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## INDICTMENT RETURNED AGAINST BLAINE.

### Sears Case from Briscoe County Transferred to this Docket from Hale County Court

A true bill was returned by the Floyd County grand jury Monday evening late charging C. R. Blaine with the murder of Blanton Galloway, on Sunday night, December 26th and his case set for the third week of the term.

Court convened for the four-week term Monday forenoon, and the grand jury empanelled and set to work. The bill against Blaine was the first returned by them for the term.

The case of the state of Texas vs. W. G. Sears, charged with murder for the killing of Jim Long, Sheriff of Briscoe county, on the streets of Silverton, on May the 5th, 1915, was transferred to Floyd county from Hale county Saturday of last week. Judge Joiner stated Tuesday that this case would not be heard at this term of the court on account of the crowded condition of this docket. The case will come up for hearing at the September term.

All the dockets were sounded Monday and all the criminal cases were set for the third and fourth weeks.

In the case of ex parte Mattilee Smith, suit to remove disabilities, judgement was granted Monday; other matters disposed of to Tuesday noon were: Cause No. 970 T. E. Durham vs. D. B. Sorrells et al, dismissed by plaintiff; Harry I. Miller, et al vs. Wm. H. Neanover et al, dismissed at cost of plaintiff; Lockney State Bank vs. J. C. Garrison, interlocutory judgement as to D. F. Jones, continued as to all other defendants without prejudice; Cause No. 973, T. E. Durham vs. D. B. Sorrells et al, judgement for plaintiff, removing cloud from title, J. B. Bartley, guardian ad litem, for minor heir defendants; L. M. Blake more vs. A. M. Showalter, dismissed at Plaintiff's cost.

In the suit of Mrs. Fannie A. Montague vs. the Commonwealth Bonding & Casualty Insurance Co., and the receiver J. W. Mitchell, tried Tuesday morning before Judge Joiner Mrs. Montague was given judgement over the defendant. All other cases for the Commonwealth Company some 14 in number, were passed over without orders.

The following cases have been set for hearing:

## FIVE

## REASONS

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## Wichita Kansas Livestock Dealer Visits Floyd County

Since the inauguration by the Santa Fe of the Saturday Livestock Special running from South Plains points to northern markets, lowering the time on shipments twelve to twenty-four hours, large shipments have been going north which heretofore made for other markets.

Prominent among the markets after this trade is Wichita, Kansas. E. J. Healy, of E. J. Healy & Co., of that city spent the earlier part of the week at South Plains points, visiting Floydada Wednesday. "Wichita offers the advantages the South Plains shippers have long sought," said Mr. Healy. "This special advantage is the matter of time. Livestock loaded in Floydada Saturday morning will be unloaded at Wichita Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., a saving of several hours—a big item to be considered."

## J. A. Stallings to Go to Post as Santa Fe Cashier.

Santa Fe Cashier J. A. Stallings will leave Saturday for Post, where he will be checked in as cashier at that point for the company Monday of next week. His place here will be taken for three or four days by a relief man, and J. R. Rodgers, who for the past eighteen months has been agent at Snyder will take Stallings' place here, during the middle or the latter part of next week.

## Panhandle and Southwestern Stockmen's Convention Mar. 7-9

The Panhandle and Southwestern Stockmen's convention is to be held this year at Albuquerque, N. Mex., and considerable interest in the event is evoked among cattlemen as the date approaches for it. The date are March 7th to 9th. Albuquerque has promised one of the most unique and thorough entertainments ever enjoyed at a cattlemen's meeting.

## Don't forget the Main Garage gas and service station

W. T. Cooper vs. R. L. Underwood et al, Thursday of the second week; J. M. Bumgardner vs. J. J. and J. L. Norris, Monday of the second week; Mrs. A. E. Johnson vs. Lockney Coal & Grain Co., et al, Monday of the second week; Marshall Grain Co. vs. P. & N. T. Ry. Co., continued by agreement; R. H. Baker, vs. J. D. Price et al, suggestion of the death of the Plaintiff R. H. Baker, suit to be prosecuted in the name of Mrs. Hattie Baker, his wife; Mrs. Victoria Martin vs. J. F. Dollar, set for Monday, the 28th; Mrs. Mattie McCollum vs. J. F. Dollar, set for Monday the 28th.

Owing to the illness of Attorney T. F. Houghton, a number of cases in which he is attorney, have not been set.

The State of Texas vs. Tom Capehart, charged with swindling, not set.

All special venire cases have been set for the third and fourth weeks.

No order has been made relative to the Swisher county boundary suits, in which Judge Joiner is disqualified because formerly interested as an attorney. Attorneys are trying to agree on a special judge. Judge Joiner stated Tuesday that unless some agreement is made by which these cases may be tried, by the close of this term, he will certify his disqualification to the Governor and have him direct an exchange of judges in order to bring the cases to trial.

## SHIPPING CORN TO MARKET

### Two Cars Go Out Tomorrow, Following Shipment of Three Loads Already Gone.

While this particular section of the South Plains lays no claim to a heavy production of corn, claiming to have a more valuable feed crop in Maize from the view point of economic feed value, still there is some corn raised here—and good corn too.

Some weeks ago L. A. Crews, of Henderson & Co., made a shipment of three car loads of corn, and this shipment is to be followed in the morning with two more loads, all going to Ft. Worth to be shelled.

"When I came to Floydada to buy grain," said Mr. Crews. "Everybody told me I had as well not advertise for corn, as there was none in the country. However, I have been buying corn right through the season, and will ship another load before the season closes, making a total of six loads to go out to my company."

The price paid for the corn was 45 cents per bushel at the car.

## Mrs. H. O. Pope Charming Hostess at Carnation Club Meeting

The Carnation Club was delightfully entertained Thursday afternoon Feb. 17th by Mrs. H. O. Pope at her home. After the business meeting those present enjoyed several games of rook, Mrs. Green winning high score. Delicious home made candy was served during the games, and about 5 o'clock the hostess assisted by Mrs. T. B. Triplett served dainty refreshments of hot coffee, cake, pear and cheese salad scalloped chicken, olives with eggs and olive sandwiches.

Those present were Mesdames Buckingham, Jenkins, Green, Starks, McMillan, Donaldson, Smith, Massie, Roy Bruner, Lee Montague, Stallings, Snodgrass, Triplett, Rittenhouse, Feathers-ton, Young, Campbell, Hughes and Boerffer. Also, Mrs. Henry Smith, of Crosbyton, and the Misses Julia and Ona Adams.

The next meeting of the Club will be with Mrs. J. H. Massie on March 2.

## Double Wedding at McCoy.

While at McCoy last Sunday to fill his regular appointment with the church at that place, Rev. G. W. Tubbs performed a double wedding in the afternoon preceding the church services, the couples being Joe Pelphrey and Miss Myrtle Swartz, and Frank H. McSpadden and Miss Ulalla McDermitt. All parties are residents of this county and are quite popular among their circle of friends. Both couples will make their homes in this county.

N. A. Price and Misses E. Y. Brown and Delia Price, of Plainview, were guests Saturday and Sunday of Mrs. R. H. Baker and Miss Alpha Price.

## JIM McPEAK INDICTED

### His Case Set for March 9th.—T. C. Carlton Given Suspended Sentence.

An indictment for murder was returned against Jim McPeak Tuesday afternoon by the Grand Jury, in connection with the killing of S. D. Bishop at the Woody Drug Store Saturday night, December 18th, 1915. The arrest followed immediately following the filing of the bill and McPeak was released on \$6,000 bond to appear for trial March 9th.

C. R. Blain's trial has been set for March 6th. The jury for the week was excused Tuesday afternoon late, and two special venires of seventy-two and one hundred and fifty men have been summoned for March 6th and March 9th respectively.

In the case of the State vs. T. C. Carlton, tried Tuesday afternoon the jury returned a verdict on a charge of swindling of three years penitentiary sentence, recommending suspended sentence, which was granted by the court.

The court granted Mrs. S. C. Dodd's petition in a divorce suit against A. J. Dodd, also changing her name from Dodd to Green, Tuesday.

## T. F. Houghton Suffering From La Grippe this Week.

Attorney T. F. Houghton has been in the bed since the latter part of last week with a severe case of la grippe. He was quite all Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Houghton said at noon today that he rested well this morning for the first time since the beginning of his illness, and that he is much better.

## March, The Census Month

March is Scholastic census month in Texas. Trustees in Floyd County are reminded of this vital fact and the importance of making a thorough canvass of all residents of the respective districts that no children may be missed in the census taking.

The apportionment of the state school fund is made up on a basis of the report of the census trustees from each district.

## Hays Dramatic Company.

The Hays Dramatic Company are billed for Floydada next week, to give a series of plays at the Public School Auditorium. They will open with "Bought and Paid For" Monday night.

## Embalmer Located Here.

O. A. Rittenhouse, formerly of Seariff, Texas, has located in Floydada and will engage in embalming and undertaking. He is with the firm of C. Surginer & Son.

V. A. Leonard, of Clarendon, is here this week, looking after business interests and visiting with his son, T. A. Leonard southeast of Floydada.

## City Financial Report will be Made at Close of Fiscal Year.

The report of the financial condition of the City of Floydada will be made in the earlier part of July, according to the statement of Mayor W. T. Montgomery last Monday. This report will follow shortly after the close of the fiscal year, which is June 30th.

The report was called for by the Board of Aldermen at a meeting during the latter part of 1915.

Much interest in the forthcoming publication has been evinced since Judge Montgomery made the statement at a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce that steps had been taken looking to the publication of the report.

## Elderly Lady Recovering from Serious Case of Appendicitis.

Mrs. Powell, of San Angelo, who has been visiting with the family of John Williams, south-east of town, became seriously ill with appendicitis last week, and an operation became imperative Tuesday. Mrs. Powell is sixty-nine years of age. She is the mother of Mrs. Williams.

She is now recovering and Dr. Childers, the attending physician considers her out of danger.

## Lockney School Heating and Ventilating Bonds Carried Saturday.

Lockney Independent School District bonds to the sum of \$5000 were voted last Saturday by the voters of the district. The bonds are to be floated for the purpose of installing heating and ventilating fixtures in the building.

The vote was 163 for the issue to 63 against.

## R. Fred Brown Buys Grocery Business of L. M. Flanary.

R. Fred Brown is in business again in Floydada, after an eighteen months rest, having bought the L. M. Flanary Grocery Stock on north side Square last week. He assumed charge of the business shortly after making the purchase.

Mr. Brown plans to materially increase the stock, adding shelf and builders hardware and rack-et goods to the line and making the store rather a department store.

## New Instruments for the Band.

The members of the Floydada Concert Band are soon to receive from the dealers ten new instruments and begin practice work. There are ten members who already have instruments.

Try an ad iner.

## COMMITTEE ARRANGING PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL FAIR

### Plans are Discussed at Teachers Meeting in Floydada Saturday Afternoon.

A committee of the teachers of Floyd County was in session in Floydada last Saturday and made a step forward in the progress of the arrangements for the Floyd County School Fair, which is to be held in Floydada March 31-April 1.

The program for the two days event was discussed from every angle, and it is expected to be complete in every department, including scholastic as well as athletic events. One thing has been definitely determined—cash prizes are to be given in spelling contests, public speaking and essay writing. All forms of athletics will feature both days.

Teachers are optimistic that the Fair will be one of the most successful in the Panhandle or South Plains.

