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Another Railroad

For Big Springs. An enthusiastic railroad meeting was held on the night of March 4th, and it was decided that Big Springs must have a railroad north, and it was deffinitely decided to organize a company and go to work immediately to build a road from Big Springs to Soash and thence on northwest to Lamesa, Tahoko, Lubbook and probably Roswell, New Mexico. There is at present aufficient money in sight to build the road fifty miles and the towns mentioned can be depended upon to do a liberal part in the way of bounses and right-of-way. At present there is no objective terminus, but will be selected later. W. P. Soash, of the Soash Land Co., was present and pledged his tion in the building of

thing for our people to do is to get together at once, organize a company and go to work. There are several sources from it is once found out that we mean s. The Colorado, Hereford and Gulf road have their eye on Big Springs and will keep ose watch on our movements. A civil engineer is here now of construction of a railroad from Seeing will be wanting. Price

Marriage License.

The following permits to wed have been issued since our last

T. W. Hammond and Miss Viola Davis; T. H. Gaskins and Miss Lizzie Nichole; Elmer Hull and Miss Dona Robinson.

Nice line of cigars and tobacco-es at Posey Music House. 21-tf

hings to

Everything

and clean.

are fresh

the groceries

is nice

For Better Fire Protection

A well attended mass meeting was held at the court house on of the meeting being to devise a better means of combating fire. Several good talks were made outlying what we would need in the way of fire fighting apparatus, and it was the sense of the meeting that it will be best to secure an automobile fire engine that will carry 1000 feet of hose, ladders and fire extinguishers and have a pressure of 250 pounds, and will cost about \$5,000. A committee waited upon most of our business men two \$2,300 by subscription secured at the meeting.

A committee was out all day yesterday soliciting, and met with splendid success, raising the total amount to something like

A committee headed by Mayor Les met with the Commissioners' court this morning and secured a lease on 50x50 feet of ground in the northwest corner of the court house yard upon which to erect a fire hall.

Ladies, another shipment just in of the fine Fabin Make Skirt. \$5.75 to \$15 .- Berry & Devenport, 214 Main street.

to the people they brought in last goods; John Johnson, jeweler. week. The company are well damage by water and moving of pleased with the start they have goods. Mr. Johnson is out of made, and nearly every one that could not be ascertained. Mrs. came here last week on the special Bauer, loss on buildings \$10,000, train was delighted with the

The Swell Grocery Store

## Bauer Block Destroyed

Seven Brick Building Totally Destroyed by Fire Wednesday Morning - Other

Damages.

Loss About \$30,000

Wednesday morning the new Bauer block was destroyed by fire. It started in the room occupied by the E. L. Dreeben furnishing goods store and spread rapidly, soon consuming the ertire block of seven brick buildthe night of the 10th, the object ings. The roof of the two-story frame building owned by F. W. Korn of Fort Worth, was burned and the building badly damaged on the north side.

The Bauer block was occupied by the following firms: Wigwam Restaurant; Soash Land Co.; E. L. Dreeben, furnishing goods; J. Davis, barber; Jones & McGowen, grocers; McNew & Allen, barbers; Wood & Ramsey, pool hall.

The buildings on the west side of the street were only saved by hard work and all of them were weeks ago and secured about damaged by the heat, J. & W. \$1,300. This sum was raised to Fisher's being damaged about \$500 by breaking out glass; J. P. Green was damaged about \$75, and the other wooden buildings in that row suffered some damage. Following are the losses and

nsurance: Soash Land Co., loss \$500, no insurance; Jones & McGowen, grocers, loss \$3,000, insurance \$1,500; J. A. Davis, barber, loss. 8300, insurance \$125; E. L. Dreeben, gents' furnishings, total loss, partly covered by insurance; McNew & Allen, barber shop, saved only their chairs, loss about \$2600, insurance \$1500: since at tember. \$2500, partly covered by insurance; J. C. Horn, Wigwam restaurant, lost nearly everything, partly covered by insurance; The Soash Land Co. report the Helflin Bros., racket store, sussale of about 5,000 acres of land tained some loss by removal of insurance \$7,500.

The Bauer block was burned

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Every boy and girl will want a new wheel for spring, and we would like you to inspect our large line before you buy. We are showing some exceptionally good values in the very latest models and can save you money on your purchase

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# Stokes-Hughes Co.

