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As the time for the election approaches, the matter of the bond issue and the kind of a school house to build is being more freely discussed.

It is generally thought that the bond issue will carry and that the new board of directors, whoever they may be, will soon assume the responsibility of expending the money incurred from the sale of the bonds to the best advantage. It is a matter for serious consideration and only the best qualified men for the position should be elected. It might also be considered expedient to select such men only as will not be personally interested in the location of the building; sale of the bonds or in furnishing contracts or materials for the construction of the building.

The money must be expended in the most economical manner and the best building erected that the funds will permit.

The idea has recently been advanced and we believe it worthy of proper consideration, to erect a ward school building, close in, on the West side to cost from \$5,000 to \$8,000 and to defer the sale of the additional bonds and the erection of the high school for several years, until matters are more sub-

stantially established and we will be in a better position to judge as to what kind of a building will be best suited to our future needs.

A ward school building erected at a moderate cost on the West side would relieve the present congestion in the schools and it would not be necessary to erect a high school building for several years. By that time the people would know better what we need and are able to build.

There are many who believe that \$18,000 is not enough to purchase a site, build and equip a modern high school building and that \$25,000 should be voted for the purpose. In this, we believe they are correct and if we are going to build a high school building at all, it should be such as would satisfy the requirements for many years to come. A little later, when the future of this city and country is more definitely established, we will be in a better position to judge as to what extent of indebtedness we should plunge the tax payers of Clovis. In the meantime, a ward school building on the West side, will satisfy our present demands.

Farmer, J. D. Fleming, the farmer that puts the meat on the stock with his home grown feed, was in town, Wednesday.

Elevator About Completed.

The new grain elevator being erected by Stone and Burdick is assuming the proportions of a completed building.

The contractors announce that they expect to have the building entirely completed and ready for business by Saturday, March 27th. They have, however, already bought some grain but expect to be ready for regular business by the latter part of next week. Lester Stone will have charge of the business of the company in Clovis and Mr. Burdick will soon return to his business in Wichita where he also owns a large hardware store.

Mr. Stone is a pleasant and accommodating young man and thoroughly understands the mill and elevator business.

Adjutant General Here

Adjutant General Herring, of New Mexico, and Lieut. Test, of the 22nd Infantry of the regular army, were in Clovis the first of the week inspecting Co. "K" of the New Mexico National Guard. General Herring, who is a brother-in-law of John H. Barry went out to Mr. Barry's sheep ranch in his car Monday. Lieut. Test who is checking up the books, found everything in first class shape. He is a graduate of West Point.

County Commissioner, Ben Crawford, was in the city from his ranch near Hollene to attend a meeting of the "R. A. R's" last Tuesday.

Dennis Residence Robbed

Burglars entered the residence of C. E. Dennis on North Giddings Street Wednesday night, between the hours of eight and ten and stole a quantity of Jewelry, Clothing, Etc. The family were attending the Santa Fe entertainment at the Baptist church when the robbery occurred and did not return home until about ten o'clock. Access was gained to the residence by unlocking the doors, possibly with a skeleton key. The burglars appeared to be experienced in the business, as they pulled down the blinds and turned on all the lights except in one room leaving this one dark in order to assist in escape in case of being detected. Jack Prichett, who went to the Dennis residence about eight thirty reports seeing a light in the house and it is possible that he frightened the robbers away, at least temporarily and that they later returned, as it would not require as much time as when the lights were first seen turned on until the family returned to complete the job. When they came home, Mrs. Woodward heard them leaving by the back door, which they left ajar. Among the articles taken were a suit of clothes, \$12.00 in cash, gillette razor, raincoat, cuff buttons, chains, lockets, necklace and a lady's coat, the total value of which is about a hundred dollars.

No clue has been found to the robbers, but the articles stolen, with the exception of the money was recovered today. It was

NEXT THURSDAY WILL BE A GALA DAY DAY IN CLOVIS

found hidden in a brush heap in the alley to the rear of the Dunkard church on the west side. The discovery was made by a small boy. Besides the articles stolen, other things were found, but as yet no reports of other losses have been made to the officers. It is certain that the work was done by strangers as the town has been overrun with transient bums en route to the coast. This is said to be the first residence robbery reported in Clovis.

Reading Room

The seven ladies that composed the Kansas Concert and Comedy Co., appeared at the Baptist church last Wednesday under the auspices of the Santa Fe Reading Room entertainment circle. The majority of the ladies of the company were of mature years and what they lacked in beauty, they counter balanced in talent.

The entire entertainment, which consisted of songs, reading, musical selections and a comedy, was good from start to finish. The entire entertainment was of the highest class, especially the singing by the company and the violin solos by Miss Gladys Gaw.

The readings by Miss Lillian Stone were especially enjoyed by the audience and she was called back for the fourth time.

On Thursday, March 25th the farmers and stockman of Curry County will have the opportunity to hear, free of charge, some of the most experienced speakers on subjects that will be of vital interest to them. The Lyceum Theatre building has been secured for the purpose of the meeting and men, women and children are invited to come and hear talks on these interesting subjects which are so important to the future of this country. Representatives of the Santa Fe Agricultural Department and the New Mexico Agricultural College will participate in the program. Speakers on this program are well qualified in this respective line and will be sure to interest you. Lock up the house, turn the calves out in the pasture, throw out the cat, put the old woman and the kids in the wagon and come to Clovis on Thursday, March 25th.

Lieut. Burns, of the 12th Infantry, is here drilling the boys of Co. "K" in military tactics. He was detailed from the regular army for this work and will visit all the New Mexico Companies.

J. T. Stalker sold his Overland car, this week, to K. C. Kirby, of Melrose.

Yourselves and Friends

Are Cordially Invited

to attend the opening of the Dry Goods and Ladies Clothing Dept. of our new store

Wednesday, March 24, 1915

Our new stock includes dry goods of every description and Ladies' Furnishings. Our Ladies' Suits, Dresses, Coats, Etc., are right up-to-the-minute styles and are fully guaranteed to be as represented. There are no better materials used than in the make of our ready-to-wear garments, and the workmanship is of the highest class.

The Farmers and their Families

are especially invited to visit our store when they come in to the Livestock-Farmers Day meeting on Thursday, March 25th, and make our store their headquarters. We take this opportunity to assure you that you are always welcome.

Our new spring goods in the Men's Clothing Department are arriving daily and our prices will be found as reasonable, quality considered, as any place in the southwest.

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