, seemed to tell of danger threatening.

He glanced at the girl, and saw that she was almost across the danger zone. He dared not call to her, for fear of startling her. And, indeed, there was no reason to call, although that baseless instinct was now becoming so strong that it almost amounted to conviction.

He could not see the least cause for apprehension anywhere. His fears appeared absurd; and yet that electric message of warning went flashing back and forth between his mind and that of his frightened mount.

Then suddenly there came the roar of an explosion, muffled underground; the next the rocks over his head seemed to upheave. An enormous crack appeared in the face of the wall of solid rock, which trembled and appeared to move toward him, as if pushed by a gigantic hand; and before the reverberations had died away Lee heard a faint, crepitating sound, like the rustling of paper—the sliding of the interior strata, one upon another.

A little avalanche of stones dislodged from the surface, came rushing down the face of the cliff midway between the girl and himself. Had Lee's horse not stopped, it must have been swept over the edge of the precipice.

Another roar, and a huge rock toppled and fell, this time behind, and smashed into a score of fragments which went rolling into the chasm below, waking a hundred reverberations among the hills.

And with that Lee understood the devilish scheme that was in the working. The dynamiting which he had heard that afternoon was the preliminary work of the two men in preparing their trap; now they had set fuses among the rocks at the narrowest point of the trail, with the purpose of blowing him to destruction.

And it was a murder plan that would leave no evidence behind it, surer and safer than a rifle shot.

Another explosion; and between the sound of the dull roar and the upheaval, Lee, seeing the girl apparently trying to urge her plunging animal back toward him, stood up in his stirrups and waved his hand frantically toward her.

"Go back! Go back!" he shouted. But the girl seemed bewildered, and

only clung to her plunging, snorting beast, over which she had lost control, the while it pawed the air and danced desperately upon the narrow way.

Lee vaulted from his horse, struggled upon the edge of the precipice, regained his footing, and ran toward her. He caught at her horse's bridle. "Jump! Jump!" he shouted, holding out his arms.

And the few following seconds seemed to extend through all eternity. Another roar, and the whole face of the mountain wall appeared to crumple into a landslide. As in a helpless dream Lee saw the falling wall strike the girl's horse in the flank and sent it screaming into the chasm.

He was aching and bruised from head to foot, no bones appeared to be broken.

Peering along the edge of the ravine, Lee saw the girl's horse lying a little distance away.

The effort to get upon his feet seemed to consume an incredible period of time. By the exercise of all his will Lee managed to keep his balance until the rocking earth had grown comparatively stable. Then, forcing his rebellious limbs and muscles into co-ordination, he staggered toward the girl's horse.

It was alive, but its back and limbs were broken, so that it was completely paralyzed. It looked at Lee as he approached out of its bright, pathetic eyes, instinct with the foreknowledge of death.

Lee was sick with the fear that he would either find the girl dead—battered almost out of recognition among the rocks—or missing; drowned in the torrent below.

He searched every inch of the surrounding terrain within a radius of three hundred yards, and then abandoned hope. Anger, boiling up within him, assisted in reviving strength. He would follow her murderers and shoot them down like the wild beasts they were.

Before leaving the side of the injured horse Lee drew his automatic, which had remained buckled in his belt holster throughout the fall, and mercifully ended the animal's life with a single shot over the heart.

Now there remained the pursuit, vengeance—then the original duty of picking up Pelly. But he swore that he would take one man, not three, to Manistree.

And, with the decision, he retraced his steps, until once more he stood beside the gorge between the dead horses.

The contents of the packs had burst from the broken canvas and lay scattered everywhere, but the rifle was not to be found. Two or three cartridges at the edge of the chasm, were all Lee found.

Reluctantly he came to the conclusion that his rifle lay at the bottom of the river.

He turned doggedly to take up the pursuit again. But as he was passing the girl's horse, something yellow and shining on the ground caught his eye. He stooped to examine it. Long tresses of pale, yellow-brown hair coiled round his fingers.

It was the hair of the girl! He tried to pick it up, but the ends were pinned under the dead animal, probably caught in the broken girder. The ends that lay upon the ground appeared to have been roughly severed with a knife.

There was no doubt it was the girl's hair, and the tresses must have been severed within a few inches of her head, for there was more than three feet of them in view, trailing along the ground.

He tugged at them to detach them, but it was a matter of considerable effort, and he only succeeded in releasing them strand by strand. At last, however, he managed to detach them, and, after a moment's hesitation, he thrust them into the bosom of his shirt.

And then of a sudden he understood what had happened, and his heart gave a bound. The girl had not been flung into the water.

