

WHAT LAKEVIEW THINKS

At a called meeting of the voters of Lakeview Box Precinct No. 8, held at Lakeview School House, June 4th, 1912. The following officers were elected, F. P. Donathan, Chairman and W. C. Ector, Secretary; a committee on resolutions was appointed by the chairman composed of F. M. Price, O. F. Batty, Chas. Trowbridge, J. F. Roberts, W. C. Ector. Committee on resolutions reported the following resolutions which were adopted.

We the citizens of Lakeview in mass meeting assembled, deplore the conditions confronting the people of Floyd County on the county seat question and resolved that whereas the great burden of taxes that will be levied on the people principally the farmers and their generations yet unborn. Without fear or favor we petition the better judgment of the farmers upon whom the great burden of the taxes must rest, to lay aside all malice and prejudice in favor of their better and unbiased judgment and show the political rings of both Floydada and Lockney that we are not to be led about like cattle to do their bidding for their present and future profit and whereas the courthouse under construction at Floydada is nearing completion and must be paid for and whereas what has been done cannot be undone except at great expense. therefore we appeal to you our brother farmers upon whom we all know this great burden must rest to end once and for all this worse than foolish proposition to move the county seat which can interest only in a financial way and only those who are managing the graft every dollar of the expense of which will be shifted upon us. Therefore be it resolved that the one expense for the one courthouse which must be paid for is all we care to stand for and that our interests are your interests regardless of location in the county in which we live and resolved Saturday June 8th we farmers all vote to let the county seat remain where it is and end the profits and graft of those who bear not the burden.

O. F. Batty
 F. M. Price
 Chas. Trowbridge
 J. F. Roberts
 W. C. Ector
 Committee

Motion was made and adopted that a copy of these resolutions be furnished to The Hesperian for publication.
 Signed

F. P. Donathan, Chairman, W. C. Ector, Secretary,
 W. J. Fish, A. A. Hand, S. E. Taylor,
 J. W. Wright, R. M. Hard, A. R. Yandell,
 P. D. Adams, C. H. Wagner, W. C. Wright,
 J. E. Ball, H. G. Byrd, G. T. Wakefield,
 J. E. Tucker, R. D. Byrd, R. C. Smith,
 A. T. Pratt, J. T. Ball, W. S. Adams,
 C. B. Smith, Fred Batty, Joe H. Smith, J. C. Bolding

The Beacon says it denies that the warrant plan of building courthouses is lawful. The Beacon has overruled the courts on a great many questions. Hereafter the judges of the Supreme and appellate courts will not find it necessary to spend days in studying points of law in vast law libraries, as they can glean the columns of The Beacon and find the law properly therein. The Beacon will henceforth be a great blessing to the courts and lawyers of the county.

Geographical Center of Floyd County in 60-acre lake.

L. G. Clark, of Missouri.	T. M. Noland (non-res.)	Wm. Conover (non-res.)	C. F. Ramsey of Lockney
L. G. CLARK	J. M. HUGHES of Lockney	G. M. Bullard	
KINSEY BROS. of Indiana	TALBOTT HEIRS of Kentucky	G. M. Bullard	
Wm Moore	O	J. H. Tackett	
Talbott Heirs of Kentucky	J. H. TACKETT	E. W. WILDER non-resident	
	L. B. MAXEY	JNO. F. RUSSELL non-resident	

Situation about the center of Floyd County showing names of ownership of lands in the vicinity as shown by the assessment and payment of taxes for the year 1911. The O shows the point where the geographical center of Floyd County is located by Commissioner of General Land Office of Texas. This point is situated within a large lake or basin which covers not less than 60 acres of land, and within same at a distance of at least 200 yards from the nearest point outside of the lake.

This basin is not very deep according to its size but is something like six or eight feet lower than the average level of the surrounding lands.

To be exact this is the spot for which Lockney expect every good citizen to cast his vote as a place which will serve all alike without favor to any town or special interest.

ORDER OF COURT APPROVING CLAIMS NO. 1 & 2.

The foregoing Application and Claim No. 1 & 2, of L. R. Wright & Co., which is constructing the County Court House Building for said County at Floydada, Texas, was presented to this court for approval for work done and material furnished by said contractor on said building amounting to \$18,690.00 Dollars and Cents, whereupon the Court proceeded to examine the claim, and finding that the same was duly authorized and sworn to and made out as required by law and accompanied by a certificate of B. F. Sanders, in supervision of the construction of said building, and declaring that said amount was now due, and that the labor performed and material furnished and represented by said claim was satisfactory to said architects.

It is therefore ordered by the commissioners' court of Floyd County, that said claim be received, approved, and allowed in full.

It is further ordered, decreed, and directed that said claim shall be as follows: The County Judge and Trustee shall deliver to said L. R. Wright & Company Principal building warrants of \$500.00 each, numbered from 1 to 17 both inclusive bearing interest from the 1st day of June, 1912, at the rate of six per cent, payable annually. Said Principal Warrants shall have annexed to them coupon warrants of \$17.50 and 30.00 each sufficient to represent the interest accruing thereon and all as provided in contract made by the county. Said warrants shall be duly signed and sealed in behalf of the county by the County Judge and County Clerk and dated the 1st day of June, 1912, and registered by the county treasurer as the 1st day of June, 1912, which warrants shall be delivered to said contractor in payment of the claim No. 1 & 2, which claim represents a portion of the debt and contracted price due said contractor under its contract made with it by said county and dated the 14th day of May, 1912, which Contract is hereby ratified, approved, and confirmed in all its effects. Ordered that the clerk record all of the foregoing upon the minutes of the Court and give the contractor a certified copy thereof.

By W. B. Clark,
 Clerk of the Court.
 F. P. Henry,
 County Judge.

Signed by,

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of the record in my office as shown above. Witness my hand and official seal, this the 15th day of May, 1912.

(Seal)

W. B. Clark,
 Clerk of said Court.

Itemized statement of the expenses allowed and paid by the Commissioners Court of Floyd County, in favor of L. L. Thurmon & Company, Architects, L. R. Wright & Company, Contractors, and B. F. Sanders, Superintendent of Construction, To-wit:-
 July 12, 1911, To L. L. Thurmon & Co., Architects. \$2277.20. Feb. 17th, 1912, To L. R. Wright & Co., Contractors, 3500.00. Mar. 8, 1912, To L. R. Wright & Co., Contractors, 5000.00. Which was returned into court and cancelled May 14th, 1912. May 15, 1912, To L. R. Wright & Co., Contractors, 190.00. May 14th, 1912, To L. R. Wright & Co., Contractors, Interest, \$1558.72. To B. F. Sanders, Superintendent, Total Amt. paid Him, \$540.00. The above is a true and correct statement as the same now

Last week The Hesperian did refer to a report that Crosbyton was taking a hand in Floyd County fight between her towns. J. C. Garrison comes out in an affidavit and states that he made the statement to W. M. Massie and Bro., but that the statement was merely a joke. Since the charge and the denial of the charge have come out over Jake's own signature we feel that more are justifiable in disbelieving the charge or the denial of the charge.

