#### THREE SCHOOLS GET STATE APPROPRIA'N

**School Districts Entitled to** State Aid.

the respective trustees.

by Judge Thompson.

Sandhill school district was awarded a share of the fund about two months ago, making Weaver Howard and Miss Berfour schools in the county which tha Day, of Starkey, were mar. ment of \$1 poll tax and the will secure state aid, to increase ried last Sunday afternoon in county and state being set at their efficiency. Only rural Floydada at the residence of El- \$1.75. The city poll tax must schools are entitled to aid under der Frank Ross, who officiated be paid by February first, also, the terms of the law creating at the ceremonies. the fund.

#### **New Farris-Surginer Building** Will be Two Stories High.

The new Farris-Surginer building, announced several days ago to be erected on the southwest key corner of the square, will be two stories in height, instead of one as was first announced. Mr. Farris gave out this information Wednesday.

"Just at this time we do not have occupants for the upper to be effected in the construction is an open-range cattleman, and to be erected on the southwest curence Saturday atternoon last, Association. er than one, is enough to justify ed in Floyd County. the additional outlay.'

et to let the contract within to the place the next ten days.

#### **Called Session of The Chamber**

of Commerce Monday Night. day night of next week.

President A. V. Haynes and their auto. Secretary Lider arge a big attendance.

view, visited in Floydada last back. His sister was not hurt week, the guest of her mother, so badly. The smaller children Mrs. J. G. Ranft and other rela- in the rear seat were burt very

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#### FIRST NATIONAL OFFI-**CERS ARE RE-ELECTED**

agement at Meeting Last Friday Night.

14 \$250, and Weathers District Harry Weatherly, E. C. Nelson. are paid. No. 30, \$250. Each was given C. Surginer, directors; Jno. N. \$50 more than was asked for by Farris, president, C. Surginer, ada percinct, if all polls are paid, Notice of the awards were re- cashier, F. M. Butler, assistant tax is paid in other counties is ceived the latter part of the week cashier, J. H. Donaldson, assist- expected to total above 400. ant cashier.

entitled to share in next year's was declared by the directors, have not paid at this date. fund if they comply with the re- leaving a capital and surplus of quirements made by the state \$86,000. The capital stock is

#### Day-Howard.

popular young people of the county or state. Starkey community.

Mr. Howard is the son of Commissioner Jno. W. Howard and Miss Day is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Day.

north of Plainview in Hale tory to forming a partnership in county this year, leaving this the Hardware business, which

#### W. T. Ellison Goes to N. Mex.

Mr. Ellison's place was pur. feet on the rear end of the lot. of January 17th date.

#### Lucien Wheeler in Bed Following Accident with Auto

A called session of the Cham- Eskel, were hurt rather badly ber of Commerce is set tor Mon- last Thursday afternoon while Mr. Jones' father. Both became purpose of having a settlement of Triple B. Blocks, meat salt, returning home from school in all with the la grippe shortly af-

into a ditch by the road side, they had anticipated. throwing the occupants of the Mrs. A. C. Harkey, of Plain car out. Lucian was hurt in the

#### Another Ford Shipment.

Saturday afternoon. These gentlemen have been handicapped Mrs. Young Delightful Hostess at for over a month preceding the holidays due to the lack of cars, but are now advertising immediate deliveries.

#### **Band Organized.**

Members of the Floydada Concert Band met last Thursday afternoon and organiezd. H. S. Haines was selected as manager of the band and Sam Goslee was chosen as director.

The boys plan to furnish their own instruments. The Chamber Commerce is co-operating whipped cream. with the members in an effort to secure maintainence funds.

#### Lockney Wagon Yard Sold.

wagon yard and residence in the Massie. north part of town known as the Day yard. Consideration \$4,500, We understand Mr. Whitely will move to town and take charge of Cake Flour at Duncan Grocery. same at once.—Lockney Beacon, 2tc.

#### ONLY 100 POLLS PAID IN FLOYDADA

Six Years.--9 Days Remain.

Upon application of the trus- The stockholders of The First Only 100 polls had been tees of the districts, three more National Bank, in their annual paid in Floydada Precinct today Floyd County schools have been meeting last Friday night, re- at noon, and a very few exempawarded money out of the state elected the same set of officers tions issue a According to the million dollar appropriation pro- and directors for 1916 as served records in the tax collectors vided for by the last legislature. the institution during the pre- office this is the lowest figure in rectors of the First State Bank, comes a thing of the past late Sunday followed with tempera-These are Meteor District No. ceding year. These are: Thos. a period of six years on the 20th of which Mr. Green is cashier. this afternoon or tonight, when ture steadily around 10 degrees 7. \$350, Lone Star District No. Montgomery, John N. Farris, of January. Usually near 200

The voting strength of Floydvice president. E. C. Nelson, and including voters whose poll Each of the districts will be A dividend of ten per cent of the poll-tax-paying population

> Nine more days remain in which the poll tax may be paid, entitling the payer to vote.

Within the corporate limits the cost of the poll tax will be \$2.75, the city requiring a pay-The contracting parties are franchise privileges of city.

#### C. S. Jones and C. W. Mitchell **Form Partnership Hardware Firm.**

C. S. Jones and C. W. Mitchell are this week invoicing the stock They will reside on a farm of the Jones Hardware, preparaweek to occupy their new home. partnership becomes effective Monday of next week.

The new firm will be styled

other things a complete line of Saturday and then turned the the past few days on business, consideration of every voter. the John Deere implements.

C. S. Jones and wife returned shortly afterwards. last week from Petrolia Lucien Wheeler and sister Texas. where they had been ter reaching Petrolia, and were The car threw a tire and ran compelled to remain longer than

> Richmond Lewis and family, of Vernon, who have bought the Pool place two miles out, have reached Floydada and are making this their home.

J. L. Martin and family, of Barker Bros., Floyd County Vernon, have moved to Floyd C. K. HOLLOWAY OFFERS FOR distributors of the Ford. received County. Mr. Martin plans to a consignment of eight cars last make this his home indefinitely.

### **Carnation Club Meeting.**

The Carnation Club was delightfully entertained Thursday J. E. Young.

refreshments of plum pudding county later in the campaign. with sauce, chicken sandwiches olives, and hot chocolate with ticing in the Floyd county courts

naday, Donaldson, Williams. State University. Miss Frona Johnson of Floyd- Golden, Smith, Triplett. An- 1f elected Mr. Holloway promada sold to Sam Whitley the drews, McKinnon, McMillan, and ises to execute the duties of the

Try a package of Kaferita Pan

#### "1915 SATISFAC-TORY YEAR"---GREEN

elect Old Officers for 1916.

"Our Bank had a substantial increase in business from the beyear, which we think reflects will be "cut in" on the board. very creditably the growth of

was held Monday night at the the Santa Fe right-of-way. bank's offices and the directors to entitle a tax-payer to the president, P. M. Felton, vice Telegraph & Telephone Co. president, Jas. K. Green, cashier, N. W. McClesky, assistant cashier, J. V. Daniel, book-keep-

#### OSCAR FRANZ XILLS WIFE AND COMMITS SUICIDE

Turkey, Hall County, Man Went to Seek Settlement with his Wife over Property.

Oscar Franz and wife, of Turnow building a warehouse 25x50 news dispatches from Silverton tists will be held at Plainview.

Franz and his wife were not home near a year ago. living together and he had gone since the holidays visiting with to her home, it is said, for the shot her through the breast. He 2tc. then shot himself through the

Mrs. Franz had been married twice, her first husband being had one child by that union.

### **COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

#### **Announces His Candidacy Subject** To the Action of the Democratic Primary.

Chas. K. Holloway this week afternoon, January 6th, by Mrs. asks The Hesperian to make the announcement that he is in the After the business meeting race for the office of County Atseveral games of rook were en- torney of Floyd County, subject joyed, Mrs. Massie winning to the action of the Democratic high score. The hostess assisted Primary. He plans to make a by Mrs. McMillan served dainty canvass of the voters of the

Mr. Holloway has been pracfor practically two years. He Those present were Mesdames is a young lawyer of ability and Bruner, Steen, Buckingham, promise. He is a graduate of Green, Starks. Montague, Can-the Law Department of the

office without fear or favor to the best of his ability.

The price is right at White's.

#### "CUT IN" NEW **CIRCUITS TONIGHT**

**Connections practically Com**pleted to Floydada.

Floydada and Floyd conuty in crew under the direction of Fore- Tuesday and Wednesday were "1916 opens with a promising handicapped somewhat by the perature, with increasing fog, However, practically two-thirds outlook for all lines of business." condition of the weather and the and temperature for a twelve The annual meeting of the necessity of digging and hour period Wednesday five destockholders of the institution erecting poles through lakes on grees above freezing.

selected held their meeting Tues- noon today to the switch board, a slow rain falling, beginning at day afternoon. The following and the final touches will be giv- noon. Rain is predicted by the were elected directors: S. A. en this afternoon, and unless weather bureau as continuing Greer, W. A. Robbins. Will I. trouble develops both wires will through the night, with a drop Allen, S. L. Rushing, P. M. Fel- be working tonight, taking care in temperature tomorrow over ton, H. L. Puryear, Jas. K. of the regular run of business, this portion of the Panhandle. Green. The old officers were re- according to J, C. Hubbard, lo- this cold wave, according to the tained. They are W. A. Robbins cal manager of the Southwestern weather report, advancing from

#### "Not Guilty" Menace Verdict.

Joplin, Mo., Jan. 14.-A verdict of not guilty was returned today by the jury in the case of the Menace Publishing Company of Aurora. Mo., and four of its officials who were charged in Federal court here with misuse of the mails.

#### **Dentists will Meet at Plannview.**

W. T. Ellison moved last week Jones & Mitchell. They will oc key, Hall county, both known to day from Abilene where he at- office weich he now holds, substory of the building," Mr. Far. from the east part of this county cupy the north 25x100 feet of many people in Floyd County, tended the semi-annual convenris said. "However, the saving to Logan, N. Mex. Mr. Ellison the Surginer and Farris building are dead, following a tragic oc- tion of the West Texas Dental cratic Primary in July.

gun on himself, causing wounds arriving Monday afternoon. which resulted in his death This is Ross' first visit to Floyd-

A fresh car of salt, consisting or division of their property. He table salt and barrel salt, just called her to one side and then received at the Duncan Grocery.

