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Plainview Praetorians

Are Hosts to Floydada and Lockney Councils.—A Royal Time is Result.

Last Saturday afternoon at six o'clock a special train ran out of Floydada to Plainview to accommodate those who desired to attend the Entertainment given by the Plainview Council at Plainview that evening. In all sixty-six Praetorians out of a total membership of the local lodge of seventy-five rode up to Plainview and were joined at Lockney by about 50 Praetorians from that place.

The delegations were met at the depot by the Plainviewites, the men forming a line and march to the square, the ladies in cars which were waiting for the purpose. Jas. R. Delay was Master of Ceremonies. On reaching the square the assembled crowd listened to an address of welcome by W. A. Nash, who was in a happy frame of mind and made the visitors doubly welcome in his own manner. The program as arranged was further carried out by a drive from the square to the Willis Drug Store where the ladies were served with ice cream.

At 8:30 the I. O. O. F. Hall was filled by the 450 invited guests and the program for the evening begun by singing the Opening Ode, which was followed by a prayer from lips of C. N. N. Ferguson.

Mayor Dorsett then appropriately welcomed the guests from out-of-town both as a mayor of the town and a member of the Plainview council, the welcome address being responded to by Chas. H. Veale of Floydada, Homer Howard, of Lockney, Judge Benson of Lubbock. Of these it seemed to us that the best man, Chas. H. Veale was especially in a happy frame, choosing as his subject, "Why I am a Praetorian," and weaving some real good oratory into the fabric of his talk which was heartily applauded. However, Mr. Howard and Judge Benson also made good speeches in behalf of their respective councils. A few musical numbers were rendered and Dr. I. E. Gates, of the Wayland Baptist College, made a fifteen minutes' talk which was full of humor and West Plains enthusiasm as well as Praetorian fellowship.

After this came the event of the evening when G. A. London, Sheriff of Hale County, assisted by 50 trained waiters, served refreshments of coffee and sandwiches. We say the waiters were trained. Anybody knows they were trained. There was Sam Thurmon, Dan Cherry, J. B. Maxey among the bunch, who have been in the business for years. The Sandwiches and coffee were followed by ice cream and for an

hour the guests were all busy talking, eating, laughing.

The contest between the Plainview team of gentlemen and the Floydada ladies team was a very interesting affair and enthusiasm was at its height when the two teams, each in its turn did the drill. As judges Judge W. D. Benson, of Lubbock, Homer Howard, of Lockney, and Homer Steen, of Floydada, were selected, who after carefully going over the points made by each finally favored Plainview by a vote two to one. One thing noticeable in the drill of the Floydada team was a lack of practice which can be accounted for by the absence of the captain for some two weeks prior to the contest and also to necessary changes in the personnel of the drillers.

Secretary Black, of the Chamber of Commerce of Plainview, counted the number in each delegation who were in the parade in the afternoon and these numbers were declared in the evening. Floydada lead with a total of sixty-six, which, according to the previous announcement entitles the Floydada Council to one free trip to the State Fair at Dallas.

We think that all in all, Floydada, as well as Plainview and Lockney, simply did themselves grand, and especially the girls of Floydada's drill. At twelve thirty when the Plainview aggregation gave three cheers for the visitors as a last good night, and when the Floydada people reached home they all felt that it was good to be there and associate with the best people of Plainview.

Three cheers for Plainview, the Plainview Praetorian Council and last but not least the moving spirit, D. W. McGlasson.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Post Office at Floydada, Texas, to be advertised May 6, 1912. If not called for in one week will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

Cox, J. B. 1; Sanders, Mrs. O. A. 1; Testerman, F. P. 1; Talmon, J. M. 1.

Persons calling for the above letters, will please say advertised and give date of list.

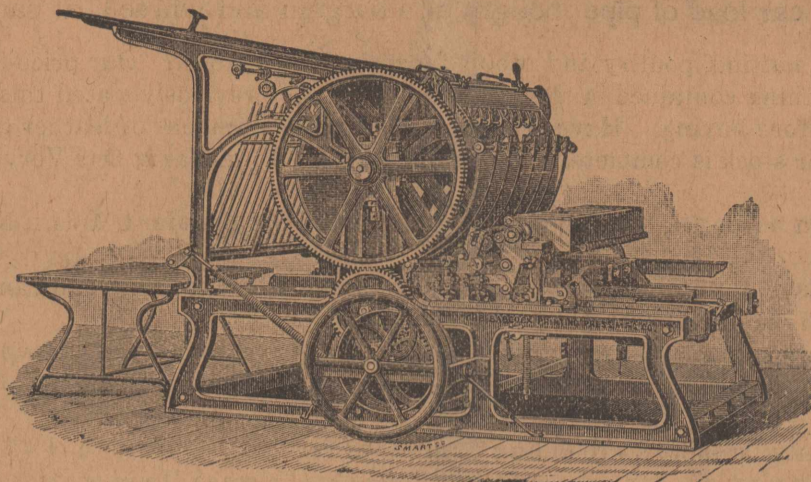
J. D. STARKS, P. M.