We of your friends at Floydada, Jake, did believe you were stating over your own signature what you believed to be true, as we had confidence in your integrity; but we apologize to Lockney for believing your statement, and we sincerely promise never again to give any credence to any statement you may henceforth make.

But, really, should we be criticised for believing something stated as a fact over the signature of one of the prominent citizens of Lockney? You deceived your best personal friends, Jake, when you made that statement which you now dub as a joke.

It is bad to deceive strangers or mere acquaintances, Jake, but Jake, it is heaping a monstrosity on your closest friends when you deceive them as you deceived friends at Floydada.

The Hesperian was fair enough to offer to publish a denial of the report you made as a joke, Jake; but you did not have the candor to send your explanation of your statement to The Hesperian. Doubtless you were ashamed to tell your friends that you had deceived them; hence, you made an affidavit before a notary public.

Jake, you say you told some people at Floydada that your

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It is reported that some Lockney boosters of the Center movement visited Lakeview last Monday. The citizens of Lakeview heard the Lockney delegation gladly, and then passed resolutions disapproving the removal of the county seat from Floydada.

A pretty city will attract attention and attention is what counts in city building.

appears on record in my office.

W. B. Clark,
 County Clerk, Floyd County, Texas.
 Subscribed and Sworn to, before me this the 4th day of June, A. D. 1912.

W. T. Montgomery,
 (Seal) Notary Public, Floyd County, Texas.

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OF FLOYDADA.

Offers to its customers every accommodation consistent with safe banking. Makes loans on acceptable collateral, negotiates real estate loans; sells exchange on the principal cities thru the United States, and foreign countries; issues time certificates of deposit, makes collections, will care for your money, protect you from loss and save you from trouble.

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Jno. N. Farris President.

Surgein V. Presiden..

E. C. Nelson Cashier

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SANTA FE TIME TABLE.

West Bound	East Bound
Train No. 802	Train No. 801
Leaves	Arrives
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Announcements:

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

Rates:

District officers: \$15
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For District Attorney.
Geo. L. Mayfield.
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S. I. Farnsworth.
A. C. Goen.

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

For Tax Assessor.
B. C. Willis.
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For Com. Pre. No. 4.
Chas. Trowbridge.

For County Treasurer.
C. W. Thagard.

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

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

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

For Justice of the Peace, Pre. No. 1.
J. D. Price.
J. C. Gaither.

For County Surveyor.
G. A. Linder.

A supporter of the Center Removal movement said, when in Floydada not long since, that he hated Floydada and was willing to do "anything dirty" to carry the removal proposition. Frankness is an admirable trait, but the supporters of Floydada have a just cause and beg to be excused from doing any of the "dirty" business. It is a dirty shame that some people have attempted to make Floyd County a scene of strife and turmoil. But let it be hoped that the now seemingly active volcano will become extinct after next Saturday, when the majority of the people of Floyd County will say by their ballots. "We believe in the clean work of Preserving and building up, and we scorn the dirty work of stagnation and tearing down." Dirty work! Let no voter sanction it next Saturday.

After The Beacon construes the opinion from the Attorney General's Department as favoring the assertion that when the county seat is removed work on the courthouse will stop, The Beacon concludes by saying, "This opinion of the Attorney General seems to have been a frameup, and is meant to confuse the voters; but when you stop to study it, THERE IS NOTHING TO IT." If The Beacon were not so terribly in earnest, it would rival competitors as an organ of humor.

The editor of the Randell County News is entering extensively into the senatorial campaign favoring Jake Wolters. As a consequence he is in the limelight, as no other newspapermen of this section are supporting Mr. Wolters, being more in favor of Morris sheppard. The feature of the News, however, is its newsy qualities which counteract any loss of popularity it may make on account of political views.

A pair of \$10 trousers for \$1.50. Read our remarkable offer on page 4.
Ite. Edwards-Hogan Co.

Because the Attorney General did not say that the contractor will have to finish the courthouse it is urged that the contractor will have to cease work on the courthouse. The Beacon and "one of the best lawyers in West Texas" should establish a new cnair of logic in the higher institutionsof learning. Evidently this county seat removal contest is a foolish movement, as there is so much foolish talk about it.

About the time the world was created God said, "Let there be light." But since God has made the world, The Beacon is modifying God's plan by substantially saying, "Let the people be up in arms and let heat radiate and penetrate every nook and corner of Floyd County." The Beacon is telling the courts and lawyers how to construe the law of contracts, and it is likewise showing God how to run the universe. What else will The Beacon undertake before the election of county seat removal has transpired? Perhaps The Beacon will wipe out the event of Floyd County's past.



Is evident when your folks are sick, we keep nothing but the purest of Drugs for our prescription department and we know how to compound them. Prescriptions filled at any hour.

WHITE DRUG CO.

O. E. S. Members, Notice.

All officers and members of the Eastern Star are requested to be present Friday night, June 14th, installation night.
Ite. Ruth Green, W. M.

It has been noticeable the way the Hesperian has stood on the question of the county seat fight inasmuch as we have steered clear of calumny and abuse all the way through. We expect to live in Floyd County a long time and we expect to help make Floydada one of the best towns in the west, and no man ever made anything by abusing his neighbors. While there have rumors of all natures as untrue as untruth can be we have not felt it our duty to berate anybody, though we have done our best to correct any false statements which have been made. If people cannot reason for themselves and lay blame where blame belongs, and deal justice to themselves and their fellow man at the polls without our dealing in words which will only add to the turmoil, then we have sadly mistaken the people of Floyd County.

This campaign is not a personal one for the same county judge and the same commissioners will govern for at least six months after the election and the conditions will be excellent for them to use this power in anywise they may see fit; we regret therefore, to see their names used to influence good voters to vote against their own interests in order to satisfy an ambition which certain persons in Lockney have had from time immemorial, namely the downfall of Floydada and the establishment of Lockney as the county seat of Floyd County. The voter who votes for Center of the county will only be helping these parties one step near to the consummation of their goal, and will not have accomplished what he cast his vote for—the chastisement of the county commissioners.

Get your nails, wire, etc., of Jones Hardware. 2tc.

Price Talks Louder Than Words

Mail order houses say retail merchants make enormous profits while they sell to you at wholesale. Bunco. Compare the following actual catalogue prices with our prices the last two years it may be an eye opener to you. Notice, that this is their actual catalogue price and you pay express or postage extra.

Montgomery Ward & Co.

