

The Giddings News

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Mr. Ballard is the assistant Post Master at Elgin and is a young man of splendid character and promise and is of a fine family.

After finishing the State University Miss Annie taught two terms in the Elgin school, and it was while there that Cupid played his prank on this young couple and shot both hearts through with one arrow.

Miss Annie is a thoroughly practical housewife and showed her skill by serving a wedding luncheon just after the ceremony that she had prepared herself. After the luncheon was over, the happy young couple bid a hasty adieu to loving friends and prepared to make their get-away, motoring to Elgin. Mr. Schatz and Miss Clair Bowers kindly offered their services as a protection from dangers that might arise on the way. Some others kindly joined in and offered their services also, and, thus properly attended, they hurried on past the Section house on the H. & T. C. Ry., when, behold, the whole road was blockaded with cars. Seeing that flight was impossible they shut off the gas and took their medicine like game sports. The rice flew, old shoes of all kinds and sizes were fastened on their car, tags and other paraphernalia were attached, while some wit wrote across the car, "This is a newly married couple, do not disturb them." Whether they drove into Elgin thus decorated, we are not told.

Mr. and Mrs. Ballard will be at home to their friends at Elgin hereafter.

The News sincerely wishes all of these young people a happy voyage over their matrimonial seas, and hopes that the "squalls" will be few and far between. We are wondering who will be the next: we have heard various and sundry reports, and the matrimonial "bug" seems to be in the air. — Well, this is June and the ice is broken, so let the good work go on.

BALLARD—FARISS

But the surprise of the season came Sunday evening when the preacher was again summoned out, not knowing whither he went. But being in the hands of true and trusted friends he feared no danger. To his great surprise the party drove up to the spacious home of the popular bank cashier, Mr. I. J. Fariss. There, he found a few friends already assembled. All minds being clear, and no objections being spoken, the ceremony was soon said at 6:30, Miss Annie Fariss becoming Mrs. Edgar T. Ballard.

The guests present were Misses Mattie and Eunice Hillsman, Misses Clair and Gladys Bowers, Messrs. Albert Hillsman and A. Schatz. Miss Fariss is the well known and popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Fariss and has a host of friends here, at Houston, Austin and at Elgin.