

# GARWOOD EXPRESS

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### ROCK ISLAND NEWSLETS.

There is scarcely any news in our town this week owing to the fact that the people are all busy trying to make up for lost time, for every thing was at such a dead stand still during our continued rains. Irish potatoes have about all rotted in the ground, and many other garden vegetables have withered and died.

Mr. D. Foster has bought a motor car formerly belonging to Mr. John Baxter, and was enjoying it immensely all Sunday afternoon.

Mr. H. S. Lundy seems to have good luck landing fish, tho' this last was not a political one he caught this time, but a real ten-inch long cat fish, which he found swimming in a small hollow in his barnyard. Now the question is, where did that fish come from?—(From the rippling post oaks of Sheridan.—Ed.)

The Praise and Prayer Service of the St. Paul's Guild met with Mrs. C. D. Creviston last Sunday afternoon.

Rev. S. G. Porter of Richmond, Texas, will preach in the M. E. church in Rock Island on the fifth Sunday, morning and evening.

The Forty-Two Club met with Mrs. Creviston this week.

Sunday morning Rev. D. A. Williams preached to a well filled house, and in the afternoon he preached to the children and the officers of the Sunday school.

### PREMIER "Non-Puncture" Auto Tires Guaranteed 7,500 Miles Service.

These tires bear the greatest known mileage guarantee, yet are sold at a price even less than tires of ordinary guarantee. This guarantee covers blow-outs and general punctures. Guarantee covers 7,500 miles service against everything except abuse. These tires are intended for most severe service.

Orders have been received for these tires for use in United States Government Service.

As a SPECIAL INTRODUCTORY offer, we will allow the following prices for the next ten days.

#### Tires—Tubes.

Tire	Tube	Total
28x3	\$ 9.25	\$2.00
30x3	10.25	2.20
30x3 1-2	13.50	2.90
32x3 1-2	14.05	3.00
34x3 1-2	15.25	3.20
31x4	17.00	3.25
34x4	18.00	3.30
32x4	19.50	3.40
33x4	20.40	3.60
35x4	21.00	3.80
36x4	22.00	3.90
35x4 1-2	26.00	5.00
36x4 1-2	27.00	5.10
37x4 1-2	27.50	5.15
37x5	32.00	5.40

All other sizes. Non-Skids 20 per cent extra. 5 per cent discount if payment in full accompanies order and if two are so ordered. Shipping charges will be paid by us. C. O. D. on 15 per cent of amount of order. Our output is limited, so we suggest early ordering. We sell direct only, giving purchasers the advantage of all middlemen's profits.

**Strongtread Rubber Co.**  
Dayton, Ohio.

### Old Shoemaker Ends His Life With Pistol.

Frank Mertz, the old shoemaker who conducted a repair shop between Oliver Stewart's barber shop and the photograph gallery, committed suicide sometime during Sunday night by shooting himself. About 10 o'clock Monday morning a light on the inside of the room was noticed between the cracks in the door. Knocking and getting no response from the inside, the doors were broken open and the old shoemaker found dead on a cot in the dirty, dingy and dark back room. A .38 caliber pistol, with one chamber empty, was found on the cot, partially covered from view by the bed clothing. The old fellow was clad only in a shirt and was covered with blood, the barrel of the pistol having been held in his mouth when the shot was fired. A quart bottle, about half full of whiskey was on the floor by the cot. The front doors of the room and the back windows were locked from the inside. The old shoemaker has lived in Eagle Lake the past two years, but no one seemed to know his name, nor have we ever heard it called until after his death. In his pants pockets were found \$22.00, two ten dollar bills and two dollars and ninety cents in silver. The body was taken in charge by city health officer J. K. Davidson and turned over to the Herman Furniture Co. for burial.

No one knows what sorrows and the heartaches this old man might have suffered. He lived within himself—no relatives, no friends to whom he could look for comfort and condolence. Often has the old fellow been seen to cross the street and give Sidney, the old crippled negro a nickel. In this one little act—even though as little as it may seem—shows that within him there was a heart—a feeling of pity for the unfortunate and the afflicted. Those hidden worries and troubles that lay heavily on his heart, gnawing at his very life's strings may have caused him to pull the trigger that ended his miserable existence. In worries that bring on sickness and despondency we are all alike—only some of us are strong; others are weak. Eagle Lake Headlight.

### Seed Rice For Sale.

Shinriki seed rice, first year from imported seed, raised on sod. See me before buying.  
F. W. Goodell.