## 28 Hens Bring \$18.20.

When twenty-eight hens are worth more than half as many dollars, it is to be expected that people will become interested in poultry.

A. D. White Grocery Company are loading out a car of poultry today. Among the purchases was a lot of twenty-eight hens from A. R. Yandell, who lives three miles northwest of town. These hens averaged Mr. Yandell 65 cents each and brought a total of \$18.20.

The poultry industry is largely on the increase in Floyd County. More than \$6,000 worth of poultry has been sold since the late fall season in Floydada. No estimate is available on the worth of eggs sold here.

## Mrs. Cooley Quite Ill.

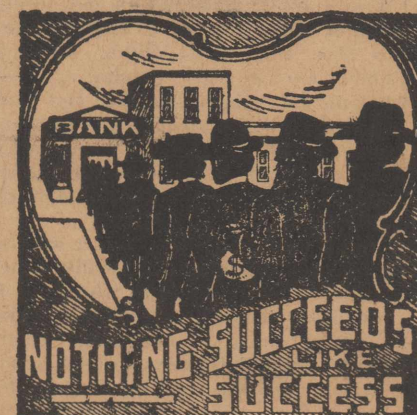
Mrs. Cooley, mother of Mrs. Frank Koss, city, is quite ill at her daughter's home in West Floydada, having been sick for some three weeks.

All her other children have been notified and are here. These are Mrs. George Dunn, of Chicago; Mrs. Mattie Pruitt, of Chillicothe; and J. D. Cooley, of Fort Worth.

## Out-of-Town Attorneys.

Among the out-of-town attorneys who are spending the week here attending district court are Judge J. N. Stalbird, of Lockney, Attorneys W. C. Mathis, L. S. Kinder, A. B. Martin, W. W. Kirk, Y. W. Holmes, L. C. Penry, H. C. Randolph, of Plainview, F. P. Works, H. C. Pipkin, of Amarillo; K. E. Bain, of Silverton; G. E. Hamilton, of Matador.

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The Diamond  
 From the Sky

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CHAPTER XX.  
 Wealth From the Desert.

MRS. STANLEY resolved to make friends with Hagar's supposed daughter. If Arthur Stanley, so called, was not the rightful heir, Blair Stanley was. But this left the girl heir to Stanley hall, and all could be conserved and all be well if Blair might return and marry Esther.

Even though Hagar recovered her faculties, she must remain silent as to Blair's guilt were he Esther's husband, thought Mrs. Stanley. As for Arthur Stanley, so called, there was slight fear of his returning.

The shrewd mother of Blair Stanley guessed now the true cause of Arthur's flight and continued absence. It was because he also had learned the Stanley secret.

At Stanley hall Esther, made a woman and resolute by all the tragic occurrences that of late had befallen her, resolved it was her duty to examine further into the documents in Hagar's brass bound box. Esther had endeavored vainly to lift the cloud from Hagar's mind by earnest inquiries and kindly beseechings. But Hagar would only moan, "My son, give me back my son, my little babe."

Then Esther read the documents. The proof was plain. She was in her rightful place at Stanley hall, for she was Esther Stanley. But she resolved, through the love she bore for him she had known as Arthur Stanley, that she would take the secret to the grave. She would spare Arthur the shame she knew his proud spirit would feel.

What to her were place and position here in Fairfax among a proud people who, so far as their women folk were concerned had ignored her?

Yet when are you young we have our hopes and dreams. Esther's hope and dream was the return of Arthur, the sharing of the secret with him, and his love. Then all would be well. So it was that Esther was not wholly surprised when Blair Stanley's mother called at Stanley hall and proffered her friendship and assistance.

There were no confidences exchanged between them. Esther suspected that Blair's mother vaguely knew, but in her loneliness, and having no friend save the humble though devoted Quabba, Esther was glad to accept the proffered friendship of her austere kinswoman, though neither spoke of the tie.

Mrs. Stanley suggested that Hagar be taken to Richmond for treatment for her mental affliction. She also insisted that Esther should go to Richmond and be introduced into the best circles there by Mrs. Burton Randolph.

It may have been that Mrs. Burton Randolph stood in fear of her austere kinswoman, Mrs. Judge Stanley—fear that was augmented by the fact that Blair's mother knew the true character of Vivian Marston.

It also may have been that the sweet

Hagar and Esther Arrive Again at Stanley Hall With the Brass Bound Box.

nature and beauty of Esther and her gentle breeding appealed to Mrs. Randolph more than her fears of Blair's mother. It always had been Mrs. Randolph's pet diversion to have a protegee. At any rate, Mrs. Randolph made Esther a welcome guest and protegee and assisted Blair's mother in securing the leading alienist of Richmond to treat Hagar for her mental infirmity.

Quabba had been left behind at Stanley hall, but Quabba suspected that Blair's mother was an old foe with a new face of friendship. As always, he resolved to guard Esther and be followed her to Richmond.

Mrs. Randolph had suggested to Blair's mother, when she found Mrs. Stanley desired her son's return, to consult with that astute private detective, Tom Blake, in settling the claims that were against the reckless Blair in Richmond.

Blake effected a conference between Blair's mother and Abe Bloom the gambling house keeper, who held the bad check for \$2,000 he had cashed for Blair, and who was the most pressing claimant against him.

At this conference, although the accusation was not made, Mrs. Stanley soon surmised that Blake and Bloom knew of Blair's guilt of the murder of Dr. Lee. It was from Blake and Bloom, through the agency of the inky thumb print on the bad check, that the guilt had been established, his mother soon inferred. She also surmised that it was from this source Hagar had obtained her proofs.

In her present condition Hagar was oblivious of such matters now. The only two, then, in all the world who knew were the detective and the gambling house keeper.

It was not necessary to enter into any detailed arrangements. Mr. Bloom was sententious and explicit.

"You make good this bum check of your son's," he said, "and me and Blake won't say nothing or cause your son any trouble. But there's one thing else. I've got to have this big stone which you aristocrats at Fairfax county call the diamond from the sky. My brother

When Arthur arrived upon the scene two robbers were in the express car and two were going through the Pullmans. Another had compelled the firemen to uncouple the locomotive and, covering the engineer, had made him drive the detached machine up the track some distance from the standing train.

Scarce knowing what he did, Arthur galloped by and, mounting the engine at the end of the tender from his horse's back, grappled with the lone robber covering the engineer.

A desperate struggle followed by the furnace door. Seizing a large wrench, the engineer aimed a blow at the robber struggling with Arthur, but the blow missed foe and hit friend, and Arthur was stretched senseless on the firing board. The robber, with a curse, jumped from the engine and ran, rejoicing his companions.

In one of the Pullmans Vivian Marston, who was now Mrs. Blair Stanley—the two traveling as "Mr. and Mrs. Guy Peyton"—were among those held at pistol's point. An envious woman passenger to whom Vivian had shown the diamond from the sky had betrayed the fact she possessed it. Despite her pleadings, cajolements and even curses—curses that were chorused by the chagrined Blair—the chucking robbers bore off the great gem with their other booty. Laden with a sack of valuables, and, taking also \$100,000 in bank notes from the express messenger, the robbers decamped.

Within a few hours the sheriff and his posse of deputies and railroad detectives were hot on the trail, and "John Powell," sheep herder, after being lionized a few brief moments, was back at his lonely occupation.

Vivian, spoiled of the jewel for which she would have risked her soul, reproaches herself and her raging bridegroom that they did not die gloriously in defending it. In her bitter rage Vivian taunts Blair by telling him she only married him to gain the diamond, and, now that it is gone, he must go and regain it or see her no more.

In vain he protests. She threatens to give him over to the police and deserts him at Los Angeles and wires to Abe Bloom in Richmond telling of the loss of the diamond and asking for funds. The deserted and raging Blair pawns what possessions the train robbers have left him, and under his assumed name of Peyton hides in a mean hotel after writing to his relative, Mrs. Burton Randolph, to intercede for him with his mother.

Far off in the desert fastnesses the pursuit of the posse after the train robbers is hotly on. A shot and the rearmost saddle of the fleeing outlaws is empty. But as the outlaw falls the diamond from the sack of valuables flies from his now nerveless hand and lies glittering but unnoticed by a clump of cacti as the posse thunders by.

Another shot goes home, and the foremost outlaw drops from his saddle. Another shot and his riderless horse drops dead in its tracks. As this horse falls the treasure sack with the banknotes falls half under the dying animal.

The bulk of its prostrate body masks the treasure sack of banknotes and hides it from view of the posse that gallops almost over the dead horse's hoofs as the pursuit of the three surviving desperadoes goes on.

A month later John Powell, sheep herder, is sent to the desert to find a strayed flock. Beneath the skeleton of a buzzard's feast, a dead horse, he finds the stolen treasure. In a wild frenzy of hysterical delight John Powell remembers "Monte Cristo," which, as the wild young master of Stanley hall, he had read with greedy eagerness. And so, like Edmond Dantes, he stands erect and cries in the burning desert waste, "The world is mine!"

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fair young mistress. After the detective and gambler had departed, Quabba sent his ambassador and collector of external revenue, Clarence, the monkey, up the wistaria vines to the upper chamber, which he surmised might be Esther's.

He was right in his surmise. Esther, who, like Mrs. Randolph, had withdrawn when visitors on private business had been announced for Mrs. Stanley, was in her room.

The chattering of the monkey on her window sill roused Esther from a reverie of Arthur, and with a glad cry she ran to the window and hugged the affectionate little beast and waved a welcome to the smiling Quabba below. Then Quabba laid his finger to his lips as a sign of secrecy, yanked the string to recall his ambassador and departed.

Beside the track in the glaring California desert, Arthur Stanley, or, as he calls himself, John Powell, lay stunned after being thrown from the Overland limited, which he had boarded from horseback as the train had panted up the grade in the desert.

He had meant to warn the trainmen of the robbers lying in wait for them, but they had imagined him a desperado single handedly attempting a hold-up and had thrown him off.

His horse, as all horses be handled, loved him. The faithful and affectionate creature roused him by nosing at him. Arthur, half stunned, mounted his affectionate four footed friend and galloped after the train. At the top of the grade the ambushed robbers halted the express with an obstruction on the track too great to be risked by the engineer endeavoring to pass through it.

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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

A feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley, over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, found in a fallen meteor by an ancestor. Also, the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American. When a daughter is born to the colonel and the mother dies, the colonel buys a gypsy boy and substitutes him. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the girl, being reared in secret, and leaves her son undetected as the heir. The gypsy has obtained possession of the diamond from the sky, and a document with the Stanley secret. When Esther is grown a beautiful young girl, Hagar, now gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with her, Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's friend, adopts Esther, but demands that Hagar turn over to him the diamond from the sky. Arthur Stanley, son of Hagar, falls in love with Esther, and so does his companion and cousin, Blair Stanley, rightful male heir of Stanley. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor. Outside is Arthur serenading Esther. Blair, escaping, infers that he has left Esther's room. Arthur forces him to fight a duel in which Blair is only stunned. He tries, with the aid of his mother, to place the blame for the murder of Dr. Lee upon Arthur, who now has the diamond. The sheriff attempts to take Arthur, but is eluded by his partner and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. Blair is in Richmond, and he, too, is forced to visit the pawnshop. At a ball, at which a supposed New York heiress is the guest of honor, they are stunned to find the diamond on the visitor. She is an adventuress who has borrowed it.

Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, steals the diamond and to avoid detection drops it into a mail box. A sheriff tries to arrest Arthur on the murder charge. He escapes from Richmond on a freight train. The diamond passes into a mail bag, picked up by Quabba, organ grinder Quabba's monkey steals the diamond. Arthur seeks work at a farm. Hagar takes Esther to live at Stanley hall. An old time tournament is held. Arthur attends in disguise, but is later betrayed by Blair to the sheriff. By using daring horsemanship Arthur escapes. Later he leaves the farm. Tom Blake, a detective hired by Hagar, produces finger prints convicting Blair. Hagar proposes silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Hagar's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the diamond and money from his mother. The diamond is found by a negro boy and is taken by a tramp. The latter is murdered by Hung Li. It is stolen just as a slumming party enters Hung Li's den. Hagar, mentally unbalanced by Blair's blow, is again with Esther among the gypsies. Marmaduke Smythe, lawyer, arrives to announce Arthur is heir to the deceased Earl of Stanley. Learning Arthur is a fugitive he seeks Blair instead.

Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Their train is robbed, Vivian losing the diamond, which a slain train robber drops in the desert. The \$100,000 he stole is found by Arthur, now known as John Powell, sheep herder. Vivian deserts Blair, telling him he must regain the diamond for her. Luke Lovell, driven from camp after learning Hagar's secret, tries in vain to sell it to Mrs. Stanley, and he leaves to seek Blair. Hagar is under treatment and Esther is in Richmond society, protegee of Mrs. Stanley, who suspects her real name, and of Mrs. Randolph. Abe Bloom, gambler, who knows Blair's guilt, covets the diamond and calls it the price of his secrecy.

CHAPTER XXI.  
 "The Web of Destiny."

RAGING at Vivian Marston's cool dismissal of him after admitting she had married him only to gain possession of the diamond from the sky, Blair Stanley was not wholly pleased at receiving money from his mother in Richmond and news that he might return.

He had half a mind not to go back to Richmond, but he felt sure that there was small hope of getting trace of the diamond now that it had fallen into the clutches of the train robbers. "But if Vivian gets it—and she will get it if she hears of it—and such a gem will make its presence known," he thought—"she must send for me."

"Only as my wife can she hope to have any claim on the Stanley heirloom. And if she will not have me without the diamond she will have to have me with it!"

Second Blair Stanley paid his bill at the so-called rate Los Angeles hotel and, taking his valise, proceeded to the depot to take the train back east. He wondered if anything had been heard in Richmond or Fairfax of the missing Arthur Stanley, the rightful heir.

He smiled as he thought of Arthur's quixotic nature in fleeing as a fugitive accused of a crime he was guiltless of—the murder of Dr. Lee.

cousin, although he had always disguised it, but now his hatred was mingled with contempt.

The hotel Blair had been stopping at was near the depot, and he was proceeding leisurely toward the station when he was aware that he was being followed by a hulking panhandler. He turned and faced the fellow. It was Luke Lovell, a gypsy that Blair had seen several times in and around Fairfax. The gypsy regarded him eagerly and touched his hat.

"It's a surprise to meet you here, Mr. Stanley," said the fellow. "I am out seeing the world; I am not a gypsy any more."

"No, you're a tramp now," replied Blair contemptuously.

"I'll admit I have tramped," returned Lovell, not at all abashed. "But I have tramped to some good purpose. I have tramped a couple of thousand miles, and now that I meet up with you I can tell you I know something you'd give a good many thousand dollars to hear, because it would be worth money and more than money to you if you knew it."

Blair regarded the gypsy tramp with a sneer. "It is funny," he said, "you gypsies can tell everybody's fortune but your own."

"Gypsies sometimes tell their own fortunes, too," retorted Lovell. Then a sudden idea seized him. "What a fool I am!" he cried. "Why, if I told you what I know you'd take advantage of it, but you'd never give me a cent. The secret I have is one that I will be paid to keep and not to tell." And laughing sardonically the gypsy turned upon his heel and swaggered away.

"It's queer what booze will do to them," thought the cynical Blair. "It's a wonder he didn't try to borrow a dollar from me; I believe that's the price the gypsies ask to tell a man's fortune. They tell women's fortunes cheaper." And he shrugged his shoulders and forgot the incident in musing over Vivian's desertion of himself and wondering how his mother would treat him in Richmond.

But while her erstwhile husband is traveling toward Richmond the vivacious Vivian, installed luxuriously at the best hotel, has wired her friend, Mr. Abraham Bloom, that she is in Los Angeles and, having got rid of Blair Stanley, hopes to find some trace of the diamond from the sky. Of course she has telegraphed for funds to Mr. Bloom as well.

In due time she receives an answering message. Mr. Bloom gallantly notifies her that he is telegraphing her \$500 and that he expects her to stay in the far west, in the big cities near where the train robbery was committed, for the purpose of locating the great jewel which Mr. Bloom is determined to possess.

In Richmond Mrs. Stanley still maintains her attitude of kindly interest in Esther. Mrs. Randolph is overjoyed to have a protegee of Esther's distinction of appearance and youth.

While Hagar is placed in a sanitarium under the best of care Esther feels that she has at last found friends in her loneliness, and she keeps up a good heart in the hope that her foster mother will be restored to reason. Often she appeals to the doctors to save her mother's reason.

She hopes also Arthur will return and be cleared from the suspicion of guilt that attaches to him since his flight under the accusation of being the murderer of her guardian, Dr. Lee.

But Esther little dreams that the habits of thought and the cold ambition of a lifetime are not easily changed. Blair Stanley's mother, in her austere way, has been kind to Esther, it is true, and the frivolous Mrs. Randolph is kind, and also generous.

But Mrs. Randolph is only a tool in the hands of her relative, Mrs. Stanley, and Esther but the destined victim of Blair's mother's secret purpose.

The one real friend that Esther has

by, but Esther is at the window of her room each day to see him pass, and they have arranged a signal should ever Esther need this humble, faithful friend.

The signal is a vase of roses. When this is placed upon the window sill Quabba knows it is a sign that Esther needs him, and day by day he passes and is relieved to see that the signal is not displayed and all is well.

Esther, for the sake of the absent Arthur, on whom her thoughts constantly dwell, has carefully hidden the documents at Stanley hall that she found in Hagar's strong box. She has said no word to those around her that would indicate she deems herself to be other than the gypsy daughter of the mentally clouded gypsy woman whom the surgeons of Richmond hope to restore to reason such time as she



Esther in Richmond Society.

is in condition for the perilous operation that will be necessary to effect this.

But Esther knows she is a Stanley of Stanley hall. It does not lessen her affection for the afflicted gypsy woman she has known as her mother.

Esther does not even attempt to judge the motives that actuated Hagar Harding in revenge for having been deprived of her own child, who was reared as heir of Stanley, while she, Esther, the true Stanley, though a girl and heir to no great title beyond the sea, was brought up in the tawdry surroundings of a gypsy camp. But she thought that she is a Stanley of Stanley hall, though it be not known nor acknowledged, brings a glow of pride and courage to Esther's heart.

She attributes Mrs. Stanley's sudden and substantial kindness to her to the fact that Mrs. Stanley has more than a suspicion of who she rightly is. But she and Blair's mother have tacitly ignored the matter. Esther only knows that her love for Arthur is greater than her pride at being a Stanley of Stanley hall.

She would rather arm her heart with patience and let events shape themselves as a happy fate will decree, she hopes.

Her dreams and hopes are all to one end, and that is that Arthur will return, all suspicion removed, and take his place as heir to Stanley. She does not know how to reconcile this hope and dream with Mrs. Stanley's attitude. But at present Mrs. Stanley's attitude is kind, and Esther waits, possessing her soul with patience and her heart with hopes and dreams.

Marmaduke Smythe, the English lawyer, has given up his search for the heir to the Stanley earldom in disgust. He has left the matter in the hands of Detective Tom Blake and departed for England.

In his last interview with Detective Blake Smythe stated his opinion of Yankees generally and the Yankee Stanleys in particular.

"I can conscientiously say that I do not believe the climate of this country is conducive to a titled aristocracy. Even the so called landed gentry are a queer lot," said Lawyer Smythe. "When I was here eighteen years ago to verify the birth of the Yankee heir to the earldom I was in danger of my life, I assure you."

"I had hardly returned to England when I learned of Colonel Stanley being dropping dead and Judge Stanley being shot or tomahawked in the mountains by natives, whether relatives or savage redskins or a blackamoore tribe nobody will ever know. For my part I shall return to England and look after the estates, and if this young Arthur Stanley is caught and hanged for murdering Dr. Lee, whom I remember as a rather decent old chap, why, the next of kin, who is also a ticket of leave man or something of that sort, can come over and claim the earldom."

"As for this diamond from the sky, so called, I believe it is all a hoax. I am going back to England and look through the archives at Stanley rastle with the hope of establishing a blood line in England that may get the house of lords to acknowledge its claim to the earldom and cut out these blood-thirsty Yankees Stanley and their blooming big diamond!"



Esther and Hagar, Her Insane Foster Mother.

in Richmond is Quabba. Both he and Esther have realized it will not do for the humble hunchback organ grinder to be seen in proximity to the young girl, Mrs. Randolph's latest protegee, "being introduced into the best circles of Richmond," as that social light of the old southern capital would have phrased it.

But every day at a certain hour Quabba goes by the Randolph house, up the quiet side street. He does not pause to play his vulgar tunes in such hallowed precincts. He slips quietly

**Annual Financial Statement**

of the County Commissioners and County Clerk of Floyd County, Texas, for the year ending January 31st, A. D. 1916, showing the aggregate amount received and paid out of each fund and the indebtedness of Floyd County.

The following amounts have been received and paid out of each fund. Leaving the balance on hand at the close of the year, to-wit:

JURY FUND, FIRST CLASS.

Balance at beginning of year	\$ 2.37
To amount received during year	246.40
To amount transferred from other funds	2,880.10
By amount paid out during year	\$ 3,044.36
By commissions on amount received	6.15
By " " " " " " paid out	76.09
By amount balance Feb. 1st, 1916	2.27
	\$ 3,128.87 \$ 3,128.87

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, SECOND CLASS.

Balance beginning of year	\$ 5.26
To amount received during year	13,772.72
To amount transferred from other funds	000.00
By amount paid out during year	\$12,432.97
By amount transferred to other funds	655.76
" " " " " " commissions on amount received	344.30
" " " " " " paid out	310.81
" amount balance Feb. 1st, 1916	34.14
	\$ 13,777.98 \$ 13,777.98

GENERAL COUNTY FUND, THIRD CLASS.

Balance at beginning of year	\$ 2,565.04
To amount received during year	23,023.82
Amount transferred from other funds	000.00
By amount paid out during year	\$18,683.51
" " " " " " transferred to other funds	4,379.10
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	880.10
" commission on amount received	575.08
" " " " " " paid out	467.08
" balance Feb. 1st, 1916	603.99
	\$ 25,588.86 \$ 25,588.86

BUILDING FUND, FOURTH CLASS.

Balance at beginning of year	\$ 17.53
To amount received during year	3,575.37
" " transferred from other Funds	3,034.86
By amount paid out during year	\$ 6,345.30
" amount transferred to other funds	000.00
" commission on amount received	89.47
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	178.63
" amount balance, Feb. 1st, 1916	34.36
	\$ 6,627.76 \$ 6,627.76

PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND.

