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There appeared an article in the Amarillo Champion in which a vain effort was made to staunch the flowing piss from the wound we made in the club carbuncle last week, but we are at a loss to know how to reply as we can't "cuss 'em back." The following is the paragraph that gave the offense:

Ques.—Who generally leads in the club?

Ans.—Grass widows who have grown tired of their husbands and left them for fast young men, and women that are nearly dead to marry.

This was said of clubs in general and we did not then, nor do not yet know, who belongs to the Amarillo Club, with the exception of one member, and he is a man, and the Champion is guilty of down-right falsehood when it says we knew a certain divorced woman belonged to the Amarillo club and we dare them to prove the assertion. The only thing the Champion wanted was a play for sympathy. No gentleman will assail the character of a woman in any such a manner as the Champion did a certain member of the club and if we had known some fool editor, so near by, had no more sense of propriety or raising than to make a personal application, we would never have answered the question.

Again we intimated that some blessed to the club that nearly dead to marry. This put the Champion into a perfect furor. Hear 'em.

"If marriages do not result from club organizations, clubs should be forever tabooed, for certainly there is nothing else for woman to live for but to become Mrs. Somebody—more generally Mrs. Nobody and recognize some blamed fool as her lord and master."

Some old maid must have written this that has become soured on the world and given up all hope of ever getting married. We are sorry for her, but for her encouragement, we will say that our business manager, is

an old bachelor, and some sort of a compromise might be made, unless her article has utterly discouraged him.

Again:

"It is strange indeed that the editor of the Agitator can find nothing in Clarendon upon which to vent his spleen. Is there no vice there? Is there no Sablath breaking, no drunkenness, no gambling hell, no back alley crap games, no bagnios, no corrupt court house ring, no extortion of blood money and high-way robbery under guise of law?"

We answer, not because we live here, but because it is a fact, Clarendon is one of the cleanest towns in Texas, and free from most of the vices above mentioned. Gambling and public bawdy houses would not for one moment be tolerated in Clarendon as they are in Amarillo, and what evils do exist here we fight them night and day and we did the same thing during the three years we were in Amarillo and the Champion knows this as well, and so does every reader of the AGITATOR.

As to the Champions defense of the 'hugging match' we are too embarrassed to reply. It reads as follows:

"Admit that no girl went driving without being hugged. Was Sodom destroyed from the face of the earth because her men hugged the women?"

Hugging, we think, had a good deal to do with the destruction of Sodom, but the Champion took it all right and we are at the proper time and place—but—

It is certainly disgusting to any true man to have a low down coward, assailing him in the paper, who is afraid to sign his name to his articles.

We always treat a lady as such while she stays in a ladies' place, but when they put on the pants and use "cuss words" and talk about whipping a fellow, we must confess—well we won't say.

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VIOLATIONS OF LAW.

In last weeks paper we stated that the horse races that had been run in Clarendon was in open violation of law. The following is the law on the subject: "Any person who shall run or be in any way concerned in running any horse race, in, along, or across any public square street or alley, in any city, town or village or in or along or across any public road, within this state shall be fined in a sum, not less than \$25, nor more than \$100.

This says along a public road. The track and races here were along the side of the public road where the mail is carried, and we hope the next grand jury will enquire into the matter. There is no use to have a law and disregard it. A \$50 dollar fine would do these gamblers good and learn them to have some regard for the law. If the next grand jury has any regard for their oath something will be done.

The AGITATOR arrow shot at a venture hit the Amarillo club absciss and has let out a great deal of offensive matter and the stench is becoming almost intolerable to the best people up here.

"A newspaper that does not defend the institutions of its town is not entitled to the support of the town.—Morning Times, July 8th.

Of course, for instance, Amarillo has some public bawdy houses, they are institutions of the town, therefore the papers must defend them; also the gambling houses and saloons; of which she has many, or else not be entitled to the support of the town. It is owing to how a fellow has been raised and what crowd supports his paper that makes him talk thus. A little old dirty paper edited by some one, destitute of all principle and depending for its support upon gamblers, harlots and the tough element, I suppose can talk that way, but our policy is to oppose every institution of the town and country that is not right but is wicked and degrading, that is why we are after the club.

If we are to be killed for writing the article on the club as the Champion suggested, we hope that humane body will select some girl under 25 to do the work and not some old maid that has to fill the cracks and wrinkles with putty and then use paint, as we want to die easy and not be scared to death.

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THE CLUB.

