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## CIVIL CASES DISTRICT COURT

### 9 Civil Cases on District Docket for February Term.

Thirty-nine civil cases will come up for disposition in the District Court next Monday morning at the opening of the February Term, twenty-four of which have been filed since last court. The number of these cases at present is not from last term are those at present the Commonwealth Bonding and Casualty Insurance Co., all of which were continued to make the receiver a party to the suit.

The jury for the first week of the term are: Gid Talley, B. M. Gamble, L. E. Williams, W. C. Watson, W. W. Payne, W. W. Miller, C. H. Huffman, J. F. Ruddick, J. W. Sims, W. A. Hilton, S. A. Greer, G. A. Joiner, G. W. Ford, Charlie Wagner, Roy Griffith, W. O. Murray, W. T. Ellison, L. S. Kennedy, J. W. Graham, W. R. Sams, R. B. Smith, John Hodel, W. M. Day, W. O. Teague, Moses W. Brown, J. W. Wright, J. H. Tackett, J. A. Nickell, G. W. Phillips, W. L. Jackson, T. R. Ross, W. B. Jerrett, J. D. Starks, L. H. Robison, R. F. Brown, W. F. McGhee.

### 234-lb. Hogs Bring \$7.95.

N. A. Armstrong, who is one of the most consistent livestock shippers on the South Plains, had another load of hogs on the Fort Worth market Monday, his porkers averaging 234 pounds at the market, and bringing \$7.95, within 5 cents of the extreme top for the day. There were 84 head of hogs in the shipment.

### C. Surginer & Son are Showing the Brownie Motor Cars.

A carload consignment of the Brownie Cars, manufactured by the Carter Manufacturing Co., was received Saturday by C. Surginer & Son, who are now showing these cars.

### Ford Shipments More Prompt.

Another consignment of eight Ford touring cars was received by the Barker Bros. agency this week, making thirty-two cars received by this firm since establishing the Floyd County agency.

B. Barker says they entertain no fears of future inability to fill all orders promptly.

Carbon paper at Hesperian.

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### Mrs. Buckingham is Hostess to Carnation Club.

Mrs. R. H. Buckingham made a charming hostess to the members of the Carnation Club and guests who gathered at her beautiful new home on Thursday afternoon.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing quarter: Mrs. J. B. Jenkins, president, Mrs. Varn Andrews, vice president; Mrs. J. E. Young, reporter; Mrs. Key Green, Secretary and treasurer. Mrs. L. Lewis was received as a new member.

At the close of the games Mrs. Boerner held high score. The hostess assisted by Mrs. J. Donaldson served a delicious luncheon consisting of oyster patties, pickles, cheese straws, and veal sandwiches with olives, Waldorf salad with cream in timbals, chocolate and marshmallows. Pink and white divinity was passed during the games.

Those present were Mesdames Lee Montague, Key Green, Teddy Green, Lal Lewis, Walter Campbell, McKinnon, Geo. O. Smith, Varn Andrews, J. B. Jenkins, Massie, R. Bruner, Stallings, H. O. Pope, Rittenhouse, W. L. Boerner, McMillan, J. D. Starks, F. E. Savage, W. M. Colville, J. Donaldson, W. I. Cannaday, Misses Ivey and King. Next meeting will be with Mrs. H. O. Pope Feb. 17th.

### Philathea Class and Friends Guests of Mrs. Dawson.

At eight o'clock Saturday evening, Feb. 12th, the doors of Mrs. J. T. J. Dawson's beautiful home were opened to the girls of the Philathea class of the First Baptist Church and their gentlemen friends.

After all the guests had arrived, they were led to the "fishing pond" where they fished and were told by the fishes what to do. The fishes were not content with giving them an easy task but some were very amusing. Next the guests were given an arrow and told to try their luck (for very few were experts in the early method of hunting) shooting at their heart's fortune. Some of us were very pleased to find the future held such joy in store for us, while some were sorry they had ever looked into the misty future when they were told they would never succeed in leaving the old maid or bachelor life even with the prospects of a long leap year before them.

Next a poem from the Philatheas to the Baracas was read in which the Philatheas informed the gentlemen that the girls had sat and pined while the boys held their hands only too long, and now the scene changed and the boys must do the pining while the girls held their hands.

Then a proposing contest began in which Miss Pauline Viles proved to be the most popular young lady, having received 13 hearts that a few minutes before had belonged to 13 young men present.

The spider web was then untangled and the guests were all seated in pleasant conversation while they were served brick ice cream in heart shape and pink and white cake.—Contributed.)

### Mr. and Mrs. Green Entertains.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. K. Green entertained with the fascinating game of "Progressive Rook." Feb. 15, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Stallings.

Mr. Stallings, Mrs. Donaldson and Mr. Starks tying for high score.

We were served with delightful refreshments consisting of: Pimento Sandwiches, pickles,

### Commissioners' Court Spending the Week in Session.

The Commissioners Court have paid bounty on 56 wolf and cat hides this week, besides receiving and paying for the largest number of rabbit scalps they have received any session since the bounty law became effective.

Tuesday afternoon the court spent out on the roads in Precinct No. one, and today are on a trip over a road in Precinct No. Four. The court received a delegation from the Floydada Chamber of Commerce Wednesday afternoon relative to improvements on the Floyd-Sandhill road. The court is favorably impressed with the suggestion that one mile of new road leading north and south will solve the problem now presented by two large lakes on the route.

Two new roads have been granted, one each in Precinct Nos. One and Three.

Mrs. Addie Thagard's quarterly report as treasurer is being checked today, the report of County Clerk Tom W. Deen having been disposed of yesterday. The Tax Collector's report will have attention beginning tomorrow.

The court's deliberations will probably consume the entire week.

### Establishing Lumber Yards at Matador and Roaring Springs.

W. I. Cannaday, who recently resigned from the management of the A. G. McAdams Lumber Company's yard in Floydada, is re-entering the business at Matador and Roaring Springs. He is establishing yards at each of these places, which will be ready for business next week.

Mr. Cannaday will have the active management of both yards. He will retain his residence in Floydada temporarily, however, on account of the fact that his children are in school here. Mr. Cannaday knows the lumber game thoroughly.

The yards will be named the Matador Lumber Company and the Roaring Springs Lumber Company.

### New Teacher at McCoy School.

John P. Crump, who has been teaching the McCoy School, has resigned his place on account of ill health.

He is succeeded by A. A. Whyte, of Lockney, who will complete the months remaining of the term.

W. O. Arnold and wife, of Chillicothe, Texas, are out on a visit with L. B. Saunders and family.

chocolate and Bavarian Cream. Those present were: Messrs and Mesdames, Starks, Stallings, Dawson, Donaldson, Hughes, Smith, Andrews, and Miss Burns.

A Guest.

### Dr. and Mrs. G. V. Smith Entertain with Dinner Party.

Dr. and Mrs. G. V. Smith entertained last Thursday evening at a dinner party. A two-course dinner was served, following which progressive forty-two served a very pleasing diversion of the evening. Glad Snodgrass held high score at the close of play.

The guests were: Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Massie, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Rittenhouse, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Steen, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Donaldson, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Green, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Darsey, Judge F. P. Henry, Dr. L. V. Smith and Miss Moorhouse.

### Livestock Market Looks up Following Depression.

Kansas city Stock yards, Feb. 14, 1916. The steer market was unsatisfactory last week, but there is a recovery today, sales strong to 10 higher. Buyers wanted some good to choice cattle today, but top was \$8.50 being held down by lack of finish in the offerings.

Some plain cattle of good weights sold at \$7.40 to \$7.75 today, this class getting least advance. Some of the shippers here last week sent their cattle to the other markets in the hope of getting more money, but every lot forwarded lost money by the operation, losses ranging from \$50 to \$1.50 a car. Butcher cattle held up firm last week, and are strong today. Cattlemen observe with satisfaction the trend of cow prices, both killers and breeders, for after all, the cow is the basis of the cattle trade. Receipts today are 12000 head, and trade was active from the start, the market called stronger to 10 higher in all departments.

Some rough Western pulp fed steers weighing 1390 lbs. sold to killers at \$7.75, and pulp fed bulls brought \$5 to \$5.50. A string of Colorado yearlings and twos sold at \$7 to \$7.60, five or six loads at the top, showing some strength in stock cattle. Most of the feeders bring \$6.75 to \$7.25. Some medium to common quarantine steers sold at \$6.40 to \$6.65, and some plain Oklahoma cattle from Chickasha in the native division, brought \$6.70 to \$7.15, 980 to 1159 lbs. Present prices are materially higher than a year ago at this time.

Hogs arrived to the number of 12000 head, and sales were largely steady. Packers tried to buy them cheaper during the first half of the session, but finally paid stronger prices, up to \$8.05, bulk of sales \$7.60 to \$8.00. Receipts at most of the markets overran estimates, hence they attempt to buy cheaper, but good order buying demand, with probability of lighter supplies later in the week overcame the attempt to lower prices, and bolstered the late market.

Pigs have been in strong demand during the past week, selling at \$6.75, to \$7.50. Hogs are pretty high now in view of the large receipts, but prophets predict a big advance between now and summer. Sheep and lambs sold 15 to 20 higher today. Lambs going to \$10.10 and ewes to \$7.60, bulk of the good lambs \$11.00. Feeding lambs sold Friday at \$10.30 and today at \$10.50. Receipts were 11000 today and total supply is running moderate. Prices are at a point where packer buyers are held to strict accountability for poor dressing purchases, hence they watch closely for finish and quality.

J. A. RICKART,

Market Correspondent.

### Miss Mary McKinnon in Sanitarium at Houston.

Judge A. P. McKinnon returned home Tuesday afternoon from Hillsboro, where he had been to bury his daughter, Mrs. R. J. Jung who died last week at Houston.

The judge came by way of Crosbyton where he spent some three days with his son, A. J. McKinnon.

Miss Mary McKinnon, who preceded her father to Houston by one day last week, is herself in ill health and has been taken to St. Joseph's Sanitarium for medical treatment, her mother remaining there with her until her recovery. Judge McKinnon is hopeful that her recovery will be effected without the necessity of an operation.

### Spreading the Gospel Concerning Floydada and Floyd County.

In its issue of February 9th, the Amarillo Daily News carried the following concerning Mayor W. T. Montgomery, of Floydada.

"Prominent among the visitors in Amarillo yesterday was Mayor W. T. Montgomery, of Floydada. While in the city Mr. Montgomery visited with James M. Oakes clerk of the Seventh Court of Civil Appeals and other friends.

"The visitor has been mayor of the thriving capital of Floyd county for approximately seven years or since the town was incorporated. When asked about Floydada and Floyd county, Mr. Montgomery said. 'There is not a vacant house in Floydada. The town is simply being forced to grow in the way of buildings to take care of the people coming into the country. Farmers are coming in every week from different sections of the country, and if present indications may be relied upon, it is safe to judge that the present year will witness the greatest influx of newcomers ever known in a similar length of time.'"

### Oldest Tax-payer in Dickens Co.

J. J. Hickman, of the Plains country, near McAdoo, was in Spur Tuesday and Wednesday on business and greeting his friends of the town. Mr. Hickman came to this country about five years ago. However, he enjoys the distinction of being one of the oldest tax-payers in the county.

About thirty-five years ago he bought six hundred and forty acres of land as an investment, the price being one dollar an acre at that time. Soon after making the purchase he came out to see what character of land he had acquired. He came to Seymour, which was at that time the nearest railroad point, making the trip over land to his place a distance of about one hundred and sixty-five miles. At that time there were only ranch houses in the country and they were few and far between, the nearest habitation to his land being a line-camp of the Matador Ranch and presided over by Jeff D. Harkey. Mr. Hickman camped with Mr. Harkey who gave him an approximate idea of the location of his land, and after viewing his possessions Mr. Hickman returned to his Indiana home. Thirty years later he returned with his family to make his home here. Upon his arrival here he recognized the land which he viewed thirty years ago, and then recognized its real worth when the country settled.—Texas Spur.

## MOTHERS' CLUB IN CLEANUP CRUSADE

### Civic Organization Thinks that Sanitary Conditions Should be Improved.

In the recent meetings of the Mothers' Club, plans and ways and means of obtaining a better condition of sanitation and cleanliness of the streets and premises of Floydada, have held a large part of the interest. At their last meeting the club resolved to urge upon the residents of the town the necessity of a greater degree of regard for the appearances as well as for the preservation of the health.

The need for such organized effort in Floydada is apparent.

The Mothers' Club is anxious that all premises in the city be thoroughly cleaned up of all rubbish, tin cans and other unsightly and unhealthful agencies within the next two or three weeks, and call attention to the fact that a dumping grounds provided by the city is available at all times for the disposal of rubbish that cannot be burned. After some three weeks have elapsed the Club will visit all sections of the city, when a report of sanitary conditions will be made and a call for a general clean-up made if necessary. As a further indication that they are in earnest the club plans to invoke the aid of the Sanitary Code of the city and lend every effort toward its enforcement.

### Attend Yvonne Treville Recital.

Many of the music lovers of Floydada attended the recital of Mme. Yvonne Treville at Plainview last Friday night, going by auto.

The recital was a rare musical treat.