Floydada Wins.

The Plainview News of the 3rd inst. has the following:

"In the trial of the Floyd County Court house case at Tullia last week Judge Spencer rendered a verdict in favor of Floydada and work will now proceed on the erection of the court house."

The News leaves the impression that on account of the court proceedings the work on the court house has been held up. So far as we know, this is an entirely false impression. The work has been under way about two months now with no stops except on waits for material.



The above cut shows the new Babcock Reliance Cylinder just installed by George Held, representative of the Barnhart Type Foundry Company, in The Hesperian office. Since our burn some two months ago we have been at a great disadvantage from a business standpoint and have been unable to give our people the readable paper which we have desired. We think that the first obligation which a newspaper owes to its readers is to give all the news possible all the time and the second obligation is to its advertisers. Both of these we shall be able to fulfil so far as mechanical devices will aid, inasmuch as the Babcock press is one among the best on the market and is worthy of the name "Reliance." We invite our friends and customers in to see it and assure each and all that the business is what we are after and we bought this press so as to accommodate our customers in the most up-to-date manner.

G. A. Lider for Re-Election.

G. A. Lider, the efficient county surveyor of Floyd County, who has held the office the past two years offers himself this week for re-election subject to the action of the democratic party primary in July.

As to Lider's qualifications we have never heard any complaint, all his official acts have met the approval of the public in general, and we are doubtful whether he will have an opponent. As a citizen he has been among the best and his many friends all over the county will doubtless see that he received the office which he is asking for at the polls.

Whether or not he has an opponent, he asks that all voters give his claims due consideration in the primaries.

Street Cleaning.

Mayor Montgomery had the main thoroughfares of the town cleaned up last week of all rubbish, trash, cans, etc.

As a result the "front" of the town has a very neat appearance.

Ramsey May Visit Floydada.

While it is not a matter of certainty that W. F. Ramsey candidate for chief executive of the state will visit Floydada and address the people of the county here, parties in town interested in his candidacy, are busy on plans looking forward to a visit from this distinguished man. It is thought certain that he will pay this section of the state a visit and the desire is to have him include Floydada in his itinerary.

Congressman Morris Sheppard candidate for the senatorship may also come to Floydada.

School Trustee Election.

Last Saturday an election was held for the purpose of electing four school trustees for the Floydada Independent School District to succeed, A. L. Bishop, V. Andrews, W. M. Massie and Will I. Allen, which resulted in the election of W. A. Robbins, Claude V. Hall, Dr. V. Andrews, A. L. Bishop. The board for the ensuing year will consist of the four gentlemen named above and Arthur B. Duncan, E. C. Henry, and Wm. Colville.

I want to buy all your chickens and eggs you have to offer for cash or trade.
 Cash Power Gro.

Contractor in Floydada.

Last week L. R. Wright, of the firm of L. R. Wright & Co., of Dallas, contractors on the Floyd County Court House, was in Floydada and during his stay thoroughly inspected the work in progress. He was well-pleased with every feature of the building but left instructions on his departure for all possible haste to be used on the job. The foreman, Mr. Maynard, has been adding men to the force ever since his arrival and now has a big crew at work.

ShipsATTLE to Higgins.

Last Saturday D. Barton shipped seven carloads of 2-year-old steers to Higgins, where he will run them on grass before shipping to the market in the fall.

Industrial League Holds Session.

Last Monday evening the Floydada Industrial League met in regular session, the meeting night having been changed from Tuesday to Monday on account of conflicting dates, and an enthusiastic report was had from the committees on reception and entertainment of the Amarillo Auto Trades Excursion.

A number of talks were made on subjects pertaining to the welfare of the town, and officers were elected for the ensuing term as follows: J. G. Martin, president, vice president, L. H. Liston, secretary, J. D. Price, Sargent at arms.

After the session the members present repaired to the Williams-Brown Grocery where a three course luncheon was served.

Limestone Home Coming.

The 24th Annual Re-union Joe Johnston Camp Confederate Veterans convenes at Jack's Creek, Limestone county, July 22nd. It has been suggested that that occasion will be an appropriate one for all former Limestone county citizens to have a great home coming. I therefore request all former citizens of that splendid county who are interested in the matter to write me making such suggestions as to them seem best with reference to the proposed meeting.