Thus far our remarks in a general way, concerning the club has stirred up considerable stink in the town of Amarillo. We wonder if these grand defenders imagine there is no other town that is filthy enough to have a club—why some other town is not up in arms. We did not say the Amarillo club, besides we have been in four different towns in the past two months, all of which was able to support a club. We can only take it on the ground that a guilty conscience needs no accuser; and now in this article we shall deal with clubs in general and the Amarillo club in particular as they have begun the defense. We will say to our readers that there are different kinds of clubs; many of which we have no objection to, but the one we are after is as follows: A certain element of men get together and rent a large hall and furnish it with fine cushion seats, sofas, billiard tables and all other such tables as needed; part of the floor is carpeted with fine carpets and the other is waxed for waltzing; a piano is rented or bought; bright lights, ice water, and everything to make it attractive for a certain

class is furnished. Each member pays \$25. and in some places to join and \$2.00 per month.

ditional. This is the way the thing starts, and anyone can join if he has money, or stands in society, whether he has any character or not, although it is claimed only those of good character are admitted. Church members can join so they have no religion. Hypocrites make the best club members. One night in the week is ladies' night, that is each gentleman can bring a lady. Now, that is about correct as to the most of these clubs; some differ a little. They are kept open on Sunday and Sunday night; they crack the billiard balls and dance and carouse as people go to church and return. These things we have seen with our own eyes. As a general thing they claim no gambling is allowed, yet the grand jury has often found bills against members of different clubs in Texas. About three years ago we were in a town where the women played poker at the club and often beat the men. They put up two prizes (as they called it) which was so much money for the best player and so much for the worst; and we want to ask what is the difference between this and the money put up in a saloon? Not only do they gamble, but they have the best wine, and drink it too. George Stewart said in a sermon in a certain town in Texas that time and again women member of the Club in that town had been carried home intoxicated and they talked like some Amarillo folks of mobbing him, and he said: "I can prove it", and they hushed the matter up. I heard of a case not a thousand miles from Clarendon where the carriage was called for at 1 o'clock at night to carry two young ladies home that they claimed were sick, but were reported intoxicated. Now, we don't say that they are all this bad; some of them are not; and while the club at Amarillo ma-

J. S. MORRIS,

Division Surgeon, F. W. and D. C. Ry.

CLARENDON, TEXAS.

not have gambling and drinking they do have dancing; for while we were on our way from church we looked up at the open windows and there we saw tender girls, some of them once members of the church, in the arms of men waltzing. It will not be denied that this goes on week after week. The morning Times says that 20 of these same young men were frequent attenders at the saloon before the club was organized. How does this strike the general public? But this article is long enough.

Ques.—What more do you know about the club?

Ans.—Watch the AGITATOR.

RACING AND GAMBLING.

Last week we stated that we would have something to say on this subject. Gambling is not only chance, but is where something is gained and nothing is given in return. That there is a fascination about gambling no one will deny and right here we assert another truth, that we are raising up an army of gamblers in spite of efforts to keep it down. One reason of this is due to the fact that in every town there is slot machines where a boy learns to venture with a nickle, grab bags and all kinds of devices of the devil to cultivate in the boy the spirit of gambling and those boy gamblers that play marbles for keeps, venture on grab bags and slot machines etc., will make the grown up gamblers of the future. If parents are as wise as they should be they will never allow their children to participate

in it. It is rarely ever enforced. Occasionally officers are found that respect the oath of office, but such cases are rare; but if there, was no law, how any man could keep in his store some device of satan to make gamblers of the boys is a mystery to us and enough to raise the condemnation of every parent. There are some good laws against gambling and the people in general are in favor of enforcing the law, with one exception, that of betting on horses, and this sort of gambling is so public and common that many suppose there is no law on the subject. It is a fact that at every county fair, picnic, barbecue or public gathering there must be brought before the eyes of women and boys this devilish work; rude oaths rise on the air while betting is going on all around and yet we hear of no arrests and no fines. What is the reason? Only one answer. Public sentiment favors it. As for our part we have more respect for the men that meet in the back room of some saloon where boys and women are not present and there do their evil work, than for those that have the brazen effrontery of the devil himself to gamble on a horse race in a public place before the eyes of women and boys, and whenever the public looks at it this way the horse race will stop. Read the law on the subject and let every good man see that it is enforced.

"And a certain man named Job was afflicted with many sores, and behold, one of these sores came to America, and later to Texas, and finally located in the Panhandle, which hath made the inhabitants of the Panhandle sick unto death."—Amarillo Times.