### Hail Storm at Weimar Does Much Damage.

Weimar, Tex., May 18.—Reports have come in that an immense rain, accompanied by a terrible hail, visited the Clear Creek section, about four miles southwest of Weimar, Saturday night, doing great damage to the crops of cotton and corn. The corn was split into ribbons, while the cotton stalks were strip-

## The Drink of the Temperate.

Every normal human being desires stimulation and is better for the right kind of stimulation.

We live life but once, and the only way we can enjoy it is by making it pleasant for others and for ourselves as we go along day by day. The drinking of a bottle or two of

## ALAMO BEER

with your friends or family is a keen, healthful and in every way beneficial pleasure.

Brewed and bottled by

**LONE STAR BREWING CO., San Antonio, Texas.**

**H. W. HUVAR, Local Distributor.**

We do not solicit orders or ship Beer in violation of State laws.

## To The Trade:

Owing to the fact that I got overstocked on

### China and Glass Ware

I will sell while it lasts. FOR CASH ONLY

Plain white cups and saucers, 10c value at per pair

Plain white 10" plates, 10c value at each

8 piece water set, \$1.25 value at

Glass water thumblers, 30c value at per set

## Racket Store

## Meat Market.

### Beef and Pork.

Fresh meats on sale at all times, kept in our big ice refrigerator. Sausage during cool weather. Country lard at all times. Your patronage will be appreciated. Call on us.

All Steaks, at per lb. 14c  
Chill meat, at per lb. 9c.

## Brate & Gerrard

### When in Eagle Lake, visit the Crystal Saloon

CHAS. HARTER, Manager

Everything new and up-to-date

All the leading brands Wines, Whiskies, Brandies, Beers and Cigars.

**Old Barbee Whisky**  
**Old Reller** **Fay Mus**  
**Kentucky Weller** **J. C. W.**

For dresswear, footwear or headwear, go to Ben H. Prinka.

### Two Negroes Lose Lives by Drowning—Were Driving Along Public Road.

The overflow of the river of four weeks ago left a hole in the public road near the convict camp which is a regular death trap. At a point about one half mile this side of the cane derrick, where the Santa Fe has a trussel, the strongest current of the overflow passed through this opening. The supposition is that a whirl-pool formed in the center of the public road, the water washing the hole to a depth of about 20 feet. As it is now or has been the past four weeks no one could detect that there is such a hole, it being full of water level with the road, and it seems as if it was nothing but an ordinary shallow pool of water. About two weeks ago a young white man of this section was returning home from Eagle Lake, horse back, and rode into it, going out of sight. He got out all right. When telling of his experience to a number of our people he was asked the size of the hole, remarking "about 12 feet wide and 12 times that many feet deep."

But the hole proved fatal to two negroes last Sunday afternoon. Sam Woods of Matthews and Tom Iseral of Elm Grove, who were returning to their homes from Garwood, evidently did not know of the hole and drove off into it. Both were drowned, as well as the horse they were driving. Another horse with a saddle which they were leading went into the water too but managed to get out. At what time the accident happened is not known nor the full particulars of it. The discovery was made by Master Lowell Minshall, who was returning to his home here from Matthews, by noticing two hats, two heads of cabbage and a buggy cushion floating on top of the water, and the horse with the saddle standing near the pool. He notified a number of negroes who were near of his discovery, and soon a large crowd gathered around the fatal hole. Grab hooks were used in fishing out the two bodies, and the horse and buggy.

That more accidents of this nature have not occurred at this place is a wonder, for we are informed it is left open with no danger signal. The hole is about 35 feet long, 20 feet wide and 20 feet deep.

Dr. J. A. Halameick of Nada left last week for Fayetteville to visit relatives.

### More Than 10,000 Acres Planted in Rice This Year.

The large pumping plant of the Garwood Irrigation Co. was started last Friday for this year's run. The machinery and everything is in good working order and a successful run is assured, unless something unforeseen happens. The canals are also in a first class condition. Something like 5,200 acres of rice will be watered from this plant this year, while something over 5,000 acres are being watered from private plants, which makes the acreage over 10,000 in this territory. J. N. Brower is again the chief engineer at the big plant, with Clyde Jackson as fireman, and have the day run, while Franklin Otto looks after the big wheels at night, with Ray Cole as fireman. At the relief plant George Brower furnishes the gas in the day time and Geo. W. Rice at night. Both plants contain the latest irrigation machinery and are something worth while seeing whether in action or not.

Taking it all around the rice crop in this territory is up to a good stand and a large yield is looked for. None of the farmers on the canal will suffer for water this year. The big plant which discharges 40,000 gallons of water per minute gives assurance of giving all the water they need.