Wholesale and Retail

out last June and was rebuilt with brick and has only been occupied since about the first of last Sep-

plosion of a gasoline stove in the store of E. L. Dreeben, and the manager, Sol Dreeben, and Dave Akin had a very narrow escape. They were burned about the hands and face but not seriously.

Rev. J. Gilmore Smith, Evangelist of the El Paso Presbytery, will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All men in-

Tailor Made Suits-300 Samples, 50 full lengths, to select your new suit from. Measure taken by an expert .- Berry .& Devenport.

J. B. Littler returned yesterday from a business trip to Austin and Dallas. He says the bill creating a West Texas Normal ico while they are cheap, see School did not reach the governor until Monday and that it had not been signed when he left

Mrs. W. S. P. McCullough and two youngest children left yesterday morning for Mansfield on a visit to relatives.

Iron Tonic Pills, a great nerve tonic, at Ward's.

A fine wool panama skirt-Fabin Make-trimmed with three rows taffets bands, large silk buttons down front. Look good at \$7.00, special \$5.75 .- Berry & Davenport.

Tom Ashley arrived this week from Kentucky and will make his home here. He is a brother of Mrs. J.E. Moon and Mrs. Wade Robinson.

For pianos, organs, sheet music and all kinds of musical goods, call on the Posey Music House.

Jack Robinson, who was a West Texas newspaper man when this country was in the wild and town as being very quiet-nothing doing. Mr. Robinson was editor of the Western Eye Opener, a paper published at Midland along about 1892-3, and was a red-hot number. Mr. Robinson visited our office one day this week and told us of many things that happened during the time he was editor of the Eye Opener. He had there. not been in Big Springs for several years and was surprised at the change that had taken place

Let us write your cotton insurance. The cost is small and the protection is great. Hartzog & Coffee.

since his former visit.

If you want one of those beautiful lots at Carisbad, New Mex-Miss Ezzell at the Enterprise office for price and terms.

J. D. McDonald for some left wooly stage, came in this week over fruit trees and shrubbery at from Post City, and reports that a bargain, in good shape, at the Van Gieson building.

> See H. B. Arnold for all kinds of job work in sheet metal. Satisfaction and right prices guaranteed.

> G. C. Cauble was in Sweetwater on the 10th looking after a string of steers he has on feed

> Try the Posey Music House for anything in Musicical instru-

See the celebrated Abe Black line of clothing for all the new novelties of up to date dress for men at Ayers & Ball.

If you want to make \$10 a day address K. D., care Box 573, Big Springs, at once. New high class articles, weighs 2 ounces and sells in every home. Warranted.

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The Ladies' Market should not be overlooked, for on

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never forget to tell ny friends what it has done for me." Mrs. E. HANSON, 304 East Long St.,

Columbus, Ohio.

Another Woman Helped.

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Women who are passing through this Women who are passing through this critical period or who are suffering from any of those distressing ills peculiar to their sex should not lose sight of the fact that for thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which is made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills. In almost every community you will find women who have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



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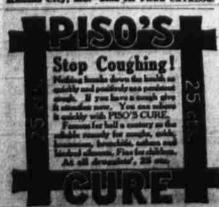
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## EVENTS BOILED DOWN

PENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

## NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

### WASHINGTON NEWS

The Taft Administration took its arst stride Friday. The new President named his Cabinet, the Senate conarmed his selections and its members took oath of office Saturday morning, with the exception of George W. Wickersham, who was sworn in as Attorbey General Friday.

Charging that the members of the poard of consulting engineers of which eccompanied President-elect Taff to examine the Panama Canal were chosan because they favored the lock canal Senator Teller of Colorado Tuesday reopened the old Senate controversy over the lock or sea-level type.

President-Elect Taft Tuesday received from his tailor his inaugural trousers, the wool for which were furnished by "Togo," a 3-year-old Angora goat, bred and owned by Frank Landrum of Montell, Uvade County, Texas.

After two sessions for over five nours each, the conferees on the rivers and harbors bill reached an agreenent Tuesday. The House accepted about twenty amendments for surveys which will cost about \$100,000.