#### Livestock for Sale.

dead. Her maiden name was broke to work, 5 head of hogs, spent a week here following Mr. Woods. She had been married I good milk cow with young Ellis' demise, has returned to to Franz about seven years and calf, and 2 head of horses. See his home at Richland, Mo. H. E. Edwards, at the Ele-

Carbon paper at Hesperian.

#### **EXTREMES MARK THE WEEK'S WEATHER**

Meteor, Lone Star and Weathers Stockholders Retain Former Man- Lowest Figure at This Time in Stockholders of State Bank, Re- Copper and Wire Long Distance Cold and Fog, Followed by Rain today, and Cold Promised again Tomorrow.

> The old ground circuit system The weather has been on the ginning to the close of the period which has served the long-dis- extremes during the week endcovered by the year 1915," said tance telephone business of ing today. The temperature Jas. K. Green Tuesday following Floydada since the beginning of Friday and Saturday ranged the election of officers and di- telephony in West Texas, be- from 20 above to 10 above, and "Our active accounts increased the two new metallic circuits, for more than 12 hours. Monby three hundred during the one of iron and one of copper, day morning the extreme low for the year todate was three The work of the construction degrees above zero. Monday. man C. C. Randle, has been marked by gradual rises in tem-

Today the temperature is Both wires were strung at ranging above 40 degrees, with the Rocky Mountain States eastward.

#### GEO. L. MAYFIELD IS DISTRICT ATTORNEY CANDIDATE

District Attorney will Make the Race for Re-election to Office.

District Attorney Geo. L Mayfield has asked The Hesperian to make announcement of his can-Dr. I. W. Hicks returned Mon- didacy for re-election to the ject to the action of the Demo-

Mr. Mayfield is one of the of the building two stories rath- says he was getting too crowd- corner of the square. They are which is told of as follows, in The next meeting of the den- best-known attorneys in the district, having resided in Hale County for many years. He The block will be 50x100 feet chased by J. W. Readsimer, of The new firm will largely in- Oscar Franz, of Turkey, Hall Ross Cope, of Beverly, Swish- has made a faithful officer, and two stories. The builders ex- Hunt County, who has moved crease their stock, adding among County, shot and killed his wife er County, has been in Floydada his candidacy should have the

He promises if elected to give the office his very best efforts, ada since removing to his new and asks the voters to consider his record when making up their ballots.

> Carl Garner, of Jacksboro. spent Tuesday night in Floydada with W. H. Hilton He left Wednesday for a business visit to Matador.

John Traw, brother-in-law of Two span of 4-year-old mules, I. C. Ellis, lately deceased, who

> He was accompanied by the children of Mr. Ellis, Robert. Charlie and Ruth, who will live at Richland.

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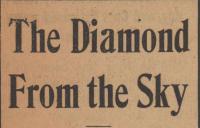
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CHAPTER X.

Lost-The Diamond From the Sky! ND what of the diamond from the sky? Torn from the fair throat of Vivian Marston, it light to gleam upon it and be reflected back intensified. With letters and packages and newspapers folded tight his n? w lies the diamond from the sky without a stamp to make it mail of any class.

Then comes the busy mail collector, with his mail collecting car. There is some excitement at the Randolph mansion close by. Police whistles are blowing and a thundering fight is going on on the sidewalk.

But Bob Adams is one of Uncle Sam's mail men. Way for the U. S. from the sky? Where was it? mail, which has no time to stop for police, police whistles or shindies on the street. But it attracts his attention, as do some hurrying passersby, and he opens the mail box and mechanically drags its contents into the open maw of the drawstring regulation canvas mail bag. Into the sack while Bob Adams, mail man, looks with averted head toward the "elegant scrap" goes the mail from box 413, and with it goes the diamond from the sky.

Bob Adams gets back from his collection route to the postoffice an hour later. His work is through, and he stops in to see his friend, the sergeant at police headquarters, to learn what the row was all about that caused such a commotion and evidently put a crimp in the swell ball given by that grande dame of Richmond, Mrs. Burton Ran-

Meanwhile on the sorting tables at the postoffice the local collections are being dumped from the mail bags. The clerk looses the drawstrings and holds the bags up from their bottom corners and shakes out the mail with deft and practiced rapidity. On the floor the emptied mail bags pile. They see hard service, and some are rent and fraved.

The inspector comes on his rounds and goes over the empties, marking briskly with a large piece of chalk "Repair" on those that need mending and renovation.

Out to the loading platform go for the time being the condemned mail night watchman upon them occasion-

Dawn breaks at a small way station cry to see it fall upon the sorting ta-Arthur, so cramped and sore that every fiber of his being aches, crawls eled and pitiful in what was his masculine finery of the night before, Arthur limps to a small pool of water between the tracks and is not too dainty to throw himself down beside it and suck up its refreshing coolness to his cracked lips and parched and feverish throat.

The trainmen are busy with their own concerns at water tank and telegraph station, far up the track and on the other side of the train Across ed it on top of his load. But his fingers employment. from him is a freight, going out on a branch line. The open door of a freight car seems to call him to its sheltering haven of escape. Arthur darts across the track, realizing what a ridic- missing gems of price. ulous figure he must seem in his stained and disheveled dress suit, a marked and battered silk hat still clamped tightly on his head.

The outgoing freight is gaining mo-

his hold and would have fallen under the wheels but that two strong and dirty hands seize him by the shoulder and the monkey was a simian of sorts and his and gained the diamond without awakting his master and climbed the tree at the long end of his tether to expect the similar of the control of the contr into the open doorway, but he misses grasp him also, and he is hauled into the car like a grain sack to find himself safe on his side and looking up into the countenances of three grinning, grimy knights of the road.

"You had a close shave of it, bo," wheezes the whisky voice of the first

"It's a plant, Strap!" cautions a little rat faced hobo who has skulked in the back of the car and has given no hand in hauling Arthur from the jaws of death.

"Whatcher mean a plant?" asks the one addressed as Strap.

"Can't you see? It's a railroad bull,"



Fighting Wildly With the Outcasts.

fish?" and he points to Arthur's now dirty and disheveled evening attire. "Maybe de gink got it handed to him," suggests the other tramp who on the floor of the freight car, his lies in a mail box, with no had assisted Arthur into the "side door Pullman.'

> "Aw, can't ye see dem glad rags is his'n? Why, dey are doity, but dey

"You are right, Scotty," said the leader of the trio, and without ado he the ear that stunned him for the moment, and the next instant Arthur felt himself fighting wildly with the three strong and active outcasts.

Meanwhile, what of the diamond

mail bag without seeing it, the mail gentlemen bore many signs of the consorter at the postoffice had given no flict through which they had passed.



His Monkey.

forty miles from Richmond. Here the ble and blaze back its sinister gleams freight train halts for orders, and here to the incandescent light above. Where was the diamond from the sky?

The watchman relieved at dawn on from his perilous perch and creeps the loading platform outside might from under the car into the dusky day- have known as he stepped across the light. Choked with dust, marked and mail bags marked "Repair." But the matted with grease and dirt, dishev- side of his right shoe just grazed it. The truck driver might have known as he loaded the bags to be repaired, for like many a poor man he held a fortune in his hands for once at least in his poverty stricken life and never

the inner seam at the bottom of the ed in the darkness of the soiled interior just missed the feel of it. And so he evil one, and drove on with his mind lector, the monkey Clarence, camped upon other matters than fortunes or

of the town came Quabba, musician "We are rich men now, Clarence!" alone. With him was his orchestra the monkey snuggled close to him and mentum as Arthur flings himself half and his collector of external revenue. they fell asleep and had such dreams True, his orchestra was but a barrel as man and monkey may. organ and his collector of external rev- But in the dawn Clarence awoke

heart and sung to himself as he trudged owl in the hollow above the lower along. Only a poor hunchback organ grinder with his monkey was Quabba. But his heart was light, his conscience untroubled and his constitution. untroubled and his appetite, alas, only the diamond from the sky in its place. too good. The whole wide world was In Clarence's monkey mind it was a tramp to seize him. "But I gotcher, his, and no man was his master, and case of fair exchange and therefore so Quabba the hunchback sang and not a robbery. winked at the monkey, Clarence, as if | His irate master on the ground, now to say: "We haven't a penny, Clarence, wide awake, yanked at Clarence vibut what an appetite we'll have for ciously, and the indignant monkey dropbreakfast—as soon as we pick up the ped the owl egg down into his master's price of one!"

"Hi there, get out of the way!" shout- frantic Quabba search high and low ed a rough voice, and Quabba, roused upon the ground for the missing jewel from his reflections, stepped aside just of price, so soon found, so soon lost retorts the rat faced tramp. "Would in time to avoid being struck by a again! Iny gay cat be wearin' the soup and passing truck. A jolt of the vehicle

threw an empty mail bag marked with chalk "Repair," from a pile of those at the back of the track,

The hunchback picked up the mail bag and called after the driver. But that worthy failed to hear the cry and Quabba waved the old mail bag after him. Then he felt something the size of an English walnut in his hand and under the dirty canvas of the bag. His sensitive fingers felt along the side seam of the bag and he could feel, even through the thickness of the canvas. that the object in the bag was a chain and locket.

The hunchback wheeled into a near by alley, between two warehouses. No one had seen the mail bag fall from the truck, none noticed him turn up the deserted alley. It was only the work of an instant to loosen the drawstring and turn the mail bag inside out. There, on the inside outside, strung the diamond from the sky, its upper clasp engaged in the seam of the bottom of the bag.

The itinerant musician thrust the diamond and its chain into his bosom and popped the mail bag in a garbage can hard by, then, his heart beating high. Quabba winked to the monkey and ceased to whistle to whisper: "We are rich men now, Clarence.

And soon out from the alley came a hunchback organ grinder with his monkey, and the itinerant bunchback was the possessor of the diamond from the sky.

In the empty freight car as it bowled along the combat was over. Spent. worn and battered, Arthur lay bound hands pinioned behind him by the dirty leathern belt of Mr. Strap Mc-Gee, gentleman of leisure.

"He ain't no bull in plain clothes, if dem is plain clothes." panted Mr. Mc-Gee as he nursed a swelling eye; "he ain't no railroad dick eider. He's a struck Arthur a terrific blow behind welterweight champion," he added rue-

This also was the opinion of Scotty, the rat faced little tramp whose suspicions had caused the combat, and likewise was it the opinion of Chicago Pete, the bulbous nosed third member Bob Adams had swept it into the of the trio of travelers, for all these They had conquered Arthur, but at a frightful cost to the allies.