Balance at the beginning of year (Notes)	\$135,120.00
To school bonds Erick Dist. No. 1.	2,500.00
" " " Sand Hill Dist. No. 9.	5,000.00
" cash in county depository	711.14
By Notes	\$135,120.00
" school bonds Dist. No. 1.	2,500.00
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	5,000.00
" cash in county depository	711.14
	\$142,331.14 \$142,331.14

ITEMS DUE TO THE COUNTY

Walter Byars, balance on note county mules	\$ 55.00
L. B. Fawver, note, rent on county farm	160.00
City of Lockney, for culberts	64.80
Tom W. Deen, Co. and Dist. Clerk, for jury fees	6.00
A. C. Goen, Sheriff, trial fees and fines collected	158.00
County farm, worth	6,000.00
Total amount due the county	\$ 6,443.80

A. C. GOEN, TAX COLLECTOR IN ACC'T. WITH FLOYD CO.

To balance road and bridge fund, Feb. 1st, 1916	\$ 11,166.97
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	10,976.49
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	8,329.16
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	16,880.26
Total	\$ 47,352.88

ITEMS OF INDEBTEDNESS OF THE COUNTY.

To Whom Owning	For What	Amount	Date Due
Mrs. Ada C. Price	County Farm	\$1,000.00	Mar. 1st, 1912
Mrs. Ad. C. Price	" " " "	1,000.00	" " " 1913
L. R. Wright & Co.	Court House	90.00	Jan. 1st, 1914
" " " "	" " " "	7,300.00	" " " 1917
" " " "	" " " "	8,060.00	" " " 1918
" " " "	" " " "	8,760.00	" " " 1919
" " " "	" " " "	8,400.00	" " " 1920
" " " "	" " " "	8,040.00	" " " 1921
" " " "	" " " "	8,180.00	" " " 1922
" " " "	" " " "	7,790.00	" " " 1923
" " " "	" " " "	7,900.00	" " " 1924
" " " "	" " " "	7,480.00	" " " 1925
" " " "	" " " "	1,060.00	" " " 1926
AL Greenburg Iron Co.	Culberts & Drags	1500.00	
" " " "	" " " "	1100.00	
G. V. Slaughter	Jury Service	2.50	
Luke Morris	" " " "	2.50	
L. H. Liston	" " " "	2.50	
W. M. Colville	" " " "	2.50	
J. H. Green	" " " "	10.00	
C. Surginer & Son	Road Material	39.95	
R. C. Covington	" " " "	70.00	
J. A. Grigsby	" " " "	382.00	
James W. Dines	" " " "	330.00	

J. A. Lowery & Son	Blacksmithing	7.50
J. F. Dollar	Per Diem	9.00
R. L. Ormon	" " " "	6.00
L. G. Pool	Road Damage	36.50
G. D. French	" " " "	72.50
W. M. Massie & Bro., Agt	" " " "	109.00
James W. Dines	Road Work	198.00
W. M. McGehee	Jury View	8.35
G. F. Rigden	" " " "	6.00
W. A. Hilton	" " " "	6.00
C. A. Wofford	" " " "	6.00
W. A. Knox	" " " "	4.00
J. A. Grigsby	Road Work	220.50
G. A. Linder	Surveying	5.00
M. W. Heard	Jury View	2.00
J. E. Bishop	" " " "	2.00
W. C. Hanna	" " " "	2.00
J. A. Grigsby	" " " "	2.00
J. T. Taylor	Road Work	18.00
G. H. Stone	" " " "	15.00
R. N. Burgett	" " " "	1.00
J. F. Dollar	Per Diem.	9.00
R. L. Ormon	" " " "	3.00
Chas. Trowbridge	" " " "	9.00
J. W. Wright	Road Damages	80.00
G. W. Ball	" " " "	30.00
W. M. Massie & Bro., Agt	" " " "	12.50
J. H. Ball	" " " "	25.00
W. M. Massie & Bro., Agt.	" " " "	25.00
" " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	25.00
" " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	25.00
J. H. Ball	" " " "	18.00
J. D. Smith	" " " "	36.00
W. M. Massie & Bro., Agt	" " " "	73.00
J. W. Harper	" " " "	109.50
J. A. Jamerson	Jury Service	2.00
N. A. Guyre	" " " "	2.00
First State Bank Floydada Warrant	" " " "	2500.00
J. E. Adams	Work on Court Yard	800.00
Lockney State Bank	Warrant	2500.00
Milwaukee Brush Co.	Mds.	5.25
Tom W. Deen	Official Service	41.67
Lockney Beacon	Advertising	.45
1st Nat'l Bank Floydada	Interest	1.27
Jno. Fulfer	Rabbit Bounty	1.10
Foster Amburn	" " " "	.60
J. M. Griggs	" " " "	.75
J. S. Price	" " " "	.85
Maverick Clark Litho. Co.	Stationary	295.15

Respectfully submitted,  
 E. P. Thompson, County Judge  
 J. W. Howard, County Com'r.  
 J. F. Dollar, County Com'r.  
 R. L. Ormon, County Com'r.  
 Chas. Trowbridge, County Com'r.

The State of Texas }  
 County of Floyd } I Tom W. Deen, County Clerk and Ex-Officio  
 Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Floyd County Texas,  
 do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct  
 statement of the Financial condition of Floyd County Texas, On  
 February the 1st A. D. 1916. As shown by the Records and reports  
 and papers on file in my Office.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court at Floydada  
 Texas, on this the 19th day of February, A. D. 1916.  
 (SEAL) TOM W. DEEN  
 County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court  
 Floyd County, Texas.

**Folly of Petitions.**  
 How utterly meaningless the average petition really is as an expression of public sentiment has been demonstrated in an amusing manner by Judge H. W. Mason of Abilene, Kans. He was remarking casually to a friend that his idea of nothing at all was a petition with a lot of names attached to it. After the matter had been discussed for half an hour Judge Mason offered to bet a new hat with his friend that he could get the names of 200 highly respected citizens to a petition asking Governor Capper to shorten the road to Tipperary. An agreement being reached the judge prepared the petition, and in a short time he had obtained the names of the mayor of the town, a bank cashier, the leading merchants, the minister of the leading church and a number of women. He won his wager easily.

There is scarcely a doubt that this petition could be duplicated in any town of reasonable size anywhere in this country. In fact, hundreds of petitions quite as silly and absurd, compiled in good faith, have obtained the requisite number of signatures easily and readily, and usually have had about as much effect as this plea to Governor Capper to do what thousands of good Irish soldiers in the trenches would like to see done—shorten the road to Tipperary. Yet there appears to be no diminution in the number of people with more time than judgement who habitually devote themselves to circulating petitions. The nuisance is not quite as bad in the larger cities as in the smaller towns, but everywhere it is bad enough.

A companion piece of this kind of folly is the practice of requesting people to send telegrams and letters to high officials asking all manner of unwise, unnecessary or impossible public acts. Only a few days ago Mrs. Henry Ford, out of the goodness of her innocent heart, gave \$10,000 to a committee, to be sent out to club women all over the country and used to prepay telegraph messages to President Wilson asking him to interfere in European politics in behalf of peace. If ever \$10,000 was wholly wasted, Mrs. Ford's contribution was. In the first place, there is no reason to believe that President Wilson would need urging to take any sensible action to bring about peace at the very earliest opportunity if he thought it would do any good. In the second place, it would be physically and officially impossible for the president to read such a mass of messages, all of the same character. The telegrams were sent to the state department, done up in bales, and sent to the basement to be burned later on. This is the same fate that ninety-nine out of every one hundred petitions meet when sent to public officials. It would be a grand thing if the fad of raising petitions would die a natural death, for they really don't mean anything except the desire of the person who gets them up. And the fad would die if the good sense of people asserted itself when petitions are presented to them to sign.—Kansas City Journal.

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Thoroughbred Buff Orpington eggs for sale, \$1 per setting. tf. Mrs. E. P. Thompson.

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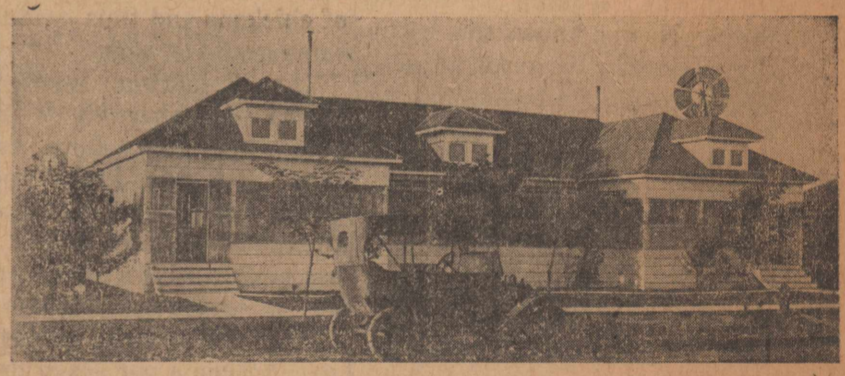
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The announcement that Governor Ferguson will write the Gibson law into his platform and stand upon it as a candidate for re-election, perhaps ought to be sufficient cause to defeat him, but it will not. The people of Texas have become accustomed to electing their governor for a second term, it matters not what sort of record or success they make during the first term. But the Gibson bill is ever substituted for the Robertson law it will have to be done by the legislature, and while The Times is ready to concede that Governor Ferguson will be re-elected regardless of what he stands for, it does not believe that a legislature can ever be elected that will virtually repeal a law that has done as much for Texas since it was enacted as has the Robertson law. Even if State taxes were twice as high as they are now, (and perhaps would be had not the constitutional limit been reached) it still believes that Governor Ferguson will succeed himself. In fact, The Times has become thoroughly convinced that it is worse than foolish for any man to become a candidate for governor of Texas against an incumbent seeking a second term. No one knows this better than Governor Ferguson himself, which probably accounts for the statement that he is going to write the Gibson bill into his platform and stand on it for re-election. —Wichita Times.

Vic Mayshaw, of Grady, New Mexico, who has been in the Childers Sanitarium the past few weeks, following an operation for appendicitis, left Monday morning for his home.

#### EGG-SELLING GROUPS.

#### Cooperative Associations for Marketing Poultry Products Formed by Farm Women.

Farm women in a number of southern communities are being encouraged by the demonstration agents to form cooperative egg-selling associations, the object of which is to secure better prices for poultry products. The members of the associations send all their eggs freshly gathered to one member, who tests and grades them carefully, packs them attractively, and sees to the shipment and sale. The product of the group is sold cooperatively, the members paying their portion of the cost of handling and sharing in the profits. The agents representing the department and the State College help these groups by giving their members instructions on shipping by parcel post and express, in grading and testing eggs, and in choice of containers. In several of these groups the members have come to appreciate the value of a standardized product and therefore, have agreed to raise the same breed of chickens and thus produce the same grade of eggs.