The Sixtleth congress came to an and Thursday, and it glided into the Sixty-First so unceremoniously that the change was scarcely noticeable. The final act, so far as the house was concerned, took place in the senate chamber, where both houses witness ed the incoming of the new adminis

In appreciation of his efforts in be half of the discharged Brownsville battalion, the negro citizens of Washington will present to Senstor For aker on Friday next a massive solid silver loving cup.

### DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS

William Loeb Jr., who was named by President Taft at collector of the port of New York, left Washington

A small part of the United States navy is to be stationed on West End Lake at San Antonio. It will go overland on flat cars and will consist of Cliebunine is completed and was turn five man-of-war cutters, with equip-

President Roosevelt has signed the bill by Representative Cooper, giving permission to the citizens of Jefferson and Orange Counties to improve the channels in the Sabine and Neches Rivers and to deepen and widen the canal from the mouth of these rivers to the mouth of Taylor's Bayou.

The federal grand jury in New York with the Panama Canal, Thursday retension of time Monday. They are to well preserved that the greater part turned indictments against the Press plead at Vinita in the Federal Courf of the skin, head, body and legs may be seen. It was found near Lance-New York World, and Caleb Van The payment of \$80,000 by the Kan Creek, Wyo. Hamm, one of the editors of the sas Natural Gas Company for one World. The text of the indictments well and lesse upon 1,800 acres of oll was not made public. was not made public.

to adopt measures to defeat the pro- against the State for authority to pipe posed amendments to the city charter gas out of the State. of Waco, which, if enacted, will give A string of thirty-five diamonds and to the commissioners the right to ap an Huminated and embossed friend point the city attorney, the city reship book were presented Tuesday to corder, the tax collecor and other municipal officers, instead of filling such esteem from thirty-eight of her friends places by election, as is now and has prominent society women of Washing been the rule.

The new city tax rate fixed by the City Council of San Antonio Js \$1.06 and the school tax 39c, making a tôtál of \$1.45, as against a total for last year of \$1.60.

Members of Congress from the Gulf of Mexico section can not yet see cause for elation over the constitution of the National Waterways Commission. The personnel of this body consists of Senators of New Hampshire, Washington, Michigan, North Carolina and Arkansas, Representatives of Ohlo, New York, Illinois, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Florida and Tenneseee.

Numerous well-known cattlemen and live stock commission merchants are of the opinion that America is facing a meat famine because of the breaking sum of \$117.45. up into farms of the great cattle ranges of the west.

Preliminary organization of a corporation was formed in Big Springs Thursday, composed of prominent citizens of Big Springs and several resident capitalists, for the purpose of tenced to four years for conspiracy building a railroad north from Big against the Provincial Government. Springs through the new town of and the negro, Col. Akka, reputed to Soash in Howard county and through be the most desperate criminal in either Lamesa or Tahoka,

A terrific hall and rainstorm struck Lorena Sunday evening. The storm came from the west and there is not a pane of glass in the west windows of any house in town, except those

that were protected by shutters. United States District Attorney storms throughout Western, Eastern Kealing at Indianapolis has resigned and Southern Arkansus late Monday rather than participate in the efforts of the Department of Justice to bring Delayan Smith and Joseph Pulitzer to Washington to stand trial for criminal libel in connection with publications regarding the Panama Canal and the railroads.

### The record of cashalties incident to ton Thursday was three deaths, three probably fatally injured and more than

seventy-five persons slightly injured.

The Nebraska House Friday by the necessary three-fifths vote of 62 to 34 passed the Howard bill, submitting a constitutional amendment permitting women to vote in all elections.

The execution of seven negroes in Louisiana Friday follows the convic tion of six of them for murder and one for criminal assault upon a member of his own race.

One man was killed and Fireman Felix Williams was seriously injured in a wreck of a Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio freight train cast of El Paso Thursday.

The postoffice at Rector, Denton county, is to be discontinued after March 31 and the patrons of the office served by a rural route out of

For the first time in eighteen years Groesbeck can boast of an opera house. The building is 70x53 feet in the clear, and has a seating capacity

Adjutant General J. O. Newton Thursday issaued an order calling for the inspection of the Texas Natio Guard by officers of the United States army, beginning March 15.

Hood County's annual stock show was held in Granbury, greater interes being shown than at any previous exhibition. The horse class was in great majority, numbering over a hundred.