### One Way The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is of Service.

The Chamber of Commerce is doing some effective work in the matter of correspondence. Inquiries received are carefully filed and followed up with the view toward locating the good ones. As an instance of the manner of letters received every few days, a recent letter said: "Please let me know what you can about your town and business. If it is what I have heard, why, Floydada for me." Work that brings such inquiries is bound to bring abundant fruitage.

Geo. A. Coverdale, of Coffeyville, Kansas, is spending this week in Floydada on business. While here he is the guest of his partner, N. A. Armstrong.

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J. F. MATHEWS,  
Pastor

## The Diamond From the Sky

By ROY L. MCCARDELL

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### CHAPTER XVIII. A Runaway Marriage.

WHILE Mrs. Randolph was indulging in another luxurious nervous collapse at this crowning contretemps the detective and gambler were on their way to the railroad station to head off the fugitives. Half way to the depot the front tire on the taxicab blew out with a loud explosion.

Tom Blake looked at his watch. "Blair Stanley and the lady and the diamond can't get a train out of Richmond for over an hour yet," said the detective. "I have a hunch that they know this and I bet two to one they have improved the shining hour by waking up Parson Gray, 'the marrying minister,' and getting spliced. I have a wedding present, a pair of bracelets—for the groom."

Mr. Abe Bloom did not ask any questions. He realized there might be several reasons that such a piece of punitive jewelry could be clamped about the wrists of Blair Stanley.

At the preacher's house, which was near by, neither Blake nor Bloom were surprised to see a waiting taxicab. Blake questioned the driver briefly and mounted the steps of the parsonage. The front door was unfastened and he and Bloom glided silently into the lighted hallway.

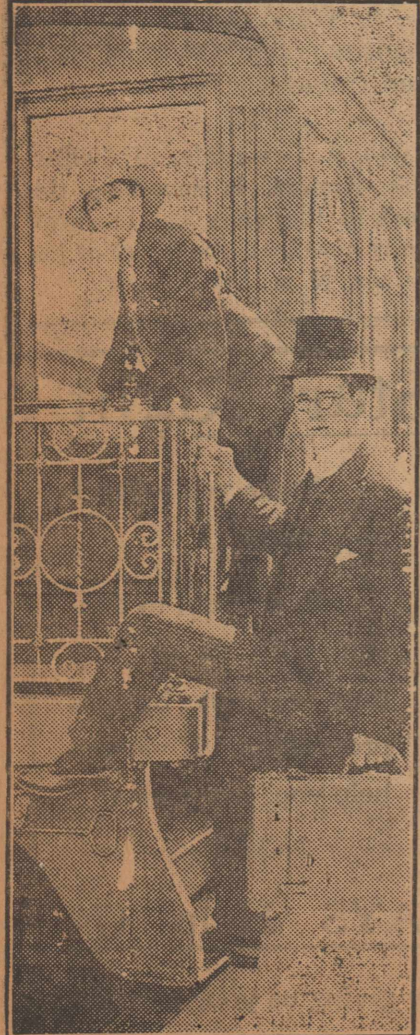
"They could hear the voice of the Rev. John Gray droning, 'I now pronounce you man and wife!' Blair Stanley and Vivian—Vivian Marston no more—were facing the minister and Blair was extending to his eager eyed bride the jewel with which he had won her, the diamond from the sky.

Blake stepped forward and with a deftness acquired by long practice, snapped his handcuffs on the wrists of Blair, exclaiming, "We want the diamond, and I arrest you for the murder of Dr. Lee."

Vivian did not scream, she clutched the diamond and drew it to her breast. Blair, roused to a frenzy of fright and rage at the thought of losing Vivian and of being hailed off as a murderer, swung his manacled hands with all his strength.

For once Tom Blake was caught napping. He was knocked back over a chair and lay a moment stunned. Abe Bloom was next to feel the heavy swinging double blow of the infuriated Blair.

Vivian, quick as thought, pressed the button of the electric light switch near the door, and she and Blair rushed from the room. Blair pausing just inside the hall to draw back the sliding door. They dashed from the place and were in their taxicab and away before the excited and irresolute minister had thought to turn on the light. The de-



Vivian and Blair Stanley Board the Train.

tective, still dizzy from his stunning fall, roused himself and hurried after the taxicab and the car.

The taxicab of the newly married pair was gone. The detective and the gambler ran to their vehicle in the next street and, finding the burst tire had been replaced, ordered the driver to make for the depot.

On their part, the fugitives had not proceeded to the depot. It was the more subtle Vivian who suggested a daring scheme of escape from the city.

Dismissing their taxi near Mr. Ike Bloom's pawnshop, they roused that nervously dozing lender of money on portable property. He was not loath to admit the fair Vivian for, awakened now, he was horribly frightened at the idea of being alone.

But while chattering some excuse, the fair Vivian lavished her smiles upon the pawnbroker. Blair stepped be-

hind the unsuspecting Ike Bloom and throttled him with the chain of the handcuffs.

Then they bound, gagged and blindfolded the unfortunate and fright enfeebled Ike Bloom. From his varied and wonderful stock of goods in pawn the two adventurers were not long in selecting complete disguises. Vivian attired herself as a natty youth, crowning her disguise with a boy's curly wig, "hocked" but this same day by a stranded vaudeville actress.

Blair arrayed himself in a somber frock coat, a silk hat, and a black cravat. With cosmetic from Vivian's vanity case he darkened his visage and the two, taking dress suit cases, with their own and such other attire as struck their fancy, shut the spring lock door on the bound and indignant pawnbroker.

With the passengers that took the 3:10 a. m. train north was a natty college boy and a bent gentleman of middle age of clerical aspect, evidently the collegian's father.

Blake had stepped a few yards away to get a view in the light of the faces of a young married couple, leaving Abe Bloom to scan the other passengers.

"They didn't get on this train," spluttered Mr. Bloom, "but I wish I had that young feller by the neck that dropped a cigarette in my eye from the car window as the train pulled out."

"That young fellow" was Vivian Marston.

In the gypsy camp the proximity of the Romany people brought no return of mental health to the afflicted Hagar. In the trying days that followed the devoted Esther would have given way to despair, but for the cheering presence and loyalty of her new and faithful friend and servant, Quabba, the hunchback organ grinder.

Sedition was at work among Hagar's tribe. Everywhere Luke Lovell was whispering evil counsel. He had determined to wrest the reins of power falling from the hands of Hagar. Once leader of the gypsies, he felt it would be an easy thing to coerce Esther into marriage and thus be assured of his Romany kingship.

Hagar's wealth was a proverb among the gypsies, and while they loved Esther, they listened to Luke when he whispered to them that now that Hagar was bereft of her reason her wealth belonged to and should be shared by the tribe.

Quabba sought in every way to cheer Esther. While Hagar sat in her vain moaning and muttering for a child—a son that none had ever heard had been born to her. Quabba would take Esther for walks upon the mountains, knowing Hagar was safe among the gypsies, attended by the elder women waiting and watching faithfully near by at such times.

The favorite spot where Esther and Quabba daily climbed to talk of Arthur and to wonder where he was and when they would hear from him was to the mountain's top, where a great balancing rock swayed to the lightest touch and had menaced the valley below for centuries.

Upon such occasions they took field glasses with them and would watch if every distant rider were Arthur returning to them.

Upon one such occasion Quabba turned the glasses upon the gypsy village in the hollow at the mountain's foot. There was some excitement in the camp, it was evident. The figure of Luke Lovell on an eminence in the center of the camp could be plainly seen. The gypsies had gathered around him, and it was evident Luke Lovell was haranguing them to some evil purpose of his own.

Esther and Quabba ran down the mountain, arriving breathlessly at the camp just in time to find Luke Lovell leading the gypsies to Hagar's van to despoil it of Hagar's supposed wealth and divide it. For this Luke was to be made chief of the gypsies, king where Hagar had been queen and Esther princess.

When Esther and Quabba pushed themselves through the circle of gypsies, Luke had brought out the supposed treasure chest from the van without protest from the crazed Hagar. It was a brass bound box, of which Esther had lately carried the key.

Esther had seen the box open and had noted it contained only some papers, yellow with age. These she had not deemed it her province to examine until Arthur returned.

But now she stepped forward, backed by the active and determined Quabba, and defied Lovell to open the box.

"I have the key!" she cried, producing it from her bosom. "And you!" and she turned an indignant glance upon the gypsies—"If you have no respect for your queen or for me and listen to the words of Luke Lovell I will open the box!"

She did so, and as she did Luke thrust his knotted hand in among the

documents as if searching for coins or gems. He brought out a bulky, tattered stained document, the seals broken. It was superscribed, "To be opened at my death, in case my son, Arthur Stanley 2d, should prove unworthy of the Stanley name."

Esther snatched at the paper, but it was open in Luke Lovell's hand, and at a glance Esther and the sinister gypsy both knew the Stanley secret!

Quabba struck with his dagger menacingly, and Luke surrendered the paper to Esther's eager grasp. But he grinned, secure in a knowledge that was power and should be (he was resolved upon this) wealth to him as it had been to his long dead chief, the greedy Matt Harding.

Esther covered her eyes with her hands, clutching the document all the tighter as she did so. Arthur was her brother—he was not the heir of Stanley. She tottered and would have fallen.

A hoarse murmur of rage rose from the emotional gypsies. They loved Esther, and they loved the crazed Hagar, who now came feebly from the van and asked in a weak voice, "What is it, my children?"

Led by the enraged Quabba, the now infuriated gypsies stoned Luke Lovell from the camp and by this act banished him from the tribe forever.

On the far western plains the young fortune seeker who called himself John

Powell, but who had been known in proud Fairfax as the heir of Stanley, found fortune hard to find. The hard and lonely work of a herder was his. On the very day that the Stanley secret was revealed to Esther and Luke Lovell Arthur, or, as he is now known, John Powell, tastes new adventures.

A campfire's smoke behind a great rock on his desert range had lured him near. Four plotting "long riders" are behind the rock, and he overhears them plan the robbery of the Overland Limited.

He mounts his horse and rides away. The marauders rouse up and fire after him, but they deem him to be a passing inquisitive herder, who has not been near enough to overhear them, and they depart upon their way to consummate the robbery.

It is a congress of tramps, in far away Virginia, that plays a part in the next phase of our strange story. Luke Lovell, the banished gypsy, has fallen



The Gypsies Drive Luke Lovell From the Camp.

in with this convention of seasoned ne'er-do-wells. He arouses their criminal cupidity with his tale of gypsy wealth easy to secure if they let him lead them in a raid on a nearby gypsy camp, defended only by a dozen timid gypsy men.

After the incident of Luke's perfidy Esther resolved never to leave Hagar or the documents again unguarded. Esther had not nerved herself to delve further into Hagar's secrets. She waited for Arthur's return with impatient longing. Every day she sent Quabba to the mountain top by the great rocking stone to watch for Arthur's coming.

It was on sentinel duty here that Quabba saw the desperate tramps, a ragged and brutal horde, fired by Luke Lovell's tales of treasure, raid the gypsy camp. Quabba saw through the glasses the outnumbered gypsy men fight valiantly only to be overcome.

Through the field glasses he could descry the bulky form of Luke Lovell drag Esther from the van, with Hagar clinging feebly to her.

Quabba resolved upon a desperate thing. Better death to Esther, he thought, than she should be in the power of Lovell and his brute horde even for an hour.

Seizing a heavy pine branch lying near by and applying it as a lever, the half delirious Quabba prised at the rocking stone.

It poised a moment on its pivot, then slowly sways and falls roaring down the mountain side. Gathering impetus with every foot of fall, it starts an avalanche of rocks and dirt and stumps.

Mightier, greater, vaster, heavier grows the landslide started by the ponderous rocking stone, now whirling down the mountain side in a great mass

of dirt and rubble, until it seems the very mountain is falling.

A roar from the valley below, and then a cloud of dust that rises like a fog shrouding the scene. The gypsy camp is wiped out, overwhelmed and annihilated.

In the far west the Overland Limited gasps up a steep grade in the desert. Beside it gallops a wild horseman. He grasps the platform rails of a car that lumbers by him, and his horse gallops on, passed and distanced by the train, while the daring rider clings and pants in his perilous place. The door of the vestibule opens and the trainmen refuse to heed the warning of the spent, hysterical man clinging perilously to the handrail.

It is Arthur, and he is desperate that he is doimed, believed to be an outlaw train robber such as he warns them of. Unheeding of his protests, scolding his warning, they thrust him from the platform and he falls insensibly by the track and the train pants on.

Among the passengers to whom it is whispered that a desperate train robber has attempted to board the train from horseback are a young married couple known as Mr. and Mrs. Peyton.

Mrs. Peyton, whose husband addresses her as Vivian, has shown some of the ladies on the Overland a wonderful diamond, set in an antique locket that her husband gave her as her wedding present. "An old family heirloom," the happy bride explains.

### 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 he eludes his pursuers and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. Blair is in Richmond, and he, too, is forced to visit the pawnshop. At a ball, at which a supposed New York belle is the guest of honor, they are summoned to find the diamond on the visitor. She is an adventuress who has borrowed it. While Hagar is telling the "belle's" fortune 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 and leaves it in a nest in a tree.