She must somehow have become pinned by the hair beneath her horse after her fall; it had come near rolling on her, and her hair had been cut off to effect her quick release.

She was not dead. She had been carried off by the two ruffians.

It was nearly dark when Lee crossed the pass a second time. And he went on, under the light of the moon, scanning the trail ahead of him and the river bank for the kidnappers' encampment. But hours went by, and he did not come upon it, and only the dark river, with its twisted, desolate banks, and the eternal forest disclosed themselves.

In the small hours the wind veered, bringing with it a storm of icy, pelting rain, which changed to a driving sleet. The whistling pellets stung and whipped his face, and all through the storm Lee continued to struggle onward.

It was a superb exhibition of the force of will. Hour after hour he went on, until, in the beginning of that hour before the dawn when everything grows still, when the first faintness of the dawn begins to mingle with the darkness, he became conscious that the river had widened into a lake, one arm of which, thrust out before him, barred his course. On either side of this lake the forests had given place to reedy swamps.

And, lifting up his eyes, he saw, upon a low elevation in front of him, the log huts of the Free Traders' camp.

Then he knew that the long chase had come to an end. And with that the man shook the fatigue from him, knowing that he must hold on to all his strength and wit for an hour or two longer, and that what he had to do he must do quickly, craftily, boldly.

He did not know how many men were in the Free Traders' headquarters, but he must save the girl, get her away.

The arm of the lake that was thrust out between the elevation and the end of the trail was no more than two hundred yards, if as much, in width.

Satisfying himself that there was no way of approach except by water, unless there existed some trail across the swamps, which there was no time to find, Lee waded into the lake, then swam.

The current ran strong; the shock of the icy water at first numbed, then incigorated him. It cleared the doubts and fears of night from his brain.

Swimming diagonally against the current, in a few minutes Lee had reached the flat terrain at the base of the promontory.

He waded ashore, shaking himself like a dog. On the terrain were heaped great mounds of waste and garbage from the encampment above; piles of disintegrating cans, rotting cases, innumerable bottles partly covered with the silt and protruding from it the accumulation of a long period.

Looking through the mist, Lee perceived a small York boat, of the kind used universally between Hudson's bay and the Mackenzie, riding moored against the rocky edge of the promontory some distance away.

The elevation, long, low, and flat, formed an ideal fortress; with the only approach apparently by water, it was evident that it would be a formidable proposition for any body of the police to attack, in the event of defense.

Lee began to make his way across the terrain, keeping under the shelter of the cliff to escape observation from the huts above. It was growing light now, and he could see the surroundings clearly. He reached the end of the patch of ground without coming upon any place by which it might be possible to ascend to the summit of the promontory.

He hurried back, doubling on his tracks, examining the cliff in the other direction. He reached the other side of the flat terrain, only to find that the elevation presented the same insurmountable flank to him everywhere.

But then of a sudden he realized that the York boat must be drawn up at the point of entrance. And it was with this that he must make his fight with the girl, heaching the boat across the water somewhere, taking to the forests.

And without hesitation he took to the water again and swam with steady strokes toward it. In two or three minutes he had gained its side.

The kidnappers must have left their horses at some refuge or rendezvous in the forest and brought the girl by boat to Slaton lake.

And it was evident that they could not have arrived so much as an hour before.

The York boat was moored opposite a cleft in the great dome of the promontory, which offered easy access to the summit. Lee waded ashore once more. But before attempting the ascent he drew his automatic from its holster and examined it. The holster was lined with waterproof, and only a few drops glistened upon the surface of the weapon.

Scrambling up the acclivity, Lee saw the two huts among the trees immediately overhead. He scrambled up the low wall of rocks, and was about to step on to the elevation when of a sudden a man came out of the farther hut and made his way toward the nearer one.

Lee ducked his head down just in time to escape detection, and through the interstices between the boulders he watched the man until he had entered the hut immediately above him.

He looked about forty years of age. He was shorter than Lee, but apparently of great strength. He had an untrimmed black beard, he walked with hunched shoulders, and there was a look of singular ferocity and cunning on his face.

A dangerous, treacherous customer, Lee thought. Rathway!

When he had disappeared within the hut Lee stood up. Craning over the rocks, he could just catch a glimpse of the interior. He saw the

main concealed from the sight of those within.

The man's voice rose in a falsetto snarl.

"What do I mean to do with her? What would I do with her? She's mine, ain't she?"

"And what about me?" Low as the voice was, restrained, yet passionate, something about it sent a sudden shiver through Lee, and for a few moments he could only remain a helpless listener.