A. M. KENNEDY,
 Waco, Texas.

Graduating Exercises.

has been definitely determined upon by the school board

after some discussion that there shall be no charges at any of the functions during the closing days of the public school. While this is contrary to custom yet some little complaint has been heard and the announcement is made accordingly.

The hour for the baccalaureate sermon which is to be preached by Rev. R. B. Morgan, of Memphis, has not been definitely set at our last information though it will be on Sunday as announced.

On Friday night at the Commencement exercises Miss Ruth Steen has been chosen valedictorian and Miss Ruby Duncan salutatorian, the honors for these places being determined by their ranking in their classes, Miss Ruth being first and Miss Ruby second in a class of six.

A. C. Bowers Again in Business.

We desire to call attention to an ad in this issue of The Hesperian for a new dry goods store in Floydada to be established by A. C. Bowers. The old saying that "The chickens come home to roost" is verily true in this case, for Mr. Bowers has been in business in Floydada prior to this time and excepting about two or three years in the immediate past, and is known to almost everybody in Floyd County, all of whom have been of the opinion all the time that Mr. Bowers could not long stay out of the ring. His arrangements have all been made, his goods are on the road and will be ready to serve you soon. Read his ad for further particulars.

Good embroidery at O. B. Olson's 5c yard.

Confereuce Delegates in Floydada

District Conference convenes in Floydada today, and Methodist people are preparing to entertain the delegates in the most approved manner during their five-days stay in town. There will be in all about 75 or 80 delegates, among them preachers of no little ability, and some rare treats are in store for those who attend the sessions of the Conference.

Auto Trade Excursionists

In Floydada Wednesday morning Given Hearty Welcome by Business Men.

The Amarillo Auto Trade Excursionists have come and gone. Their advent into Floydada at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning and their departure one hour later are mile posts in the progress of friendly relations one with another so far as Floydada is concerned. On account of a late start from Crosbyton and muddy roads caused by the rain of the night previous they were one hour and a half behind schedule, but their enthusiasm had not in the least abated from the two days of strenuous driving over three hundred miles of plains roads, during which time they made stops at 12 different towns, and when they heard the welcome address by Hon. Chas. Veale their yells of delight filled the air.

Four carloads of Floydada boosters met them at the Blanco Canyon and escorted them into town, among them, I. D. Gamble, C. H. Veale, W. L. Boerner, J. D. Price, J. H. Reagan, R. Fred Brown, Dr. R. C. Andrews, Homer Steen, L. A. Kelley, A. N. Gamble, Dr. and Mrs. M. F. Husky, T. M. Bartley, F. P. Henry, J. H. Brownlee.

After the address by Mr. Veale in which he made reference to Floyd County's boundless resources, to Floydada's unprecedented growth, and also to Amarillo as the "Queen City," the Rev. Milton R. Worsham responded on behalf of the excursionists and each and every one began to make himself at home. Cigars and cold drinks were free to the Amarilloans while in Floydada and in fact, Floydada did herself as proud as possible with the limited time at disposal.

Judge Graham of the Amarillo Court of Civil Appeals was introduced by Judge Bartley and talked for fifteen minutes in behalf of the candidacy of himself and colleagues, who are

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First State Bank

OF FLOYDADA.

Is a guaranty fund bank.

It is under state supervision.

All officers and employes are under bond.

The board of directors are required to examine the affairs of the bank every 30 days.

Its cash, books, and notes are examined by a bank examiner every 90 days. The president and cashier are required, under oath, to make five reports annually of the true condition of the bank.

It extends to the public every accommodation consistent with safe banking.

Your business appreciated regardless of its size.

First National Bank

FLOYDADA TEXAS

Capital
 Surplus

\$50,000
 25,000

Jno. N. Farris President.

C. Surginer V. Presiden..

E. C. Nelson Cashier

TO THE PEOPLE OF FLOYDADA AND FLOYD COUNTY

Our large stock of hardware, furniture and implements is complete and more goods coming every day. We have just got a car of the well known Henney buggies to see them means you will buy. Now we have just got a in car load of pipe bought at a bargain and will sell at same.

Our stock of Baker wire the best made is complete also hog fence, netting, poultry and rabbit fence is the very best. Our price is right on same. See us for furniture, rugs, matting, linoleum buffets, chiffoniers, davenport, art squares, Iron beds, and everything contained in the furniture line. As previously stated this stock was bought at a big bargain a part of it of J. W. Blair and for a short time it will go at a reduction. See our harness before buying. Have just received a large shipment of leather goods, will make some startling prices on same. See team harness at \$16. They are beauts. When it comes to shelf goods our stock is complete. Our brand is O V. B., meaning Our Very Best. We sell this brand of tools and cutlery under a positive guarantee. See them before buying.