That is a fact and well said, and that same putrid sore is the low down, dirty coward that wrote that libelous article in the Morning Times of July 1st, about us, and was afraid to sign his name. That same reprobate has done more to damage good society in Amarillo than all the gamblers in it and while he claims to be a member of the church, a more consummate hypocrite could not be found. As for ourself, we were born and raised in Texas.

James D. Hamlin, in a very clever article in the Morning Times, calls the Clarendon Agitator down for the attack on the club.—Amarillo Champion.

The "clever article" with the above name signed failed to reach us, and we wish the Champion would furnish us a copy. However, we did read a libellous article of blackguardism in the Times of July 1st, with no name signed, written under the guise of an editorial, and while we knew not the author we could tell that the pen that wrote those lines was dripping with the rotten filth of the hand that held it and those vile thoughts were conceived in the brain of some vulture whose greatest delight is to spew the contents of its own corruption upon the character of some man. The author of that piece of villiany we don't know and don't want to know, but no gentleman will assail a mans' character without signing his name. No one but a low down coward will be guilty of such an act. It is this kind of a character that will ambush his opponent and shoot him under cover and we have as much respect for a highwayman as for such a man.

"We can count as many as twenty young men who used to frequent the saloons, because they liked a game of billiards, who do not go there now because they can go to the club room and play a social game. The club has done that much good anyway."—Amarillo Times, July 8th.

We had no idea the thing was half so bad as the Times states. Parents think of twenty of these young men that belong to the Amarillo club that escort your girls home at night after they hugged them for hours in the dance were frequent visitors of the saloon, so the times says in defense of the club. Such fellows we knew generally got up the club, but we had no idea it was that bad.

What are clubs good for? To keep young men out of saloons.—Amarillo Times.

Yes by furnishing one free and allowing your daughters to go there to dance with them. But what will these same fellows do when they go to a town where there is no club? Go to the saloon, of course.

Who attends the club? Anyone of good moral character can get an invitation to attend the club with one of the members.—Times.

Now, what kind of a moral character has a young man that frequents the saloons and plays billiards, as the times says twenty of the Amarillo club did.

Kind words for Clarendon.

On Tuesday evening the Index reporter boarded the train for Clarendon, to celebrate the 4th of July, in that beautiful, thriving little city.

As this was our first visit to the city, we of course pictured to our-selves just the kind of a town it must be, and we are forced to confess that it far exceeded our imagination. The town as a whole shows the thrift and energy of a remarkably enterprising people. On reaching the depot we were met by Mr. Frank White, one of Clarendon's most enthusiastic citizens, who escorted us to his beautiful home in West Clarendon, and here we received our first experience of Clarendon's hospitality, he and his charming wife did all in their power to make the visit a pleasant one, and made a splendid success.

The barbecue was quite a grand affair. Some of Clarendon's most talented speakers entertained the crowd in the fore noon, at the court-house, while racing ball games and other outdoor sports were in progress on the vacant lot in South Clarendon. Music was furnished during the

day by the Amarillo Stockman's Band. This band has only been organized about five weeks, and the music certainly did credit to the band boys and their instructor.

A shower in the afternoon caused the picnickers to seek shelter but only for a short time, when they returned much refreshed by the rain and more determined than ever to make the occasion one never to be forgotten. The occasion was a success in every particular and speaks well for the citizens of Clarendon as entertainers.

In the evening we were treated to a drive over the city, visiting the Clarendon College which is another mark of the industry of these people and also a visit to the roundhouse, which we greatly enjoyed. With every new scene we became more and more impressed with the remarkable enterprise of these people, and as the train rolled away in which was to take us away from this beautiful metropolis of the west, we found ourselves predicting a great future for this city.—Childress Index.

Since reading that article in the Champion we feel like Elijah did when old Sister Jezebel got after him. He wanted to die.

We trust the good people of Amarillo will take no offense at any truth we may be forced in our defense to tell with regard to the condition of affairs up there. We have nothing but the best interests of the people at heart and they know this, but we are after a certain gang up there that are doing all they can to tear down the churches and the best interests of the town.

Bryan and Stevenson were nominated for President and vice president at Kansas City by the Democrats. They are both able statesmen, clean in their political and private lives, and on the whiskey question are both total abstainers. They are both members of the Presbyterian Church.

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Local News Notes.
A. M. BEVILLE, Editor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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V. S. TERRY.

For District and County Clerk,
GEO. F. MORGAN,
J. E. MOORE.