"You?" he laughed. "You can stay on here's long as you want to, I guess. There's Pierre and Shorty if you want a man—"

"You coward!" Her voice was vibrant with indignation. "I tell you you've made a mistake in bringing that girl here. You'll regret it. That mine doesn't exist. And when she finds you've fooled her, what are you going to do?"

"So we're jealous, are we? Well, I've been tired of you for a long time," he jeered.

"Jim—" There was desperate pleading in the woman's tones—"I gave up all for you. Let her go. Don't cast me off. I love you, Jim—"

And now Lee knew. A mist trembled before his eyes, and, gripping his automatic, he sprang forward to the door.

He must have shouted, though he was unconscious of everything but the desire to get Rathway by the throat.

Wheeling, Rathway swore, and then, heedless of Lee's pistol, leaped.

But in the moment before they closed, Lee saw the woman's face and knew her for his dead love, who had broken his life and changed it utterly—Estelle.

Lee did not shoot. Instinctively he obeyed that unwritten law of the police tradition not to take life save in the last extremity.

But the sight of this sinister figure, the wholly incredible presence there of Estelle, the woman who had wrecked his life, and the girl lying unconscious on the bed in this man's power, aroused in Lee's heart a sleeping devil of whose existence he had hardly been aware at any time in his life before.

He was conscious only of a mad desire to kill, but to kill with nature's own weapons, in obedience to man's instinctive law.

Clubbing his automatic, Lee leaped to meet Rathway's charge, and breast to breast they met, rebounding like balls of rubber. Rathway's hand shot out and grasped Lee's wrist before the weapon descended. Then, interlocked, they stood almost motionless, matched so evenly that neither budged an inch before the other for a full minute.

Rathway's sneering face was upturned to Lee's. Malice and hate gleamed from his bloodshot eyes. Beside them stood Estelle, with her hands still clasped in the gesture that she had made at the moment of Lee's intervention, struck dumb and motionless with terror and amazement.

Rathway was proving himself the stronger. Malice and hate became triumph, derision. Lee's pistol hand was being bent back. Lee adapted himself with quick instinct to the discovery that he was the weaker in arm and shoulder muscles. As Rathway's body slowly assumed a forward tilt, shifting his center of gravity, Lee suddenly drove his knee into the back of Rathway, causing the man to stumble forward.

The impetus of the body projected against him sent the pistol flying out of Lee's hand; but Lee, in the moment of Rathway's loss of equipoise, drove his fist home into his face, splitting his lips and sending him reeling.

In an instant they were together again, delivering and receiving a succession of pile-driver blows that fell like flails upon each other's faces and bodies. They clinched, rebounded, clinched again; then of a sudden Rathway got home a furious kick to the groin that sent Lee stumbling.

For the first time Estelle screamed, and that aroused Lee to the consciousness that he must finish his enemy almost immediately, before aid arrived. He shook away the film that was creeping over his eyes, and, sick and nauseated from the kick, he closed with Rathway again. They went to the floor of the hut together, and struggled there like two dogs in the dirt.

There was no longer any attempt at tactics. The primitive instinct to rend and tear possessed both of them equally. They scrambled about the floor of the hut, claving at each other's throats. Lee got Rathway's beard in his right hand, and with his left began smashing at his nose and lips. Rathway bellowed, his hands closed on Lee's throat, clung there, worrying him like a bulldog. Lee felt that he was fainting. He was slowly forced over; Rathway's fingers closed on his neck.

The two tightened, and the walls of the hut began to waver. Lee's trachea flattened, his lungs felt as if they would burst. Rathway grinned diabolically into his face; his beard like some foul fungus swept it. Lee flung his arms out instinctively to breathe. One of his hands encountered something. It was the pistol.

Lee's fingers closed on it. And, as if he concentrated all that was left of himself in his left hand, he raised the weapon and brought it crashing down upon Rathway's skull.

Instantly Rathway's clutch relaxed, his eyes glazed, as chicken's eyes glaze at the moment of death. The man's head dropped foolishly forward on Lee's breast. A stream of curses was cut off in foolish mutterings.

Lee struggled to his feet and stood gasping for breath, while Rathway, numbingly stupidly, swayed to and fro upon his knees on the floor of the hut.

Suddenly Estelle appeared to be galvanized into life. With a low cry she ran to Rathway's side, knee'd him by him, and put her arms about him. She drew his head down on her knees

To be continued next week



He Caught at Her Horse's Bridle. "Jump! Jump!" He Shouted, Holding Out His Arms.

And, as he vainly grasped at her an impact shot him over the precipice as if he had been hurled from the mouth of a cannon.