The windmill season is on. Time to put up windmills for irrigation purposes. Remember our mill is the Old Standard Mills. Now, our prices are right on them, and remember we will figure your bill and will make it to your interest to buy.

We have a very complete stock of implements of all kinds. Have a newshipment of 2-row sod planters on the way and can furnish them within a few days. Our stock of cultivators, go devils, drag harrows, busters and planters is still complete though we have had a big trade on them.

Ladies, come in and let us tell you about the Rev-o-noc coal oil cook stove. We sell this stove on a positive guarantee. Have them in 2 and 3 burners with glass-front ovens. This stove will make cooking a pleasure in the hot summer. You avoid the intense heat caused by the ordinary cook stove. It will also cook with 25 per cent less fuel than any other stove. Will guarantee same.

In conclusion, will say we are well-known throughout Floyd County, and the surrounding counties as for that. Our method of doing business is on the square in every sense of the word. We will handle your entire business in our line to your entire satisfaction. We extend to good neighbors when they want it. See us when in need of goods, cash or credit.

Floydada

Meriwether & Willis.

Lockney

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SANTA FE TIME TABLE.

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| West Bound | East Bound |
| Train No. 802 | Train No. 801 |
| Leaves | Arrives |
| 9:00 a. m. | 5: p. m. |

Announcements:

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

Rates:

District officers: \$15
County offices: \$10
Precinct offices: \$5

For District Attorney.

Geo. L. Mayfield.
R. M. Ellerd.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector.
S. I. Farnsworth.
A. C. Goen.

For County & District Clerk.
W. B. Clark.

For Tax Assessor.
B. C. Willis.
T. F. Casey.

For Com. Pre. No. 4.
Chas. Trowbridge.

For County Treasurer.
C. W. Thagard.

For County Judge.
A. B. Duncan.
F. P. Henry.

For Com. Pre. No. 1.
J. W. Howard.
T. H. Buster.

For Com. Pre. No. 3.
R. L. Ormon.
G. M. Bullard.
L. B. Maxey.

For Justice of the Peace, Pre. No. 2.
J. D. Price.

For County Surveyor,
G. A. Linder.

City Building Notes.
Com. Secy's Bulletin.

Find the weak point in your city then apply a remedy.

When capital sees the smoke pouring forth from many smoke-stacks he promptly pull out his bank roll.

If you wait until you see what the other fellow is going to do, you wont get anything.

If you cant interest your home people in the city, don't expect outsiders to take notice.

Look after the little enterprise—the large ones usually look after themselves.

It isn't always the skyscraper that makes the city, a factory with a big pay roll will do twice the good.

Be on friendly terms with your competitor, even if you expect him to steal a march on you the next day.

To abuse an investor is to lose him.

Be sure you have some thing to talk about when you boost your city.

Boosting and boasting are two different things, but both may be used to advantage in building a city.

Refrigerator Plant For Corpus Christi.

Corpus Christi, Texas., May—The Commercial Club of Corpus Christi has been instrumental in interesting Northern capitalists in the locating of a refrigerator plant here in that city. The fertile soil adjacent to Corpus Christi and the splendid shipping facilities are particularly favorable to an industry of this nature. Construction of this plant will commence in the near future.

The papers of the panhandle are somewhat divided as to the candidates for the office of United States Senator to succeed Senator Bailey. Some say Sheppard, some Wolters and some Randell. Whether one or the other of these can serve our state best is a problem, but of one thing we are more interested than this is a representative in Congress from the plains. While the matter of having the right man as senator is important it is still more important that we have a congressman from the plains at Washington. Friends of Joe E. Lancaster should not fail to give him a boost every time possible. Mr. Lancaster is a businessman and a representative of the plain spirit of progress and with a doubt he can give us the vice in congress that

Sheppard, Wolters nor Randell could, hence we say boost Lancaster first and the senator second. We need to start at home first and extend to other sections second.



But come to our store for Pure and refreshing cold Drinks of all kinds, everything absolutely sanitary. Always welcome.
WHITE DRUG CO.