Number of item	Catalogue No. 80	Weight or Postage	Their Price	Fair Store Price
A 1715	8 1/2 inch candles	1 lb.	8 for 13c	15 for 25c
G 55445	Emery knife sharpener	4 oz.	9c each	10c
C 61638	White enamel soup plates	20 per cent frt.	16c	15c
F 25080	Tubular Rivets 100 asst.		12c	10c
Whoever sells you anything too high simply steals that extra profit from you				
D3431	3 in 1 oil	3 oz.	17c	10c
M60900	Wire waste basket	17 oz.	48c	40c
O9197	Wire clothes line	100 ft.	25c	25c
O8219	Wooden chafing dish	9 1/2 x 15	16c	15c
O8243	Men's leather purse		16c	15c
Is it fun to pay the freight				
O7488	Kitchen set		2 for 25c	2 for 25
A16620	Spearmint box gum	17c	63c	65c
A16614	Juicy fruit gum		60c	65c
Or if you don't want a whole box, 3 pieces 10c				
Do you get the benefit of competition if you buy without comparison?				
A19877	Aluminum enamel	1/4 pt.	21c	15c
36375	Brass No. 3 lamp burner		16c	15c
Trade with the trust, put the little man out you see their price now, what will it be then?				

Jones Post & Co.

Number of item	Catalogue No. 26	Postage or Weight	Jones' Price	Fair Store Price
10E710	Spencerian pen		12c doz.	10c
10E795	LePage glue	Extra	10c	10c
10E490	Plain cedar pencil tipped	Extra	10c	10c
10M2290	Violin bow rosem	Extra	5c	5c
22T3823	Shoe laces 3 pair	Extra	9c	5c
Part of the higher cost of living can be credited to above item. How much to the others?				
IR7766	Window shades 36 x 72 in	Extra	40c each	35c
	Per doz.		\$4.50	\$3.00
I had rather have a mail order business than a gold mine.				
788	Malable iron shoe stand	freight	80c	85c
D25056	Putty knife	20 per cent	14c	10c
27K2618	Glass lemon squeezer		8c	5c
One company declared dividends of \$22,000,000 last year, \$1.24 from every family in the United States.				

Sears Roebuck & Co.

Number	Catalogue No. 123	Postage or Weight	Their Price	Fair Store
8G1276	Blacking brush	1	19c	15c
8G376	Paper napkins 100	12 oz.	10c	10c
There's such a thing as quality and thousands of items cannot be compared because you have no way to tell their quality.				
8G112	Hydrogen peroxide	30 oz.	19c	20c
8G0904	Hore hound candy	1 lb.	17c	15c
Some few items they undersell us usually its more apparent than real, except their l or baits.				
Hit the little man, kick the under dog take a strangers worl that your neighbor is a thief. We need your trade you need our values. In 2 1/2 years business not a man, woman or child so far as I know has been cheated out of a penny. Mistakes corrected if reported.				

Don't read this until June the 9th.

Read it then if you know where your bread is buttered
Yes its Cash

L. H. LISTON & CO.

Let's Move

G. R. Grigg's entire stock of Groceries

Why?

Because they are the cheapest in the County and are fresh. Cheap Because I sell for cash and pay no high rents. Fresh because my stock keeps moving. I can save you money on everything more especially sugar and flour.

Geo. R. Griggs

"JOHNNIE ON THE SPOT"

The Right of Eminent Domain.

The right of eminent domain, or the power to confiscate real estate for the use of the county in choosing a site for a county seat, has not been delegated by the constitution or the laws of the state to the people. Lands can be condemned for the use of railroads or for highways, but not for county seats.

Therefore, the citizen who votes to move the county seat from Floydada to the center of Floyd County is placing himself at the mercy of nonresident heirs who can demand and receive their own price for the necessary lands on which lay off a court house square and erect a court house. In other words, if the people are now in the hands of tyrannical rulers at home, will they better themselves by placing themselves in the power of nonresident heirs whose terms of office do not expire or from whose judgment there is no appeal? If even one of these heirs refuses to sign a deed consigning this property to Floyd County without an exorbitant price who is to be the judge? None but himself. And yet, we are asked to believe that it is to our interests to move the county seat to such

lan . So absurd is such a proposition that no honest man who lets himself think will vote such a ticket.

It is absolutely within the power of the commissioners' Court to build another court house such as they have taxable valuations to issue warrants upon, right in this very lake and enter into negotiations and pay the price for this lake as they see fit.

Does this look like your children's children are going to rise up and bless your memories "in the days when you and I have passed off this mundane sphere" and presumatly taken wings for the happy regions? To hear the Beacon tell it one would think that a vote cast for the Center is all St. Peter would ask of a prospective inhabitant of that brighter world.

We don't see how you can afford to vote—but wait, let our contemporary, the Beacon, Lawyer Dalton's apprentice, explain the law and the evidence. He knows.

The affidavit submitted by W. B. Clark shows that the sums paid L. L. Thurman & Company, architects, L. R.

Wright & Company, contractors and E. F. Sanders, superintendent of construction, aggregate \$8065.92. The order of the commissioners' court approving claims No. 1 and No. 2 shows the sum of \$18,500 has been estimated and allowed for work done and material furnished by L. R. Wright & Company for the court house at Floydada. All items of expense paid and allowed amount to \$26,565.92. It would therefore seem that the Attorney General was not misinformed when told that approximately \$25000 worth of work was done on the courthouse.

The Hesperian has no apologies to make for being interested in the county seat's remaining at Floydada. But after this week this paper will steadfastly let the present unpleasantness be a thing strictly of the past. To punch The Beacon for its pessimism and legal elucidation will not characterize these columns of this week, for it will be foolish thing of hunt up scores. Let bygones be of the past! That is our motto.

Try an ad liner.

Public School Matters in Floyd County

The following discussion of public school matters is by the authority and under the direction of the County Board of Education of Floyd County. The purpose of this discussion is to stimulate thought on public school matters and to assist in bringing about much needed improvement in the public schools of Floyd County.

Financial Support of Schools.

The average State in the Union spends \$31.65 per pupil of average attendance, but Texas spends \$18.55 per pupil of average attendance. We who are ever and anon singing the praises of Texas do not always realize that our own beloved State does not spend quite two-thirds as much as the average State. A glance at the public school system of the State of California reveals an expenditure of \$59.01 per scholastic of average attendance; that is to say, more than four times as much as the State of Texas spends on her school children. These figures are given to convince ourselves that Texas is far in the rear of the vanguard of educational activity. To admit our inferiority in school matters to the average State is, to some extent, depressing to our pride; but how should we feel when we find ourselves so far behind California?