We are glad to note that Mr. J. T. Pinchback is able to be out on the streets again after being confined to his room for several days suffering a broken nose and other bruises on his face as the result being kicked by a mule. Although the bruises are not wholly healed, we are glad to state they are healing rapidly and he will soon be able to discard the bandage over his right eye and nose.

For the third time within the past seven months the Colorado river has overflowed into the Eldridge fields, east of town, this week, the rise being about 20 feet at this point, which is about 18 inches less than the rise some weeks ago. Several of those who suffered loss of their crops at the previous overflow, had already put their fields in good shape and planted corn, which is also lost. The river began falling Tuesday and is now within its banks.

Mr. B. S. Field returned Monday from a few days visit to Eagle Lake, where Mr. Field is in charge of the A. C. McClanahan Lumber Co.

### Bill's Boat, Oscar's Hat, Net and \$3.75—Are Gone—But Oscar Saved His Life.

An incident happened on the river Monday morning which to the spectator on the bank might seem worth laughing at, but to the one playing the leading part it was no play or fun, but a genuine desire to make it to the bank. Oscar Schroeder borrowed W. S. Schultz's boat Monday morning to pull his net out of the river and while in the act of putting the net into the boat it capsized. Oscar made a good dive, and although a good swimmer the stream or current was to swift for him. He was taken down the stream a good ways, edging and kicking towards the banks as much as possible as he floated down, until he got out. As Oscar floated down, being in the middle of the stream, with only his head above the water, a number of negroes saw him, but were powerless to give him any assistance, one of them shouting "that man's a gonner." But Oscar got out safely and for his experience is out of his hat, net and \$3.75. W. S. Schultz a good boat. Oscar says "that's a fisherman's luck."

### Southern Land Company Bring in Another Party of Home-seekers.

The Southern Land Company, selling agents for "The Natalie Farms" in lower Rio Grande valley and Colorado county, who made their initial trip into the Garwood territory last week, brought in another party of prospectors Wednesday, coming in their private car "Natalie." Including Mr. and Mrs. Nat. Wetzel and Mr. E. S. Hunn there were about twenty in the party. The prospectors were taken out in four cars and shown over our pretty country. They left yesterday morning for Dallas.

County Treasurer J. J. Patter and family of Columbus came in Saturday evening for a visit with relatives, stopping at the home of Mr. Robert Waligura of near the city. Mr. Patter returned to Columbus Sunday while Mrs. Patter and children remained for a longer visit.

Mr. Frank Shaw of Jasper arrived in the city Wednesday for a two weeks visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shaw. Frank's many friends here were glad to see him.

Good showers fell throughout this section Tuesday and Wednesday which will benefit the growing crops considerably.

### Rock Island Won From Garwood.

The local ball team went to Rock Island Sunday to give the boys of that place a chance to get revenge for the shut-out they suffered on the Garwood diamond two weeks ago. With the score a great deal closer than at the previous game, Rock Island won the game, the score being 5 to 4.

### Catholic Church Notices.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF NADA: Sunday, June 28, Divine service at 9 a. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF TAITON: Every Saturday Divine service and instruction at 9 a. m.

Sunday July 5, feast of Sts. Peter and Paul, Divine service at 8:30 a. m.

B. Held, O. S. B.

### The Weeds Are Left To Stand.

The idea of cutting down the weeds in this burg does not seem to take very well, and with the exception of a few who have taken the pains to cut them down around their places, the weeds are permitted to grow. We are now learning seed. It is not too late to cut them down, or have it done today.

Messrs W. S. Griffiths, H. W. Huvar, W. H. Shaw and E. J. Schutterle were visitors to Columbus yesterday.

Miss Jim Allie Smith returned Wednesday from a several days visit with relatives and friends at Eagle Lake.

Mr. H. W. Huvar and family returned last Friday from a several days visit to relatives at Weimar.

### Local Society News

The Aid Society will meet next Wednesday with Mrs. F. W. Goodell. The last meeting was at the home of Mrs. Geo. Brower. There was a large attendance and a fine time was enjoyed by all present. A good lot of work was accomplished in spite of the heat. Ice cream and cake were served.

The Embroidery Club will hold a night session at the home of Mrs. W. H. Shaw tonight. Every member is allowed to bring a gentleman. The gentleman will be given individual instruction in embroidery. The last meeting was with Mrs. C. L. Raver, at which time two new names were added to the membership list, those of Mrs. Ed. Huhn and Mrs. Tronsdale. We are glad to welcome these ladies as members.