At the botton of the program of the Praetorian Entertainment at Plainview, held last Saturday evening, was the following legend: "Oh, how we need a band." We were also impressed with this statement very strongly, too, when one speaker spoke of Plainview as the hub of the south plains towns, calling Floydada, Lubbock, Tulia, the fellows, and Lockney, Olton, Kress, Halecenter the spokes. As the hub usually furnishes all the "music" we should have thought it also appropriate that Plainview in this role could have had a band. It's bad enough that towns the size of Lockney and Floydada have not bands but a town which makes the pretensions of Plainview should certainly have a "loud noise." We don't blame the Plainview Praetorians, though of course they should take their share, but we do think that Plainview ought to get busy on this line.

Wall Street's Cheap Money.

Business men who borrow at the banks in the South pay, on the average, 2½ per cent more for money than do business men in the Eastern States, according to the reports filed at Washington by 6,000 national banks. When we compare the rates paid by farmers, merchants and manufacturers in this section of the United States with those paid by speculators in Wall Street, the difference is even more marked. Interest rates on the New York Exchange are often as low as 2½ per cent when men engaged in productive industries in the South are paying 6 per cent to 10 per cent for bank funds with which to carry on business. It certainly is a badly-organized banking system that causes such wide variations in interest rates in different

country ought to have a banking system that would make it as easy for the solvent borrower to get cheap money on sound security in the South as it is in Wall Street. It is up to Congress to give us a banking system as good as any in the world—and a little better. America ought to have the best—W. R. Boyd, Jr.

More Light and Less Heat.

The demand of the public for more light and less heat in the consideration of proposed legislation is fairly illustrated by a resolution passed by the Henderson County Farmer's Union at Athens on April 18th, which reads as follows:

"RESOLVED, That we demand of our candidates for the Legislature that they hear all sides before they pledge to support any particular law which they may be asked to support and we insist that the farmer's side, as well as all other sides, be heard before any new laws are passed."

It has been the custom of candidates during the heat of a campaign to accede to any demand backed by voters, regardless of its merits and as a result, the farmers have suffered in common with all industry from hastily improvised legislation.—Com. Secy's Bulletin.

The above is a thought worthy of study. In that paragraph is contained one thought in particular—that being the jingoism which has formerly surrounded and enveloped politics. Reason

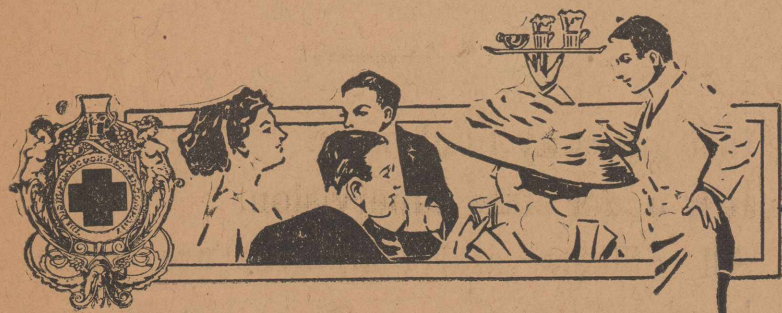
and business thought has had no part in the law-making or the executive departments of our government for many years—or at least it seems not. The candidate has been riding into office on the popular impulse and accordingly some bad laws and bad ideas have crept into our statute books. As a result of this many of our people have grown indifferent to politics and the Ship of State has gone the way the wind blew. This is entirely wrong. We are opposed to too much heat in discussing the issues of the day. Government should be run as a business-and business principles applied to its workings. When this is true we shall have made wonderful progress.

1-4 Inch Rain.

On Monday night last rains, over the south plains were general though in the immediate vicinity of Floydada only about one-eighth of an inch fell. On Tuesday night, however, a fine shower fell amounting by the gauge to about one fourth of an inch.

Investigation discloses the fact that Floyd County has almost twice as great an acreage of oats and wheat as last year, and this shower will go greatly toward refreshing these crops, and quickening their growth.

Farmers are all rejoicing over the fine season during the entire winter and spring, and prospects were never better for a bumper crop in the fall.



A Soda Fountain for Particular people

Come in and see our new fountain—it will please you—appeal to your love of the artistic.

It's clean—not ordinarily clean—but scrupulously clean.

You will enjoy reading the "Pledge of Purity," a dainty little booklet of suggestions. It's free—just ask for it.

Floydada Drug Co.



Don't Monkey with the Buzz Saw

Something might happen. And don't monkey with that "direct-from-the-mill to-you" proposition. You'll surely get stung, if you do. They're buzz saws of the worst kind, just laying for the opportunity to separate you from your honest dollars.

Keep your money at home buy of the home merchant, the men who buy your products and has his money invested in the same country you have, and remember if its, LUMBER, POSTS, PAINTS, SCREENS, we can fill the order.

A. G. McAdams Lbr. Co.