The magnificent State school fund we have heard extolled so long and so much has been a positive disadvantage to the public schools of Texas, for many have been thereby deceived into thinking that the schools were really free. Many common school districts in this State depend upon the State apportionment alone for the support of their schools. Fortunately it is different in Floyd County. Every school district in Floyd levies a local tax. A few districts in Floyd County tax themselves to the constitutional limit of fifty cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation. This is a favorable omen. People are learning that the lamented Jim Hogg spoke words of truth when he said that if the people of Texas ever built up an efficient public school system, they would have to pay for it thru local taxation. God speed the day when the people of Texas follow his counsel in educational matters as he was heeded in legislative affairs.

The annual cost per pupil enrolled in independent school districts is \$15.16, and that on each pupil enrolled in the common school districts is \$8.94. It is therefore apparent that country people are decidedly more parsimonious than town people towards the children of their respective schools. Is there any reason why this difference should be made? Is the country child the inferior of the town child? If people's faith

were determined wholly by their works, it would be logical to conclude that town children are the superior of country children.

But what people do, and what they think, are entirely different matters. To harmonize people's acts and people's thoughts would be an insuperable task. I am not metaphysician enough to assume a Sissyphian undertaking.

The country child is, by all that is right and just, entitled to be under a teacher of a high order of teaching ability for at least eight scholastic months. Teachers of high scholarship and normal training schools at all odds, should be procured in country schools; but teachers thus qualified must be commensurately remunerated for their services. It pays to employ the most skillful teachers. This is a proposition too self-evident to admit of the slightest parleying.

To obtain the best teaching force, necessary buildings, and proper length of term local taxation is essential. A school district containing thirty-six square miles and fifty scholastics will need two teachers for a term of eight months. It is conservative to estimate that \$250 should be expended each year as sinking fund and incidental expenses. To this sum is to be added \$1000 as the aggregate of the teachers' salaries for a term of eight months. To spend less \$1250 a year on a school of this size would be utter folly. But how can this sum be raised? The State apportionment will amount to about \$300,00, and the County fund apportionment may be \$300,00 more. But the State and County apportionments will be only \$600,00. The remaining \$650 must be raised by local taxation if the people get out of a school what they should have. But under present valuation of about \$144,000, a twenty-cent local tax rate would augment the school fund of the district only \$288.00, but this is not enough. Will a forty-cent local tax rate be sufficient? Let us see. This rate will increase the district school fund to \$576,00. But this is still not enough to make \$1250.00. A forty-five cent local tax rate will realize for the supplemental school fund the sum of \$648.00. There is still lacking two dollars. To make sure of having sufficient school funds for the district a fifty-cent local tax rate should be levied and collected. A school thus equipped would call for an annual outlay of \$25.00

per pupil, and \$14.40 of this sum would be realized out of the local school tax. Should any parent object to spending \$14.40 or \$25.00 a year on his child? Does not the average man spend as much as \$14.40 for Drummand's Natural Leaf or Tinsley's Thrick Plug? The man who complains not at the cost of his narcotic stimulants should not hesitate to make a like sacrifice to develop the best that is in his child.

A ship was at sea. A boy had fallen overboard and was about to drown. The Captain commanded that something be done towards rescuing the boy. But all efforts to save the boy seemed to be unavailing. Under the captain's directions further efforts to rescue the drowning boy ceased. But the captain was thereupon informed that it was his own dear child who was sinking. The captain exclaimed, "My God! Save the boy! If we will only work hard enough, the boy can be saved!" Strenuous efforts were put forth, and the boy was restored to the embraces of his distracted father. To the captain the saving of the boy who had fallen overboard because a personal matter, and he saw the matter in a different light.

The ship of state is sailing. The country child is suffering for the lack of adequate school facilities. The country child belongs as much to the State as town child. Then, should not the same lifeline be thrown out to the country child that is being given to the town child?

Indian Corn vs. Kaffir Corn.

A visitor from Iowa this week reports that his son filled a silo with 13 acres of Indian corn, and upon investigation it was found that a silo near Canyon, with a little greater capacity than the Iowa silo had been filled with 10 acres of kaffir corn. The Iowa land was valued at \$300 per acre. The land in Randall county was bought a short time ago for \$25 per acre. Scientific test have been made to prove that kaffir corn ensilage is superior in quality to Indian corn. Indian corn in Iowa last year made from \$20 to \$35 per acre for the farmer. Kaffir corn on the Plains last year made from \$20 to \$37.50 per acre.—Randall Co. News.

Rook Club.

The Rook Club met last Thursday afternoon at 3:30 with Mrs. Wm. Hancock with the following members and guests present: Mesdames Darsey, Burrus, Luna, Donaldson, Biles, Bingham, Surginer, Hughes, Ivey; Misses Shipley, Goins, Staley, Barry of Walnut Springs, Coltrane of San Antonio, Mrs. Ivey. Three courses were served of delightful refreshments, consisting of candy, grape juice, cream and cake.

The State Convention.

Judge T. M. Bartley attended the State Democratic Convention at Houston last week, returning home on Saturday afternoon. He clipped the following from the Houston Chronicle which he says is a very good summing up of the situation at Houston:

This week's state democratic convention in Houston has demonstrated:

That the machine and the bosses have been eliminated.

That the principle of direct legislation is paramount, and that the masses of Texas people believe in the initiative, referendum and recall.

That Cone Johnson is the most popular democrat in Texas today, and could easily have been elected United States senator.

That, for the first time in the history of the state, a democratic governor will be allowed to serve only one term.

That Ramsey will be the next governor of Texas, not because of the prohibition question, but because the people are in absolute revolt against the machine and the men with whom Colquitt has been identified.

That Baileysmand anti-Baileysism will never again divide the Texas democracy, Bailey being no longer an issue and his principles being utterly repudiated by the convention and the platform.

"Slaton Day."

June 15 has been designated by the people of Slaton as "Slaton Day," that being their first anniversary. Slaton is a wonder alright, and is making rapid strides toward the city class.

K. P. Memorial Service.

The local lodge of the Knights of Pythias announce a memorial service to be held the third Sunday in June at 4 P. M., at the Baptist Church at which time their ritual will be carried out. The third Sunday in June will be June 16th, and everybody is cordially invited to be present.

To Try Man-Power Flights.

Paris, May 31.—An interesting competition will be held in Paris Sunday, with the object of demonstrating whether man can fly by his own efforts without the aid of a motor. It is suggested that a propeller may be driven by pedalling, as in a cycle, or that some form of cycle may be fitted with planes. A prize of \$2,000 will be awarded to the first person who flies 33 feet with his own power. A further prize of \$20,000 is offered for a man-power flight from Paris to Versailles, a distance of seven miles.

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I will offer you on Saturday, June 8th, and Monday the 10th, some special bargains for cash only. As I have gotten in 30 dozen pairs of shoes last week will offer you ladies and children's slippers at a bargain so you will be making as good investment as if you were investing in real estate--as shoes and real estate are gradually going up all the time. A genuine good ladies' slipper, 3.50 for \$3, 3 slipper for \$2.50, 2.50 slipper for \$2, a misses' slipper, \$2 value for \$1.75.