Arthur seeks work at a farm. Hagar takes Esther to live at Stanley hall. An old time tournament is held. Arthur attends in disguise, proves himself the best knight, defeating Blair, but is betrayed by the latter to the sheriff. By using daring horsemanship Arthur escapes. Later he leaves the farm. Tom Blake, a detective hired by Hagar, produces fingerprints proving Blair guilty of the death of Dr. Lee. 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 fingerprints, 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 slumping 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. To win Vivian, Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Arthur tries in vain to warn their train of impending robbery. Luke revolts against Hagar and is driven from camp. He leads tramps against the camp, and Quabba, to save Esther and Hagar, loosens an avalanche on the camp.

### CHAPTER XIX. Old Foes With New Faces.

AFFLICTED as he was with his deformity, Quabba, the hunchback—he of the sunny face and happy heart—was as agile and sinewy as the monkey Clarence, his companion on his way through the world. But now the hunchback is neither sunny of face nor happy of heart. A wild tremor of fear, anxiety and remorse shakes him in an agony of terror and confusion.

Sending the rocking stone, prised from the perch where it had swayed for centuries, had only meant death for all below, thought Quabba.

Instead of saving his young and old mistress and his gypsy friends from the raid of desperate tramps led by Luke Lovell, Quabba now deemed that he had destroyed those he had loved, as well as their enemies.

But as he ran panting down the mountain side Quabba saw that some of the gypsies, warned by the clatter and roar of the landslide the massive, bounding, loosened rocking stone had started, had fled to safety.

He saw some half score of gypsy men and women toiling rapidly up the opposite slope of the valley from the destroyed gypsy camp. Through the dust that was settling in a cloud over the debris and rubble where the camp had stood the straining eyes of Quabba could mark the ragged figures of some of the assaulting tramps limping away from the scene of destruction, as bootless as they had come.

Then as he neared the scene the anguished Quabba could mark that the fleeing gypsies had paused halfway up the opposite slope and had nerved

themselves to return to their submerged, annihilated camp. With an aching heart and a great burning sense of reproach for his rash deed that had worked such ill when he had meant but good, Quabba could see that Esther and Hagar were not among the hysterical gypsies returning to the scene of destruction.

When Quabba reached the heaps of stone and wreckage that had been the camp site he found the gypsies already gathered in a group to where the van of Hagar lay overturned and half covered by a mass of rocks and earth. Then his heart beat again with joy as he heard the voice of Esther, trembling, yet brave for all that, issue from beneath the van. "If you are friends, save us," was Esther's cry. Strong and willing hands tore at the heaped up rock and rubble, and strained and lifted at the van.

Soon the van was raised from over the cavity its very overturning had made. There was Esther and Hagar, trembling but unharmed save for a few minor scratches and bruises, but in the bottom of the cavity lay the bulky form of Luke Lovell, stark and still.

Kindly hands drew Hagar and Esther out and Quabba fell at their feet, uttering incoherent self accusations mingled with equally incoherent thanksgivings. A kindly hand threw a coat across the inanimate face and form of the gypsy outlaw.

Then comedy succeeded tragedy. The shrill, chattering cries of Clarence, the monkey, were heard voicing his simian fright and indignation from within the van.

The mercurial gypsies turned from sighs to laughter, and even the wan lips of Esther were wreathed in a smile as Quabba cried excitedly, "I am coming, Clarence, my son!" and so saying he wrenched open the shattered window of the van and the frightened monkey leaped into his master's arms and began chattering his thanks and joy.

The saving of gypsy lives was due to the providential fact that the onslaught of the marauding tramps led by Lovell had driven the gypsies from the danger zone where the avalanche of stones and earth had struck the camp.

How many of the invaders lay buried beneath the settled landslide the philosophical gypsies neither cared nor sought to ascertain. It was later found that Luke Lovell evidently had been only stunned and not killed, as was at first supposed. For when the gypsies returned, after making rude shelter tents away from the rubble of the landslide for Esther, Hagar and their children and women folk, no trace of Lovell could be found.

He had recovered consciousness, it was evident, and had stolen away, fearful of the vengeance of his former Romany associates.

Quabba deemed it best to keep secret the fact that he had been the genius of the landslide. It had been a fatal success. He affected the philosophy of the gypsies in the matter and agreed with them that somehow good had come out of the general destruction, even if it were only their riddance of the unscrupulous Luke Lovell and his ruffian rabble, the tramps.

Acknowledged as their princess and reigning over them as regent for the afflicted Hagar, Esther appointed a head man from the gypsies in the place of the deposed and banished Lovell and returned with Hagar and Quabba to Stanley hall, which was



Hagar and Esther In Their Overturned Van When the Gypsy Camp Is Annihilated.

still held by Hagar on the terms of lease she had taken from the receiver in bankruptcy for the fugitive Arthur Stanley, still fleeing from justice, wrongfully under the onus of being the murderer of Dr. Lee.

Luke Lovell, when he recovered consciousness, drew himself from the hollow beside the now righted van. He had no intention of endeavoring to rejoin such of the tramps who had attacked the camp with him and might have escaped unhurt from Quabba's landslide.

Luke stole away unobserved, and his one thought was to make his fortune from his knowledge of the Stanley secret—the knowledge he had gained from a glimpse at the document in Ha-

gar's strong box. Luke at last the source of the Harding's gypsy wealth Hagar's, and which since den affliction no one knew place of.

One thing Lovell felt that this wealth had not under Hagar's stewardship. Wherever the treasure was in Hagar's brass bound documents were in that ch were treasures of themselves.

For one of these old papers had set forth plainly the Hagar's long dead but greedy Matt Harding, had with the great folks of Fal own flesh and blood. Here tune to be obtained by him had been obtained by Matt Luke Lovell thought. And away unseen from the gypsy camp and trudged res Fairfax, some eight or ten mi-



"If you have any secret to sell take it to some other market!"

There was no one at Stanley hall to pay him for keeping or telling the Stanley secret, but Luke Lovell knew enough of the Stanleys and their feuds to realize his best market would be with Blair Stanley's mother. If Arthur Stanley, so called, was Hagar's son, a gypsy changeling, then Blair Stanley was the real heir to the Stanley earldom, to which, according to the old family tradition, the heir was commanded to carry the diamond from the sky.

But at the portals of the home of Blair Stanley's mother the proud, cold widow would hold no traffic with the sinister gypsy who chimed at her threshold with a secret to sell. She ordered him to be gone and professed no interest in the ware he hinted he had for sale.

Ellen Stanley was, in her austere way, as unscrupulous in her family ambition as even her husband, the grim, cold Judge Lamar Stanley, had been. But she would have no traffic with such as Luke Lovell. She realized only too well that once such a creature had her in his power, even as a confidant, his dominion would be, as is always the dominion of the ignorant, brutal and intolerable.

So Blair's mother dismissed the chagrined gypsy in cold disdain. She would be no confederate and yet the victim of the exactions that she instinctively knew would follow any association with any secret with him.

"If you have any secret to sell take it to some other market," said the Widow Stanley with cold hauteur. "Unless you leave my premises this instant I shall have you arrested and committed for attempted blackmail! Shout your secret from the housetops if you please, I am not concerned."

But Luke Lovell, thwarted and discouraged though he was in his first bold bid for the fortune he had believed was within his grasp, had no intention of shouting his secret from the housetops. He realized his only value was in his keeping it and being paid, and heavily to keep it.

He must find some one who would pay—this some one would be Blair Stanley, he did not doubt.

But if Blair Stanley's mother had refused to traffic with the sinister gypsy she was shrewd enough to surmise the secret that had become a living thing again after lying dormant for eighteen years.

Why had her husband set off alone to meet his death in the mountains the day after Colonel Stanley had died, eighteen years ago? Why had Dr. Lee adopted the gypsy woman's daughter a few months since? Why had this gypsy woman returned after all these years, in the guise of a woman of means, and taken Stanley hall?

Why had she come with proofs of Blair's guilt of the murder of Dr. Lee and proffered her silence in exchange for social recognition by the proud families of Fairfax for this girl?

And now that this gypsy woman was crazed and all fear of her son's guilt being known had vanished for the time being at least, Mrs. Stanley resolved to take advantage of these situations as she suspected them. If this girl was the real heir, the missing heir of Stanley hall, of which there had been vague whispers for years, why not prepare for and fortify against any possible disgrace that might threaten through her son's rash and dreadful deed—the murder of Dr. Lee?

(Continued in next issue.)



Geo. T. Meriwether, Jack Norris, A. R. Meriwether and Charles Walling were in Floydada Friday from Lockney on business.

Don't forget the Main Garage gas and service station tf.

Thoroughbred Poland China males for sale, also some fine fall pigs. See H. E. Cannaday, or phone 144. tf.

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**What the Government Live Stock Figures Reflect.**

Under the above heading "N. H. S." writing in the Livestock Report of February 4th offers some convincing argument relative to governmental reports of cattle and conditions which now appear to be before the livestock raisers and dealers. This article follows:

"In last week's issue of the Live Stock Report we published the Department of Agriculture's estimate on the supplies of live stock in this country as at January 1st, the per capita and total valuation, together with comparisons for a number of past years. People doubting the accuracy of the government's report are reminded of the facts that market receipts bear them out, as for instance, at nine markets where we maintain houses. (Fort Worth and El Paso included) cattle receipts for 1915 were almost ten per cent greater than in 1914, while hogs increased practically 15 per cent.

"One is immediately impressed, not so much by the increase in our swine population of practically 5 per cent, but of the very material increase in our cattle stocks, not only as compared with last year, but with a number of years immediately preceding. For instance, the government report shows 22,000,000 milch cows, no greater number of which appears in any report in the past seven years at least, and so far as other cattle are concerned, the 39,450,000 specified as the census for January 1, 1916, are the greatest since 1911.

"The increase in our bovine stock is not nearly so apparent to the man in the corn belt as it is to the people of the western states, or in other words, those vast regions which were recognized not so many years ago as a purely range territory, but which have developed in a large measure into farming areas. A host of people from the corn growing states have gone to the West during the past ten years, have taken up land and gone into stock, usually in a small way. Some have not made good, but in a great majority of cases they have stuck by it and the result is today we have a host of small herds which in the aggregate represent an immense total.

"You have but to visit anyone of the various Middle West markets to see how active continues the demand for breeding heifers; in fact, you may find stock and feeding stock languishing, but there will be a brisk demand for the she stuff. Ask where these cattle are going and the reply is 'Montana' or some other Western state. And with the development of cattle industry along these lines in the West, there has followed as a natural sequence the upbuilding of swine herds. Hogs are no longer a side issue, but a distinctive industry, and so while part of our 5 per cent increase in swine population is attributable to the eradication of disease and the generally more healthy condition of the stocks as a whole, it is also because of the develop-

ment of hog raising over vast sections of the west that ten years ago hardly knew what a hog looked like.

"Nor is this movement confined to the West. Texas is developing along the same line. The small man is becoming more and more a factor. The old order of things has passed away and a new order taken its place. Our great staple corn was planted over a broader area last year than ever before, permeating sections of the south for instance, that had never known it, and as there are more fields of waving corn, so are there broader expanses of the deep green alfalfa.

"The Missouri River no longer divides the range from the granger states. There will, of course, always be great tracts in this country which will be nothing more or less than grazing lands, but it is a rare rangeman who does not now have ample winter provision, and cattle that have never seen hay are few in number.

"The future of our beef supply in this country is absolutely assured. The cry of shortage is without foundation. Record breaking prices for cattle may now be a matter of history. If they are it will be a good thing for the industry.

"With sheep it is a different proposition. The government report shows a slight decrease as compared with last year, but a 5 per cent decrease from five years ago. At the nine principal markets in 1915, receipts fell off 15 per cent. There has been a series of high prices and the natural inquiry is "Why have not these high prices stimulated the breeding of sheep and re-established our herds?" The answer is merely this: That the high price naturally attracts the stock marketward, and with the male lambs go also the ewe lambs and the possibility of rebuilding the herds are in this way restricted."

"N. H. S."

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D. E. Pitts.

**Judge, Disgusted, Suggests Remedy for Acquitting Jury.**

San Francisco, Feb. 5.—"Shooting some of our weak minded jurymen" was suggested today as a remedy for the two frequent acquittal of women charged with shooting men, by Judge Frank P. Dunne, when a jury in a superior court freed Mrs. Malcena Dyott, tried for the second time for an assault on her husband, Samuel Dyott, a Los Angeles real estate dealer.

Judge Dunne recognized among the acquitting jurors several who recently acquitted in his court Mrs. Mary Parnias, charged with killing Michael Weinstein, a crippled peddler, who sought to renew relations with her.

"It some of these feeble-minded women who go around shooting men would turn their weapons upon some of our feeble-minded jurors the world would be better off," he said, when he received the verdict.

See J. A. Lowry & Son for blacksmithing, horse shoeing and wood work.