"He busted me snoot," moaned Chicago Pete, "an' jest for dat I'll hand him a shoe full of feet," and, standing over Arthur, helpless and pinioned, the gentleman from Chicago gave him a brutal kick in the ribs.

"An' jest for dat we'll frisk young John L. an' swipe his glad rags, too.' asserted Mr. Strap McGee.

They took some \$20 they found upon Arthur, for in addition to having lent Blair money to lose in Mr. Abe Bloom's gambling establishment Arthur had generously given him almost all of the rest of the proceeds from the pawning of the diamond from the sky.

proceeded gravely to shoot craps for more fortunate Mr. Strap McGee, more fortunate in the fact that the dice were his and he knew how to manipulate victor and tumbles Blair into an open them. Bruised and battered as he was. Arthur could not restrain a laugh at the ludicrous aspect the tramp leader presented in the dirty and disheveled evening clothes, with Arthur's broken silk hat perched jauntily on his head.

The freight stopped at a water tank, the time being the condemned mail bags, and there all night they lay in the arc light, with only the eye of the night watchman upon them occasion—

Only a Hunchback Organ Grinder With and made through a cornfield across to which Blair has invited Arthur and at the which Blair has the which Bla the country. He reflected, with a smile, that the actions of the tramp would be his salvation. He was right in this, for shortly afterward Mr. Strap McGee, despite his indignant protests and explanations, was seized by railroad detectives and held on a telegraphic description of his attire as Ar-

thur Stanley, wanted for murder. At sunset a good looking young tramp stopped in the door yard of Alex Smith's farm and asked for work. The farmer put him to chopping wood for his supper, and so well did he acquit himself and so soon did he gain acquit himself and so soon did he gain the good graces of the farmer's wife steals the diamond and leaves it in a Held by its clasp in the ravelings of and the farmer's little baby girl that despite the rags of his attire John bag, the heirloom of the Stanleys rest- Powell-for such was the name Arthur farm. gave-was creeted on the barn floor of the service worn old mail bag. The in the morning, after a restful night in truckman held it in his arms and toss- the however, with a proffer of steady

That some night by the wayside. threw away his fortune, perhaps an Quabba and his external revenue col-

beneath a tree. Again Quabba showed Down the city street from his hum- his companion the diamond from the ble lodging place in the poorest part sky, and again he said to the monkey, and a traveler. And he traveled not Then he placed it in his breast, and

So it was that Quabba was gay of amine his find undisturbed. But an

upturned face. Nor would he help the



Soon He Gained the Good Graces of the Farmer's Little Girl.

SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAP. TERS.

A bitter feud has existed between Colo A bitter feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley. The feud has been engendered in family jealousy over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, that was found in a fallen meteor by an adventurer ancestor. Also, the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American Stanley. When a daughter is born to Colonel Stanley of the eldest branch of the Stanleys in America and the mother of the child dies at its birth, the chagrined colonel buys a newborn gypsy boy and substibuys a newborn gypsy boy and substi-tutes him as heir. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the colonel's little daugh-ter, being reared in secret, and leaves her own son undetected as the heir. The gyp sy mother has also obtained possession of the diamond from the sky and a document containing the secret of the false heir. She rears the little girl, Esthe Stanley, as her own and grows to love her. When Esther is grown a beautifu young girl, Hagar, now gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with her. She has a wild plan that Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's old friend, may now adopt Esther, as originally intended. Her hope also ther, as originally intended. Her hope also is that her son, the supposed Arthur Stanley 2d, may fall in love with Esther and thus the innocent girl may become by marriage what she is by birth—mistress of Stanley hall. Dr. Lee adopts Esther, but also demands that Hagar turn over to his custody the diamond from the sky. Dr. Lee also informs Hagar that her son, the supposed Arthur Stanley 2d, is a profligate and not worthy of Esther, but Hagar hopes for the best and with her people departs. Arthur Stanley does fall in love with Esther and so does his boon companion, Blair Stanley, the his boon companion, Blair Stanley, the cousin who would be the rightful male f the diamond from the sky.

Then the framps stripped Arthur and known. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor. Outside is Arthur, serenading Esther. Blair, esgrave. He searches Blair and takes the diamond from the sky. Blair is only stunned and tries, with the aid of his mother, to place the blame for the murthrilling drive in a high powered motor-car Arthur eludes his pursuers and is thrown into the river after a smashup. and the three tramps withdrew, with His body is seen noating down the river.

Arthur is revived by Hagar, who reveals many caustic remarks at parting. Arthur is revived by Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond, with some reprignance donned the

> CHAPTER XI. Chadows at Sunrise." N breaks upon a waking orld in summer. The farmer rouses for his early tasks, the poor sluggard and the rich idler sleep on in hard beds and soft. At Stanley hall there is still a notice

> New York visitor. She is an adventuress who has borrowed the diamond for the

evening. Hagar attends the ball as a fortune teller, accompanied by Luke Lovell. While Hagar is telling the "belle's"

fortune the diamond is snatched from her breast. Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, has stolen the diamond and to avoid detection drops it into a mail box. At the ball a sheriff tries to arrest Ar-

thur on the murder charge. Arthur escapes and leaves Richmond on a freight

train. The diamond passes into a mail bag, which is condemned, lost from a

wagon and picked up by Quabba, an or-

bird's nest in a tree. Arthur is robbed of his clothes by hoboes, who leave him

in a tattered outfit. He seeks work at a

in bankruptcy tacked upon the battered and padlocked door. The window shutters are closed, the weeds rankle on the lawn, and already the proud mansion of Stanley hall seems going to ruin and A carriage drives up and stops at its

portals. From it alights a gentleman of half legal, half real estate agent appearance. He assists two ladies from the carriage. One is a woman of middle age, in rich and matronly black silk, and the other a fair young girl, modishly attired. And yet these two, the elder woman

and the younger, are gypsies, for it is Hagar Harding and Esther, her daugh

Since that exciting night at Mrs. Randolph's ball in Richmond Hagar has ad one resolve. With her son a fugitive and the diamond from the sky vanished as mysteriously as it had come, Hagar has centered all her hopes and all her desires on Esther. Hagar has wealth, what need to hoard it further now? So she has come to Fairfax, not as a gypsy woman, but as a dowager of means, and rented the idle mansion from the trustee in bankruptcy. If the plan to rehabilitate

it was begun, through the death of Dr. Lee, supposedly at the hands of the fugitive young master of this very mansion, Hagar will lease it and see that Esther enters upon the position in life to which she belongs by right

The formalities are soon over and Hagar has installed herself and Esther in Stanley hall.

So eventful have been the last few years of her life that Esther has ceased to wonder. In the death of Dr. Lee, Esther realized she lost a friend, and one who had something to tell her. If



They Are Hagar Harding and Esther, Her Daughter.

this secret is shared by Hagar, who she supposes is her mother, Esther realizes it will be told her in the full

In Richmond Vivian Marston, from whose fair bosom the diamond from the sky had been snatched the night of the ball, had caught no glimpse of the face of the man, of the thief and strangler. Search had not revealed it and so Luke Lovell had been released.

At Farmer Smith's, a dozen mile away from Stanley hall, where, unknown to him, Hagar and Esther are now domiciled, Arthur, the fugitive. labored for his daily bread. The winsome little five-year-old daughter of the farmer had twined herself around Arthur's heart.

Happy and hardy and healthy were his days. He followed the plow and faced the sun and sang. He was gain ing no fortune in the world's goods but he was happy in the clean, open air life of a farmer's helper. Only die a shadow come to his face when he thought of Esther and his bitter moth er, Hagar. Was Esther his sister o was she, too, a changeling? No matte which, Arthur's love for her was dee and pure as a brother's. He would der of Dr. Lee upon Arthur. The sheriff attempts to take Arthur, but after a and so he faced the morning sun and sherilling drive in a bigh property motor.

brought him his luncheon to the field torn scrap of newspaper that covered portion of it caught his eye. It was : front page "scare head" of a Richmond paper that in big type hysterics told of the robbery at Mrs. Randolph's ball which a supposed New York society belle is the guest of honor, they are stunned to find the diamond on the breast of the on a charge of murder. Then Arthur wondered again if he had done right in protecting Blair. An impulse seized him to go to Fairfax and give himself up to the authorities and let the whole truth be known.

> But then he remembered the secre was Hagar's and that she had suffered much. So far neither Hagar nor Es



He Followed the Plow and Sang.

ther's connection with him was known No one but he and Hagar knew he was not the heir of Stanley, for, though Esther had called him brother, it was plain to Arthur that the sweet girl had said the word to comfort him.

Then also he realized that much in expiation must be endured by him. He felt that when the time came Hagar would speak, and until then he was bound to silence.

At Stanley hall and all throughout

Esther as a Stanley has failed, ere yet | Fairfax the news of Esther's return had gone abroad. The mystery of her coming as Dr. Lee's adopted daughter and the mystery of her sudden departure at his death added fuel to the gossip that went through the countryside when it was known that with a handsome dark woman, who gave the name of Hagar Harding and said that she was Esther's mother, Dr. Lee's erstwhile ward had returned to Stanley hall.

But with the young men of Fairfax county Esther's gentle ways and piquantry had gone far in the few short months she had lived beneath the doctor's roof as his adopted daughter. And now, when it was known Esther had returned to Fairfax and dwelt at Stanley hall, the young men of the community again came flocking to seck her favor.

First and most constant of the callers upon the new occupants of Stanley hall was Bert Randolph."

Few, except those who understand the ramifications of kith and consanguinity in the old south, can comprehend the strong ties that blood and marriage make in Virginia.

The Stanleys, the Randolphs, the Lees, the Beverlys, the Hunters and the other famous old families loved and hated flercely, but strictly among themselves.

Both Blair Stanley's mother, who was a second cousin, and Bert Randolph's mother, who was a first cousin, had invited the chagrined Mrs. Burton Randolph to Fairfax and forgetfulness. But Blair Stanley, being in Richmond and infatuated with his kinswoman's vivacious guest, Vivian Marston, had so warmly seconded his mother's invitation that Mrs. Burton Randolph and her guest were greatly pleased to accept it.

"My aunt is a stunner!" Bert Randolph blurted boyishly to Hagar and Esther. "Ralph, here, knows what a good sort she is, and she'll be wild about you, Miss Esther, won't she, Ralph?