It will be surprising to you to see the low prices I have on babies' slippers. On ladies skirts I have had the lowest price all the time. Will give you prices on them.

Misses \$4 skirt for \$3. Ladies skirts 6.50, for \$5; 7.50 value for \$5.50; 9 value for \$7.

Men's pants, the best quality, would cost you \$7.50 and \$8 tailor-made, my prices \$4.50.

Saturday and Monday

Regular \$4.50 pant at 3.75; \$3 pant for 2.25; \$2 pant for \$1.50; \$1.75 pant for \$1.25.

Remember that I sell as I advertise. I take your chickens and eggs the same as if they were cash.

O. B. OLSON

"On the wrong side of Town, But it pays to walk"

Read every ad in this week's Hesperian. They are certainly worth your attention. While you are making up your mind to vote for the place of your choice in the election you might as well take advantage of some of the good things offered by our merchants and profit there. Sears, Roebuck & Co., haven't got us skinned on prices at Floydada merchants make money.

Every week we see reports in Plainview papers stating different professors from different colleges are coming to view to study the fossil tions. I did not know that Hale grew moss backs so far in ancient history, though are portions of the state a could find plenty of fossil personages.

J. Muncy, of Lockney, was Floydada last Tuesday on business.

A. N. Gamble and John Smith were absent the earlier part of the week from Floydada, having gone to Spur and Girard on business.

T. K. Sparks, accompanied by his grandson, Jesse Standefer of Matador, arrived in Floydada Monday, Mr Sparks is on a visit with his granddaughter, Mrs. J. A. Burrus.

T. A. Morrison received at the local station fifteen hundred Arizona heifers which he intends to run on his pastures in this county the coming year.

M. F. Klattenhoff, of Slaton, was in Floydada looking after his realty interests in the county, having arrived on Friday of last week.

The TM Bar ranch shipped 173 head of 2-year old steers to Theo. Pyle, of Clarendon, Texas, last Saturday.

Hesperian ads bring results.

R. E. Edwards, of the firm of Edwards-Hogan Co., tailors, Spur, has been in Floydada the past week on business.

Manuel Corbin, of Tulsa, Okla., who made Floydada his home during last winter, is back in town on a combined business and pleasure trip.

Carl Patton left last Tuesday morning for a visit in Spur, where his mother is out on a visit from Fort Worth.

Rev. G. W. Shearer, Dr. R. C. Andrews, and J. A. Callihan spent Tuesday in Lockney on business.

A. H. Lewis, of the brakes country, was in the city last Monday on business.

A. J. Blackwell, of Sandhill, was in Floydada Monday shaking hands with friends.

Mrs. Horace T. Owen has returned from a visit in Lubbock with relatives.

Miss Golden Goins returned last Friday from a visit in the country of a week.

J. A. Burrus made a business trip to Lockney last Saturday.

I. D. Gamble spent the latter part of last week in Spur.

The Lockney Beacon says that when one contract ends and another begins there must be an interval of time between the dying of one and the birth of another. Doubtless the railroad which ends the distance at Lockney from Floydada and which begins the distance at Lockney in its run to Plainview has a space of some distance between the ending at Lockney and the beginning at Lockney. Certainly then a train in making the run from Floydada to Plainview, via Lockney, must make a leap from the ending of one distance to the beginning of another distance. You will say this is nonsense, but is The Beacon's logic reasoning a thing of nonsense?

If a man should rise up and say that Floyd County was once organized and that Floydada was made the county seat, The Beacon would say, without reservation, "Taint So!" To every statement anyone makes, Lawyer Beacon pleads a general denial.

The Beacon says "The Beacon man is not a lawyer." But did not The Beacon man show up a number of flaws in the opinion given out by the Attorney General's Department?

The Beacon did not even like Mr. Hall's address to the people of Floyd County. It is surprising that The Beacon cannot approve of anything that emanates from the brain of a Floydada man. Mr. Hall and the Attorney General's Department will doubtless learn not to open their heads henceforth, for does not The Beacon say by its actions, "I am Sir Oracle, and when I open my mouth, I let no other dogs bark."

The Beacon criticises the opinion from the Attorney General's Department on the one hand, and the other hand constructs it in favor of the contention that when the county seat is removed work on courthouse will stop. It is now time for the Supreme and Appellate courts to cease handing down opinions, for The Beacon can settle all legal questions without one moment's reflection. It is a great thing to be gifted like The Beacon is.

O. B. Olson and family spent Sunday near Lockney on a visit with Mrs. Olson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Holcomb.

9,000 Sticks Brings Rain.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week the Double U Company blasted for rain, but the explosives were of an inferior grade and proved unsatisfactory; so on Thursday morning the work was renewed with a greater determination and more powerful explosives were used. The sky was perfectly clear on this occasion and a strong wind was blowing from the south, but about the noon hour the air currents were broken, the wind ceased and the temperature rose, when presently a chain of clouds were visible on the southern horizon. Gradually these clouds climbed higher and nearer till nightfall when a good rain fell in the southern part of the county, and a sprinkle reached the city. On Friday evening a heavy, black cloud drifted up from the northwest and a good precipitation fell in the northern part of the county and a nice shower visited Pos City.

Mr. Post is a great believer in rain-making and has many supporters to this belief. It was a noted occurrence after the battles during previous wars that a good precipitation followed each cannonading and several years ago our government officials took cognizance of this fact and sent "experts" to the plains country near the town of Midland, armed with various explosive to bombard and test the rain-making theory. But there were no honors attained; in fact, the experiments were carried on by sending the explosives into mid-air to be discharged by the aid of balloons, and in one instance a Texas cowboy prevented a stampede by roping a burning balloon and dragging it and the heavy explosives into a nearby lake of water. Nowadays, science has taught us different, and Mr. Post has studied the elements, conducted these experiments on a systematic scale and is now meeting with great success in bringing on rain.—Post.

There is no denying that a county seat is a desirable thing for a town to possess. That is why the defunct town of Della Plains once wanted the county seat, and same is true of the Lockney of early days. By the way, Lockney has in times gone yearned for the county seat of Floyd County. Did she not get up a petition with about 300 names signed to it, and did not that petition ask that an election be held for the removal of the county seat from Floydada to Lockney? The same was withdrawn however; but if it had not been a doubtful proposition, Lockney would have held on and tried for the trophy. Lockney is not to be censured for feeling that she would like to have the county seat. To want to prosper is natural. Floydada wants to keep the county seat, and this desire of hers is commendable. But it is a different matter for Lockney to want to injure Floydada when Lockney can not be profited thereby. To remove the county seat from Floydada to the center will doubtless injure citizens of Floydada, but will the removal benefit Lockney? An inmate of a lunatic asylum might say so, but no voter in Floyd County would say so. To spite the commissioners' court or to injure Floydada is the only reason why a citizen of Lockney can vote for removal. It is a burning shame, a dirty shame, that one portion of the people of Floyd County would, for a moment, give sanction to such a movement. Let no voter next Saturday be so unguarded as to vote against the best interests of Floyd County merely to spite or injure some place or set of men. This is certainly a time for all in Floyd County to resolve to be cool-headed and clear-

Protracted Meeting.