He felt himself hurtling into space, he grasped at emptiness and went tumbling far down into unconsciousness.

### CHAPTER V

#### The Severed Strands

And the returning scene of consciousness was at first only the dim knowledge of pain, in terms of which he visualized existence.

That pain seemed to have existed from all eternity, filling all space and time. It usurped all the functions of the body. He was the nucleus of it, sprawling like an inert being at the heart of creation, and out of him pain radiated through the universe.

And then came sight—chaos of brown and green, fantastic mountains clothed with sparse, unbranching trees, earth's primitive creation, huge continents that he bestride, a Brobdingnagian of his species, solitary in the world.

Lee became aware that his eyes were open. And very slowly he grew aware of his own identity. He began looking about him.

Then he made the discovery that the mountains he had seen were boulders, the vegetation moss and grasses. He was lying upon the ground, with a great rock on either side of him, half way down the gorge at the bottom of which the torrent coursed. Low scrub alder and other growth formed a sort of fan-work over him, completely concealing him. Above this fan-work was a glimpse of the gray sky.

He began to remember things. He had been riding, had been thrown from his mount. The inspector had sent him to bring somebody in—Sneil, Kelly—Pelly! He must have encountered Pelly and have been shot. Pelly had been a fool not to finish the job. He must get after him again. And what had happened to his horse?

Now from where he lay he had a glimpse of the fawn flanks, the shining steel circlets beneath the hoofs. His horse was lying lower down the slope, at the very edge of the rocks beside the torrent. Pelly must have shot his horse as well. Or perhaps it was only the horse, and Lee had been stunned by the fall.

The red rim of the sun was just dipping into the horizon and Lee remembered that when he had last seen it, it was midway in the western sky. But he had seen it from a cliff top.

With that the girl flashed into the picture. Lee saw her and her horse toppling down the ravine. He remembered his own fall, the landslide, the dynamite. Memory grew complete, the last links snapped into place.

He realized that he had been flung from the heights above, and that by a miracle of luck his descent into the rock-strewn torrent had been arrested by the scrub growth which held him. Otherwise those rocks would have ground and battered him almost out of semblance to a man, or tossed him into the whirling torrent.

As it was, it was a miracle that he had survived the fall. Probably he was badly injured. He must count on broken limbs.

He tried to rise, and instantly the body screamed its protest. With immense difficulty he succeeded in getting upon his hands and knees. He flexed each of his limbs in turn. He felt his body and ribs, he patted himself all over.

It was incredible, but though every muscle in his body seemed twisted, and



A Single Shot From Where He Stood, Well Aimed, Would Be Sufficient.

man standing over what looked like a camp bed, on which he could distinguish the head and shoulders of a girl, lying perfectly still.

Lee's heart leaped. He gripped his automatic, levelled it.

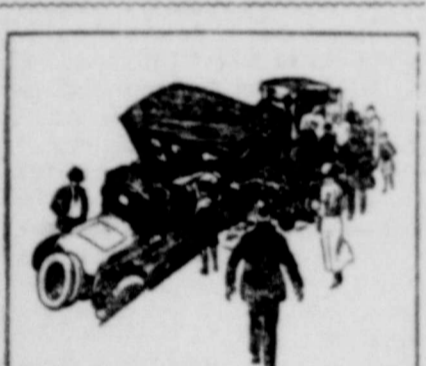
A single shot from where he stood, well aimed, would be sufficient.

And at that moment instinct and desire struggled with discipline as never before, with the maxim inculcated during his eight years of service, never to take life except when life is in immediate danger.

Then discipline won. Lee let the muzzle drop.

And at that moment he heard the growling voice of the man, and the answer of a third person inside the hut—a woman.

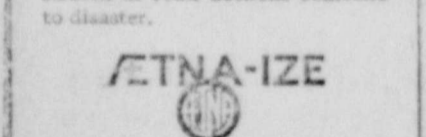
The words were inaudible, and now, hesitating no longer, Lee scrambled over the rocky ridge and made his way toward the door obliquely, so as to re-



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### ATTACK ON FARM BILL MADE BY JONES

Washington, Feb. 21.—A bitter attack was launched today against the Haugen Cooperative Marketing Bill urged by the President's agricultural commission by Rep. Marvin Jones of Texas. Jones took the position that the function of congress was to aid cooperative marketing and not hinder it, as he insisted the Haugen proposal would do.

Asserting that he had a "pocket full of amendments," which he will offer, the Texan said, "This co-operative marketing associations of the country are having a hard enough time of it as it is. Now why do you want to make things still harder for them?"