**Notice to Contractors.**

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Trustees of Lakeview Common School District No. 11, of Floyd County Texas, until 2 o'clock February, 25th, 1916, for letting the contract for the construction of the Brick School House Building of said district, 11 miles S. E. of Floydada. Plans and specifications may be seen at the County Judge's Office, Floydada, Texas. Each proposal must be accompanied by a check, certified by the president or cashier of the bank upon which it is drawn, for \$250, made payable to Chas. Trowbridge, Secretary of Lakeview School District No. 11, to be forfeited by the bidder in case said bidder shall fail to enter into contract within ten days for the construction of the building and to give a satisfactory surety bond for the faithful performance of the contract, in case the award be made to him. The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all bids. The bids are to be sealed and addressed to Chas. Trowbridge, Floydada, Texas, marked on the outside, "Proposals for Building the School House of Lakeview School District No. 11, Floyd County, Texas." Chas. Trowbridge, Secretary, 3tp, Floydada, Texas.

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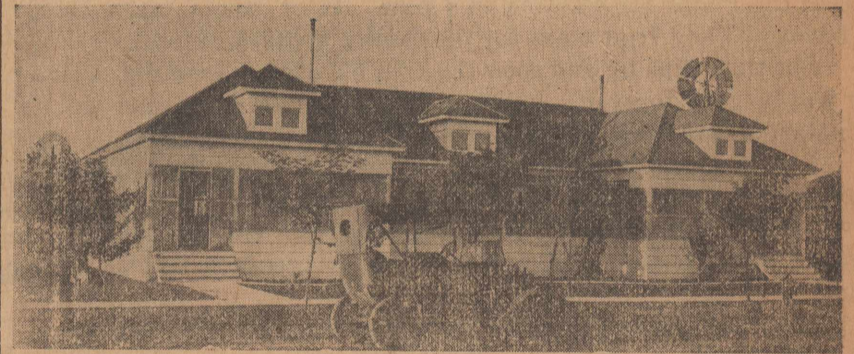
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For marble monuments, see S. B. McClesley. tf.

Norton Baker, of Lockney, was transacting business in Floydada Saturday.

The ladies of the Christian Church will serve luncheon on Tuesday, Feb. 22nd. 1tp.



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The short and simple story of the sanitary conditions existing at this time in Floydada may be learned by a casual inspection in most any portion of the limits, or if time for this is not available to the interested citizen, The Mother's Club has some interesting data, that they will willingly make public at any time.

The commendable action of this club in taking the lead for a more cleanly town should have the hearty support of every individual. This movement will improve the civic conscience of us all, and should certainly arouse us to the necessary effort to protect ourselves and our families.

Every citizen should certainly rally to the call of the Mothers Club and clean up their premises; the laggards can hardly expect a great deal of clemency, when they are endangering themselves and their neighbors to disease.

#### "Old Timers" and "New-Comers."

An old timer of Hereford, F. H. Britain, who has ridden bronchoes and punched cattle in the West for twenty-five years, rails against the modern Moses' of his city, who are attempting to lead him and some of his fellow oldtimers out of the wilderness. His tirade against these folks is prompted by a recent paving election in that city, in which, apparently, some of the "new comers" were as outspoken as the old timers, actually speaking up in open meeting, circulating petitions, and otherwise making themselves useful to the town—according to the light before them.

We have always been "for" the newcomers. What should we do for an increase in the census enumeration without them? Likewise why not have them do something positive? If there were 10,000 new comers in the city, we old timers would be lost in the shuffle and not missed.

Here's to the newcomers! May they become vociferously useful to the town if the spirit moves.

#### Tree Planting Time.

A. M. Hove.

A veritable forest of trees has been purchased by the farmers on the Plains for planting this year. It is shade trees for the farmstead and fruit trees for the family orchard.

But time slips by and soon the tree planting season for this year will be gone forever. It is yet time to order trees and get them started this year. It need not cost much money either.

Tree planting needs no long argument in its favor. Trees are ornamental and useful. They soon furnish shade and break the winds. In a few years the farm groves will change the appearance of the plains. The spring winds will cease to be full of sting.

Tree planting has in a few years time changed the appearance of the northern prairies. What was the lonely, forsaken home of the new settler, now sits snugly in a clump of trees. Back around the barn and feed lots, trees form a wind break for the stock.

Trees cost little money. Few so poverty stricken that they cannot buy a few trees. It just requires a little get-up to order trees, and later give them care and protection from live stock. The varieties to plant will depend on the taste of the planter. It is best however, to get trees grown as near home as possible, or grown under similar climatic conditions.

This is just a reminder that tree planting time this year will soon be over. There is still time to act. The wife and children will thrive better with a few trees around the farmstead. Plant trees.

#### When Office Seeks Man.

Texas Farm and Ranch

The men who bears the burdens incident to keeping up the cost of county and state government do not take enough interest in the affairs of the county. They are as a rule too busy plowing, sowing, gathering and paying to see to it that their taxes are economically invested.

Most counties are spending enough to pay for better roads and not getting the roads; enough bonds are voted, taxes levied and collected to build court houses, jails, bridges, etc., but the tax payers are not getting these improvements.

Where does the taxpayers money go? Are the officials dishonest? Seldom. Men who are entrusted with the responsibility of carrying out the wishes of the people are generally honest. Most of them are conscientious. But they are not business men, many of them having had little experience in managing business enterprises. While wishing to spend the people's money economically they permit contractors, dealers or political friends to impose upon the people. Whether officers are conscientious or otherwise, the fact remains that often the people's interests suffers because of the incompetency of those they elect.

Many conventions rather than risk partisan discussion and division that would permit an incompetent man to be selected, ap-

point a nominating committee to bring in a report. This committee after a thorough investigation select a leader or leaders, and the convention seldom fails to ratify the selection, because it has confidence in the nominating committee selected to seek the competent man.

Why not have a nominating committee of the best citizens of the county; men living in different neighborhoods, but interested in economical service; and men who serve without pay and who put efficiency and economy above politics? Let these men select the best men in the county and ask them to sacrifice their own business for the benefit of their fellow citizens.

Then when the men this committee selects, announce, the people should see to it that they are elected without a sacrifice of the candidates' time or money. In this way, county officers would be under obligations to no one but the people who elected them. And they could enter upon their offices unhampered.

This would be equivalent to the office seeking and the people finding the right men.

### George Washington



GEORGE WASHINGTON, an American General and the first President of the United States, was born on February 22, 1732, in the state of Virginia. In 1755 he served as a Colonel under the unfortunate General Braddock, who fell a victim to his own haughtiness and imprudence. On that occasion Washington gave strong proofs of his great military courage and skill, practically in conducting the retreat of the army. He held the command of the Virginian troops until 1758, when he resigned on account of poor health, and was then elected a member of the Assembly from Fredrick County, and later from Fairfax County. When the breach between the Colonies and Great Britain was widened by mutual animosity beyond any hope of reconciliation, the eyes of his countrymen were fixed upon this commander, Washington, and accordingly, in June, 1775, he took supreme command of the entire Continental Army, at Cambridge, Mass. The complete history of George Washington, this great patriot for the next few years, is the history of the Revolution. We are chiefly indebted to him for independence which was finally secured by a treaty of peace signed in the year of 1783. In 1789, he was elected President of the United States; at this time he left his beautiful estate and moved to his new home in the City of Philadelphia where he was received with the applause which he had so well merited. His government was characterized by that well tempered prudence which always distinguished his conduct. He held office as President of the United States for two terms, and refused a third term. In 1798, he accepted the command of the United States Army, which he held till his death, on December 14, 1799. He was buried at Mount Vernon. Behind the White House, at Washington, rises the Washington Monument, a great rectangular obelisk of marble which demonstrates the entire city and is visible for many miles. It perpetuates the memory of the Father of his Country. Its construction was aided by individual citizens during the period of its erection, from 1848 to 1884. It is 555 feet in height resting on a base only 55 feet square.

#### Robt. E. Jones a Candidate for the Office of Tax Assessor.

Robt. E. Jones, for the past several years a resident of Floyd County, and at the last election a candidate for the office of tax assessor, announces again for the office and requests his announcement in The Hesperian. At the last election Mr. Jones ran a good race and feels encouraged to believe that he will have good support in the forthcoming campaign.

He is at present engaged with Slaughter Grocery as head clerk and buyer and his qualifications in a clerical way fit him for the office of tax assessor should he be elected.

Mr. Jones is well known over the greater part of the county. He promises faithful performance of the duties of the office of tax assessor, if he is honored with election, and we ask a fair consideration of his candidacy at the polls.

#### Famous Fugitive Captured Only to Escape Again.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 13. — Harry East, under sentence of eighteen years for grand larceny, while being brought back to Alabama from Michigan City, to begin his term jumped from a moving train near Cannonsville, Tenn., Saturday. He was in charge of Warden R. L. Johnson

of the Wetumpka state prison. East took \$170, a revolver and the warden's clothes.

Several years ago East was arrested but jumped from a moving train before being landed in jail for trial. Recaptured, he was again tried and given eighteen years. Enroute to the penitentiary he jumped from a train while handcuffed and escaped. Again recaptured he was put to work in a lumber camp, from which he escaped over two years ago. He was given an indeterminate sentence in Michigan city, Ind., two years ago, and was paroled there the first of this week. Warden Johnson received the man from the Indiana officials and was en route to the Alabama State prison with him. No trace has been found of the fugitive.

#### Public Notice.

I have the following described livestock in the City Pound: 2 sorrel blaze-faced mares, no marks or brands, in good condition; 1 sorrel coming two year-old filley, flax mane and tail; 1 black 2-year-old filley. All in good condition and about 15 hands high;

And I will proceed to sell the same to the highest bidder for cash on Tuesday, the 29th day of February, 1916, unless proven away by owner and pounding fee and carriage are paid. tf. Tom. P. Steen, City Marshal.

#### Prominent Baker Resident Enters No. 4 Commissioners' Race.

W. F. Weatherbee, of Baker Precinct, this week enters the race for Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, and authorizes The Hesperian to make the announcement.

Mr. Weatherbee is a successful business man and farmer and should make the precinct a capable representative on the county Board of Commissioners. In making his announcement Mr. Weatherbee says: "I heartily solicit and will sincerely appreciate the votes of all who feel disposed to support me in the election."

His residence in the precinct has thoroughly identified his interests with it, and we feel that his promise to make the precinct a good commissioner, will be fulfilled to the utmost of his ability.

#### Mission Notes.

Following is the program for the Woman's Missionary Society for Monday afternoon at 2:30, at the Methodist Church:

Bible Lesson—Jesus the Life, John 3:13-17.

Leader—Mrs. S. B. McClesky. Some of the Mental Needs in Immigrant life, October Voice—Mrs Maud Henry.

Soochow Embroidery Mission, April Voice—Miss Myrtle Thompson.

Questions for all: Where is the school being established in Texas for delinquent girls and who is their Superintendent?

Response of Texas to a Call of Need, December Voice—Mrs. Colville.

Discussion. Do I believe in missions? If so, why? Led by Mrs. W. M. Lane.

Come and bring your neighbor. Reporter.

#### Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1916.

For District Attorney, 64th Judicial District:

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TOM W. DEEN.

For County Judge:

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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 L. 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:

J. T. MCNEELY.

The Hesperian, in common with the Clarendon News, can boast of a more efficient and painstaking office force than the Throckmorton News, which, in a recent issue, said: "We had to reprimand our printer this week. As we came into the office we met a man going out with money in his hand. We hope he will not allow this to happen again."

A. A. Whyte, of the north end of the county, returned home last week from a trip to Fort Worth and adjacent counties where he went in the interest of The Nature Study Book of which he is author.

## FAIR STORE

Our Buyer has returned from the markets and new goods are daily arriving. The Progress Gingham and the Forrest Percales are the same fast colors you have been accustomed to getting.-- We have a good assortment now on our shelves.

This will be a White Goods Season, with pretty embroideries and laces.-- We have an assortment that will please you.

Miss Newell says, the Hats shown this season will please all.-- And hers will arrive in a few days. A full Millinery Announcement will be made next week.

### NEWELL-LISTON



### Winter Freezing of Oats.

Concerning the winter freezing of oats, Mr. G. M. Garren, Agronomist of the Extension Department of the A. & M. College, makes the following recommendations:

The winter killing of oats frequently brings many surprises as well as disappointments. They will withstand severe freezes provided the weather has been continuously cold enough to keep them in a dormant condition. A period of warm weather that puts the oats in a growing state, followed by a sudden freeze, will most likely prove destructive, even though the mercury may not fall but a few degrees below the freezing point. Sudden changes are the weather conditions to be dreaded in winter oat growing. Many farmers will observe during the freezing of the present winter that the oats on a northern exposure remain unharmed, or but slightly damaged, while those on an opposite southern exposure are either killed outright, or seriously injured. A difference of one or two days in seeding, a difference in the preparation of the soil, the different kinds of crops on the land the preceding summer, frequently make a great difference in their resistant powers.

The oat crop is too important to be neglected or abandoned altogether because there is an occasional winter killing. Farmers should be slow about deciding immediately after a freezing to plow up their oat crop. Frequently when the crop seems to be totally destroyed, it will develop that a fair stand has been left when the warm weather brings them out again. What may seem a poor stand may eventually prove a fair stand or even a normal stand from the great tillering habits of oats when given plenty of space.