The following report from Mississippi, where there are 50 cooperative egg-selling associations and two junior poultry clubs, is typical of the work in the other Southern States. An association with a packing center at Centerville has a membership of 17. A secretary manager is paid 1½ cents per dozen to do the packing, which is done in an old school building. This club has

sold more than \$500 worth of eggs at prices substantially above the local market quotations. Another association, with a packing center at Woodville, has a membership of 20. They pay their secretary-manager 2 cents per dozen. The grading and packing are done by committees of three which serve in turn. A local railroad agent has allowed the members to use part of the depot for a packing room. The association has an electric tester and scales for weighing the eggs. Under its standard, it does not accept eggs weighing less than 2 ounces each. The first shipments were made in commercial cases, but the eggs are now packed in one dozen cartons and shipped in the cases. This association separates fertile from infertile eggs and secures a premium for the infertile ones. They have sold 3,815 dozen at an average price of 24 cents.

#### Mother Very Ill.

Mrs. J. A. Huckabay left Sunday morning for Eulogy, Bosque County, to be with her mother, Mrs. N. F. Shepard, following the receipt of a telegram stating that her mother was very ill.

Mrs. Nora E. Jones left Monday morning for Goldthwaite, Texas, to be with her mother. Before leaving Mrs. Jones was in receipt of a telegram stating that her mother was quite ill there.

G. R. Jones and son, of Odell, Texas, are spending several days here. The elder Jones is a son of Rev. J. A. Jones who owns a section of land southeast of town some fifteen miles. While here Mr. Jones will arrange for a residence and other improvements on his father's land.

We will ship a car of poultry during the first half of March. Watch for date and price. We expect a good price.  
Marshall Grain Co.  
ltc.

Sam Dane, contractor, and James E. Hinrod, of Colorado City, are here on business. Mr. Dane is bidding for the construction work on the Lakeview School House, which is to be let tomorrow.

W. H. Finley, of Post City, is up on a short business trip. He is well pleased with his new home in Garza County.

#### With the Buyers.

O. B. Olson has been spending the past several days in the market buying spring and summer goods for the Olson store. He will probably return this week.

J. D. Price, buyer for Price-Foster Dry Goods Company, returned this week from St. Louis and Kansas City, where he purchased for the spring and summer trade.

J. G. Martin returned Tuesday from market. He has been buying the spring and summer line for Mathis-Martin Dry Goods Company.

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

#### Black Spanish Jack For Sale

Or trade. Will sell on fall time. Worth \$1000 but will take \$500 for him. Will take pair mules or auto. R. O. Fields. Room 10, First National Bank. ltc.

#### Mothers' Club Notes.

The Mothers' Club met in regular session Feb. 18th, 1916, at 4:00 o'clock p. m. in the Public School Library. The Club was called to order by the president. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Massey was added to our list as a new member, after which a short business session was held. A nice bookcase, with ten dollars worth of books was ordered purchased for the intermediate grades. The Club also has under construction some additional playground apparatus for the smaller boys.

Various ways were discussed to make Floydada a cleaner town. Several committees were appointed. Each member seemed enthusiastic about making our little city presentable but the entire Club realized that it was handicapped without help from all citizens. They felt sure that all wide-awake citizens would willingly lend their aid if some definite plans were presented. The Club decided to distribute circulars setting forth their plans. They ask all to watch for the circulars and be ready to help.

All members, or others who will join the Mothers' Club, are requested to be present March 3 1916 at 4 o'clock p. m. at the Public School Building.

Reporter.

Prof. W. G. Sears, of Silverton, was in Floydada Monday of this week.

Mrs. S. W. Ross is visiting in Lubbock with her sister, Mrs. W. S. Posey, this week.

MONEY. — Making your loans with James Brown saves the agent's commission. They take nothing out. Office at City Hotel, 116p.

3 Sections of Extra fine land in Cochran County, \$1.00 due State, only \$5.50 Bonus. This is a bargain. — R. O. Fields. ltc.

#### For Sale.

Black Spanish Jack. Would trade for Ford Auto. Only five years old. A bargain.  
R. O. Fields & Co. ?  
Room 10, First National Bldg, ltc.

L. A. Marshall left Wednesday for San Antonio to be gone several days on business.

#### Farm Lease.

About 2800 acres solid body plains land South East Floydada fourteen miles to lease five years for Stock-farming purposes. Fifty Cents per acre per year.

W. M. Massie & Bro  
1tc  
Floydada, Texas.

Poultry raising is proving a popular and remunerative industry in the back yards of Floydada as well as in the country adjacent. Among the successful raisers of early chickens in the city is Mrs. W. B. Dare, who has at this time thirty-eight young chickens one month old and seventeen chickens which were taken from the nest a little later. She also has six hens setting now, the hatchings to be taken from the nest this week.

FOR SALE.—A few good young mules broke ready for work. Cash or credit. Jess. Shurbet. 2tc.

#### Howard Lands on the Market

(Formerly the old F Ranch.)  
Easy terms. 6 per cent interest. In small or large quantities. Located in Floyd, Motley, Briscoe and Hall Counties. Rich plains and Fertile Valleys.

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

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

#### For Sale

An excellent quarter about 3 miles south of town, Cash or credit. Fred Brown. tf.

#### No Commission Charged on Farm Loans

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Gamble Land & Cattle Co., Floydada, Texas. tf.

#### Shoe and Harness Shop

Will be open each work day of the week. Bring your work and don't forget the place, North side of square. All work neatly done and satisfaction guaranteed ttc.

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

#### Wanted.

A place to board two orphan children, girl eleven, boy three, or a home for same. Call or write. Mrs. E. Thornton. Star Route, box 71, Floydada. 3tp.

Carbon paper at Hesperian.

#### Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1916.

For District Attorney, 64th Judicial District:

AUSTIN C. HATCHELL.  
GEO. L. MAYFIELD.

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

For County Judge:  
E. P. THOMPSON

For County Attorney:  
C. K. HOLLOWAY.

For Treasurer Floyd County:  
MRS. ADDIE THAGARD.

For Tax Assessor:

FRED A. GRIFFITH.

A. A. WHYTE.

ROBT. E. JONES.

T. F. CASEY.

B. C. WILLIS.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector:

J. B. JENKINS.

J. A. GRIGSBY.

SAM I. FARNSWORTH.

R. M. (BUD) BROYLEL.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1:

W. E. SMITH.

For Commissioner Pre No. 4:

W. F. WEATHERBEE.

For Justice of Peace, Pre. No. 1:

T. J. MCNEELY.

J. C. GAITHER.

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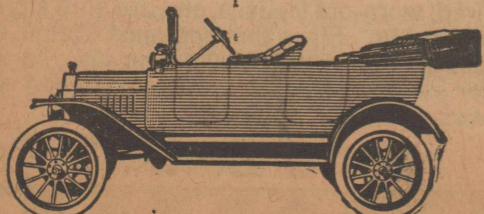
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THE UNIVERSAL CAR.

Let the other fellow experiment. You want to know what your prospective car will do. The record of Ford cars in the service of more than a million owners is the best evidence of Ford reliability, economy in operation and simplicity in handling. Average two cents per mile for operation and maintenance. Touring Car \$440; Runabout \$390; Coupelet \$590; Town Car \$640; Sedan \$740, f. o. b. Detroit. On Sale

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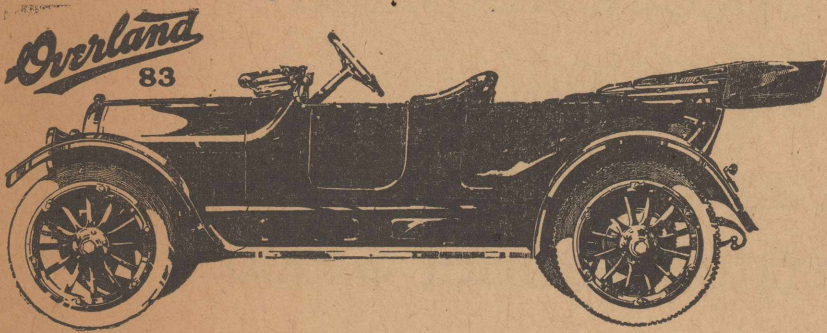


## The Friend Making Store

Sells to the Rich as well as the Poor---one price to all. You can buy as cheap as your neighbor at the Friend Making Store.

Flake White and Bouquet Flour are the best--When you try Flake White you will buy again. Ask those who use it and try a sack. The best is the cheapest always.

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Land for sale to Homeseekers with small Cash payment. Balance Easy.

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From north side to South Side.

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The Place to Get your Money's Worth.

We have Flour both soft and hard, wheat Brand, Cotton Seed Meal and Cake, Seed Oats, Feed Oats, Hay, Maize Heads and the best Coal you ever burnt.

We are in the market for different kinds of grain and feed stuff. Will make you prices right. It will pay you to see us before you buy or sell.

**J. S. DICKEY,**

Manager.

**McCoy Dots.**

This writing leaves McCoy in a very promising state of civilization, cultivation and accumulation. There has been some sickness in general, such as colds, la grippe and light cases of pneumonia, but warmer weather it is hoped will prove to be an ideal remedy for such cases.

Farmers are very busy at this writing, a great many are still hauling grain to market, while others are not through with their threshing, and a great many more are in the fields plowing and preparing the ground for the new crop.

Wheat is doing splendidly, and warmer weather which has been plentiful, will soon bring it out of the hole. Owing to a very good acreage we believe cotton will be scarce in this settlement.

Several have gone to Floydada this last week, including maize haulers mostly.

W. W. Smith hauled grain to town last week.

D. F. Payne and sons took maize to Floydada last week.

W. J. Berry was in town last Tuesday on business.

Judd Cox was in Floydada with maize last Tuesday.

Mrs. F. P. McDermett was in town last Friday.

R. G. Elliott was in town last week.

A large crowd attended the Literary Society Debate at this place Saturday night.

Rev. G. W. Tubbs filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday.

A fine crowd attended the Union Sunday School here Sunday evening. A double wedding was also a great attraction, in which Frank McSpadden and Miss Eulalla McDermett were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, and with the same ceremony were united Joe Pelphrey of Floydada, and Miss Myrtle Swartz, of this place. Both couples are highly recommended in this and adjoining settlements.

Mr. A. A. White, the new school teacher in stead of Jno. Crump, who resigned, began teaching Monday with a full school.

A. L. Hurst went to town this morning.

STUPID.

**Kansas City Live Stock**

Market Report in Detail.

Kansas City Stock yards, Feb. 21, 1916. Cattle sold stronger last week, closing firm in all departments total supply for the week moderate at all points. The supply today here is 11000 head, market steady to strong, with some sales a shade higher. Good to choice steers are lacking today, although \$8.45 was bid on some pretty good steers without getting them, up to noon. Just fair steers sold at \$7.85 to \$8.20, including five cars of Oklahoma steers at \$8.05 and four cars at \$7.85—the Oklahoma steers mentioned weighing around 1300 lbs. Some pulp fed steers sold at \$7.90 to \$8.00, and pulp bulls brought \$6.40. Plain warmed up natives sold at \$7.35 to \$7.75. Cows and butcher steers continued firm today, in line with their performance during the past several weeks. Choice heavy cows are worth \$7. pretty good cows, including pulp fed and other Westerns, \$6.15 to \$6.75, medium cows \$5.25 to \$5.90, canner \$4.50 to \$4.75, except nondescripts, which some times sell around \$4.25, good bulls \$6 to \$6.50, others down to \$5.25, veals \$8.50 to \$11. Mild weather is stimulating demand for stockers and feeders, sales of the good ones of all weights from \$7. to \$7.75, plain cattle \$6.25 to \$6.75. A drove of choice Colorado yearlings brought \$7.50 today, other good Colorado \$7.15. Kansas stockers brought \$7.10, which cost \$6.25 here 70 days ago, having subsisted on roughness without corn in the meantime. Breeding

cows and heifers continue strong at about the highest prices of the winter, most of the stock cows and heifers at \$5.50 to \$7, occasional sales of fancy bred White Face heifers at \$7.75 to \$8.00. Hogs sold strong to 5 higher today, receipts 13000 head. The opening was weak and slow, but packers' necessities soon asserted themselves and the close was 5 higher, packers paying to the top \$8.25. Order buyers also bought liberally, and ten or a dozen loads brought \$8.20, bulk of sales \$7.80 to \$8.20. A feature was the arrival of 9 cars of Colorado pea fed hogs, which sold at \$8 and \$8.05. Pigs are selling at a strong price, \$6.50 to \$7.50, some low grade southern around \$6. Trade in provisions and fresh pork continues satisfactory, but lard moves slowly.