Jones then attacked the whole report of the Agricultural Commission as not having included a constructive recommendation. He said it was simply a rebash of proposals which have already been before the agricultural committees of both the house and senate. He announced he would talk specifically on each of the proposals in the pending bill when he spoke on his amendments.

### Favorably Reported

Washington, Feb. 21.—While the senate agricultural committee favorably reported today the Haugen bill to create a federal cooperative marketing board on the basis of recommendations of the President's agricultural conference, the house deferred until next week its choice between that measure and a substitute offered by Rep. Dickinson, republican, Iowa.

Opposition to the Haugen bill by Rep. Garrett of Tennessee, the Democratic leader, was evidenced by his speech on the rule to bring the measure up for action today with three hours debate, and his unsuccessful attempt to have the house adjourn. The rule was adopted, 263 to 47, and opposition conceded that the bill would pass in some form. Rep. Purcell, Republican, Indiana, temporarily in charge of the measure served notice that he would have the house sit tonight and vote on it, but this was later modified by Chairman Haugen of the agricultural committee, who successfully moved for adjournment.

### Order for School Election In Common School Districts Nos. 8 and 31

Whereas on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1925, a petition was presented to me for an election to be held in Common School District No. 8 of this county, and whereas on said date a petition was presented to me for an election to be held in Common School District No. 31, of this county, on the question of consolidating said districts for school purposes, both of said petitions bearing the requisite number of signatures of legally qualified voters of the respective districts, and being in every respect in conformity with law; and

It appearing that Floyd county con-

tains a population of 9758, according to the last United States census; and I, further appearing that said Common School Districts No. 8 and No. 31 have heretofore, to-wit, on the 7th day of May, 1917, been properly established by orders of the County Board of School Trustees of said county, which orders are of record in the minutes of said Board, Volume 1, page 7; and

It further appearing that said districts are contiguous in their territory;

Now, therefore, I, E. C. Nelson, Jr., in my official capacity as County Judge of Floyd County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held in each of said districts on the 28th day of March, A. D. 1925, the election in said District No. 8 to be held at Sunset schoolhouse in said District, and the election in said District No. 31 to be held at the Mountainview schoolhouse in said District, as said Districts were established by the respective orders hereinabove referred to, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified voters of each of said Districts desire that said Districts be consolidated for school purposes.

S. F. Gilliland is hereby appointed presiding officer of the election to be held in Common School District No. 8, and P. L. Orman is hereby appointed presiding officer of the election to be held in Common School District No. 31; and each of them shall select two judges and two clerks to assist them in holding said elections, and the said S. F. Gilliland and P. L. Orman shall, within five days after holding said elections, make due return thereof to the Commissioners' Court of this county as is required for holding a general election.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this state and county and who are residents of the respective districts aforesaid shall be entitled to vote at the election held in the district of which they are residents, and all voters who favor the proposed consolidation of the aforesaid districts shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

For Consolidation of School District, and those opposed to the proposed consolidation shall have printed or written on their ballots the words: Against Consolidation of School District

The sheriff of this county shall give notice of said elections by having this order published for four weeks prior to said elections in some newspaper of general circulation that has been continuously and regularly published for more than one year previous to the date of this order, in Floyd County, Texas.

Dated this 23rd day of February, A. D. 1925.

E. C. NELSON, Jr., County Judge, Floyd County, Texas

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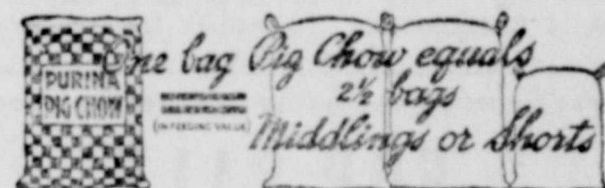
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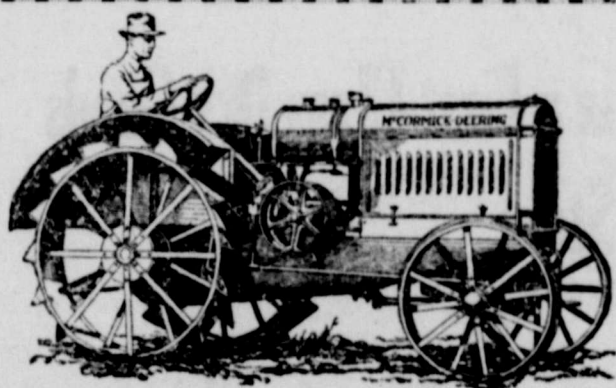
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