And Ralph Hunter, also smitten of Esther, nodded eager assent, for the two young men had ridden over to call upon Esther every day since she and supposed mother, Mrs. Hagar



Had Ridden to Call Upon Estner.

Harding, had occupied Stanley hall. The generous minded young men were keen to realize there was a veiled hostility against the strangers who now had taken up their abode at Stanley

"Yes," Bert Randolph rattled on, "Aunt is a stunner—she's broad minded, too, not stiff and narrow like our Fairfax women folks. I do not know why she is going to visit Blair Stanley's mother instead of mine, but anyway, Aunt Burton Randolph will be here to attend the Fairfax tournament. which comes off in a couple of days. I have a bill of it with me. It's the biggest event we have in Fairfax, and poor Arthur Stanley was set on winning the wreath this year. How he practiced for it. He would have won it last year, but Blair Stanley, who is older and much heavier than he, beat him out by a nasty bit of interference. Didn't he. Ralph?"

Ralph was quick to say he thought Blair had ridden unfairly, and Bert went on with his chatter concerning his stunning aunt and the coming tournament.

"I would be surprised if Aunt Burton didn't go wild about Esther," Bert continued. "She loves to have pretty girls around her, and any girl she chaperons is made a belle of Richmond, for Aunt Burton Randolph surely does queen it mightily in Richmond society.'

While he was speaking the young Randolph of Fairfax produced a handbill printed in old English text, which

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QUEEN OF LOVE AND BEAUTIE (Continued in next Issue.)

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MARS DYING OF THIRST.

**Astronomers Say Plight of Planet** is Gradual Decrease of Water Supply.

a remedy quinine is the favorite; have made the mysterious inhab but more powerful drugs are ad- itants of Mars the object of carministered according to the grav- toon and quip, but in a lecture ity of the case, such as antipy- at the Bosicrucian Fellowship naturally advised that these be tronomy, in the University of taken only under the advise of Washington expressed pity for those who live on the planet near-

epizooty, or pink eye, which at- there is intelligent reason on the lecturer. "All the great acks only animals, and especial- Mars, said Prof. Boothroyd in an men of history who have venturby those of the equine breed. In address which was illustrated by ed to say that certain things 1872 there was an epidemic of astronomical drawings and pho- would never be accomplished. this kind among the herses and tographs. "The canals of Mars have been contradicted in a short" mules which was quite general, are not, as some people think, time. Infinite and unknown as but was especially virulent in filled with water and cut like the the universe, the greatest thing but merely are called canals be- sibilities of the mind are unlim-72 73 there was hardly a horse cause they are straight. Yet ited. fit for service of any kind, oxen the fact that vegetation on Mars being drafted for all sorts of moves south at one season, bearwork, and as it was a winter of ing its necessary moisture and blacksmithing, horse shoeing and then moves directly north over the same path makes inevitable the conclusion that there is intelligent direction behind this.

"Mars evidently is an old planet. Its water supply is rapidly similar to that for man, the doses, of course being much strong. Let us think with pity of the AL INTEREST net, with no compeople, perhaps like ourselves, The fact that 200,000 humans who are struggling desperately could be seriously affected in to conserve what moisture is New York alone really before left that they may live. Sad it tf. the doctors took hold of the con- seems sometimes that we cannot

assistance." opinion that the earth someday men's association. will die of thirst, as Mars is dy-Light deliveries made any- ing, being unable to retain its

The astronomer also said there planet Venus, though it is doubt-For marble monuments, see less of a lower grade than Mars, tf. owing to a less favorable atmosphere. As for the stars--the suns that lie indefinitely beyond the solar system of man-no one S. C. Sluder and family left dares say that intelligence does

and may be measured accurately by their shadows. These pictures are probably as true to nature as some of the drawings that our engineers make of mountains within view."

"The utter insignificance of Seattle, Wash. -Humori sts long the earth compared with the solar systems of the universe was brought out forcefully by a comparison of distance. Light can travel from the earth to the sun in eight minutes, it was pointed out, whereas it takes light hundreds of years to move from the earth to some of the stars.

"It is foolish to say what we may know and what we may not "Study convlnces us that know in the future," remarked Panama, Suez or Erie Canals, In it is the human mind, and pos-

> See J. A. Lowry & Son for wood work.

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> Quick service is our motto at the Main Garage Tin Shop. H.

If you want a good sewing Prof. Boothroyd showed some machine on easy terms, repairstriking drawings of mountains ing, or accessories, see or write me. S. H. Wright Salesman and "These mountains," he ex- Collector, Singer Sewing Ma-Mr. Sluder has been a citizen claimed, "are 30,000 feet high, chine Co., Floydada, Texas. 2tp.

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attacks of vertigo and syncope resembling that due to apoplexy.

A curious near relation of epi. est the earth.

For most of the winter of 18 many fine snows, there was many a merry, though slow sledding party with oxen. Many horses died, and those that lived were out of commission for months. The treatment was

tagion, illustrates the rapid stretch out a friendly hand of

S. B. McClesky.

S. C. Sluder Goes to Hereford.

that they will indefinitely escape 200,000 -afflicted may be dead paying the price of their tool- and thousands more elected to last Saturday for Hereford, not exist equal to our own. Texas, where they wiil make! their home, Mr. Sluder having How serious is the presence of not to do so. More than one this contagion may be appre- bought land a few miles out of the moon. half the entire number of people ciated when it is known that from that city. killed on American railroads are since the earliest record of the

trespassers. Why not make disease in Italy, France and Ger- of Floyd County for upward of and enforce laws to prevent many in 1173, no fewer than upward of fifty "la grippe years" leave many friends in this

Mules For Sale.

Everywhere this pandemic Tops out of 51 head.

contagion, as it came to be called Terms: Cash or good note. because of its universality, was Mules located in the old Newell followed by great mortality. So yard, just across the street from late as 1889 this pandemic canta- the Farmers's Exchange. Phone gion took in the whole globe, as 170, or call on Robbins at his it is the nature of the contagion office rear First State Bank

Robbins & Gamble,

MONEY. - Making yo ur loan

Physicians and scientists ex erted themselves to discover the cause, but it was not until 1891 that Pieffer, Kitisako and Canon working independently, discovered the bacillus which has been given the name of Peiffer's ha-

great mortality.

almost simultaneously; and later in South America, Mexico and

Australia, London. Boston, San

Francisco and other American

cities were attacked at almost

the same time, and all suffered

cillus. It is said to be a distinct bacillus, not appearing in any other of the contagious diseases. The symptoms are high fever, coughing, sneezing, buzzing in the ears, prostration and weakness, with mental depression,

inflammation of the respiratory passages, pain in many of the joints, swelling of the mucous lining of the nasal passages, with increased mucous exudation from those passages, and consequent spitting and blowing of the nose; often inflammation of the throat and slight tremors of the whole body, and sometimes

Among the drugs most used as rin phenaticen, digitalis, carbolic hall recently, Prof. S. L. Boothacid, strychnine, etc., but it is royd, of the department of asskilled physicians.

demic influenza, or la grippe, is western Pennsylvania.

spread of the plague. -Ex.

These statistics are for those you need this variance, who were killed or injured while trespassing.

Vice, have issued the played in street railway cars tell-trespassing.

Light deliveries made any ing, being what should be done to avoid where in town on quick notice.

The astronomy based this variance is a contract of the played in street railway cars tell-trespassing.

Charlie Steen. killed every day. Unless pa- contracting the contagion; have Phone 81. Charlie Steen. rents know that their children displayed posters, and have ap- tf. keep away from railroad tracks pointed a "committee on anti-

The ABC of Safety First is have occurred. In later years county.

Clyde Cockrell, of the Russell ally the whole world was afflict-21 head of good young mules, & Cockrell Printing Co., of Ama- ed, and with loss of life even in coming four years old, 15 to 153/4 rillo. and H. S. Hillburn, editor limited localities of many thous- hands high, all well built and in good flesh, ready to go to work.

> to spread with great rapidity. Building, Floydada, Texas. In that year it originated in Cen. tf.

year. 5,472 or 53 per cent were trespassers, people who were But Grippe Bacillus Were not Of 10,302 People Killed Last Year on Railroads 53 per Cent using the railroad right-of-way were Trespassers. as a thoroughfare or play ground; men and boys attempting to A chart recently issued by board trains; women with or

RAILROAD FATALITIES LARG-

the Santa Fe Railroad showing without children walking on or physical conditions that while the casualties on steam railroads across tracks; children walking the millions in the European furnishes interesting informatracks to and from school, as a trenches so far as is known on tion. Dnring the last twenty-short cut to town, picking up this side of the Atlantic have been four years 108,009 persons have coal, etc., and not one of them immune from serious epidemic, been killed and 117,257 have had any business or right to be the whole North Atlantic coast been injured while walking on where they were when killed. of America is suffering from railroad or 'flipping' cars in Besides the 5,461 killed, there that dread contagion, epidemic, the United States, according to were 6,354 additional trespassers influenza, or, to use the French this authority. Of this number injured a total of 11,825 trespass- term, "la grippe." The report 149.163 were citizens of the loc- ers killed or injured in one year, is that in New York City alone ality in which the accident oc as a price of their self assumed 200,000 persons are affected, and cured, wage earners principally, right to trespass on railroad pro the health authorities are taking 31,049 were children under 18 perty if they wanted to. 16 extraordinary precautions to preyears of age and 45.054 were ho- Trespassers are killed every day; vent the spread of the disease.

These statistics are for those you heed this warning, you may vice; have issued cards to be dis-

10,302 people killed last year more than half were trespassers. It says in part:

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knowing of the 10,302 people HISTORY OF LA GRIPPE DATES

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ed life, nor can they continue to full operation until January 15,

take chances with any certainty and by that date many of the

hardiness. Not only do not tres- play a part in the tragedy,

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In perfect health we hardly realize that we have a network of nerves, but when health is ebbing, when strength is declinated that the strength is declinated to the strength in the strength is declinated to the strength in the strength is declinated to the strength in the strength in the strength in the strength is declinated to the strength in the strength

ing, the same nervous system gives the alarm in headaches, tiredness, dreamful sleep, irritability and unless corrected, tral Asia and spread as though leads straight to a breakdown.

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Newspaper dispatches state that the Socialist leaders in hand will pay the penalty. Oklahoma are hopeful that their party may get controll n that state in the elections this year.

More and more people in that state are becoming disgusted three uncertain elements against For Treasurer Floyd County: with the political conditions which are said to prevail. Many former Oklahomans go so far as to say that rotten is a mild word for the state of affairs in some portions of Oklahoma.