Rev. Willie H. Stephens, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Floydada, with Rev. W. A. Clack, of Olney, Texas, will commence a meeting here in Floydada Thursday, June 20th, 1912, at 8:30 P. M., in a tent 52x70 feet. The meeting will continue two weeks or longer. All are cordially invited to attend all the services and Christians of all denominations are earnestly solicited to come hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder, and work for the glory of God, the advancement of Christ's Kingdom, and the salvation of men.

\$500,000.00 to loan on ranch properties in Central and West Texas. red E. Haynes, 305-Wilson Building, Dallas, Tex. tf.

Miss Kate Coltrane, of San Antonio, left Friday morning for home after a two weeks visit in Floydada with Mrs. A. R. Taylor.

Ira Simpson, Claude Barnes and Earl Simpson, of Lockney, were in Floydada last Friday afternoon on business.

Try an ad liner.

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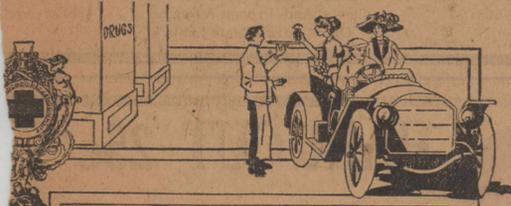
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Soda water, if "made right" and served properly, is the most delicious beverage known to maid, matron or man.

It is the JAGLESS JUICE OF JOY --the great American beverage of good cheer.

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Floydada Drug Co.

Floydada The Best City In Floyd County

Vickery-Hancock The Best Store In Floydada

On Saturday and Monday the 8 and 10th we will sell for cash at these prices:

10 lb Cottolene	\$1.20	1 doz. cans sugar corn	90c
Cream of the Plains Flour per hundred	\$2.75	1 doz' cans 3 lb. Tomatoes	\$1.20
Gold Crown per 100 lb.	\$3.00	1 pkg. Easy light matches	15c

Come Celebrate with us on the victory we are bound to win. Pull for the city that is on the square and

Vickery-Hancock Gro. Co.

Home Run Week.

This is home run week in Floyd County. Either Floydada will make a home run and cross the plate safely next Saturday with the big end of the votes of the county—or it won't. However sarguine the other side may be we cannot but have confidence in the final outcome for the best, and we consequently believe that Floydada will win with a good majority.

When the hurly-burly's over and the battle fought and won—Floydada will be very generous to our opponents. We are going to let them into the band wagon and help build up Floyd County.

You can always 'come back' on a good road.

Floyd County is the best county on the plains, a fact which has been amply demonstrated by our record as a productive community the past few years. Let's not mar this productive, upbuilding spirit for the next ten years by sectional strife, which never has yet made anybody anything and has always been a losing game from start to finish.

This week or the first part of next will see the completion of the Barrow building on the northwest corner of the square, and it will certainly be a pretty building when finished.

The owner, contractor and architect are to be complimented on its neatness, pretty design, and arrangement throughout.

City Building Notes.

Com-Secy's Bulletin
Know your city as you would yourself—Knowledge spells success.

Texas markets offer all the allurements of the eastern trade centers including the prices,

Do things the other man has'nt thought of.

Hurry, bustle and business encourage capital and create confidence.

Pave the streets before the mud soils your reputation as well as your wearing apparel

Some cities have profited through the mistakes of others.

Encourage the local factory by support and patronage.

Shade trees and shrubery lend an air of sublimity not to be gotten in any other way.

Be tenacious in all movements that make for the upbuilding of your city.

The future of a city depends on foundation, location and transportation.

A buyer should naturally trade at the nearest market—patronize home-industry.

Time waits for no man—build that good road.

A commercial organization is the greatest factor in city building.

Say to the stranger—"Welcome to our city" and make the welcome good.

If you want to progress—say something—do something—be something.

Some people will howl for a railroad and growl when they get it.

Austin, Texas, May 30th, 1912.
Hon. F. P. Henry,
County Judge,
Floydada, Texas.

Dear Sir:—

This department is in receipt of your letter of May the 27th which is as follows:

"Floyd County heretofore entered into a contract with L. R. Wright and Co., for the erection of a court house at Floydada, the county seat of Floyd County. About \$25,000 worth of material has already been used in the erection of said building, since which time the citizens of Lockney in Floyd County have petitioned me for a county seat election and I have ordered the same to be held on the 8th day of June. In the event a sufficient number of voters at said election should be in favor of a removal of the county seat from Floydada, will that invalidate the contract with L. R. Wright & Company, or to what extent, if any, will the county be liable under said contract? Will the vote of the people, ipso facto, determine the location without regard to judicial procedure to determine questions of irregularity or illegality of said election? Can I, as County Judge, or the Commissioners Court of Floyd County, compel said L. R. Wright & Company to suspend work under the contract until the matter can be definitely settled?"

In answer to same, I beg to advise you that under the state laws given, the removal of

the county seat from Floydada would not invalidate the contract with L. R. Wright & Company. The county would be liable for the value of the contract. By this I mean that the county would be liable for the damages that would result to said company by reason of the change in the plans. The company would have the right to continue the building of the courthouse and claim the full advantages of its contract, or if the commissioners court should serve notice on the company that the court will not stand by its contract, then he can claim whatever profits that would accrue to him, if he fulfilled his contract.

As to whether the vote of the people will ipso facto determine the location without regard to judicial procedure to determine questions of irregularity or illegality of said election, I am of the opinion that the location of the county seat would be determined when the result of the election was declared by the Commissioners' Court.

The Commissioners' Court has no power to compel said L. R. Wright & Company to suspend work under the contract until the matter can be settled.

Hoping that this fully answers your inquiry, I am

Yours very truly,
(Signed) O. C. FUNDERBURK,
Assistant Attorney General.

The principal sum to be paid for the court house at Floydada is about \$73,690.00. The rate 6 per centum per annum is to be paid on the principal sum due from year to year. In seventeen years, the principal and interest thereon will amount to about \$100,000. Warrants aggregating this amount will be issued as occasion demands. Therefore the statement that the cost of the court house has been increased from about \$75,000.00 to about \$100,000.00 is simply a county seat removal mistake which has been made rather recklessly. No increase in the cost of the courthouse has been made.

E. R. Gibson last Monday purchased the Busy Busy Bee Restaurant from McCallon and McCleskey, taking charge Tuesday morning.