For Tax Assessor,
G. W. BAKER,
LEE S. SMITH.

For County Treasurer,
H. D. RAMSEY.

Peacemaker is a Premium Taker.
Don't forget the services at the Methodist church Sunday.
Robert McLaren of Goodnight spent Wednesday in town.
Rev. W. H. Baker of Whitefish spent last Tuesday in town.
SAVE—money on Millinery—Special sale at Miss Gage's.
Hon. Isaac Smith of Rowe spent Wednesday in town.
BARGAINS—in Summer Sailor hats at Miss Gage's.
Fruit jars at bottom prices at Stocking's drug store.
Local stockmen have been doing considerable trading in cattle the last few days.
COST—Only asked for Millinery goods at Miss Gage's.
Miss Gracie Anderson is spending the week visiting with friends at Claude.

For the latest styles, shades and patterns in wall paper, see HILL & DECKER.
Miss Katie Jordan returned Monday evening from a visit to Fort Worth and Wichita Falls.
Bill & Decker will buy 2 goods, and pay you all they are worth. Give them a call.
Mrs. Frona Bell of Amarillo spent yesterday and today visiting friends in Clarendon.
Dr. Wolcott has a special new treatment for catarrh of air passages. Consultation FREE.
Summer Clearance Sale!
All millinery goods at cost. See Miss Gage at Hill Hoop.

A great many peaches are marketed now from Donley county orchards.
You Need no search warrant to find cool drinks if you call at August Williams place.
A new car of PEACEMAKER just arrived.
Business in Clarendon is again revived.
Dr. Claude Wolcott, Specialist, in diseases of eye, ear nose and throat is now in Clarendon at the office of Dr. C. H. Nelson.
Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Simpson returned last Friday from a three weeks bridal tour to Galveston and other cities.
Mrs. T. J. Noland and children are spending a few days with her brother-in-law and family R. D. Doak at Washburn.

For hardware, singletrees, doubletrees, chains, collars, pads &c., see Anderson. He will give you a hard times price.
B. L. Merrill and family returned Tuesday from a three weeks visit to relatives and friends at Fort Worth and Grapevine, Texas.
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Dr. Westbrook is building a new room addition to the residence he recently purchased from G. A. Latimer.
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Mrs. Dr. Briggs and children, of Dallas, are visiting her parents Dr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Cooke.

Rev. W. L. Skinner, of Seymour, Texas, preached at the Baptist church here last Sunday and up to Tuesday night.

We Can make you feel as cool as a lump of ice on a hot day over at Aug. Williams Fountain.

Mrs. Dr. Morris who has been very seriously sick for the past two weeks with fever is thought to be improving some now.

Buy Bed Bug Beater at Stocking's store and you'll rest, a great deal better these warm nights.

Houston Griffin is spending a week at the old home place near Quanah and Will Comper is holding his place in the Globe confectionery until his return.

A series of services are being held this week at the Christian church. Rev. Perkinson of Denton is assisting the pastor Rev. Denson.

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It is reported that J. D. Jefferies has purchased the remnant stock of cattle of the Goodnight-Thayer Graded Cattle Company.

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The Ladies of the Presbyterian Church will give a lawn social and musicale at Mrs. R. A. Chamberlain's to-night. Ice cream and cake will be served. Every body invited.

Anderson carries a larger line of high grade cheese than is carried between Fort Worth and Trinidad. When you want something that is "nectar for the Gods" see Anderson.

The India Famine relief committee wish to thank the people of Clarendon for their liberal contributions and the many agencies shown them while subscriptions for the relief of India.

Miss Acrata Crow, daughter of Col. G. Crow, of Austin Texas is visiting her uncle L. E. Jones and family and will spend several weeks of the summer months.

We are requested to say that there will be a business meeting of the members of the Baptist Church next Sunday morning. A full attendance of all the members is urgently requested as the question of selecting a pastor for the coming year will be considered.

J. D. Jefferies says he will begin the erection of his two new brick store buildings just as soon as he completes some pressing work with his cattle on his ranches. Mr. and Mrs. John Schmitz have decided to build a brick building also on their lot adjoining on the South.

The Jones & Trent double two story buildings are moving fast toward completion. Mr. Trent returned the first of the week from the factory where he purchased the machinery for their cold storage plant, which they expect to have in full operation by Aug. 15th. They have also purchased a 25 light electric plant to light their own buildings.

Births.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sawyer are the proud parents of a boy babe born last Sunday morning so reports Dr. Morris.