Even in case of a total winter killing the oat crop should not be abandoned even for the present season and the land developed to other crops. While, as a rule, fall sown oats out yield spring sown oats, yet with favorable oats. A red rust proof variety sown the latter part of February may be expected to do practically as well as if sown in the fall. Later the Burt, or 90 day variety can be sown with the exception of profitable yields. The large oat crops growing in the northern half of the Mississippi Valley

in the corn belt are spring sown oats altogether.

The land now seeded to oats should not be reverted to some other crop. It will tend to destroy the rotation established on the farm. Another severe winter killing may not happen again in years. After the spring sown oats have been harvested the land can be sown to cow peas and with a favorable summer season a forage crop manifested in the shape of pea vine hay, there will be some growth of hay pasture, and the roots and stubble will improve the soil.

### Large School Apportionment.

Large tax collections enabled the available school fund to pay \$3 per capita as the February part of the scholastic apportionment of \$6 per child. Since \$1.50 has already been paid on the current apportionment only \$1.50 is left to be paid for the entire year, and this will be done by check in March, thereby completing payment of the apportionment earlier than had been done in several years. There are 1,310,000 scholastics in Texas, and the February apportionment of \$3 makes a total of nearly \$3,400,000.

With the passing of February the total apportionment paid will be \$5,085,000, leaving \$1,695,000, which is to be paid in March.

Within the next sixty days the state treasurer will have paid the remaining 33 cents due on last year's apportionment, a grand total of approximately \$250,000. This is being paid out of delinquent tax collections, as directed by the attorney general.

### Freshman Law Student Speaks Tongues of Five Nations.

Oklahoma has a phenomenon in the form of a freshman law student, who was born in Russia, and speaks, besides his native tongue, Polish, German, Italian, and English. He formerly lived in Switzerland, came to United States by way of Japan, has since lived in Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia, and New York, from which latter city he came to Oklahoma, where he is now working his way through the University, and is preparing himself to be a court interpreter in some of the large cities.—Daily Texan.

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

## PREMIUM LIST OF BIG STOCK SHOW AWARDS \$18,000

EVERY CLASS OF LIVE-STOCK IN SOUTHWEST IS GIVEN AMPLE CONSIDERATION.

### MANY "SIDE" EVENTS

Saddle Horse Classes Are Given Special Notice and Baby Beef Classes Arouse Much Interest.

Approximately \$18,000 in prizes are offered in the various classes of the National Feeders and Breeders show, which will be held at Fort Worth March 13-18. Every class of livestock produced in the Southwest is given ample consideration in the comprehensive premium list that has just been spread broadcast among big stockmen and small producers alike and it is anticipated that the greatest and finest exhibit ever witnessed in the twenty years of the show's existence will be on hand when opening day arrives.

Because of the repeated solicitation of prominent breeders of Texas and Oklahoma, the management of the show changed the dates back to spring. It has been argued that the exhibitors were able to get their offering in much better condition for spring showing than for fall. In acceding to the wishes of the breeders, the stock show earned a co-operation that will go far towards making the coming event the best in history.

Comparatively few changes have been made in the premium list, inasmuch as the management has been studying livestock conditions in this state for years and had never hesitated to take any step to amplify the list when it was warranted. Several additions, however, have been made. Among the most important of these is an increase in the classes for saddle animals. During the past year and a half, foreign powers have been making extensive purchases of Texas saddle horses and have greatly depleted the supply of good stuff. The breeders have found that there is an excellent future for the saddle horse business in this state and are going into the business on a more extensive scale. The stock show is always willing to push a good thing along and it amplified its classes so as to give further encouragement.

The baby beef classes will again prove of greatest interest and early indications are that the greatest number of entries in history will be rolled up in this department. From all over the state have come inquiries about this department and information to the effect that the youngsters are getting their product into condition to send to the show. The fight for the state baby beef championship for county exhibits is expected to be one of the keenest that will be staged in the great arena of the Coliseum building.

Outside of the stock show proper, there will be many events that will thrill and attract. Most interesting of these will be the Big Round-Up, which will be this year's night entertainment. This will be under the direction of Miller Bros., of 101 Ranch Show fame, and will be a varied and interesting performance.

A splendid carnival will pitch its tents on the Coliseum grounds, a magnificent industrial display will be held in the vast halls on either side of the Coliseum, a poultry show, the finest in the Southwest, will come in for a large share of consideration and many and varied special attractions will be staged during the great livestock exposition.

## BIG ROUND-UP TO BE NIGHT EVENT FOR STOCK SHOW

WILD WEST ENTERTAINMENT WILL SUPPLANT MANY FEATURES OF HORSE SHOW.

### NUMEROUS FEATURES

Miller Bros. Will Direct Entertainment, Which Will Be of Varied Nature That Will Suit All Classes.

Furnishing all of the thrills of a Wild West Show, tempered by an exhibition of fine horses, in keen competition, that will attract the usual society crowds, the Big Round-Up, the night entertainment of the National Feeders and Breeders show at Fort Worth, March 13-18, promises to be the most interesting event of the kind ever held in that city.

Miller Bros., owners of the 101 Ranch show, will direct the Big Round-Up, and they have promised dozens of unique and diverting features. Broncho busting and goat roping, two kinds of entertainment that always please and thrill, will be down on the program and experts from all of the big ranches from Canada to Southwest Texas will compete for the ample prizes that are offered.

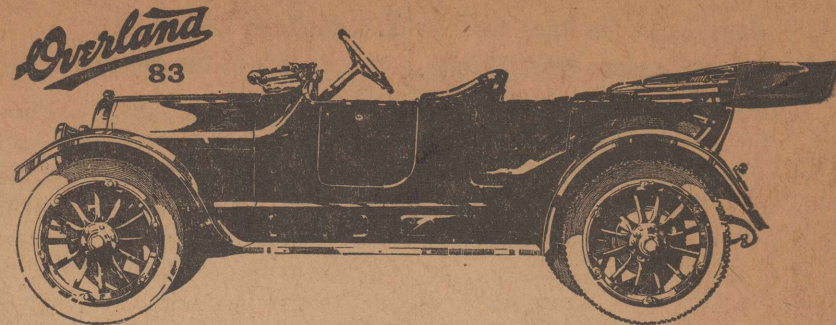
The world's champion high-jumping horse, ridden by a woman sixty-five years of age, will be one of the special features. There will also be a troupe of trained ostriches, a sextet of educated mules and Miller Bros. famous high school horses. A herd of Buffalo also will be brought down for the night entertainment.

Miller Bros. now are actively engaged in lining up talent for the event that will supplant the regular Horse Show at Fort Worth. In changing the form of the entertainment, the management of the stock show felt that it should offer a show for everybody and expects that the Big Round-Up will draw a larger attendance throughout stock show week than has ever been enjoyed before.

But the Big Round-Up will be only one of the major features of a livestock exhibition that has never been equalled in this section of the country. A prize list of \$18,000 has been offered for the great day show, which draws exhibits of the finest livestock in the Southwest. With the best breeders acting in perfect harmony with the management of the show, there is every prospect that the great exhibit held in the rear of the Coliseum will hold a greater number and finer array of blooded livestock than ever before in history.

However, the show this spring will be more of an exposition than in the past. In other words, while a display of fine livestock will remain the central feature, there will be many other things to entertain. The management of the show has closed a contract for a big carnival company, which will place a large number of attractions on the Coliseum grounds. It also is negotiating for a splendid array of special free features to be held in the Coliseum arena to divert between the judging of the different classes of stock.

The fourth annual exhibition of the Fort Worth Poultry and Pigeon association will be held in the big poultry hall adjoining the Coliseum building. At least 5,000 of the finest birds in the Southwest are expected to be on hand to compete for the most generous offering of premiums yet made. The Fort Worth exhibition is always the largest in this section of the city and it will be larger than ever this spring.



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**T. F. Casey is in the Race for Tax Assessor Floyd County.**

The announcement columns of the Hesperian this week contain the name of T. F. Casey, of the Roseland Community, as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector of Floyd County. Mr. Casey also has a statement in this issue.

His race two years ago, as well as his long residence in the county, make him a well known man over the entire county, and his qualifications as well as his claims are known to the voters.

He will likely make a personal canvass of the county ere the time of the primaries, when his candidacy may be more fully set out to the voters individually.

**Matador Preparedness Petition is Forwarded to Col. Stephens.**

Matador citizens prepared and forwarded to Congressman John H. Stephens, according to the Motley County News, a petition that he support the preparedness program of the president.

Nothing has been occasioned in the Jumbo District to definitely determine the majority of the sentiment on the question of preparedness, as defined by the President.

Congressman Stephens has been definitely opposed to the President's policy from the beginning of the Congressional Session, and is quite outspoken in his opposition.

Buy your Sunday dinner at Olson's Store, also lunch Saturday, February 19th. Methodist Ladies Circle No. 2. 4. Itc

R. C. Watson has moved to Floydada from his farm near Mt. Blanco. Mr. Watson owns a ten-acre tract in the southwest suburbs.

Lunch and good things to eat for Sunday dinner at Olson's Store Saturday, February 19. Methodist Ladies Circle No. 2. 4. Itc

**T. J. McNeely Offers for Justice of the Peace's Office.**

T. J. McNeely, of Floydada, is aspirant for the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. One, and announces in this issue of The Hesperian his candidacy, which will be made subject to the Democrat Primary in July.

Mr. McNeely has resided in the precinct near five years, and his qualifications are doubtless such that he should fill the office with credit to himself and the franchise holders who see fit to give him their support. His plans are to canvass the precinct for the office; and meanwhile the consideration of his candidacy is asked of the voters.

**Mrs. Galt's Line of Descent From Princess Pocahontas.**

A Washington newspaper gives the following as the line of descent of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, formerly Mrs. Galt, from Pocahontas, the daughter of Powhatan, who saved the life of John Smith:

Pocahontas—Married John Rolfe

Their son, Thomas Rolfe, married Jane Poythreos;

Their son, John Bolling, married Mary Kennon;

Their son, John Bolling II, married Elizabeth Blair;

Their son, John Bolling III, married Martha Jefferson;

Their son, Archibald Bolling, married Catherine Gay;

Their son, Robert Bolling, was Mrs. Galt's grandfather;

His son, William Holcomb Bolling was Mrs. Galt's father;

His daughter, Edith Bolling (Galt) becomes Mrs. Wilson.

J. N. Nelson purchased a Dodge touring car last Saturday through the local agency.

**RHINE VALLEY GOLD.**

Plentiful in the Days of Caesar, Who Exacted Heavy Tribute.

In the time of Julius Caesar the prolificacy of the Rhine valley in gold must have been very great, for there are frequent allusions to gold spoil in his account of the conquest of Germany, and his remittances of gold from this country to Rome were very heavy. The method employed to obtain it was to impose a tribute of gold upon the conquered and enforce it at the point of the sword. This simple but efficacious method continued in vogue for several centuries until the Roman empire began to decay. As this decay proceeded the vigilance of the imperial officers of the revenue became relaxed, and the slavery of the German gold washer came to an end.

Between the fifth and tenth centuries it is probable that the Rhine washings, which had grown to be odious from the slavery connected with them, were abandoned. Daubree (1846) says that at one time the magistrates of Strasbourg leased out the privilege of washing the river for gold, and it is probable that similar powers were exercised by other municipalities. By the year 1718 the washings had become so poor that the share of the Strasbourg magistrates was only four or five ounces of gold per annum. In 1846 the entire produce was estimated at thirty-six pounds troy. A writer of a little later period stated:

"Many of the gold seekers are women. They seize a wooden bowl, charred inside to render the glistening grains more readily visible, kick off their sabots, pull off their stockings, tuck up their frocks and wade into the Rhine. After securing a bowlful of the auriferous sand they select the soft side of some emergent bowlder for a seat and go to work. The stones and pebbles are raked out of the bowl with the fingers, then a sort of sifting and gyrating motion is imparted to the bowl, which is held low enough in the water to permit the surface of the sand to be washed off, and so little by little all the sand is washed out of the bowl and the gold remains at the bottom. Each bowl contains a cubic foot of sand and about one-fifth of a cent in gold."—Argonaut.

**Portugal's Decline.**

Portugal has not always been the small affair that it is today. The little country once meant a great deal more than it does at present. To Portugal belongs the honor of having been the leader in fifteenth century exploration and discovery. Her great prince, known as "Henry the Navigator," may well be called the father of deep sea navigation. It was owing to his zeal that the voyages began which were to end in the circumnavigation of Africa and the finding of the way to India. Until well into the sixteenth century Portugal was rich in colonial possessions and was not without great weight in the diplomacy of Europe, but by the close of the century her decline began.

**Siam.**

The kingdom of Siam covers an area of about 200,000 square miles, and the last census gave a total population of 8,149,487. The highest temperature of about 106 degrees F in the shade at Bangkok is usually reached in April and May and the lowest of about 52 degrees in December and January, the latter two months being the most suitable for tourists and commercial travelers to visit northern Siam. The spoken and written language is Siamese, but for commercial purposes the English language is in general use.

**Didn't Awe Him.**

The members of a Greek letter fraternity from a southern university were being shown through the library of congress. They were apparently stricken dumb with admiration of the beauties of the building. But the atmosphere of awe was dissipated when one of the party, a red headed youth, exclaimed fervently:

"Gee, fellows, wouldn't this make a dandy frat house?"—St. Louis Republic.