### **COTTON FACTS FOR FAMERS**

By Clarence Ousley.

year, it is important for us to half will be taken for war suptake stock of cotton facts in or- plies. Hence of the shipping der that we may intelligently available, it is hardly possible govern our affairs both as to the that more than twenty five per disposition of the cotton now on cent of it can be obtained for hand, and as to the planting of the shipment of cotton. -Such

present situation is that there war materal, such is the scarcity are in the South today, in the of war ships, due to war uses of hands of the farmers and mer- transports and merchantmen. chants 12,093,769 bales of cotton, that the freight on cotton from and this volume is to be disposed American ports to Liverpool has of between now and August 1, advanced from \$1 a hundred to a close within the next six It is my intention to call on all when the new crop will begin to \$2.25, or \$11.25 a bale. come to market.

cotton, as exhibited by the gin- British government required ning report and the estimates of Egypt and India to reduce cotthe Census Bureau was 11,160,- ton acreage about twenty-five 000. In other words we now per cent. The purpose of the have more cotton for sale than act was to promote the welfare we grew in 1915, because we be- of Fgyptian and Indian producgan the cotton season, August 1, ers and also to allay the cotton 1915, with a visible supply of 3,- panic in the Southern states, be-099,881, and with 1,800,000 bales cause Great Britain recognized as it is the interest of every bus- to make an officer of whom the on plantations, or we had at the the importance of maintaining iness man and every farmer to Floyd County citizenship may beginning of the cotton season, such a price for cotton as would use the utmost of his influence well be proud. Asking due con-1914. To this carry-over add a crop of fair proportion and not and to begin immediately to con- and every voter in the county, I 11,160,000 bales grown in 1915, abandon cotton as was threaten- vey this information to farmers, am, and 800,000 bales of linters from ed in the fall of 1914. It will be and to at once let it appear that the same crop and we have a remembered that at that time the South will not increase its total commercial supply of 16,- there was much discussion in acreage, If this is done we will 859,881 bales.

in total foreign exports to Dec- tion is different now, for cotton good price for the next crop. It of last week visiting with his ember 18, 1915, 2,114,223; on is bringing a fair price, and it is this is not done we need not be brothers, O. J. and J. D. southshipboard not cleared at that fair to assume that the British surprised if the price of the cot- east of town. Mr. Huggins retime, 117,151; taking of northern government will encourage full ton now on hand should decline turned home this week. mills, 1,208,738; Consumption of acreage in Egypt and India for and the crop of 1916 should sell Southern mills, 1,326,000. Mak- the year 1916. With full acreage next fall below the cost of proing the total volume disposed in those two countries, the production. of to December 18, 1915, 4,766, world supply of 1916 can easily As the situation is thus under 112. Deduct this from the total be increased 2,000,000 bales. In stood, it is plain to be seen that supply of 16.859.881 and there addition Asiatic Russia, which the only safe farming, that is, remains 12,093,769.

sumption by European and cotton production in 1916 and farming. The south this year phone 114. American mills on the average of will undoubtedly do so. This has fed her self, and except in the last four months of actual does not take into account the the storm area, the farmers are spinning, there will remain of possibilities of cotton production in better condition than they the 1915 crop unused on July 31 in Asiatic Turkey, of which there have been in years, because they 1916, approximately 2,500,000 has been sufficient indication to have their food and feed for the fortable carry-over, since it will cotton area. be only about two months sup- All of this is conclusive de- food and feed, their cotton will January 27th. ply for the mills. But long be- monstration that the cotton situ- be surplus for the payment of ltc. fore that time the mills will have ation at this moment is a very debt, for for improvements, or for information as to the acreage of delicate one, and it will require accumulation whether the price be sold and the value of the sell, and the value of the crop low prices and to find themselves try a sack at Duncan Grocery. crop of 1916 when it gets to of 1916. market.

At the beginning of the new | maining fifty per cent, at least are the demands of the European The outstanding fact of the countries for food supplies and

Still another important fact to The total American yield of be considered is that in 1915 the

There is another fact of great ies at interest will gather inimportance to be considered at formation about the acreage of this time, and that is the order 1916, and we may expect esti- proof enough that food and feed of the British government that mates from time to time as to fully fifty per cent of the room what the farmers will do this farming, and that all cotton in the merchant ships must be year. All such indications and farming is down right gambling. occupied by food stuffs. It is all such estimates are certain to fair to assume that of the re- have their effect on cotton pric-

es. While the official report of the actual acreage will not appear for some months, every intelligent man in every cotton community will have a tair idea, based upon the acreage in grain and in the early planted crops. of what the acreage in cotton information will be gathered by trade interests, so that as we go along from week to week from \$1.00 now till the actual planting of the cotton, there will be more or less dependable imformation as to what the cotton acreage is going to be. If it should appear to promise a material increase, the trade will assume a normal yield and will make calculations accordingly. If the south prepares in the next sixty days for For Co. and Dist. Dierk. a larger crop, it will sacrifice what it has gained by slow mar keting, and the cotton now on For County Judge;

> The man who looks to cotton as the source of his income has him. The first is the continuance of the European war, which no intelligent man dares to say will come to an end before another crop can be sold. The For Sheriff & Tax Collector: second is the boll weevil menace which is greater than it ever has been, because in 1915 we had the heaviest infestation in the history of the pest, and the winter season so far has been so mild that the weevil will survive TO THE VOTERS OF in large numbers. The third is the weather, which is always to be reckoned as a fickle element. In fact, but for the unfavorable! and the boll weevil development, the papers that I would again be Even if the war should come to no means discouraged me. months, it will take another six the voters in the county during months for European industries the next few months, but in case to resume their normal capaci- there should be some that I fail ties. From the signing of peace to call on or see, I will say, your it will take three or four months vote and influence will be appreto get the men from the trench- ciated just the same. es back iuto the trades.

4,899,881, bales of the crop of induce southern farmers to grow to prevent an increase in acreage sideration of my claims by each the southern states about limit. sell the remainder of the 1915 J. Ed Huggins, of Mangum,

already grows a million bales, the only farming that is a sate at this time next year under the 2tc. From this time forward part-necessity of borrowing money

for food and feed. The experience of 1915 is farming along with cotton is safe

> Clarence Ousley, Director.

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J. F. MATHEWS, Pastor.

Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1916. For District Attorney, 64th Judicial District: AUSTIN C. HATCHELL. GEO, L. MAYFIELD.

TOM W. DEEN.

E. P. THOMPSON. For County Attorney: C. K. HOLLOWAY.

MRS. ADDIE THAGARD.

For Tax Assessor: FRED A. GRIFFITH. J. B. JENKINS.

J. A. GRIGSBY. SAM I. FARNSWORTH. R. M. (BUD) BROYLEL.

## FLOYD COUNTY:

As most of you will doubtless weather, the August storms in remember, immediately after Texas and the Mississippi Valley our last election, I announced in the crop of 1915 would have a candidate for the office of been at least 2,000,000 bales more sheriff and tax collector of Flord and prices now would be less County in 1916. My defeat of than they are by \$19.00 a bale. only seven votes in 1914 has by

If elected, I shall very greatly For this reason it is sheer fol- esteem the confidence and trust ly for the south to increase its placed in me, and shall ever be cotton acreage, in the slightest ready at all times and in all indegree, and it becomes the duty stances to put forth every effort

> Very truly yours. R. M. (BUD) BROYLES.

From this supply we have sold the acreage by law. The situa- crop at a fair price and insure a Okla., was here the latter part

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> Brood Sow and six pigs for sale. See Robert Menefee. tf.

We will pay 8 cents in cash or bales. That will be only a com- put the south on notice of a new making of next year's crop, and 9 cents in trade for hens delivif they will again grow their ered not latar than Thursday,

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Seal Flour, Extra High Patent the crop of 1916, and if that the best judgement of the south, be high or low. But if they Flour. Of the 30 prizes awardacreage appears to be materially and the most intimate co-opera should now undertake to grow ed at the Panhandle Fair, at larger than the acreage of 1915, tion between the business men an increased cotton crop with Amarillo, Seal Flour won 18 there is certain to be a substan. and farmers. to maintain the the expectations of high prices, blue ribbons, for best biscuit, tial decline in the cotton yet to price on cotton we now have to they are certain to precipitate best cakes and best light bread,