Sheep and lambs sold steady to strong today, receipts 14000 head. Best lambs sold at \$11 up to noon, but late sales reached \$11.10. Medium lambs \$10.60 to \$10.90, best yearlings \$10, ewes \$7.35 to \$7.65, feeding lambs worth \$9.75 to \$10.50. Receipts today included consignments from the three big Colorado feeding sections and a few from New Mexico, Texas and native territory feed lots. Moderate receipts are in sight here for the balance of the week.

J. A. RICKART,  
Market Correspondent

Fresh candiest that are kept fresh at the Floydada Drug Company.

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Candies, cigars, and Drug Sundries. Buy them at Floydada Drug Company. 1tc.

**Wanted to Buy or Sell.**

Good smooth horses, mares or mules.

H. E. Edwards.

**Accident and Health Insurance.**

Only \$1.00 membership fee in the 32 Club. \$15.00 per week for sickness or accident. See R. O. Fields, Room 10, First National Bank Bldg. 1tc.

Have your pictures, paintings and diplomas framed to order at Wilson's Studio. tf.

**Fire and Hail Insurance.**

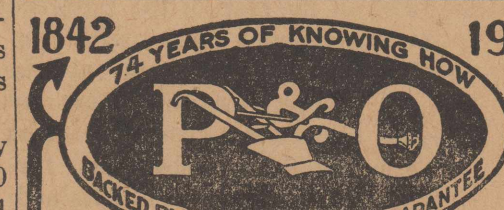
We are prepared to write all kinds of Insurance. See us for insurance of any kind.--R. O. Fields & Co. 1tc

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Only 30c Per 100

Delivered at Your Postoffice.

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1842 **P. & O. No. 111 Lister** 1916

This Lister is known by farmers wherever sold as P. & O. No. 111, but the improved type is called No. 111 on account of important improvements.

There are more of them in the hands of farmers than all other makes combined,—over 2,000 sold by one dealer in one county in West Texas. The special feature on this Lister made it desirable of its immense sale. Its use is not confined to preparing for row crops; it is now almost universally used for plowing for small grain crops by listing and re-listing, leaving the ground in oval waves, which not only catches and holds the moisture but prevents the loose soils of the West from blowing away.

The adjusting link on front end of beam is an important exclusive feature on the No. 111, absolutely preventing the point from running below the desired depth. The wheels are provided with dust-proof boxes, an immense help in the sandy loam lands of the West.

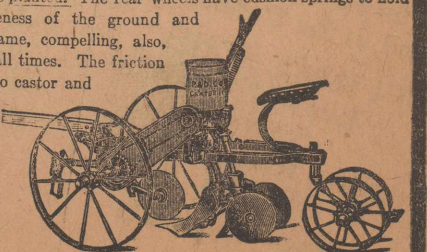
The feeding device absolutely deposits one seed at a time of any of the row crops, besides can be equipped for both corn and cotton. You will have to see this wonderful improvement to appreciate it. The tilting hoppers allow change of plow without emptying them. Furnished with either disc or shovel covers.

**The P. & O. No. 123 4-Wheel Lister**

This Lister has all the advantage of the No. 111 and in addition has rear wheels. This is desired in many localities as it enables the operator to see the seed as planted. The rear wheels have cushion springs to hold them in line with the row and following the unevenness of the ground and conform to the ridge without straining the rear frame, compelling also, the Lister to remain in proper working position at all times. The friction lock disengages automatically, allowing the wheels to castor and turn round in a very small space.

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FLOYDADA, TEXAS.

### Roaring Springs Credit Plan

By Clarence Ousley.

The following is a copy of the contract: State of Texas ) County of Smith ) This Agreement made and entered into at Tyler, Texas, this 22nd day of January, 1916, by and between the Peoples' Guaranty State Bank of Tyler, Texas, party of the first-part, the undersigned citizens of Smith County, designated as cooperating borrowers, parties of the second part, and the Red Springs Farmers' Club, acting through its Finance Committee, parties of the third part, Witnesseth:

"That whereas it is the wish and desire of the parties of the second and third part to procure for themselves and other members of the Red Springs Farmers' Club loans of money for farm purposes at a low rate of interest and operate their farm on a cash basis; and whereas it is the wish and desire of the Peoples Guaranty State Bank to aid the farmers of Smith County to increase their prosperity by improving their credit facilities: Now, therefore, it is mutually understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows, to wit:

"1. That the said Peoples Guaranty State Bank will make loans for farm purposes to such members of the Red Springs Farmers' Club and in such amount as may be recommended in writing to said bank by the finance committee of said club at the rate of 8 per cent per annum interest; provided said bank shall consider the security offered as adequate.

"2 That all members to said club whom loans have been or in the future may be made under the terms of this agreement are hereby constituted a co-operating group of borrowers, and each hereby assumes liability to the extent of ten per cent of the gross sum loaned to him for the prompt payment of all loans heretofore and hereafter made under this contract and agreement, and hereby authorizes the

The following is a copy of the contract:

"3. The guaranty fund herein provided for shall be held by the said Peoples Guaranty State Bank and disbursed under the terms of this agreement.

"4. In the event of the failure of any member of the cooperating group of borrowers referred to herein to pay off and discharge his said debt hereunder created within 30 days after maturity, the party of the first part is hereby authorized to pay out of the guaranty fund the balance due on said note or notes to the said Peoples Guaranty State bank and transfer the note or notes and other security for same held by said bank to the finance committee of the Red Springs Farmers Club as trustee for the subscribers to said guaranty fund, which said committee shall proceed to realize on such security to the best advantage and pay the proceeds into said guaranty fund.

"5. On the 31st day of December 1916 this agreement and all obligations assumed hereunder shall be liquidated and terminated as herein provided, or renewed upon terms mutually satisfactory for another year.

"6 In the event of liquidation and termination of this agreement as provided in paragraph five hereof, the parties hereto shall make such an adjustment of any balances due to said bank by members of the cooperating group of borrowers as may be just and equitable, paying out of said guaranty fund such unpaid obligations as the bank is unwilling to renew for another year.

"7 In the event of this agreement being renewed for another year the parties hereto shall likewise adjust any obligations to said bank remaining unpaid,

either by payment of same out of the guaranty fund or by renewal under the terms of the agreement then to be entered into for the succeeding year.

"8 The Red Springs Farmers Club, acting by and through its finance committee thereunto duly authorized and empowered, shall carefully consider all applications of its members for loans under this agreement, and shall recommend to the bank only such as are, in the judgement of the committee, safe and solvent and committee further obligates itself to use its best judgement in passing upon the value of the security offered for all such loans and to use its best endeavors to protect the bank and the cooperating borrowers from loss under the terms of this agreement.

"9 All recommendations of loans made hereunder by the Finance Committee of said club shall be in writing and shall state, among other things, the name of the applicant, the amount of land owned or rented by him, the amount of livestock and other property available as security, the acreage to be planted to food and feed crops, and any other information that will be a guide to the solvency of the applicant and his ability to repay

the loan asked for when the same matures.

"10 Members of the Red Springs Farmers Club to whom loans may hereafter be made under the terms of this agreement shall become parties thereto upon equal terms with the members hereof, and shall be subject to all liabilities assumed by said group of cooperating borrowers, and shall attach signatures hereto when loan made to them.

"Executed in duplicate, copy to be retained by the Peoples' Guaranty State Bank and one copy by the Finance Committee of the Red Springs Farmers Club, this 22nd day of January, 1916.

(Signed) Peoples Guaranty State Bank of Tyler.—By S. Lindsay, President.

Red Spring Farmers Club L. K. Curry, R. A. Land, Yates, Jeff Coulter, Ira-tian, Finance Committee

CO-OPERATING GROUP OF BORROWERS, ET AL:

The limited guaranty liability of this plan inspires department officials to believe that a factory substitute has been underlies most of the success

the loan asked for when the same matures.

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List of Lands, Lots, or Parts of Lots, Returned Delinquent or Reported Sold to the State of Texas Since January 1, 1885, Situated in Floyd County

Table with multiple columns: No. Reported Sold or Delinquent, OWNER, Abstr. No., Original Grantee, Patentee, Class, Date (Mo., Day, Year), No. Acres in Survey, Class, No. Acres Assessed, No. Acres Reported Delinquent, Ad Valorem State School, Ad Valorem Poll, Ad Valorem Penion, Ad Valorem Penalty, Special, District School, District, District, Penalty, Total State & County Taxes. The table contains numerous rows of land records, including owners like Adams, Beatty & Moulton, Talbot, Beatty, and various individuals and companies.