E. E. Gibson has charge of the restaurant under the new management.

I beg to advise you that under the state of facts given, the removal of the county seat from Floydada would not invalidate the contract with L. R. Wright & Company. The county would be liable to said company for the value of the contract.—From Attorney General's second opinion.

It is being rumored that County Clerk W. B. Clark has given out the statement that only about \$3500.00 have been paid out on the courthouse contract and that L. R. Wright & Company will cease further operations for the additional sum \$2000.00. Mr. Clark is giving out no statements pertaining to this county seat contest except what is of record in his office, and these statements or affidavits are being given out to both sides of the controversy without any comments one way or the other. Put it down in your book of truthful sayings that W. B. Clark is making no statements, especially false statements, to influence voters for or against Floydada or center.

P. H. Flynn and J. B. Sharbet have formed a co-partnership in the butcher business and have moved to the building adjoining the photograph gallery, where they have a very neat, clean establishment.

They are preparing to cater to the best trade.

Cut-Off Soon To Be Finished.

Lubbock, Texas, May 30.—Completion of the last stretch, 96 miles, of the Texico-Coleman cut-off is in sight.

Your correspondent has just been advised that contract for completion of the last ninety-six miles of the long-talked-of Texico-Coleman cut-off has been awarded to Walter H. Denison, of Cushman, Ark. Mr. Denison is a railroad builder of no small concern, having built many miles of railroad in the western country, and the great Santa Fe system can congratulate itself upon securing this gentleman to do this work, which assures it to be done with dispatch. Mr. Denison is no stranger to the Santa Fe system. He built the heavy grade between Lubbock and Sweetwater, over the cap-rock, for this company, some two years ago.

In the completion of this 96 miles of line, the Santa Fe system will have the most direct line of railroad from the Gulf of Mexico to California, which certainly means something wonderful to their system, line between these two important points. It also settles the question in the minds of some as to the location of the balance of this line, some speculation having been on foot as to Lubbock being able to secure it.

The Beacon admits that Floydada has some brick buildings; but what if this statement had come from Floydada or the Attorney General's Department? Then The Beacon would, to be consistent with its style of argument, say the same.

BOWER'S

Factory to Consumer Sale

Saturday the 8th

1 Lot remnant gingham 1 to 10 yd. pieces 5c cash
Fine lot of 7 1-2c percale, Saturday 5c. Your choice of my apron check gingham 7c. All 10c utility dress gingham 7 1-2c. Positively the newest and best line of Ferguson-McKinney corsets, ranging in price from 75c to \$3 will sell Saturday 20 per cent off. 1 Lot No. 80 hair ribbon 10c per yard. Wash ribbon 10c per bolt. 1 Lot of torchon lace 5c per yd. 1 Lot of fine bed sheets cash the 8th 55c.

Men's Suits

\$20 Suits \$13.75, \$15 Suits \$10.75, \$12.50 Suits \$8.75. 75 odd coats and vests 1-3 off.

OLD JOE BOWERS

Old Bakery Stand North Side Square
Floydada, Texas

We Have Moved

To the Masonic building on north west corner square and are now ready in every department to give you the things you want at the right price. We are better able to serve you now than ever before and we are going to do it.

Specials for Election Week Only

Next Sat. 8th you will have a chance to vote on the location of the county seat—a chance in five years don't miss it. You will also have a chance to buy dry goods in the following lines cheaper than you have ever bought them in the same length of time.

Don't miss Them

Note the Specials

Saturday the 8th only for cash, choice of our spring stock of ladies' hats including Gages from \$5.00 to \$12.50 for only \$2.50.

Saturday the 8th only, for cash, any wash dress in house from 3 to \$5 your choice \$2.50.

Choice of our 1.25 and \$1.50 waists cash Saturday the 8th only \$1. One lot of bleached domestic 8 1-3c quality, 10 yds. for 50c. 10 yards to family. Special prices on our entire line of oxfords.

Saturday Only

Big lot of men's suits ranging in price from 14 to \$20, Saturday only for cash \$10. Just a few of the good things which it will pay you to investigate.

Mathis-Martin D. G. Co.

"The Store With the Goods"

N. W. Cor. Square

Floydada, Texas

The Geographical Center.
The geographical center of Floyd County is in a 40-acre lake! And on land belonging to nonresident heirs! Now doesn't that sound like the people who have lead this county seat removal fight have the people's interest at heart! It certainly does. (nit). And won't the county seat in the middle of a big lake look good to future home buyers in Floyd County. Why, as soon as people north and east find out that our patriotic citizens have declared they will not have a county seat where it will serve special interests but have put it in a lake where the grass will grow green even in the driest times, they will flock to Floyd County in herds. Then it will be, fellow citizens, that the Lockney Beacon will be praised for its stand for the people against the tyranny of an overbearing town like Floydada which takes people's money from them like a horse thief. Ah, blessed indeed, is the fact that the fruitful minds of newspaperman and a few patriots evolved such a plan. Now, rise up, ye American citizens

and wrest from foul hands the county seat, raise up and wrench this yoke of bondage from your necks. (aint that yoke of bondage working them over-time, though); raise up—and put the court house of Floyd County in the middle of a 40-acre basin. (We might add in parenthesis, so we can raise and put it in Lockney five years hence.)

"Skeeters '11 Be Sorter Bad."

A party of citizens were out looking over the future site of the Floyd County seat last Tuesday evening, and among the bunch was T. T. Thompson, the amiable deputy county clerk (who by the way, hasn't taken a great hand in the present fight). Upon being shown his future environments, looking up hill from the basin, he scratched his head and declared that "The skeeters '11 be sorter bad here, huh!"

Thompson will be among the bunch of Officers who will want the county to furnish mesquite bars and row-boats for them, but we won't allow any such. We are going to save our nest-ible. Now citizens the

tax, so that our children and our children's children will raise up and call us blessed.

No, no, Tom. Just buy you a pair of rubber boots and a palm leaf fan. We've got to save our fellow-citizens' money till we get redy to build us a good court house in a more desirable place. (Possibly Lockney.) See!

The Beacon has already made the Attorney General's opinion and Mr. Hall's address look like thirty cents. Now see The Beacon jump on the resolutions adopted by those sturdy farmers of Lakeview. Won't those men of Lakeview who had the courage and honesty to declare their thoughts feel small when The Beacon gets through trimming them down? They'll wish they'd kept their thoughts to themselves after Pessimist Beacon gets through currying them down for their audacity to speak out on a vital question to taxpayers.

The Commissioners' Court has no power to compel said L. R. Wright & Company to suspend work under the contract until the matter can be settled by the Attorney General's letter.

A Two Inch Rain

Portions of Floyd County Visited with Heavy Precipitation Friday.

A rain which covered the greater part of Floyd County, fell last Friday afternoon and night and will prove to be of untold benefit to the county. The farmers were beginning to need rain to carry on their operations. Quite a little planting is yet to be done, mostly maize, kaffir, millet, etc., which make better planted late.