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ı	Of the Carl Wille And Strangers	31.80
ı	24 lb. Sack White Crest Flour	95
	48 lbs. Seal Flour, Extra High Patent, guaranteed	1.75
	24 lh. Sack Seal Flour	91
ì	18 he Dine Band Claus High Detant	30
Ī	48 ibs. Blue Band Flour, High Patent.	- 1.55
ı	48 lbs Cream of Plains, Righest Patent Plainview Flour	1.70
Į	48 lbs. Sun Flower, perfect Light Bread Flour	1 76
ě	48 lt s. Hercules, good hard wheat light bread flour	1.01
	40 it's. Hercules, good hard wheat light bread hour.	- 1.03
I	Corn Meal, Fresh Harvest Queen, large sack	.75
ı	Corn Meal, Fresh Harvest Queen, 17½ lb. sack	41
ı	Sugar, pune cane 16 lbs.	
ı	or of D	1.64
	Coffee, Peaberry per lb.	.20
į	Coffee, Chase & Sanborns Santos Peaberry per lb.	25
ı	Coffee, a good quality flat grain coffee per lb.	15
ı	Confee, a good quanty hat grain confee per in.	15
ı	Coffee, Maxwell House, 3 lb. can, \$1 size, per can	90
ı	Coffee. 30c package "Our Motto"	20
I	Coffee, 35c pack "Mity Good"	
I	Coffee, ode pack lifty dood	.25
ı	Coffee, 30c pack age "Ever Good"	20
ı	Laundry soap, Clean Easy, 7 bars for	25
ı	Laundry soap, Cream White, 7 bars for	25
ı	Tadhary Soup, Oream white, a bars for	25
ı	Laundry soap, Armour's Woodchuck, 11 bars for	25
ı	Rice, good quality cracked grain, 6 lbs. for	.25
ı	Salt, Crushed rock stock salt per 100 lbs.	
	Solt "Triple R" No. 1 fine most solt and 100 11	.42
	Salt, "Triple B" No. 1 fine meat salt per 100 lbs.	
	Salt, Kiln Dried, extra dry meat salt per 160 lbs.	.65
1	Salt, 50 lbs. "Triple B" Blocks 35c, 3 blocks for	1.00
1	Salt 50 the Medicated stock solt new 50 th 11	1.00
	Salt, 50 lbs. Medicated stock salt per 50 lb. block	
	Baking powder, one 25c can Calumet or K. C.	20
1	Baking powder, two 25c cans Jack Frost	.35
	Raking nowder two 25g agns Health Club	.53
	Baking powder, two 25c cans Health Club.	.35
1	Washing powder, 6 packages Borax	.25
1	Washing powder, Swifts Pride Cleanser, 4 10c cans.	.25
-	Washing powder, Light House Cleanser, 6 cans	.23
-	Maria weeking chiel of	.25
2	Magic washing stick, 25c package.	20
ľ	Clothes pins, with springs, 3 dozen	20
-	Pineapple. Del Monte large can, sliced or grated, per can	.15
-	Passebag Dal Manta Highart Crada Culifarnia	13
ı	Peaches, Del Monte Highest Grade California, 2 cans	.35
	Peaches, Yellow Cling, 2 cans	35
ı	Peaches, Yellow Free, 2 cans	.35
ı	Apricots, Del Monte, Highest grade California, 2 cans	.35
	Chamica White fills 2 cans	.30
	Cherries, White Lilly, 2 cans.  Tomatoes, Maryland Chief No. 2, three cans.	.35
	Tomatoes, Maryland Chief No. 2, three cans	.25
	Tomatoes, Quaker or Maryland Chief. No. 3, 2 cans for.	.25
1	Sweet com Justice brand non con	.23
1	Sweet corn, Justice brand, per can	.10
200	Sweet corn, Imperial brand, per can	.10
	Sweet corn, Deego brand or Maine Style brand, 3 cans.	.25
	Sweet corn, Mary land Chief or Mt. Yoe brand, 3 cans	.23
	Course page 2 and 250 1 de prand, 3 cans	.25
	Sweet peas, 3 can 25c. 1 dozen cans	90
-	Blackberries, 3 cans for	.25
	Gooseberries, 3 cans for	25
	Loganberries, Del Monte, 2 cans	.35
ì	Oysters, No. 1. three cans for	.33
ı	Oysters, No. 1. three cans for	.25
	Oysters, No. 2, two cans for	.25
ı	Salmon, Choice Pink, 3 cans for	.25
	Sweet Potatoes, Maryland Chief, per can	.10
	Kraut, Maryland Chief, 3 can for.	.10
	Deliver Cooked 2 made and 101	.25
	Raisins, Seeded, 3 packages	.25
	Peaches, Choice California Evaporated, 10 lb. box	.75
	Pork & Beans, Armour's No. 1, three cans for	.13
	Dowle & Doong Annouse's No. 0.	
	Pork & Beans, Armour's No. 2, two cans for	.25
	Exract, Vanilla, 35c size bottle.	.25
	Extract, Lesson, 25c size bottle	.20
	Chocolate, Justice Brand ground, 35c size can	
	District mixed 250 size quest class in the	.25
	Pickles, mixed 25c size quart glass jars.	.20
	Dill pickles, canned, 15c per can, two cans	25.
	Honey, pure alfalfa comb. per 5 gallon can	5 00
	floney, pure strained, per 5 gallon can	4.50
	Matches double din turdyo Faharon	4 30
	Matches, double dip, twelve 5c boxes	.45
	Starch, Argo Lump, 5 packages	.25
	Bluing, quart bottles.	20
	Mince Meat White Swan, 7 packages	
	Summy Valva Rina Label nura cons current	.50
	Syrup, Velva, Blue Label pure cane syrup	.60
	Syrup, King Komus, pure Louisianna cane syrup.	.60
	Syrup, Sparkle, corn syrup, cane flavor	.50
	Syrup, Raven, corn syrup, cane flavor	.50
	Syrup, Everybody's Brand	.50
	Conchim Mary Iona	.50
	Sorghum, Mary Jane	.45
	Sorgnum, Jim Dandy, large	.55
	Cottolene, large size buckets	1.40
1	Crisco large size	1.70
	Crisco, large size Barrel cooking oil, per gallon	.90
	Darrel Cooking on, per ganon	.90
	Stoneware, good quality jars and crocks, per gallon	.11
	Oil, per 5 gallons	.75
	Tea, Tetley's high grade, 25c size 20c or 2 for	
	THE TOURS IN THE ELECTION AND DIAL AND UT A THE	.35
1	The Metley's high anade 500 size and 6	
J	Tea, Tetley's high grade, 50c size can for	.35
	Tea, Tetley's high grade, 50c size can for	

The above prices are cash, but a dollar saved is a dollar made. Reduce your table cost for A. D. 1916. Look over the above list and you are almost certain to find what you want, if not we may have it. Remember this sale closes February 12th at 8 o'clock P. M.

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JANUARY 29TH.

CASH

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Note the extreme low prices	Ladies' Suits	Men's Suits	Men's Shirts	Blankets
we are making on Staple  MerchandiseGoods that	All Ladies' Suits  1-2 Price	One lot of Men's Sutts  1-2 Price	Men's Black Sateen work 40c shirts 50c value	Cotton and Wool. \$1.00 Blankets
you will buy the year round.	- I THEC		Men's Outing Flannel 35c	2.00 " 1.35
	Coats	Other Suits Other Suits for Men	\$1.00 Wool Shirts 79C	2.75 '· 1.75 3.25 '· 1.95
C Canvass going at	All Ladies', Misses' and Child- ren's Coats	Greatly Reduced	\$1.75 Wool Shirts <b>C1 15</b>	4 00
ans of the came	1-2 Price	All Overcoats	\$2 00 Wool Shirts <b>C1 65</b>	8.00, 9.00 " 5.50
Cotton checks now 42C		For Men and Boys	\$2.50 Wool Shirts	2 1 1 1 1 2 2
Wearwell bleached domes- 71ct tic Regular 10c now 72C	Skirts All Ladies Skirts	1-2 Price	\$3.00 Wool Shirts CO A5	Boy's Suits \$1.95
Diamond Hill Cambric Reg. 71c	1-2 Price	Men's Pants	now	3 50 " 2.25
Heavy brown drill cut \$1.35		One big lot of dress pants  1-2 Price	Gloves	4.00 '' 2.65 4.50 '' 2.85
Canton Flannel	Kimonas All Kimonas now	1-2 Trice	All winter weight glove. 50c Gloves	5.00 " 3.15
Brown canton flannell Reg 71C	1-2 Price	Shirts and Drawers	now	6.00 '' 3.65 7.00, 800 '' 4.25
Brown canton flannell Reg. 81 C 12½ c now.		Men's wool shirts and drawers \$1.25 garment now 85c	now	10 00, 12 50 6.25
	Infant's Coats Infant's long and short coats	Personal and the Control of the Cont	now	Ladies' Hose
15c Brown and Bleached 121c canton flannll now 12c	1-2 Price	Union Suits	\$1.75 gloves 1 25	Ladies 25c Hose \$ '19
Bleached Canton flannell 81C Reg. 102 now.		Men's Wool Union suits \$2.25 garments for \$1.50	now 1.33	" 50c "
Bleached canton flannell 91c Reg 12½c now92C	Sweaters		Pearl Buttons	" \$1.00 "
All fancy Outing in dark and	All Sweaters goning at 1-2 Price	Men's wool union suits regu-	3 cards of pearl buttons 5c	
light patterns our 10c value 71c	TO THE PERSON OF	lar \$3.50 now \$2.25	5c chalmer pearl buttons 25c	Children and Misses Hose all 10c Hose, 6 pair for 45 c
	Embroidery All embroidery including the	Olly	10c pearl buttons 25c	All 15c Hose 4 pairs for 45c
Heavy Chevoits Reg. 10c 71C values now	wide flounces at	Odd Vests About 100 Men's Odd Vests		All 25c hose 19c
	1-2 Price	Each 25c	One big lot of rubber combs regular at 25c now 2 combs	Men's Hose
Wool Goods	Lace	STREET STREET	for 25c	Men's 10c Black Hose 5c
All Wool Goods 1-4 Off	All lace insertion and all heavy lace edging	Men's Coats  Men's Sheep lined coats	Hooks and are not and la	Mens 15c Hose 3 psir25
1-4 UII	1-2 Price	1-2 Price	Hooks and eyes per card 1c 3 packages brass pins . 10c	Men's 25c Hose20c Men's 50c Hose40c

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of forty one states have expressed their intention of co-operating in baby week. Many of the state health departments already traveling exhibits for use in their own state and circulars of information concerning the practical details of a baby week campaign may be secured free of charge from the Childrens Bureau of the United States Department of Labor at Washington.

#### Livestock for Sale.

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**HOG CHOLERA GERMS** 

Agricultural Extension Service Tells tion Agent."

How Cholera May be Fought.

Several carloads of hogs bearsease among these herds have 30th 1909; died Jan. 10th 1916. been confined to widely separ- Bro. Baker was an honored

A bulletin bearing date Janu- has been absolutely clean all his ary 15, has been issued by the life." Extension Office at Amarillo, He loved God, his wife. his means of preventing the spread him very much. This bulletin says in part:

REACHING YOUR HERD.

"Locate hog lots and pastures away from streams and public highways, and do not allow hogs to run free range.

Do not buy or exchange hogs unless you know that cholera does not exist in the herd of the one with whom you exchange, and even then it is safer to keep exchanges quarantined from your herd for at least two weeks.

"Do not visit your neighbor or allow him to visit you, if either of you have hog cholera on your

"Do not loan or borrow wag ons, farm implements or farm animals of your neighbor, if either of you have cholera.

"Do not drive into hog lots when returning from market or

after driving on public highways. ' Do not use hog lots for yard-2tp-tf. ing wagons or farm implements.

"Burn to ashes or cover with quick lime and bury under four feet of earth all dead animals and the viscera removed from animals at butchering time, be cause they attract the attention PLAINVIEW NEWS ITEMS of birds, - dogs, coyotes, etc., which are liable to carry hog cholera infection

"Confine your dogs and do not keep pigeons unless you confine

YOUR HERD.

with anti-hog-cholera serum, after which they should be kept on a light diet and pure drinking water, and confined to limited quarters that may be cleaned daily and sprayed three times a week with one part of compound cres- per cent was declared. The ol solution to thirty parts water, until the disease has abated in re-elected. the herd. To obtain the best reprogressed in the herd.

your herd is infected, that they were retained. may take the necessary precaution to keep hog cholera from reaching their herds.