**Thoroughly Pessimistic.**

"Why don't you announce yourself as a candidate?"

"Because," replied Senator Sorghum, "I don't believe I could get nominated. And if I did get nominated I couldn't get elected. And if I did get elected I couldn't fill the position properly. And if I did fill it properly I wouldn't get much credit for it anyhow."—Washington Star.

**Our Friendships.**

Our friendships hurry to short and poor conclusions because we have made them a texture of wine and dreams instead of the tough fiber of the human heart. The laws of friendship are great, austere and eternal—of one web with the laws of morals and of nature.—Goethe.

**A. A. Whyte is Candidate for County Tax Assessor's Office.**

A. A. Whyte, for several years a teacher in the Floyd County Public Schools, announces in the Hesperian this week, asking for the office of Tax Assessor. Mr. Whyte's candidacy is subject to the Democratic primaries, July 22nd, 1916.

Mr. Whyte is a good citizen and is qualified for the duties of the office to which he aspires. Should he be elected we feel that his promise to fulfill the duties of the office impartially and fully will be carried out.

He plans to canvass the county thoroughly and present his claims fully before each voter personally.

**Putting an End to Industrial Exploitations in Old Mexico.**

So far as it is possible, in circumstances not wholly propitious the de facto government in Mexico and its representatives in the states of that republic, are giving attention to land. The Yucatan mandate takes precedence, in point of importance, of all others. But a decree issued by Aguilar of Vera Cruz, a few days ago, should not be overlooked. This act provides that any foreigner purchasing real property in that state becomes, by that very process, a citizen. This makes it impossible for foreigners, as such, to present claims for damages to their property, since the law requires that their cases be adjudicated on the same basis as that which applies to all Mexicans. The matter is important, not only in this aspect, but in so far as it shall put an end to mere industrial exploitation in Mexico.—Farm and Ranch.

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

**J. H. Ball Dead.**

J. H. Ball, of the Lakeview neighborhood, 44 years of age, died last Friday morning at an early hour, while in the Childers Sanitarium for medical treatment. The remains were buried at six o'clock the same day at Lakeview Cemetery.

Mr. Ball was a single man. He is survived by George Ball, a brother, and Mesdames Carter, of Quitaque, and T. G. Harkey, of Spur, sisters. His sisters were here from their homes at the burial services, which were

conducted by Rev. G. W. Tubbs. A large number of friends and relatives attended the funeral services, Mr. Ball being a man of long residence and prominence in the community.

W. H. Owens, of Oklahoma City, a member of the firm of the Whittier Produce Company, was in Floydada the earlier part of the week. Mr. Owens' firm plans to establish a West Texas branch at an early date.

Try an advertiser.

**OUR PUBLIC FORUM**

**J. S. Cullinan ON CITIZENSHIP.**



The Texas Economic League invites the people of Texas into a discussion of citizenship, but before we can intelligently study so important a subject we must first define it. What is citizenship? Who is the best American citizen? Search the statute books for a definition of citizenship and unless one is a member of the legal profession we immediately become entangled in a labyrinth of confusing and oftentimes contradictory laws seeking to promote or restrain most every form of human activity, much of them good, some of them bad and others indifferent. But laws come and go; the Constitution is permanent. The preamble of our Federal Constitution states that our government is organized to give its citizens liberty and happiness. Read the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States and one cannot escape the conclusion that the best American citizen is he who is most free, patriotic, just, happy and active and who hands down to posterity a civilization more capable than he found it. The spirit of our country is freedom and no man can become a true American citizen unless he is free.

Turning a moment from documents of State perhaps the best authority on citizenship, and one universally accepted by the public, is Webster's International Dictionary, which defines a citizen as 'A member of a State; a person, native or naturalized, of either sex who owes allegiance to government and is entitled to reciprocal protection from it.' Further, 'A citizen as such is entitled to the protection of life, liberty and property at home and abroad.'

We now have before us the authoritative definition of citizenship by both government and society and in order that the most humble citizen may feel perfectly free to enter into a study and discussion of this subject, I will briefly outline my conception of what citizenship involves, for the work of the Texas Economic League will be in vain if the most lowly citizen does not feel free to give serious thought and expression to his obligation to government and his responsibility to his fellow men.

Applied to able-bodied adult males, with which I take it we will have chiefly to do, a citizen's duty, in return for the rights, privilege and protection outlined above, would seem to be: First, to expend sufficient labor in production, or auxiliary occupations, viz., manufacture, transportation and distribution, to support himself and his family in comfort. Second, conform to all laws framed in the interest of society under the Constitution. Third, contribute his just proportion to the maintenance of government in personal time, payment of taxes or, if need be, bearing arms in the defense of the nation.

In reaching the above conclusions I have assumed that under our system of government citizens are owners in common and are entitled to the rights and benefits of government during the term of their natural lives and for such period only.

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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

No. Reported Sold or Del.	OWNER	Alist. No.	Original Grantee.	Certif. No.	Patentee.	PATENT					STATE TAXES					COUNTY TAXES					
						No. Acres in Survey	Class	Mo.	Day	Year	No. Acres Assessed	No. Acres Reported Delinquent	Ad. Valorem	State School	Conf. Penion	Penalty	Ad. Valorem	Special	Penalty	Total State & County Taxes	
1912	Collins & Hindman	32	Adams, Beatty & Moulton	1231	Caroline V. Price	640	Ser.	12	284	27	61	5	08	13	20	20	40	B.	08	1.11	
1914	Morris, E. I.	32	Adams, Beatty & Moulton	1231	Caroline V. Price	640	Ser.	12	284	27	61	40	13	180	45	150	21	1.12	1.96	6.78	
1914	Morris, E. I.	32	Adams, Beatty & Moulton	1231	Caroline V. Price	640	Ser.	12	284	27	61	40	13	180	45	150	21	1.12	1.96	6.78	
1913	Collins & Hindman	32	Adams, Beatty & Moulton	1231	Caroline V. Price	640	Ser.	12	284	27	61	5	08	13	20	20	40	B.	08	1.11	
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1911	Hindman, Collis P.	32	Adams, Beatty & Moulton	1231	Caroline V. Price	640	Ser.	12	284	27	61	5	08	13	20	20	40	B.	08	1.11	
1888	Unknown	62	B. B. B. & C. R. R.	16-173	H. M. Munger et al	640	Ser.	12	76	281	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12	
1889	Unknown	62	B. B. B. & C. R. R.	16-173	H. M. Munger et al	640	Ser.	12	76	281	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12	
1890	Unknown	62	B. B. B. & C. R. R.	16-173	H. M. Munger et al	640	Ser.	12	76	281	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12	
1891	Unknown	62	B. B. B. & C. R. R.	16-173	H. M. Munger et al	640	Ser.	12	76	281	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12	
1904	Talbot, Jas. Est.	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1893	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1894	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1895	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1896	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1897	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1900	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1899	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1901	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1902	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1898	Unknown	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1904	Talbot, Jas. Est.	137	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1273	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	12	78	500	29	3	540	1.62	1.40	33	1.13	1.36	68	18	4.48
1900	Unknown	138	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1272	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	16	75	001	29	1	540	1.60	1.07	33	2.36	1.80	1.80	31	10.16
1898	Unknown	138	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1272	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	16	75	001	29	1	540	1.60	1.07	33	2.36	1.80	1.80	31	10.16
1905	Unknown	138	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1272	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	16	75	001	29	1	540	1.60	1.07	33	2.36	1.80	1.80	31	10.16
1899	Unknown	138	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1272	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	16	75	001	29	1	540	1.60	1.07	33	2.36	1.80	1.80	31	10.16
1901	Unknown	138	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1272	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	16	75	001	29	1	540	1.60	1.07	33	2.36	1.80	1.80	31	10.16
1902	Unknown	138	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1272	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	16	75	001	29	1	540	1.60	1.07	33	2.36	1.80	1.80	31	10.16
1903	Unknown	138	Beatty, Seale & Forwood	1272	Jas. Talbot	640	Ser.	16	75	001	29	1	540	1.60	1.07	33	2.36	1.80	1.80	31	10.16
1914	Unknown	219	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-544	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1913	Unknown	219	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-544	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1902	Unknown	221	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-544	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1906	Unknown	227	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-544	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1912	Dusby G. L. Jr.	230	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-720	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1913	Unknown	230	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-720	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1911	Unknown	230	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-720	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1908	Unknown	230	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	4-720	Dennis Clark	640	Ser.	6	78	51	42	51	35	55	41	12	1.88	8.96	15.68	1.96	55.44
1893	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1894	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1895	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1896	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1897	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1900	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1898	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1899	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1901	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1912	Unknown	239	H. & O. B. R. R. Co.	640	W. T. Collier	640	Ser.	16	78	13	39	13	563	1.72	1.40	33	2.80	3.30	1.70	3	10.92
1904	Unknown	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1909	Miller, G. H.	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1905	Miller, G. H.	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1908	Miller, G. H. (Est.)	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1906	Miller, G. H.	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1907	Miller, G. H. (Est.)	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1900	Unknown	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1898	Miller, Geo. H.	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1899	Miller, Geo. H.	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1902	Miller, Geo. H.	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1903	Unknown	290	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1912	Unknown	311	E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co.	640	Wm. C. Olson	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1900	Fowler, P. S.	311	E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co.	640	Wm. C. Olson	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1909	Henry, Hubert	337	G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co.	1-128	Zilpha Swain	640	Ser.	6	78	51	26	26	80	23	26	28	0.50	2.80	2.80	5.04	1.99
1913	Unknown	351	H. & O. B. R. Ry. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	11	13	70	551	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12
1914	Unknown	351	H. & O. B. R. Ry. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	11	13	70	551	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12
1907	Unknown	376	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	11	13	70	551	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12
1907	Unknown	491	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640	Ser.	11	13	70	551	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.12
1908	Wyley, Jas. R.	491	T. R. R. Co.	640	H. H. Talbot	640															











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STATE OF TEXAS, County of Floyd, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing 88 pages is the Delinquent Tax Record of Floyd County, Texas, and contains a correct and 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, 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. DEEN, County Clerk of Floyd County, Texas.

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, County of Floyd, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing record of delinquent taxes on lands and town lots of Floyd County, and do hereby approve the same. R. H. THOMPSON, County Judge. I. W. HOWARD, F. D. LARSEN, R. L. ORMOND, CHAS. TROWBRIDGE, Commissioners.



## OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Peter Radford

ON GOVERNMENT BY SELFISHNESS.



Ever since the serpent in the Garden of Eden turned Hell loose on earth mankind has been ruled by emotions good or evil—mostly evil. Trace the human race from the time history raises the curtain upon mankind to the present hour of extreme peril and we will find the frailties of human nature struggling for the mastery, and greed, properly restrained, the motive power that has moved civilization to its towering height and unrestrained, has hurled government to destruction and mankind to barbarism. Visit the cemeteries of civilization and we find written upon the time-stained monument of Egypt, pride; Macedonia, ambition; Persia, conceit; Rome, conquest; Greece, envy; and upon the tombstone that marks the newly-made grave of the past generation, selfishness, and in its age we are chiseling as our epitaph, organized selfishness.

The peril of this nation today is organized selfishness. The individual has been swallowed up in organization and the unit of government has shifted from the citizen to class and in the transition we have lost many of the mental virtues of the human race and developed many of the traits of the past. Organized selfishness is leading civilization from divinity to the dens of animals. Classes, clans and sections tear at each other with the ferocity of savages and seek to disembowel and disintegrate government that dares to limit class liberty. Self-restraint is being driven from society; honesty has become a viewpoint and might a predominating factor in right. Patriotism never suffered more from commercial paralysis than at the present hour.

There never was a time in the history of the human race when creature comfort was at a higher premium or the ideals of human success more primitive than at present, for organizations that are swung around selfishness, call to action only such emotions as are felt by animals that roam the forest and selfishness suppresses the nobler qualities of human life. The squirrel that gathers a bountiful supply of nuts to its den is thrifty but it makes no contribution to society; the fox that outwits its neighbor has great ability but it has never helped others; the lion whose roar makes the animal kingdom tremble has great powers but has never used it to uplift civilization; the cannibal clans have fought desperate battles for supremacy but victory added with the flesh pot.

Man is an animal and government should encourage and protect him in indulging every emotion that moves the heart of a beast but when a flash of divinity lit his soul, God Almighty expected something more of him than animal activity. He ought to try to do something an animal can't do. A voice should call him to nobler deeds. In society, place his fellowmen above self or class and in government "citizenship first."

S. E. Phillips, of Blanket, Texas, is here this week on a business visit. Mr. Phillips has a view a possible location.

**New Bootlegging Stunt.**  
The Chattanooga (Tenn.) News recounts the following:  
In a wash tub of dirty water and old clothes local police officers

### A WORD FOR MOTHERS

It is a grave mistake for mothers to neglect their aches and pains and suffer in silence—this only leads to chronic sickness and often shortens life.

If your work is tiring; if your nerves are excited; if you feel languid, weary or depressed, you should know that Scott's Emulsion overcomes just such conditions.

It possesses in concentrated form the very elements to invigorate the blood, strengthen the tissues, nourish the nerves and build strength.