The local observatory recorded two inches of rainfall at Floydada and other portions report a similar amount though some parts had more and others very little. However, those parts which missed this rain were visited with a good shower a week or more ago and did not really need it.

In all countries a good rain in the croplanting and making time is a stimulus to business actives and the present rain is no exception in that it has been quite a help toward giving all the farmers employment as laborers.

Floyd County's crop prospects are flattering. There is only one lack and that is silos to care for the forage crops the coming fall.

Read our remarkable offer on page 4.
Ite. Edwards-Hogan Co.

To The Lockney Beacon:

You take the position that for the county seat to remain at Floydada will involve the County in future extravagance in public buildings. How can the county seat remaining at Floydada involve the County in future extravagance in public buildings any more than it would if the county seat were removed to the geographical center? Has not the commissioners' court the same power to erect extravagant public buildings at one place as at another? To render the construction of courthouses, jails, and so forth at Floydada or any other county seat town you must abrogate the law authorizing building contracts by the issuance of county warrants. How can the warrant law be abolished? By legislative enactment, not by county seat removal.

Let the county seat be removed Floydada, and it is apparent that the temptation to involve the County in extravagant public building would be intensified. Why? Because Article 819, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1895, makes it the duty of the commissioners' court as soon as practicable after the removal of the county seat from one place to another to provide a courthouse and a jail for the county, and offices for the county officers at such county seat, and to keep the same in repair. Thus, you should see, the commissioners' court could plead, and rightly, that the law directed it to involve the county on extravagant public buildings.

In the erection of the courthouse at Floydada the commissioners' court cannot claim it had a statutory mandate to build the same as the commissioners' court could claim if the county seat were removed to a new place.

Junior League Program.

Subject.—"Volunteer."—Isaiah vi: 8.
Song.
Leader.—Pauline Bishop.
Talk by superintendent.
Isaiah vi-11-13.—Cleo Andrew.
Song.
Isaiah vi: 8, 13.—Irvin Bishop.
Story.—J. B. Bishop.
Song. Roll call.
Benediction.

A fraternal feeling is necessary in any community.



"County Site Dope" is taking the day in Floyd Co. Let her rip brother till June 8th then she will be settled. The shoe question will be forever settled if you wear a pair of Walk Overs, Ladies you will not go wrong to see my line of pumps before you buy. I have a swell assortment at the right price.

Glad Snodgrass

the place to buy good clothes

Now is the time for the campaign yarn to be circulated. Anything and everything will be told to influence voters in the full and free expression of their will next Saturday. Voters of Floyd County, make up your minds not to believe any report that has its origin on election day.

The Beacon asks why Floydada's citizens did not join Lockney in her efforts to undo the action of the commissioners' court in ordering the construction of the courthouse at Floydada. There were cool-headed men at Floydada. No one who investigated the legality of the matter could see wherein anything but harm could be accomplished by that injunction proceeding, which Lockney has recently seen fit to abandon. The Kinney County courthouse decision was handed down just before the Floydada courthouse contract was let. The Supreme Court refused to grant a writ of error on this decision of their San Antonio Court of Civil Appeals. He who gave this careful study was bound to conclude that there was no question about the power of the commissioners' court to build a courthouse by the warrant plan. That is exactly what any lawyer should have advised the citizens who sought to put an end to the courthouse contract. The people who did not approve of the courthouse contract are not to be censured for going into this court proceeding, for they doubtless were advised that the law is against the commissioners' court. It certainly would have been foolish for any man to have joined in this suit when he had good reasons to believe that the case would avail nothing except confusion and harm.

The longest way round is the sweetest way home—over a good road.

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statement to W. M. Mass Bro. was a joke; but, Jake, must be joking in your affidavit for we have searched in vain for a man to whom you told that you were joking.

Jake, you say in that affidavit of yours that "the article referred to in the Floydada paper is for the purpose of misleading and getting votes for Floydada." but why do you make this charge against The Hesperian? Do you believe The Hesperian would mislead voters because you have misled your friends at Floydada? You should not Measure The Hesperian in your own bushel measure.

The total absurdity of Lockney's different arguments why the county seat should be moved from Floydada is illustrated by a report which emanated from that place to the effect that Floydada's hotels would not feed a Lockey man at their table. This is so untrue that a real good liar would refrain from acknowledging it, and of course all Lockney citizens are not stooping so low, but it aptly illustrates some of their argument which is as false and as much without foundation as the above.

For that matter we have an instance in mind this week where one Lockney citizen ate in Floydada on a credit. Give us a fair deal, boys, we are not that "poison", even if we do take the attorney-general's word for law in preference to the Lockney Beacon.

The opinion from the Attorney General's Department is criticized because it is over the signature of O. C. Funderburk, assistant Attorney General. It could scarcely be expected that this opinion would please those who believed in the theory that upon the removal of the county seat from Floydada work would stop on the courthouse. But Mr. Funderburk is what is known as the opinion writer of the Attorney General's Department. Whatever he writes bears the stamp of approval of the chief man of the Department. Some critics state that Mr. Funderburk is about the Sixth assistant Attorney General. Whatever he may be Jewell P. Lightfoot stands responsible for whatever opinions that are given out by the Attorney General's Department.

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Drs. Gibner & Meyers

Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat, Specialist and Optometrist

By the request of some citizens have decided to give the people of Floydada and surrounding country 2 days longer, they will be here at their office at Mr. L. G. Pools residence Monday and Tuesday, June the 10th and 11th, where they are ready to treat all kinds of Eye, Ear, Nose and throat troubles. Many people are held fast to long hours, and endless days, suffering from Eye Strain which are the cause of headaches, migrane, indigestion of all kinds, and in all combinations. Unconquerable sleepiness by day, and still more unconquerable wakefulness by night. Hystera, vertigo, epilepsy, neuralgia, brain sickness, functional heart troubles. St. Vitus dance is caused by eye strain, yet to many the above claims by Drs. Gibner and Meyers are like the Ancient Mariner for the many curious facts with regard to eye strain, is that the patient has often little or no pain in the eyes, thus seldom suspecting the true cause of their malady. They become hopeless, nervous wrecks go blind or go mad. All of the above can be eliminated by scientific examination and the proper treatment of the cause by correctly fitted glasses, fitted by competent Oculists and Optometrist, will and can relieve it. See them while they are here, they guarantee their work to your entire satisfaction, their glasses are made according to their prescription decided upon after a careful examination of your eyes. Everybody should appreciate the advantage of their dependable service, their kryptoks or Invisible Bifocal Lens which are made by fusing at 2,200 degrees Fahrenheit are unsurpassed for the users of Bifocals two pair in one. Remember their date and office, the 10 and 11th of June, at Pools Residence