Twelve Senators and seventy-sever Representatives who are memb the present Congress will be absent when the Sixty-First Congress assem bles in special session on March 31.

The Busch Evertt Company ope an oil well on Etchinson tract me Oil City, La., in the old proven Cadd field Monday, with capacity estimated between 2,500 and 5,000 barrels.

Mrs. Elizabeth Scriven Potter, wid ow of Bishop-Henry C. Potter, died Pri day at her home in New York, after an illness extending over several days. She survived Bishop Potter only eight

President Zelaya of Nicaragua in a cable to Consul Aluschul at New Or leans, denies positively that prepara tions are being made in his c for a war with either Costa Rica of

The largest deal ever made in Okia homa oil properties was consum Monday when J. E. Crosbie pur the holdings of Robert Galbreath in the Glenn Pool, for which he pu \$700,000.

The road bridge across the B River, on the road from Glen Ro ed over to the county last week, as cepted and paid for by the Comission ers' Court. This bridge coat \$15,000

Fire broke out early Wednesda morning in the four-story tenements in New York. Six persons have been removed from the burning buildings and taken to hospitals suffering from burns and other injuries,

Gov. Haskell and other Oklahomana indicted in Pebruary by the Federa which has been investigating alleged Grand Jury for alleged Muskogee town

One mass meeting has been held for County, Okla., leads many to believe that purpose, and another will be held the company expects to win its suit

The Governor of Arizona vetoed the educational qualification bill provid ing that voters shall be able to read a paragraph of the Constitution of the United States, selected at random. The bill then passed over the Gover nor's veto.

William H. Bishop, aged 64 years well known in theatrical circles manager or owner of such old-time stage successes as "The Black Crook," "What Happened to Jones" and "The County Fair." died in New York Sun a number of the most prondment with

In accordance with the provisions of the general amnesty bill recently passed by the Legislature courts of Havana Monday issued orders for the release of upwards of 800 prisoners. These include Juan Masao Parra, ser tenced to, four years for conspiracy

Bleven horses and mules and twelve head of cattle perished when a large barn west of Durant, Okla., burned at an early hour Friday.

Four are reported dead and number injured as the result of violen

# THIRTY KNOWN DEAD

SIXTY PERSONS INJURED AND OF PROPERTY LOST.

## STORM AT BRINKLEY, ARK

Catholic Church, In Path of Storm Alone Escapes Damage-Destruction Complete

Brinkley, Ark., March 10 .- Thirt, or more lives were snuffed out, sixty people were injured and property estimated to be worth \$1,000,000 was destroyed as a result of the tornado which wrecked this little city Tuesday. pight. Of the known dead, fourteen are white people. The tornado hovered about the city a few minutes, but its work of destruction was complete. The Catholic church, standing directly in the path of the storm, alone escaped damage or destruction, and stands Tuesday night a grim sentinef in a scene of desolation. Main street and Cypress avenue, the two principal thoroughfares of the town, are now impassable, and piled high with wreckage from end to end.

### Oll Co. Motion Overruled.

Jefferson City, Mo.: The motions by the Standard Oll company in Indiana and the Republic Oil company of Ohio for a rehearing of the ouster suit recently decided against them and for modification of the Judgment, were overruled by the Missouri supreme court Tuesday. The effect of these decisions is to expel the Indiana and Ohio companies from Missouri and to restore to the Waters-Pierce Oil company, 60 per cent of whose stock is held by the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, the right to do business within the state.

### Part of Town Destroyed.

Cuthbert, Ga.: The northwestern section of Cuthbert was struck by a cyclone Tuesday and almost totally destroyed. Many buildings are in ruins and it is exceedingly difficult to get details, as total darkness prevails, owing to the damage of the electric-light systems It is known that one man has been killed and many have been in jured. There were fifty loaded freight cars on the railroad track and all were destroyed.

### Galveston Harbor Project.

Washington: Members of the board of army engineers, after devoting an entire day to discussing the features of the greater Galveston harbor project, expressed the opinion Tuesday that the board would probably be ready to make its recommendations on the reports of Capt, Oakes, the local engineer, and Col. Beach, the district engineer, within two weeks.