Scott's is strengthening thousands of mothers—and will help you. No alcohol. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

**Catarrh Cannot Be Cured**  
with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Sold for testimonials, free.  
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.  
Sold by Druggists, price 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

found twenty four pints of liquor. The officers had suspected that the place was headquarters for the storing of liquor and had exhausted almost every resource in their efforts to discover the hiding place. They were just about ready to leave when one of the officers shoved his billy into the tub. It came in contact with something hard. Further investigation revealed the hidden liquor. This was one of the five places where liquor was found. In other place a quilt had been placed in a chair to represent a snoozing pickaninny. The officer noticed the quilt but didn't see any signs of life. Investigation showed a gallon jug of corn.

### Dickens County has Seven Aspirants for Sheriff's Office.

Dickens County has seven candidates for the office of sheriff and tax collector, and four candidates for the office of county and district clerk.

The candidates for sheriff are R. L. Collier, J. H. Latham, J. B. Connor, Bud Miller, T. W. Morgan, G. L. Barber, and G. T. Snodgrass.

I. D. Gamble, of Floydada, spent several days of last week in Spur. Mr. Gamble was a citizen of Spur in the "early days" and sold dry goods. He is now engaged in the real estate, livestock and loan business at Floydada and is a member of the firm of Gamble Land & Cattle Company of that place.—Spur.

### Pied Piper to Rid San Antonio of Skeeters.

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 12.—Mosquito-eating bats, several thousand in number, will be released next week, and it is claimed by Dr. C. A. R. Campbell, the "pied piper" that one bat in a single day will devour a thousand mosquitos. The bats will roam at night, hunting out the mosquitos and it is claimed

## THE SUNNY DAYS.....

Remind us of approaching spring time. Most every freight and express brings us new goods; orders which we placed early so as to meet the demand of early shopping. Call in and ask to see the New Dress, New Pumps and Oxfords for men, women and children. New suits for the small boys, and many other new things.

Mr. Martin, our buyer, is now in the Eastern Markets completing his purchases for the coming Spring and Summer season, and we will soon announce the completeness of our stock in every department.

We are still making attractive prices on some heavier weight goods not yet closed out.

We Buy 'em for Less.

**MATHIS-MARTIN**  
"THE STORE WITH THE GOODS."

We Sell 'em for Less

for them that the more malaria, typhoid and other germs a mosquito carries the better the bat relishes it. The bats will be in activity until the end of April, when they grow sleepy and lazy, but meanwhile the city is hoping for an extermination of the mosquito pest.

### Wanted to Rent.

70 acres old ground and all the sod you want to put in. Mrs. L. E. Owens.

To all of our friends who so lovingly aided us during the death of our loved little babe and its mother's illness we sincerely express our heart-felt thanks.

C. L. Allmon and family and Mrs. D. C. Allmon.

Party who has my grubbing hoe borrowed please return it at once. Mrs. Cornelia Goen. 1tp.

Two good young mares for sale. Cash or credit. C. Snodgrass.

Mayor W. T. Montgomery spent last mid-week in Amarillo on business, returning Thursday.

Fresh candies that are kept fresh at the Floydada Drug Company. 1tc.

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

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

# BROWNIE \$850

## MOTOR CAR DELIVERED

Manufactured By The Carter Manufacturing Co., Hannibal, Mo.

We have received and are showing this Serviceable Car, and can make immediate deliveries. Its Equipment and Specifications are such as are bound to win your admiration.

Ask for Demonstration or Information. You will agree with us its the Biggist Automobile Valve offered in this territory under \$1000.

Territory agency contracts open for Twenty-four counties. Live, Reliable Dealers Wanted.

# C. SURGINER & SON

FLOYDADA, TEXAS.



# Hardware and Furniture

## AT COST

In the face of a rising market on all lines of Hardware; Furniture and Implements, we are offering in this Sale our entire stock of Hardware, Implements, Windmills, Piping, Casing, Mowers, Rakes, Stoves, Ranges, Harness, Shelf Goods, and Builders Hardware; also Linoleum, Rugs, Mattresses, and Furniture of all descriptions, at cost for cash. **THIS SALE MEANS MONEY TO YOU.**

While we feel we have helped the people of Floyd County very much in the past, we are helping them very much more in this Sale. The goods will not last long at these prices, so come early to get the pick. The sale lasts until the stock is sold. Cash only gets the goods at these prices.

Furniture!	Furniture!	Furniture	
Solid Oak Dining chairs, each.....	.85	\$6 50 Solid Oak Dining Tables.....	5.00
Iron Beds from \$1 50 to.....	8.50	\$1.50 beautiful Picture Frames.....	.50
2 inch Post Brass Beds regular \$28.50 for.....	17.50	Fine Gent's Ward Robes \$30.00 at.....	21.50
\$7.50 Kitchen Safes for.....	5.25	The Free Sewing Machine.....	32.50
\$12.50 Solid Oak Chiffonier for.....	8.50		
\$23 50 Solid Oak Fancy Chiffonier for.....	16.00		
\$23.50 Solid Oak Buffet for.....	16.00		
\$11.50 Good Hardwood Kitchen Cabinet.....	8.00		
\$35 00 Doufold Davenport, now.....	23.50		
Fine Wardrobe now.....	14.50		
Art Squares \$10.00 to.....	17.25		

Room is too scare to quote Prices on everything, but it all goes at similar reduction.

All Other Furniture in Proportion.

Windmills, Engines, Plows, Etc.			
10-ft. windmills Standard Favorite.....	30.00	John Deere Sulkies now.....	30.00
12-ft. Star and Favorite windmills.....	40.00	John Deere 2-row cultivator now.....	55.00
1½ H.P. Gas Engine. \$75 regular, now.....	40.00	John Deere 1-row cultivator now.....	30.00
3 H.P. Gas Engine, now.....	100.00	All bolts per pound.....	.10
DeLaval Cream Separators \$75 type now.....	60.00		
Sharples Cream Separator \$75 type.....	55.00		
\$65.00 Sharples Cream Separator.....	45.00		
\$45 00 Nemo Cream Separator.....	30.00		
\$50 00 Avery 4-wheel Sulkies.....	45.00		
John Deere Buster points, each.....	1.50		
John Deere Double-Disc plows.....	\$52.50		
John Deere Double Gang plows.....	52.50		

**PAINTS! PAINTS!**  
The Season's on right away. The very best standard grade paint at less than cost.  
Per Gallon . . \$1.60  
This includes the celebrated O. V. B. and Campbell Brands.

These Prices are for Cash only during this Sale.

# H. J. Willis Hardware & Furniture Co.

Floydada, Texas.

### Germans Lower Japanese Flag and Get Paid Real Money.

Germany lowered the Japanese flag on the grounds of the Panama-California international Exposition a few days ago and charged \$8.40 for the job. The representatives of the Mikado paid the bill and gave profound thanks for the work.

It was quite in contrast to conditions existing on the other hemisphere and provided one of the many signs of neutrality among the sixteen foreign nations that are participating in the 1916 exposition. The flag of Japan was attached to the top of a heavy pagoda. In changing the Japanese exhibit it was desired that the top of the pagoda, weighing two tons, be lowered. The Japanese workmen sought the aid of the Germans employed on the German exhibit and with derrick and tackle the work was done and the time charged up to Japan.

The task required two hours for seven men, at sixteen cents an hour.

### 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 etc.  
O. R. Eastwood

### Negro "Spiritual" Songs.

University of Texas, Feb. 10. —In a clipping from The Nation of January 12, the following is said of John A. Lomax's lecture: "The thirty-third annual meeting of the Modern Language Association was held in Cleveland on December 28 30. It was attended by various college professors of the United States and many visitors to the city. The paper that commanded the largest audience and excited the greatest interest and applause was that of Mr. John A. Lomax on 'Negro Spirituals.' These are the religious songs of the negro as distinguished from their 'real' or secular songs. Mr. Lomax's collection of these 'spirituals' is as large and authentic as his famous collection of cowboy ballads. These he presented in his inimitable manner. The following two, remembered by chance, are characteristics of the whole collection:  
"Oh, Hell is deep and Hell is wide.  
And Hell ain't got no bottom side."  
"The Devil's a-sittin' on a red hot seat.  
A-coolin' of his hands and a-warmin' of his feet."  
Miss Mollie Crum Spirella Corsetiere and dress maker. West side town. 3tp.

### Childress Fair Dates Set.

The Childress County Fair will be held this year on September 4th, 5th and 6th. The Fair made a profit of \$1100 at their last annual exhibition, and considerable improvements are to be made in their grounds with the available funds.

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

The Frank Haggart case, in which the defendant is charged with a statutory offense against his step-daughter, has been transferred from the district court of Amarillo to Canyon. Haggart was given 99 years by the Amarillo jury, but on appeal the case was reversed and remanded to the trial court.

### No Commission Charged on Farm Loans

We are in position to make farm loans at 9 per cent ANNUAL INTEREST net, with no commission charges. Gamble Land & Cattle Co., Floydada, Texas. tf.

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

### A Bible Story in Billy Sunday Slang.

Evangelist "Billy" Sunday, who has been conducting a series of revival meetings at Wilkes barre, Pa., recently gave his version of the encounter between David and Goliath as follows:

Saul and all his sons except David. After a while David's Ma got worried. She wondered what had become of his brothers because they hadn't telephoned to her or sent word. She said to David: "Dave, you go right down there and see if they are all right."

So David hikes to where the war is, and the first morning he was there, out comes this big Goliath, a big strapping fellow, about eleven feet tall and began to shoot off his mouth as to what he was going to do.

"Who is this big stiff putting up this game of talk?" asked David of his brothers.

"O, he's the whole works; he's the head cheese of the Philistines. He does that little stunt every day."

"Say," said David, "you guys make me sick, why don't some of you go out and soak that guy? You let him get away with that stuff?" He decided to go out and tell that Goliath where to head in.

So Saul said: "You'd better take my armor and sword." David put them on, but felt like a

suit with a hand-me down suit about four times too big for him, so he shook them off, and went down to the brook and picked up half a dozen stones. He put one of them in his sling and threw it and soaked Goliath in the cocoa between the lamps, and he went down for the count. David drew his sword and chopped off his block and the rest of the gang skiddooed.

### 10 Cent Delivery Service

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

### For Sale

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

Picture Frames made to order at Wilsons Studio. tf.

According to the Seminole Sentinel Mr. and Mrs. John Haney, of Seminole, are the parents of a daughter who arrived January 10th.

### Wanted to Buy or Sell.

Good smooth horses, mares or mules. H. E. Edwards. tf.

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### The P. & O. No. 111 Lister

This Lister is known by farmers wherever sold as P. & O. No. 11, 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 features on this Lister made it deserving 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-rolling, leaving the ground in oval waves, which not only catches and holds the moisture but prevents the loose soil of the West from blowing away.

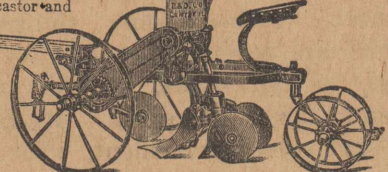
The adjusting link on front end of beam is an important exclusive feature on the No. 111, absolutely preventing the point from running below the desired depth. The wheels are provided with dust-proof boxes, an immense help in the sandy loam lands of the West.

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 plates without emptying them. Furnished with either disc or shovel covers.

This Lister has embodied many other important features that will convince you that it is the best on the market.

### 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.



We manufacture the most complete line of Two Row Implements on the market. Ask your dealer and if you cannot be supplied through him, write us for circular and special introductory offer.

**Parlin & Orendorff Implement Company**  
DALLAS, TEXAS

### 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.

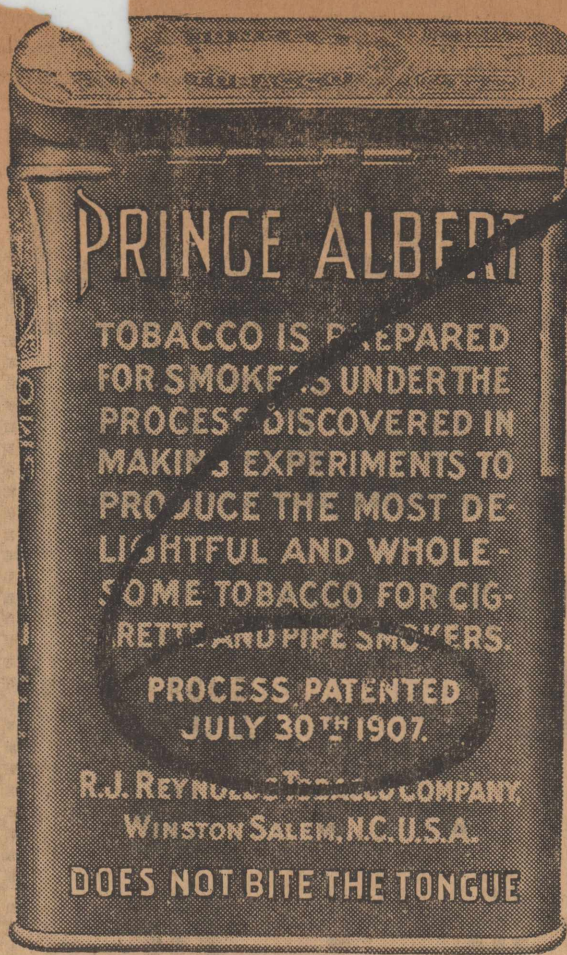
Witness my hand this the 4th day of February A. D. 1916  
W. A. Robbins, Trustee.