No. Reported Sold or Del.	OWNER	Abat. No.	Original Grantee.	Patente.	No. Acres in Survey	Date	Class	No. Vol.	No. Survey	No. Acres Assessed	No. Acres Reported Delinquent	STATE TAXES			COUNTY TAXES			Total State & County Taxes			
												Ad. Valorem	School	Confined Pension	Penalty	Ad. Valorem	School		Confined Pension	Penalty	
1890	Unknown	1529	Hicks, J. A.		80	14	11					.64	.58		.12	.80	1.28	.04	1.32	4.33	
1900	Unknown	1531	Hooper, S. V.		80	13	14					.12	.11		.02	.20	.28	.02	.28	4.46	
1900	Unknown	1532	Hooper, M. M.		80	13	14					.12	.11		.02	.20	.28	.02	.28	4.46	
1899	Unknown	1540	Nations, S. M.		320	61	58					.12	.12		.30	.128	.64	.2	.76	4.33	
1899	Unknown	1530	Nelson, W. W.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	8.00	
1899	Unknown	1531	Nichols, W. A.		480	96	88					.12	.12		.30	.128	.64	.2	.96	2.08	
1899	Unknown	1532	Oldham, R. C.		480	96	88					.12	.12		.30	.128	.64	.2	.96	4.49	
1899	Unknown	1533	Oswald, J. B.		354	70	68					.12	.12		.30	.128	.64	.2	.96	5.13	
1900	Unknown	1617	Fruit, W. H.		320	64	58					.12	.12		.30	.128	.64	.2	.96	5.44	
1900	Unknown	1637	Stricklin, W. H.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	8.66	
1900	Unknown	1630	Young, W. F.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	8.66	
1900	Unknown	1714	Bullard, L. C.		320	64	58					.12	.12		.30	.128	.64	.2	.96	8.07	
1901	Unknown	1736	Evans, J. W.		45	07	07					.02	.10		.10	.08	.23	.03	.47	4.7	
1900	Unknown	1736	Cobsett, S. E.		43	07	07					.02	.10		.10	.08	.23	.03	.49	4.9	
1900	Randolph, T. H.	1731	Rosser, W. N.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	13.31	
1900	Unknown	1823	Rosser, W. N.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	8.07	
1900	Unknown	1824	Rosser, W. N.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	8.07	
1900	Unknown	1833	Sparks, T. K.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	7.72	
1900	Unknown	1842	Welch, J. C.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	7.72	
1900	Unknown	1847	Wilhoit, A. A.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	7.72	
1900	Unknown	1849	Wilhoit, N. C.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	7.72	
1900	Unknown	1853	Wilson, L. T.		640	128	115					.12	.12		.60	.128	.64	.2	.96	7.72	
1913	Unknown	1850	Wilson, L. T.		6	06	17					.02	.10		.10	.08	.23	.03	.55	5.0	
1911	Unknown	1855	Wilson, L. T.		6	05	08					.02	.10		.10	.08	.23	.03	.50	4.6	
1914	Unknown	1855	Wilson, C. A.		6	04	07					.02	.10		.10	.08	.23	.03	.50	4.6	
1914	Unknown	1856	Wilson, C. A.		39	30	48					.03	.20		.28	.12	.14	.06	.96	2.71	
1900	Unknown	1857	Witherspoon, Bettie		80	16	14					.03	.20		.28	.12	.14	.06	.96	9.6	
1912	Ben Hardy, J. A. Morrill	1916	King, R. E.		160	22	1.63					.48	.43		2.40	2.88	1.02	.11	.72	12.67	
1911	Unknown	1918	Lamb, T. N.		84	16	1.46					.84	.79		1.96	2.34	.84	.08	.60	13.33	
1914	Unknown	1918	Lamb, T. N.		84	16	1.46					.84	.79		1.96	2.34	.84	.08	.60	9.54	
1914	Unknown	1918	Lamb, T. N.		84	16	1.46					.84	.79		1.96	2.34	.84	.08	.60	3.61	
1910	Unknown	1918	Lamb, T. N.		84	16	1.46					.84	.79		1.96	2.34	.84	.08	.60	4.36	
1909	Unknown	1918	Lamb, T. N.		84	16	1.46					.84	.79		1.96	2.34	.84	.08	.60	4.17	
1914	Unknown	1918	Lamb, T. N.		84	16	1.46					.84	.79		1.96	2.34	.84	.08	.60	5.13	
1913	Unknown	1918	Lamb, T. N.		84	16	1.46					.84	.79		1.96	2.34	.84	.08	.60	5.13	
1903	Mann, J. F.	1957	Teague, E. A.		100	1.00	1.00					.24	.21		1.70	2.04	.25	.13	1.61	10.10	
1907	Unknown	2062	Hodges, B. N.		600	120	1.87					.36	.36		2.56	3.00	.36	.19	3.71	11.07	
1914	Unknown	2062	Hodges, B. N.		3	03	.04					.01	.01		.04	.07	.01	.14	.03	.26	4.01
1911	Unknown	2075	McCroy, T. K.		70	1.40	1.40					.09	.09		1.52	1.82	.14	.03	.45	6.83	
1911	Unknown	2082	Smittle, W. A.		100	1.01	1.02					.16	.16		1.52	1.82	.16	.03	.64	6.47	
1904	Unknown	2107	Askey, A. J.		210	.90	.65					.13	.13		.90	.72	.54	.8	3.70	5.63	
1905	Unknown	2182	Teague, E. A.		205	.84	.76					.16	.16		1.03	.83	.84	.7	4.53	9.26	
1906	Unknown	2207	Teague, E. A.		200	2.33	1.7					.30	.14		2.02	2.50	.28	.03	.63	9.33	
1900	Unknown	2223	Wilford, Riley		160	.64	2.13					.28	1.28		1.92	2.56	.34	.33	3.83	6.10	
1910	Unknown	2244	Lee, C. W.		160	.38	1.86					.19	.36		1.32	1.81	.19	.33	3.73	4.10	
1910	Unknown	2306	Watson, D. B.		103	.21	.87					.17	.52		1.04	.78	.20	.23	3.73	4.10	
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1912	Watson, D. B.	2306	Watson, D. B.		103	.21	.87					.17	.52		1.04	.78	.20	.23	3.73	6.10	
1914	Unknown	2369	Saxon, A. L.		160	1.46	1.46					.44	.44		.77	.44	.44	.14	.17	2.72	13.33

No. Reported Sold or Del.	OWNER	City or Town	Addition or Division	Lot No.	STATE TAXES					COUNTY TAXES					Total State & County Taxes						
					Ad. Valorem	School	Confined Pension	Penalty	Ad. Valorem	School	Confined Pension	Penalty									
1891	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1892	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1893	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1894	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1895	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1896	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1897	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1898	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1899	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
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1901	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1902	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
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1917	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1918	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1919	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1920	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1921	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1922	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.56	5.6
1923	Unknown	Floyd City		14	1.01	.01				.01	.01			.02		.06			.04	.5	



STATE TAXES COUNTY TAXES

Table with columns: Yr. Reported Sold or Del., Owner, City or Town, Addition or Division, Lot No., Block No., Ad Valorem, State, Conf. Pension, Poll, Penalty, Ad Valorem, Special, Poll, District, District, District, Total State & County Taxes.

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STATE OF TEXAS, County of FLOYD, County Clerk of Floyd County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing 88 pages is the Delinquent Tax Record of Floyd County, Texas, and contains a correct complete list of all lands, lots, or parts of lots which have been reported delinquent or reported as sold to the State of Texas for the years 1885 to 1914, inclusive, which have not been redeemed and upon which taxes are due or reported sold to the State for taxes, the names of the owners known at the time of such delinquency or sale, and the number of acres now delinquent and the amount of the taxes now due and unpaid. Said record having been duly filed in my office and I hereby certify same to the Commissioners' Court of said County for examination and corrections. Witness my hand and seal of office this 12th day of July, A. D. 1915.

TOM W. DEEEN, County Clerk of Floyd County, Texas. Attest: TOM W. DEEEN, County Clerk. I. W. HOWARD, F. F. DOLLAR, R. L. ORMON, CHAS. TROWBRIDGE, Commissioners.

going eighty-eight (88) pages, containing all of the delinquent taxes on lands and town lots in Floyd County, for all years from 1885 to 1914, both inclusive. Respectfully submitted, A. C. GOEN, Collector.

STATE OF TEXAS, ss. We, the Commissioners' Court of Floyd County, in regular session, on this 12th day of July, 1915, have examined and found correct the foregoing record of delinquent taxes on lands and town lots of Floyd County, and do hereby approve the same.

# This Is The Last Call

The Willis Cost Sale of Hardware, Furniture and Implements postively closes Tuesday, February 29th. Everything in the house absolutely at cost until the night of the date named

Furnish yourself out of this stock while it lasts.

## H. J. Willis Hardware & Furniture Co.

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General Land Agents  
THE SENIOR LAND & ABSTRACT BUSINESS OF  
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BUY, SELL, LEASE, OR EXCHANGE  
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nal Practice  
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BUILDING,  
Floydada, Texas.

### Christian Church

"Line up day" is March 12th, and means every member present, and those who are not identified with the church, to line up with us.

J. F. MATHEWS,  
Pastor

**Arthur B. Duncan**  
General Land Agent  
and Abstractor  
Floydada, Texas  
Buys, Sells and Leases Real estate on Commission;  
Renders and Pays Taxes for Non-Resident Land Owners;  
Investigates and Perfects Titles;  
Furnishes Abstracts of Title from Records;  
Owner of Complete Abstract of all Floyd County Lands and Town Lots;  
Have had 25 Years Experience with Floyd County Lands, and Land Titles;  
List your Lands and Town Lots with me if for Sale or Lease;  
And give me your Abstract of Title Work.  
Office S. E. Corner Public Square  
Address  
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Floydada, Texas

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price, fresh, reliable, preferred by  
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tect where other vaselines fail.  
Write for booklet and testimonials.  
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Use any vaseline, but Cutter's best.  
The superiority of Cutter's products is due to over 15  
years of specializing in vaselines and ointments.  
Inlet on Cutter's. It is unobtainable, order direct.  
THE CUTTER LABORATORY, Berkeley, California.

### Notice of Trustee's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Floyd. Whereas by virtue of the authority vested in me, as trustee named and appointed in a certain deed of trust recorded in Vol. 6, on page 597, records of real estate, mortgages or deeds of trust, of Floyd County, Texas, executed and delivered to me on the 5th day of Dec. A. D. 1912, by W. M. Hancock and wife, Mrs. E. S. Hancock, for the better securing the payment of one certain promissory note of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, more fully described in the said deed of trust executed by the said W. M. Hancock and Mrs. E. S. Hancock, payable to the order of L. B. Maxey, at Floydada, Texas, due on the first day of January 1914 bearing ten per cent interest per annum from date until paid, interest due and payable annually, as it accrues, and also providing for the payment of ten per cent additional as Attorney's fees in case said note is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, said note was heretofore transferred and assigned by the said L. B. Maxey to J. A. Price, who is the present owner and holder of said note and he has placed said note with T. F. Houghton an Attorney, for collection, and agreed to pay him the 10 per cent Attys. fees stipulated in said note.

And whereas the said J. A. Price is the owner and holder of said note and the said W. M. Hancock and E. S. Hancock have made default in the payment of said \$500.00 and interest on same from date of note, and the same is past due and unpaid, principal, interest and attorneys fees now aggregating \$715.00 with 10 per cent interest from Dec. 3, 1915, and whereas I have been requested by the said J. A. Price to enforce said deed of trust, I will offer for sale between the legal hours thereof, to wit, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the first Tuesday in March 1916, the same being the 7th day of March A. D. 1916, at the Court House door, in the town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, the following described property to wit:

All those certain tracts or parcels of land situated in Floyd City (Floydada) Texas, Floyd County, Texas, and known as Lots Nos. One (1), Two (2), and Three (3) in Blk. No. One Hundred and Six as shown by the town plat of said Floyd City, as recorded in Vol. 2, page 294 Deed

Records of Floyd County, Texas, said land being known as the Hancock place in South West part of Floydada, Texas said lots being 50 ft. by 150 ft. each. And on said date, I will sell said lots with all the improvements, rights, members and appurtenances thereto belonging.

Witness my hand this the 4th day of February A. D. 1916.  
W. A. Robbins,  
Trustee.

### Red Springs Credit Plan.

(Continued from Page 6.)  
rural credit unions in Europe. American farmers have shown themselves unwilling to place a lien upon their land to procure credit for others, even where homestead provisions do not forbid such practice. This bar to the procurements of capital through cooperative group liability has been overcome by the Red Springs Club by the creation of a guaranty fund. Under this arrangement the individual responsibility of members is limited to 10 per cent of their loans—a sum which banking experience demonstrates is ample to protect the bank from loss.

Another interesting and valuable feature of the Red Springs plan is that it justifies lower interest rates, not merely by guaranteeing the loan, but by saving the bank the expense of inquiring into the character and responsibility of the applicant and the value of the security offered. This is done by a committee of the club which is more familiar with the affairs of the members of the club and of their ability to repay than a banker can possibly be.

It is the confident belief of all parties of interest that under this plan the losses on loans to members of the group will be very small and that experience will demonstrate that an even smaller guaranty fund will be ample. Also, there is a distinct advantage to both borrower and lender in having all the members of the club directly interested in the welfare of each borrowing member.