Dr. Morris reports a girl babe born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murphy last Tuesday.

E. A. Kelley Cashier of the Union Savings Bank of Leavenworth Kansas and President of the Citizens Bank and Panhandle Loan Co. here, is on a business visit to Clarendon this week. As usual he is placing lots of money on Clarendon and Donley County dirt and cattle. Both the Citizens Bank and Panhandle Loan Co. have been of much and material benefit to our people. Both institutions are managed by our home people, who though safe and conservative, are willing to "live and let live" and do their part toward the proper development of Clarendon, Donley county and the surrounding country.

Maliciously Misrepresented.

On the day of election it was generally circulated that the Ft. W. & D. C. Ry. officials had ordered their employes to defeat incorporation in Clarendon, saying that if the measure carried that they would move their shop and roundhouse at once. Of course it served its purpose. It gave a scare and incorporation was defeated by a few votes. We have no objection to any man voting his honest convictions, but when men allow themselves influenced by men who will MALICIOUSLY MISREPRESENT something ought to be done and the guilty ones held up to public gaze. Read the following letters which are published by request and "spot" the guilty man. Our word for it the same man and men will do likewise in the county election this fall or in any other election where their interests are involved, they will do again as they have always done. Yet, some people, continue to allow themselves influenced by such men that ought not to be trusted in anything.

FORT WORTH, TEX., July 5th.
Mr. A. M. Beville,
Clarendon, Texas.

Dear Sir:—Absence from my office has prevented my answering your favor of June 29th until today. I have had a similar letter to yours from Mr. Jno. Hoffer, Jas. D. Jefferies and others of Clarendon, Texas, and beg to attach hereto, copy of my answer to same. The officers of the Company not only have taken no part in this matter, but have not discussed it with their employes, believing it their right and privilege to act in the premises as they may see fit,
Yours truly,
J. V. GOODE

FORT WORTH, TEX., July 5th.
Mr. Jno. Hoffer, Jas. D. Jefferies & Others,
Clarendon, Texas

Gentlemen:—Your favor of July 5th, in regard to the incorporation of the Ft. Worth & D. C. Ry. Co. has been received. I am sorry to hear of the position of the railway company in the matter of election and to incorporate the town of Clarendon, I have to say that the officers of the railway Co. made no request for its employes to interest themselves in this election, and took no part whatever in same. It is our policy to avoid any interference with affairs of this nature or with the suffrage of our employes, believing they should be accorded the right and privileges of casting their votes as their feelings may dictate, unrestrained and such has been the case in this instance, so far as I am able to learn. The position of the railway co., I think, should be to take no sides one way or the other in the matter. Personally, under ordinary conditions, I am in favor of fire protection, clean streets and good roads.
Yours truly,
J. V. GOODE.

Very Seriously Hurt.
Late yesterday evening at Goodnight, 18 miles North of here, while switching in the yard John Burnside fell from the top of a freight train and his shoulder and some ribs broken, and was severely bruised. Company Surgeon, Dr. Morris was telegraphed for to attend Mr. Burnside, who was removed back to his home here on a freight train, which arrived here about 11:30 p. m. He was resting fairly well this morning, yet his condition is very serious.

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Prof. Blankenship and wife returned last Friday from their El Paso excursion. They report a pleasant trip which included a visit to Clouderoft N. M. and Juarez Old Mexico.

Jeff and Price Wright, of Wilbarger county, were prospecting in Donley county this week and visiting with their friends the Naylor's in the east part of the county.

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CLARENDON, Tex., July 10.
To The Agitator.

Your opposition to horse-racing seems to have stirred up the wrath and indignation of the sports and their satellites; but you as a child of God need not be troubled about it, for you have shown the right spirit as well as courage, in condemning that which you know to be wrong. The man, who for policy sake, keeps silent when evil is practiced, runs the risk of seeing his own sons swept by it to destruction. Profanity, gambling, and whisky drinking are always connected in some degree with horse-racing, which is enough to show that it is an evil that degrades instead of elevates those engaged in it. A man who is a Christian at heart will honor his Creator as much on the 4th of July as any other day in the year. The writer once heard a man say that he believed—if he was not just as religious as any other man, but he couldn't see any harm in a horse race on the 4th of July. The manner in which he expressed himself proved him to be an old reprobate, and that is why he couldn't see any harm in it. Horse racing is one of the devil's devices to lead the rising generations away from the path that leads to life eternal; and those who cannot see any harm in it are under satans influence, and have none of the spirit of Christ. A worldly spirit has invaded our churches and many of their communicants have been brought completely under its influence. They belong to the class of whom it was said by the sacred writer: "The god of this world hath blinded their eyes," consequently we need not be surprised at their not seeing evil when it abounds. If a horse were to be fatally injured while engaged in his favorite sport, and wanted some one who was in touch with God to send up a petition in his behalf, does any one suppose that he would expect to find him among those who frequent the race track.