### The Town You Live In.

Stand up for it. Think well of it. Speak in its favor. Encourage its industries. Hurrah for the enthusiastic. Cheer every live enterprise. See all that is beautiful in it. Chant praises to the good it possesses. Sing of its wonders, you'll find it has some. Love it, stick to—the town you live in. Welcome improvements, stagnation's a sin. Praise it and laud it if you wish thrift to come.—Ex.

Phone 77 or 88 for clean, fresh groceries. We have the goods and our prices are right. Duncan Grocery. 2tc

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



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And smoked in a makin's cigarette, Prince Albert is so refreshing and delightful that it gives you a new idea of cigarette happiness. Any way you fire-up Prince Albert, it will win you quick as a flash—it's so good and so friendly!

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Address  
**ARTHUR B. DUNCAN**  
Floydada, Texas

**EIGHTEEN BLUE RIBBONS** at the Panhandle Fair. The Orient Milling Company, manufacturers of the Famous SEAL brand of Flour, competed with four States at the Panhandle Fair at Amarillo—one other mill in Texas being represented—for the Blue Ribbons. Of the 30 prizes awarded the SEAL flour won 18 Blue Ribbons. Each mill had beautifully decorated booths and attracted much attention and comment. When it came to the real test, the judges from five States decorated the SEAL booth with 18 out of 30 blue ribbons, for the BEST Biscuit, Best cakes and Best Lightbread! "SEAL FLOUR" Solves the Problem at baking flour. Try a sack at Duncan Grocery Company and be convinced. 2tc.

### No Commission Charged on Farm Loans

We are in position to make farm loans at 9 per cent ANNUAL INTEREST net, with no commission charged.

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Announce the removal of their offices to Front Rooms second floor of the Willis Bldg.  
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THE SOUTHWESTERN TELEGRAPH & TELEPHONE COMPANY. 11-R-14

### To the Voters of Floyd County:

Feb. 9th, 1916.  
For various reasons and earnest solicitations from different quarters and a just regard for my most ardent friends and my own welfare; I have decided to ask you once more to consider my candidacy for Tax Collector.

You remember I only fell behind one vote in the last primary. I thank you most heartily for that kindness and support. I believe you will consider more thoroughly and give me a greater support for that office now, I have so honestly desired and labored for.

I became a citizen of Floyd county ten years ago—will be the 15th of next month. The last seven years have been the hardest of my life; had I not had this misfortune, I would not have been an aspirant for a public office. My environments forced me to ask this favor. This office is a gift of the voters and if you will honor me with it I assure you that I will faithfully take care of the same and prove to you my appreciation for that position. I trust that when you see my announcement you will at once decide in my favor and cast your ballot accordingly. I intend to try to see personally, every voter in the county. If I should not see and tell you my wants, I hope you will not think hard of me. It is a hard undertaking for me to canvass this county; no one know what I had to undergo two years ago in getting to the voters.

I stand on the great principles of justice, equity and the Golden Rule:  
"Equal Rights to all—Special Privileges to None."

I want to be tax assessor—favor me with your vote. It will be mine to enjoy, so I will be very grateful to you for your gift and I'll be, yours to serve.

Most Resp't.,  
T. F. CASEY.

### Runnels Assessor Assesses Cotton.

Ballinger, Feb. 11.—The tax assessor of this county will put in about 8,000 bales of cotton in making up his roll, this amount of cotton being in the hands of the buyers and held in the local yard on Jan 1. The attorney general has ruled that the cotton is taxable. The cotton buyers state they will refuse to pay the taxes, and the matter will probably be tested out in court.

James, four years old, had been naughty to the point of evoking a whipping from his long suffering mother and all day long a desire for revenge rankled in his little bosom.

At length bed time came, and kneeling beside her, he implored a blessing on each member of the family individually, his mother alone being conspicuous by her absence. Then rising from his devout posture, the little suppliant fixed a keenly triumphant look upon her face, saying as he turned to climb into bed;  
"I s'pose you noticed you wasn't in it?"

A fine line of salt consisting of "Triple B" Blocks, meat salt, table salt and barrel salt, at Duncan Grocery. 2tc

### Hung Jury in Sears Case.

A hung jury resulted from the trial of G. W. Sears in Plainview, during district court, which is in session there. The case attracted wide attention, many witnesses coming from various points over the state.

Sears was charged with murder in connection with the killing of Sheriff Jim Long at Silverton early last year.

G. F. Rigdon, of Lockney, has announced for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 2. Mr. Rigdon was formerly commissioner.

### W. E. Smith is a Candidate for Commissioner of Precinct No. 1.

W. E. Smith, of the McCoy community, is the first definitely announced candidate for a commissioner's office in the county. Mr. Smith is a candidate for commissioner of this precinct, which includes Floydada, Sandhill, Harmony, Starkey, McCoy and Allmon.

Mr. Smith has resided in the county several years, and in this precinct for two years or more.

Should he be elected he promises faithful performance of the duties of the office. His candidacy is subject to the primary elections the latter part of July.

Full Blood Fawn and White Indian Runner drakes, also Silver Laced Wyandott cockerels, \$1.00 each. Mrs. W. H. Baker, 2tp. Floydada.

Healthy young Locust trees for sale at my place two miles southeast of Floydada, 35 cents each. See V. M. Massie at the old Rice place.

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**A Few Hints**  
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Corpus Christi,	\$29.30
Marlin,	18.45
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Tickets on sale daily; limited for return, 90 days from date of issue.

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WE will on these days pay

For Hens, per lb.	- -	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> c
" Cox, per lb.	- -	5c
" Springs, per lb.	- -	11c
" Turkeys, per lb.	- -	11c
" Ducks, per lb.	- -	9c
" Geese, per lb.	- -	8c
" Guineas, each,	- -	15c

So far as we know this will be the last Car Loaded This Season.

## A. D. WHITE GRO. CO.

### Bank Deposits on the Denver.

The Fort Worth & Denver Railway Co. recently compiled a statement of the deposits of the banks in towns located on the Denver west of Fort Worth to the Texas line. We take from this report the following:

Amarillo and Wichita Falls are neck and neck for first honors, less than \$70,000.00 separates them, each having over \$2,000,000.00 of the peoples' money in their custody. Vernon ranks third with nearly a million Memphis fourth and Quanah fifth, each with more than \$700,-

000.00. Henrietta, Childress and Bowie and Clarendon, follow in the order named with over a half million dollars each, whereas Dalhart is the custodian of over \$400,000.00 and a number of towns have deposits exceeding \$300,000.00."

Next Saturday you may obtain some good things to eat and incidentally help a good cause by visiting the Methodist Ladies Circle No. 2-4 at Olson's Store. etc.

Don't forget the Main Garage gas and service station

### B. C. Willis Asks for Re-election as Tax Assessor.

B. C. Willis, present incumbent of the office of tax assessor of Floyd County, requests the Hesperian to announce this week his candidacy for re-election to the office, his race being subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

Mr. Willis is widely acquainted in the county, and his qualifications are known to practically every taxpayer in the county. Sufficient to say that he is well qualified for the office and has made a faithful and efficient officer in the past, and promises if re-elected, to give the same careful attention to the duties that devolve upon him as has been his practice heretofore.

He will make a canvass of the county during the campaign and present his claims to the voters in person.

### At The Christian Church.

Bible School 9:45.  
Preaching at 11. subject: "He Closed The Book and Sat Down."  
Communion.  
Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.  
Preaching, 7:30 p. m.  
Subject: "The City of God."

### 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.

L. G. Pool, who has been convalescing for several weeks following a severe case of pneumonia, is able to be out on the streets again.

W. D. Woodroof, of Merkel, is among the out-of-town buyers who are handling grain out of Floydada and adjacent territory this week.

### Three Hard Questions.

State Press in Dallas News—A popular Texas pastor, who is progressive notwithstanding his piety, has sent a circular letter to certain persons of his acquaintance, asking each of them to help him with a "frank and honest answer." Here are the questions—State Press being one of those to whom the minister applied.

1. What do you consider the most dangerous tendencies and dominating sins of our times? 2. What can the church do toward remedying matters? 3. If you were a minister where would you put the emphasis in your work?

These are questions to which every layman and sinner of any pretensions to thoughtfulness would say, on the spur of the moment, he could return immediate answers. But after he began seriously to turn them in his mind his assurance would fade. We all know what is the matter with everything and everybody until we are brought to feel some small portion of responsibility for a part of the trouble. For instance, "What are the most dangerous tendencies, what the dominating sins of our times?" Now, no man can answer this dual question with justifiable positiveness. The rule is to hate according to prejudice, to fear according to weakness. If we hate automobiles, probably we would say, splurging on borrowed money is the most dangerous tendency of the day. But that would be only a guess. The automobile is not an evil—it is its attractiveness that captivates too many. Some of our alarmist friends say "loose living" is the most to be feared tendency. But as a matter of fact, in proportion to population there are more clean homes and less moral laxity in the twentieth century than in

any century that has preceded it. Others say that military preparedness is fraught with the gravest sort of dangers to our personal liberties and republican institutions. But we know, after a moment's deliberation, that a self-governing people are never enslaved, and that never was the voice of the majority so potent in government as in this good year. "What," asks question number 2, "can the church do toward remedying matters?" Very likely the church can do very little toward remedying any matter until public opinion has prepared the ground. The church is extremely conservative therefore it follows rather than leads the vital reforms of general character. The church's mission is to the individual. It offers him personal salvation. The church teaches some things which are accepted unquestioningly by individuals, but which men in the mass reject. Much of such rejection is silent, a little vulgarly vociferous. To change that rejection into acceptance is the work upon which the church has been engaged all its life, and which it will continue to engage in. And it will succeed in the future as in the past, in attaching those temperamentally adapted to churchly teachings. Also probably it will fail in the future, as in the past, to win those temperamentally opposed to church teachings or activities. "If you were a minister," runs the third question, "where would you put the emphasis in your work?" Who knows? Where does the doctor put the emphasis in his work? Or the lawyer. Some of these professionals specialize, but the general practitioner puts the emphasis first one place, then another. Perhaps that is what a preacher must do. But how would it do for some good men of the pulpit to say less concerning the glories of the next world and more concerning the desirability of this? How would it do for them to demand less of faith and more of works? Why not grant the would be churchman a little more liberty of opinion and demand of him a little less circumscription of his social liberties?

# GLAD Says:

Spring Suit business is opening much earlier than in previous years.

Probably thirty-five have bought their Spring Suits at this date—Old Men, Young Men and Boys are learning Glad's Made-To-Measure Clothes from

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are economy. Did you every see a man who said, "Glad's Clothes did not wear?"

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## GLAD'S

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lars for the erection and operation of a gin during the fall of 1916

One of the greatest needs of the McAdoo country is a good gin. There will probably be more than a thousand acres planted to cotton this year within that immediate section. The farmers are now greatly inconvenienced in that they are forced to haul their cotton from twenty to twenty five miles to a gin.

We are informed that a gin company was organized, securing a capital stock of nine thousand dollars and that the gin will be built on the Wooten place in time for a fall ginning.—The Texas Star.

### A Gin Meeting Held in the McAdoo Country

Friday of last week a citizens meeting was held in the McAdoo country for the purpose of discussing the proposition of building a gin in that section. A party of gin men from Floydada met with the citizens, and we understand that plans were formulated to organize a stock company with a capital stock of approximately ten thousand dol-



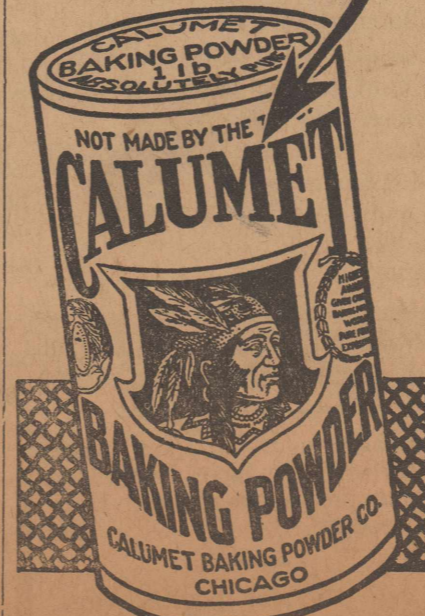
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Cheap and big can Baking Powders don't save you money. Calumet does—it's Pure and far superior to sour milk and soda.

## LUMBER

We once knew a man who owned a very bad goat. He butted everything that came near him, so one day he tackled a freight train traveling at the rate of 30 miles an hour and when he hit the engine there was a shower of goat remnants flying through the air. A friend standing near said, to the owner of the goat:

"Well, Mr. Jones, what do you think of your goat now?"

"Oh, I admire his courage, but darn his judgement." Said Mr. Jones.

This can easily be applied to the man who does not use good judgement in buying good Lumber.

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