'TO RID PREMISES OF INFECTION

urate with quick lime.

old hog troughs.

oughly cleaned, spray the walls, Dr. S. M. Harp, of Abernathy, floors and other surfaces with have formed a partnership to disinfectant, one part compound enter the drug business, and cresol solution to thirty parts have purchased the Duncan water. If hog houses are small Pharmacy. R. A. Long retires turn them over, exposing the in- from the race for tax assessor. terior to sunlight.

should be filled in, drained and special judge to sit in the disfenced off.

should be cleaned, disinfected in order that thirteen civil cases and then boarded up.

ly recover, as they may be car-tried. Attorneys in the case be-

ciers of cholera infection. "Don't trust your own know- judge.

ledge of hog cholera. If your SHIPPED INTO PANHANDLE hogs get sick consult a veterinarian or your County Demonstra-

#### **Obituary**

R. H. Baker was born in West ing hog cholera germs have been Virginia, forty-two years ago on shipped into the Panhandle and Jan. 6th; was converted and South Plains herds during the joined the M. E. Church when past three months, but until re- he was twenty four years old cently the outbreaks of the di- married Hattie E. Price April

ated districts. Within the past member of the Board of Stewards fifteen days however, according at the time of his death. He has to Harmon Benton, U. S. Demon-lived an honorable and upright stration Agent at Amarillo, of life, one worthy of emulation. the Office of Extension work, He has been true to God and his many outbreaks have occured fellowmen. Saint and sinner traceable to earlier shipments. say of him "fle was a good Mr. Benton says that in at least man." His warm friend and two communities in the Panhan- business partner said: "You candle the cholera exists in almost not say too much in his tavor." every herd of hogs and is still "His childhood friend said: "He never sowed any wild oats, he

bearing directly on ways and church and all men. We miss He had of the disease in this section | been ill more than two weeks but was thought to be much better. 'TO KEEP HOG CHOLERA FROM On the morning of January the 10th he was taken suddenly est. In small or large quantities. worse and was dead in a few Located in Floyd, Motley, Briswere these: "Jesus, Jesus, plains and Fertile Valleys. bless my soul."

> great awakening and turning to crops. Christ. We feel that we have Address, W. M. Massie & Bro. unwillingly added largely to our Floydada, lexas. treasures up yonder.

His Pastor.

#### Plan to Organize Band.

members of the proposed organ Range stoves and shelf goods. ization have had previous experience in playing. It is expected 2tc to begin with about 20 members.

A committee to investigate the ber of Commerce to report to the of John N. Farris. called meeting next Monday

"IF HOG CHOLERA APPEARS IN keeper. He takes the place of bank and up to the window of Jack Matthews, who will return | Cashier Posey. "Treat your hogs immediately to New York. Mr. Doubleday is succeeded by Will Stockton, were too surprised to run, so of Otto, Texas, a brother of T. they stood with open eyes and Stockston, cashier of the bank.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First Natsame officers and directors were

The only change in the persults the serum must be admin-sonnel of the Citizens National istered before the disease has officers was the election of H. Y. Hughes as assistant cashier. "Notify your neighbors that The other officers and directors

> J. C. Hooper, present sheriff of Hale county. has announced as a candidate for re-election.

Four indictments were return "Remove all manure and sat- ed by the Hale County Grand Jury last Friday on felony "Rurn all litter, rutbish, and charges. The grand jury has not completed its labors.

"After the premises are thor- R. A. Long, of Plainview and

Judge R. C. Joiner will ask "Wallow holes and cess pools Governor Ferguson to select a trict court at its next term dur-"All runs underneath buildings ing the second and third weeks, in which he had interest during "Destroy hogs that do not ful- his practice in the court, may be ing unable to agree on a special

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#### Notice to the Public.

On Monday, January 31st, I will proceed to sell to the high-Plans for the organization of a est bidder, the stock of Hardband in Floydada are partly ware belonging to G. B. Williams completed. Some ten or twelve deceased, composed of Buggies, W. C. Williams, Administrator,

Judge and Mrs. L. S. Kinder, probable cost of maintaining a of Plainview, were in Floydada band and paying an instructor Saturday to attend the funeral has been appointed by the cham of Mrs. Martha Farris, mother

#### **Bull Inspects Hereford Bank.**

Hereford, Tex., Jan. 13. - The unusual sight of a big white face bull walking around on the tile Geo. Doubleday, assistant floor of the First National Bank cashier of the Third National lobby was witnessed here yester-Bank, has resigned to accept a day when J. D. Burkett. breedposition with the Texas Land & er of registered Hereford bulls Development Company, as book- led a \$3000 "critter" into the

Bank employes and customers looked on in wonderment.

Burkett just wanted to have a little fun and demonstrate to ional Bank, a dividend of twenty people how tame and gentle a 2000 pound animal can be made with good treatment.

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#### **Examination Dates for**

The following information concerning examinations for teachers' certificates from the State of Texas has been sent out 7 and 8. by State Superintendent of pub. lic Instruction W. F. Doughty: SUMMER NORMAL EXAMINATIONS

At the close of each series of 31, September 1 and 2. summer normal institutes there will be examination for second | 20 and 21. grade, first grade, permanent, and permanent primary certifi- 37, December 1 and 2. cates, The Department of Eduthere be held only one examina- tions will be held in each tion for each normal, except the SUMMER NORMAL EXAMINATIONS term be for a full quarter of twelve weeks.

First series-July 10, 11. 12, and 13, 1916.

Second series—July 24, 25, 26 and 27, 1916.

COUNTY EXAMINATIONS.

of each county in the State, will Plane Geometry, Psychology. if necessary, hold an examina-June. September, October and try. December for second and first the following schedule. Ques etry.

#### P. R. UNDERWOOD

Attorney-at-Law

General Civil and Criminal Practice

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#### W. M. Massie & Bro Friday forenoon: Physical Geo- and was slightly acquainted with General Land Agents

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tions for permanent certificates School Teachers' Certificates. will be submitted on Thursday

Second Examination -June 1,

2, and 3. Third Examination-August

Fourth Examination-October Fifth Examination - November

cation strongly recommends that subjects and time when examina-

Physical Geography, Trigonome-

Monday afternoon. Descript ive Geography, General History, Literature.

The county board of examiners Methods and Management, ter the room with the gun and

tion in the months of April, gy, Civil Government, Chemis- dark without any of the shots

Wednesday forenoon: Arith. grade certificates, according to metic. Composition, Solid Geom- taken by High and was shot Wednesday atternoon: Agri-

culture, Algebra, History of Thursday forenoon: Reading,

United States History and Phy-Thursday afternoon: Texas officers ever since.

History, Bookkeeping, Spelling. COUNTY EXAMINATIONS.

of Edscation, Physics, Solid Ge- while under the influence of ometry. American Literature.

ogy, Chemistry, Bookkeeping, acquaintance of High's who had Plane Trigonometry.

graphy, Physiology, Composi- the details in connection with

tory, Grammar, Descriptive Ge- resulted in that official going to ography, Plane Geometry.

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**Drunken Boast Causes Arrest.** 

How a crime of 15 years' preceding the examinations on standing was revealed when W. Friday and Saturday in April, E. High became intoxicated at June, September and December. Clovis this week, was told to First Examination-April 6, Amarillo officers when High was loged in the Potter county jail for a night by Sheriff J. A. Sandefer of Washita county, Okla., who was taking him back to Cordell for trial.

The details in connection with the crime are related by Sheriff Sanderfer, and as confessed to in the main by High, are substan. Following is the schedule of tially as follows: Fifteen years ago this winter High attended a country dance in Washita county and some trouble came up over Monday forenoon: Grammar, a girl, resulting in one of the young men slapping High's face. High was unarmed at that time, but immediately went and procured a revolver and returned to the dance. The man who had Tuesday forenoon. Writing, slapped High's face saw him enran. High pursued him and Tuesday afternoon: Physiolo- fired five times at him in the taking effect. The man stumbled and fell, when he was overwhile lying on the ground, dying almost instantly. High started to make his escape, was pursued by the officers and was shot through the leg during the chase, but was finally captured and landed in jail, from which he escaped and has been eluding the

High located at Clovis about two years ago on a farm and not Thursday forenoon: History long ago was married. Recently liquor High boasted of his crime, Thursday afternoon: Psychol- which was overheard by an formerly lived in Washita county the murder. He communicated Friday afternoon: Texas His. with the sheriff there, which Clovis and placing High under Saturday forenoon. United arrest, with the assistance of Curry county officers - Daily Panhandle.

Porter R. Underwood, one of Amarillo's most favorably known young attorneys, has located at LOSSES SURELY PREVENTED Floydada, where he will practice law. Mr. Underwood has for the past two years been in active practice in Amarillo, being associated here with Kimbrough, Underwood & Jackson, one of the exceptionally strong law firms of Northwest Texas. Mr. Underwood is a brother of R. E. No Commission Charged Underwood, president of the Amarillo School Board, former county attorney, and who is conlawyer.

Porter R. Underwood graduat ed with high honors from the law tf. department of the Texas University. Prior to his law schooling he took the university's academic course. Thus, with his high personal standing, Mr. Underwood is amply fitted to win successs and recognition in in his profession.

While practicing in this city, Mr. Underwood successfully handled many complicated law suits, winning victories which commanded the respect of old veterans of legal battles-Daily Panhandle.

#### Ship Mules East.

Robbins & Gamble shipped out a load of thirty good young mules last Saturday to Carthage Texas, where they will be placed on the market. A. N. Gamble has charge of the mules.

S. A. Henry, of Lockney, was Floydada, Texas | Timumumumumumumumimimi in town Saturday on business.

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#### It's here now—come and see it The best designed car in its class

It's the best designed car in its class - most carefully made, too. Looks hundreds of dollars more than it costs. It has a 114-inch wheelbase-roomy 5-passenger body-Q. D. rims and 32-inch Ajax tires-38 h. p. motor with three-bearing crankshaft -cantilever springs and everything in the way of electrical equipment.

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Ride in it. Test it in any way you wish. You will find the Briscoe offers most in the way of power, comfort and style.

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We are in position to make farm loans at 9 per cent ANNU. ceded to be aleading West Texas AL INTEREST net, with no commission charged. Gamble Land & Cattle Co.