Now, Mr. Editor, if you propose to be consistent, the harder blows you give to horse racing and the club as carried on today the better. Some one must draw the line between Godliness and worldliness or the unwary and innocent will be swept by the demon of destruction. If you are not on the popular side it is because satan has more influence

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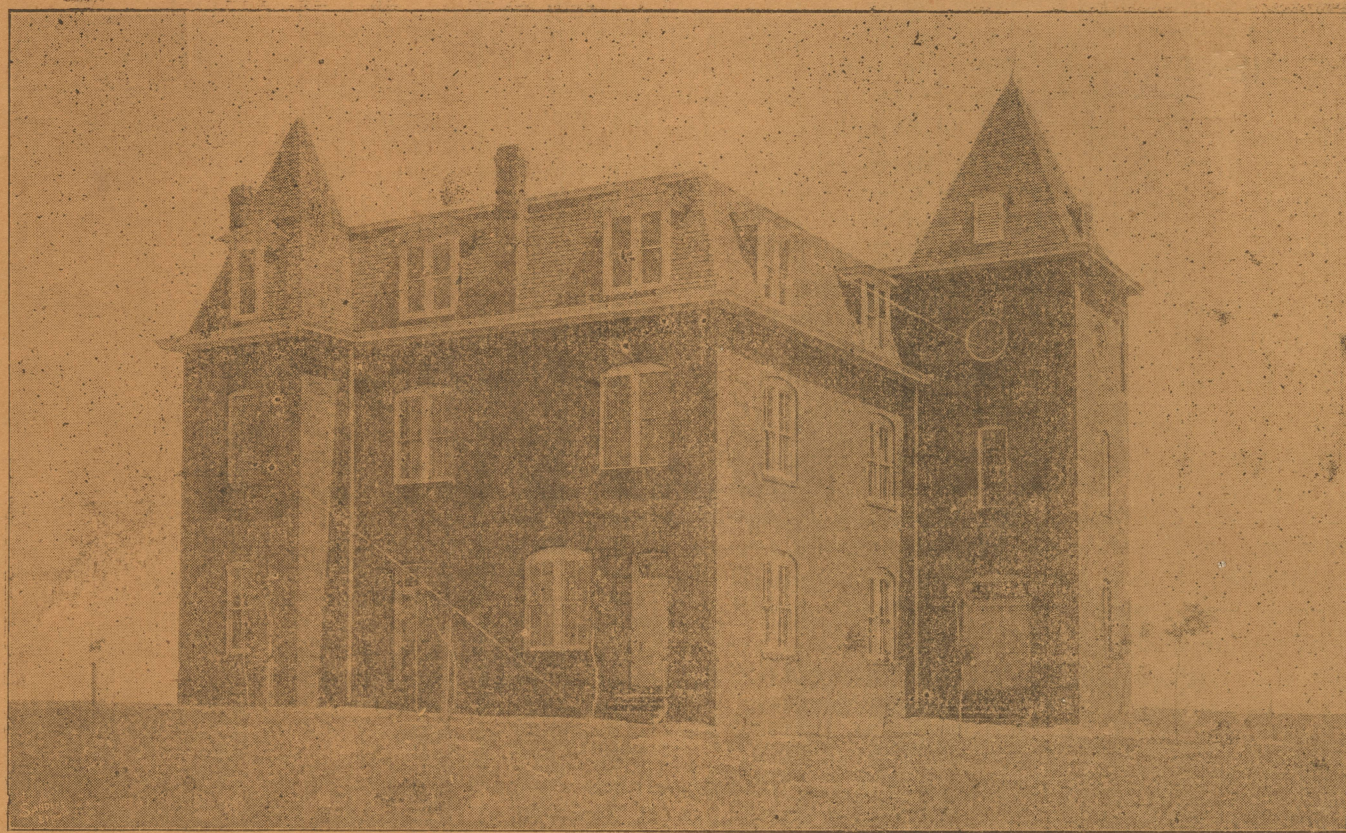
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