This agreement was concluded on the 22nd day of January and before the day closed more than a dozen loans had been arranged for under its terms and both the club and the bank believe that a way has been found to put an end to the so called "credit system" which has flourished in this community since the civil war and which has seriously interfered with the prosperity of the farmers.

It is the purpose of the Red

Springs Club, when this year's loans have been closed, to incorporate a Rural Credit Union and have each borrower take stock to the amount of his share remaining in the guaranty fund. This will supply an initial capital of slightly less than \$1,000, which will be loaned to members. Loans will only be made to members who hold stock in the union in an amount equal to 10 per cent of the amount applied for. In this way it is estimated that within a period of a few years the Union will have sufficient capital to finance all its members, who by that time will have ceased to borrow for crop making purposes and will become borrowers for development purposes.

The Extension Department of the A. & M. College will, upon invitation, aid other groups of farmers to organize on lines similar to the Red Springs plan.

### Blodgett Gives Information Relative to Boll Rot and Boll Weevil.

The possibility of introducing diseased cotton into this section where much cotton is used each year, imported from other sections of the state, has been discussed in the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce and President A. V. Haynes and Secretary Geo. A. Lider have been investigating the seed situation, in the belief that the farmers who desire to import cotton seed and at the same time avoid largely the possibility of cotton diseases, most prominent of which are Boll Weevil and Boll Rot or anthracnose, would be benefitted by such information as they are able to obtain.

In a recent letter from the A. & M. Extension Department, Dr. Blodgett, plant pathologist, sends a list of names of farmers from whom sound seed may likely be obtained, and writes concerning the two diseases named and the seed situation as follows:

"In reply to your letter of Jan. 31st, I regret to say that the cotton seed supply of which we have been able to locate, has by this time been exhausted in all probability. I give the list of dealers whose names we have been able to secure, who had seed cotton from the territory outside of the greatest storm damage in August.

"The disease known as anthracnose or boll rot produces quite a different type of injury from that caused by the boll weevil. The presence of the weevil does not ordinarily injure the seed itself for planting purposes

but the disease mentioned is carried from season to season on the seed of the affected crop and is also left from one year to the next in the thrash of the cotton field.

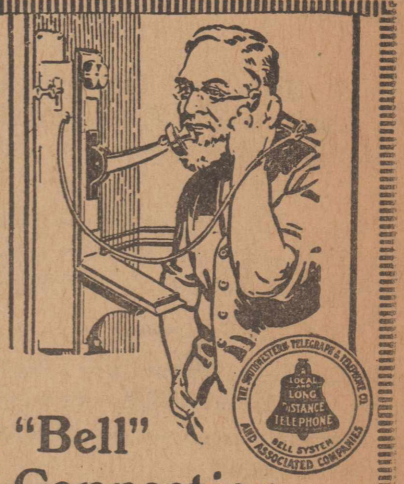
"When either cotton from diseased fields or the same land on which a diseased crop was matured are used later for cotton growing, the chances are very strongly in favor of serious damage to the new crop from the boll rot disease. The degree of damage is variable from year to year since the climate conditions vary so widely between the different seasons, but there is a constant danger of increase in the amount of boll rot damage when seed, which is not so sound as possible, is used for planting. The problem of securing sound seed is entirely new to the farmers of Texas and no provision was made to store up healthy seed so far as I have been able to learn.

"I would suggest that you correspond with the parties mentioned below since they are located out of the area of greatest storm damage, their seed is therefore likely to be less seriously infested with the boll rot than local seed grown within the storm area.

"Yours truly,  
Frederick H. Blodgett,  
Pathologist."

### 10 Cent Delivery Service

Light deliveries made anywhere in town on quick notice.  
Phone 81. Charlie Steen.  
tf.



### "Bell" Connection Valuable to You

From seed time to harvest and all the year through, every farmer occasionally has business to transact in distant towns. Letters go slow and traveling is expensive. Why not let the Long Distance Bell Telephone lines carry your message? Have you a Telephone connected to the Bell System?

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### Drs. Smith & Smith

Announce the removal of their offices to Front Room, second floor of the Willis Bldg. Special attention given to diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. GLASSES FITTED.

## P. & O. Implements

We are agents for the Famous P. & O. Fine of Implements.

We are satisfied that the P. & O. Listers are the

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and want you to come in and let us show you the superior points on the improved models.

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## Personal:-

Really, our clothes are personal belongings, and they become truly so if they are designed and made individually.

The suits of clothes tailored to individual measurements reflect quality and satisfaction in every line, and such a suit costs no more than one ready-made.

We are taking measures daily for Spring Suits. Get in line and have yours made-made right.

Ladies get yours made-to-measure, also the latest Styles---get a perfect fit.

Get the best there is in cleaning and pressing. Popular prices. Free Delivery.

Phone 100 **H. S. HAINES** Cox Barber Shop.  
"The Old Reliable Tailor."

FOUND—At E. Thornton's gate east of town, on Matador road, Indies gold bracelet, upper half flower design. Owner may have same by paying for this advertisement. Itc

A. V. Harris, of the Allmon Community was in Floydada last Saturday on business.

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

Judge G. E. Hamilton, of Matador, was in Floydada Monday looking after business for clients in district court.

### Announcement!

I have purchased the Flanary stock of groceries and am adding a brand new line of Shelf Hardware, Enamelled-ware, Glassware, Chinaware, Builders supplies, and--well, I will fill my store full of items too numerous to mention.

I am going to make money; am telling you that same old story "Small Profits and Quick Sales." You can take it for what its worth. I may be truthful,--I may not. Wait until next week I'll have a message for you.

My store will be named

**Brown's**  
**FRED BROWN,**  
Sole Owner  
Phone No. 179

### Farm & Ranch Loans

Henderson & Perry  
Plainview, Texas.

Can make you a Farm Loan at Reasonable Rate Money ready as soon as Title is approved.  
Write or See Them

### J. C. Gaither Asks Re-election as Justice Precinct No. 1.

Justice of the Peace J. C. Gaither has announced his intention of again asking for the office which he now holds, and requests The Hesperian this week, to place his name in the Announcement Column.

Justice Gaither is now holding his first elective term. He was appointed by the Commissioners to fill out the unexpired term of J. D. Price, resigned and was re-elected at the time of the last primary.

Mr. Gaither is ripe in experience in matters requiring legal ability, and in asking for re-election at the hands of the voters of the precinct, requests that they investigate his record before making up their ballots.

His candidacy is subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

Good Texas rust proof oats for sale at 50 cents per bu., 4 miles southwest of Floydada. Itc. G. D. French.

W. S. Posey and wife, of Lubbock, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boerner last Saturday afternoon and Sunday in Floydada. Mrs. Posey is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boerner.

#### For Rent.

Forty acres old land one mile Southwest of town, also several nice young Cockerels for sale. Itc. R. C. Scott.

#### Ford Sales.

The Barker Bros. Ford Agency have made sales as follows the past week: A. G. Smith, touring car; H. C. Sparks, touring car.

Rev. G. I. Britain and wife, spent a short time the earlier part of the week with friends in Floydada.

J. W. Wright, one of the leading citizens of the Lakeview Community, is serving on the petit jury this week. He states that good conditions prevail generally in his part of the county.

75 acres sod for rent, 3 miles of town, \$1 per acre. Earl French. 2tp.

J. C. Garrison, whose home is now at Humble, Texas, near Houston, is here attending district court as a witness.

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France Baker, cashier of the First National Bank at Lockney, was in Floydada Tuesday afternoon on business.

Arryl Martin and Arthur Barker went to Amarillo Friday returning home Sunday night.

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Miss Grace Rucker, of Lubbock, has been here on a visit with her sisters, Mesdames Jenkins and Farris the past several days.

Among the new purchasers of automobiles this week is Joe Williams, who bought a model 83 Overland from the Floyd County Distributor, J. D. Starks Saturday.

Mrs. A. V. Haynes returned last Saturday from a visit in Weatherford with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McGregor, where she had spent the previous week. On her return she was accompanied by her sister, Miss Lillie McGregor, who will visit here.

#### Notice of Limited Partnership.

We, the subscribers, have this day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provisions of the Revised Statutes, Title 102 relating to limited partnership, and do hereby certify that the name of the firm under which said partnership is to be conducted is Jones & Mitchell; that the general nature of the business to be transacted is the buying and selling of all kinds of hardware and furniture, and the same will be transacted in the city of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas; that the names of the general partners of the said firm are C. S. Jones and C. W. Mitchell both of the city of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas; and the special partner is R. B. Mitchell, who resides in the country about 14 miles from Plainview, Hale County, Texas, that the capital contributed by the said special partner is \$2000.00 in cash; that the period at which said partnership is to commence is the 8 day of February A. D. 1916 and that it will terminate on the 1st, day of February A. D. 1921.

C. S. JONES  
C. W. MITCHELL  
General Partners.  
R. B. MITCHELL  
Special Partner,

6tc.-224.

#### Strong Investment Company Enters the South Plains.

The B. F. Collins Investment Company, largely known as a strong investment company, have established connections for making loans in the South Plains.

Henderson & Perry of Plainview are the representatives of this company with a territory covering nine counties.

M. D. Henderson, of the firm, was a visitor in Floydada Tuesday. He is extensively interested in town property here.

Picture Frames made to order at Wilsons Studio. Itc.

#### For Lightning Rods.

Pure Copper Cable Bull Dog Lightning Rod, only 35c put up. No charges for braces, balls, Vanes, etc. See us before you Rod your house.—R. O. Fields & Co. Itc.

### RHEUMATISM ARRESTED

Many people suffer the tortures of lame muscles and stiffened joints because of impurities in the blood, and each succeeding attack seems more acute until rheumatism has invaded the whole system. To arrest rheumatism it is quite as important to improve your general health as to purify your blood, and the cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion is nature's great blood-maker, while its medicinal nourishment strengthens the organs to expel the impurities and rebuild your strength. Scott's Emulsion is helping thousands every day who could not find other relief. Refuse the alcoholic substitutes.

Two unfurnished rooms to rent to someone without children. Call at the Hesperian office. 2tp.

#### Auto Wanted.

I have good notes, lots, or Black Spanish Jack to trade for auto, Ford preferred.—R. O. Fields & Co. Room 10, First National Bank. Itc.

For marble monuments, see S. B. McClesky. Itc.

### City Barber Shop

T. M. COX, Prop  
All barber work first class. All treatment courteous. Shallow Water Steam Laundry represented. Hot or cold baths. Nice clean tubs.

### Increase of Live Stock Feasible

By A. M. Hove

"Changes have been coming fast out in our part of the range territory," said George East of Baca County, Colorado when in Kansas City a few days ago. Mr. East has ranged in four states the last twenty five years and knows whereof he speaks. "Few years ago when settlers came in and the free range began to disappear, we supposed that no more cattle would be raised. We were mistaken. Stock farmers seem to be increasing the number of cattle right along for the reason that they are raising such a great amount of feed to properly care for them and in that way never suffer any losses. In the free range days we lost thousands of our cattle."

They are drifting into stock farming in Oklahoma and Western Kansas. The stock farmer has made good the last few years. His is the correct diversified farming and he always has something to sell, be the years bad or good. There is always something growing to feed the cow and the pig and the chickens and the turkeys.

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