**Wants Job on Farm** 

Young man, with small family. in farming and handling stock, credit. Fred Brown. must have decent house. Write box 121, Floydada, or call this Floydada, Texas office for information.

#### For Sale.

An excellent quarter about 3 wants job on farm. Experienced miles south of town, Cash or

Don't forget the Main Garage gas and service station

# P. & O. LISTEI

# Best At Any Price

We have them in both the One---and Two Row.

One of the best implements on the farm is the Lister---especially if its the P. & O .--- The Standard for many years. We handle it because its the best on Earth.

C. Surginer & Son,

——Telephone 24.-

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We come get 'em, clean 'em and press 'em and bring 'em back home. That's the whole story of our successful Tailoring business which is getting better all the time --- All the story except that we always make it right if it isn't right.

### HENRY S. HAINES

'The Old Reliable Tailor.'



Model 83 Touring Car Model 83 Roadster

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Floydada, Texas.

Floyd Co. Distributor.

#### RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

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To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 4 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is exceltent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

No. 439 Official Statement Of The Financial Condition Of the

#### FIRST STATE BANK

published in the Floyd Co. Hesperian, a newspaper printed and published at Floydada, State of Texas, on the 20th day of Jan. 1916.

RESOURCES Loans and Discounts, personal

or co	llateral	120,334.8				
		8.754.2				
Loans, real estate						
Overdrafts.		757.5				
Bills of Exchange		1,353.0				
Cash Collections		2;255.7				
Real Estate, bank	ing house.	8,792.99				
Other Real Estate		3,000.00				
Furniture and Fixt	ures.	2,287.65				
Due from Approve	d					
Reserve Agent, net 12,029.22						
Due from other Ba	nks.					
Bankers, subject t	0					
check, net	1.943.58	13,972.80				
Cash Items	3,299.74					
Currency	4,730.00					
Specie	1,061.55	, 9,091.29				
Interest in Deposit	ors					
Guaranty Fund		1,568.67				
Other Resources	as follow:					
Asst. G Fund		78.54				
Total.		172,247.35				
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LIAE	BILITIES					
Capital Stock paid	in	30,000.00				
Surplus Fund		3,240.00				
Undivided Profits,	net	3,656.47				
THE RESERVE TO SHARE THE PARTY OF THE PARTY		The state of the s				

subject to check Time Certificates of Deposit 23,297.59 ing in the City Barber Shop young man, and is one of the Cashier's Checks Bills Payable and Rediscounts 17,500.00 Other Liabilities as follows: 172,247.35 Total State Of Texas County of Floyd. We,

Due to Bk's and Bankers,

subject to checks, net

Individual Deposits

W. A. Robbins as president and Jas. K Wm. H. Larimore, died last nly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

. W. A. Robbins, President Jas. K. Green, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this

the 13th day of Jan., A. D.1916. T. F. Houghton

Notary Public Floyd County, Texas. at the time of her demise. CORRECT-ATTEST:

DIRECTORS

910.26

groceries, we have the goods and husband four years ago. She prices and compare both the our prices are right. Duncan was 69 years of age. She was prices and quality of our goods.

#### **Miss Morris Succumbs**

#### To Intestinal Paralysis.

became ill more than two weeks past few days. ago, succumbed last Monday evening to intestinal paralysis. though some hope was held out by attending physicians following an operation Wednesday of

at 2 o'clock. Many friends of Barber Shop next door to P. O. the family attended, and the or phone 159 and I will come get students and teachers of the it. I also handle laundry. at Floydada State of Texas, at the close high school attended in a body. 1tc. of business on the 31st day of Dec. 1915 Rev. W. M. Lane conducted the services.

Miss Morris was in her twen high school. She was the eldest to console meduring the illness daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. F. and death of my dear husband. from Wolfe City. An uncle and bless you all. an aunt of the deceased, living at Wolfe City, brother and sister all of Gods people to help me to of Mrs. Morris, were here at the submit to Gods will and to be time of her death.

Besides her parents, she is and not mine." survived by two brothers, Normon and Vernon, and a sister, Ravannah

#### 7-Year-old Son of Former Peacock Barber, Died of Typhoid.

W. Williams, a barber of Pea cock, Texas, who moved to Floy dada about six weeks ago, diedthis place.

The funeral services will be held this afternoon. 90,491.21 Mr. Williams has been work-

3,151.82 since coming to Floydada,

#### Mrs. W. H. Larimore's Death Follows Husband's Closely

Mrs. Mattie Larimore, wife of Green, as cashier of said bank, do solem- Thursday night just past midnight, following four days after her husband's death, and ensuing from the same cause, - pneu

Her only daughter, Mrs. E. C. and communion at 11 a. m. King and family, were with her

The funeral services were held Friday afternoon at two o'clock, church. Our slogan. "Every-S.A. Greer, and interment was made in Floyd- one busy." ada Cemetery.

Mrs. Larimore had lived in Kansas forty years before com-Phone 77 or 88 for clean, fresh ing to Floyd County with her prices, we invite you to get our

#### Some Interesting News Items from Blanco Community.

Well here comes Buffalo Bill after some time, but never the cold weather.

What has become of cur supposed to be correspondents. Frozen to death, I guess.

Lawrence Ball happened to a very serious accident last week but as luck would have it he escaped with slight injuries.

have been having some joy skating on the hard frozen ice. Also some have been been on the sick list, but we are glad to report they are better now.

Robert Hall and wife returned Cemetery. fpom Ft. Worth and will farm S. A. Greer's place.

near Petersburg.

Harry Chatham also.

Literary was fine Saturday night at Sand Hill and we are night Jan. 29.

Buffalo Bill.

#### Card of Thanks.

We sincerely thank the good friends and neighbors who have so kindly aided and sympathized Miss Anna Myrtle Morris, who with us during our sorrow of the

> Mrs. E. C. King. E C. King.

#### Hat Cleaning and Blocking.

I clean, block and reband your The funeral services were held hat and guarantee satisfaction at the home Tuesday afternoon for \$1.50. Leave it at Palace

#### Card of Thanks and Request.

I take this method of thanking tieth year. She was a member every man, woman, girl, or boy of the graduating class in the who in any way assisted and tried Morris, who have resided here I thank even the smallest child some eighteen months coming who brought my mail. May God

> I sincerely ask the prayers of able to say, "God's will be done,

Mrs. Baker

### R. M. Broyles Enters Race

### for Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Under another heading may be found a statement from R The seven-year old son of G. M. (Bud) Broyles, of Lockney, who announces his candidacy for the office of sheriff and tax last night, following a relapse collector of Floyd County. This from typhoid fever, contracted makes the fourth candidate in while enroute from Peacock to the race for one of the leading offices of the county.

Mr. Broyles has been living in the county since he was a very best known men in the county.

In the race for the office last year he was beaten by Sheriff A.

C. Goen by seven votes. He is a substantial citizen, qualified for the position, and would make the county a good official, if elected.

#### At the Christain Church.

Bible school 10 a. m., preaching Subject, "A Troubled Soul." Preaching, 7:15 p. m.

Our aim: A better organized

J. F, Mathews, Pastor.

While others are talking low Duncan Grocery.

#### Jno. N. Farris' Mother, 84 Years Old, Died Friday.

Mrs. Martha Farris, mother of John N. Farris, 84 years of age, less I-still take the Hesperian died at her son's home in West and like it fine. Here of late Floydada Friday atternoon at we have sure been having some three-forty, following an indis position of several days. The end came suddenly the deceased being conscious until the last few

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the family home on West Misspuri, Rev. W. M. Lane, pastor of the Methodist church of which Some few of the younger folks the deceased had been a member for many years, conducting the services. friends of the family attended the funeral and burial services which followed at the Floydada

the 10th. She is survived by six Mr. Howard has moved to his children. Mrs. J. H. Masterson. DUCKS. per lb. place from southeast Texas and of Leighton, Ala., the youngest we are glad to welcome him daughter and J. N. Farris, were here at the time of her death. Dont forget the date. Jack Thompson has moved to The other children are; Mrs. W. this county from Oklahoma and H. Reese, of Jackson. Miss.; T. will live on the De Cordova place J. Farris, of Hamilton, Ala. P. W. Farris, of DeKalb. Ala.; and Mr. King of Sand Hill has H. C. Farris, of Honey Grove, purchased a new car as has Texas. Mrs. Farris' grandson. Aaron Masterson, was here from Leighton with his mother.

Mrs. Farris had been living looking for a good one Saturday with her son here for three years in November. Her demise followed a long life of duty well

> If White makes the price, the price is right.

Seed Oats for Sale Clean last Year's crop, heavy building, 8 miles from Floydada, ed town lots. yield. See H. E. Cannaday, or 11 miles from Lockney, good 2tc. or phone 144.

New Pickles in bulk and in ed, write or phone glass jars at Duncan Grocery.

I WANT A CAR OF POULTRY

# **Juesday**, Jan.

and will pay the following price that day:

HENS, per lb. TURKEYS, per lb. Mrs. Farris was 84 on January ROOSTERS, each. 15c

**Deliveries to be** made on Industrial Switch.

# Company

#### For Sale---Small Country Store.

Goods will invoice about \$1400. Fixtures about \$300.00. Store Pure Red Rust Proof seed. Texas, near a \$5000 Brick school consider livestock or well-locattf. cummunity. Something good for the right party. If interest

Carl W. Smith.

The price is always right at

house and dwelling house. This FOR SALE OR TRADE-Overproperty is located at Mickey, land car in good condition. Will

O. P. Darsey.

See us for prices on Cotton Seed Cake. Retail or carload Mickey, Tex. lots. A. V. Haynes Gin.

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At the Harry Snodgrass farm four miles due north of Floydada on the Silverton Road.

7 head coming 3-year old mules

2 4-year-old mules, broke to work.

1 pair 5-year-old mules, broke to work.

1 4-year-old horse, perfectly gentle.

4 mule colts.

6 well-bred mares, all in foal.

2 3-year-old filleys.

Several head of hogs including high-class Duroc Jersey Brood Sows.

Several good milk cows.

4 3-year-old Jersey heifers, springing.

2 Listers, good as new.

1 Godevil

1 Sulky, good as new with Sod Attachment. Other Farming Tools.

TERMS: Everything over \$10 will be sold on fall time with good notes at 10 per cent interest, or 5 per cent off for cash. All items under \$10, cash.

JOBO, M. FRIENDS, MONDAY, NA

ASH, AUCTIONEER. C. SNODGRASS, OWNER.