### Duck Three Million Years Old.

New York: A complete skeleton of prehistoric duck, estimated by Dr. H. C. Bumpas of the American seum of Natural History, to be 3,000,-000 years old, has just been acquired

Medicine for African Trip. New York: Medicine enough for a ough to do the work of an army spital, will be carried by Theodore osevelt to Africa, all condensed so as to fill a suit case.

Lightning Strikes Woman Bonham: Mrs. Tom Skipworth, living five miles south of town, wan struck by lightning during the thunderatorm Tuesday and fatally injured.

Chicago's First Born Dead. Chicago: Mrs. Margaret Ellen Lip-esomb, the first white child been in Chicago, after its incorporation at a city, is dead in Bloomington, III. She was born on March 3, 7836, and was surrounded at her birth by squaws. Her first bath was taken in a tub made from a hollow log. She was as rocked to sleep in a cradle of bark.

Consumptive Hospital Protest. San Antonio: A protest signed by ens, including the mayor, was sent to Three men robbed six stores in A3 teeting against the appropriation of varade Tuesday morning, getting the \$125,000 for the building of a hospital er consumptives in the souths asylum grounds here.

> Shipe Peanuts from Gainesville. Gainesville: Eighteen hundred bus is of peanuts were loaded on the en here Tuesday to be shipped to pear dealers in Eastern Texas. The cr imber section of Cooke county has peen planted extensively in peanut proved to be a valuable one.

### Buying Yexas Shorthorns.

San Antonio: A. B. Primrose, rep ting Pearson & Co. of Engre to purchase Texas short stock a great ranch owned by the The ranch contains

Opposes Two Cent Fare.
Topels: The senate committee
lirends Tuesday submitted ancue report on the 2 cent face |
sich had already passes the house

# It May Be Your Fate

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED? If not, do you think it would be wise to have on issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

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## .FAME..

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The social affairs of our own and surrounding towns.

### local and Personal

Easter novelties and postals at Reagan's.

Fountain drinks-all kinds at Sam Jones of Garden City was

here yesterday. See the elegant line of silver

ware at Ward's. C. W. Allred of Auto was in

town Wednesday. Get your prescriptions com-

pounded at Ward's. L. O. Ramsey visited his fami-

ly at Stanton Sunday. D. M. Waters of Morris was in

the city Tuesday. Mel Cope of Abilene is here on

a visit to relatives. Seasonable drinks, both hot and cold, at Reagan's.

R. W. Andrus, of Auto, was in town Tuesday.

T. O. Berry and W. A. Trunstill visited Soash Monday.

Wall paper and paints to your liking at Reagan's.

H. J. Larkin, of Stanton, spent two days here this week. Latest fashion plates and mag-

azines at Reagan's. Stockton Henry of Stanton

was here yesterday. If you want your prescription

filled right take it to Ward's. E. M. Riley left Monday for

San Angelo on a business trip.

Dressed cat fish once each week at Read's Store and Market. Mrs. J. H. Ramsey and baby visited relatives at Midland Sun-

The swellest suit of clothes in town for \$16.50 at Ayers & Ball.

M. L. Ratcliff of Valley View was here Wednesday on a prospecting trip.

For Sale.—Boy's saddle, almost new. Inquire at this office or phone 10.

W. J. Ayers left Wednesday for Mineral Wells where he will spend several days.

Talk to the Ladies Christian church about the Ease

Jones & McGowen again ready for business first door east of Coffee & Huckeba.

W. A. Tunstill and L. B. Price bought 480 acres of land in Martin county Monday from J. S. Cordill.

For sheet music and musical instruments go to Posey Music

Mrs. Chas. Houser and daughter, Ruby, have gone to Lamesa where they will make their future

Ayers & Ball have the greatest line of embroideries in west Texas and the price is the cheapest.

Ward uses nothing but the purest and freshest drugs in prescriptions.

Miss Austin came in from Whitewright yesterday and has pted a position with W. P.

Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth. 12-tf

W. M. Marrs, who is in the drug business at Aspermont, was are this week looking for a loca-

Let Reagan fill your prescripone. He will do it right and deliver it promptly.

The Connell Lumber Co. has lied an amendment to its charor changing the principal office e Fort Worth.

We want it not only to be the nost attractive but also the best place for people to buy.—R. L. McCamant & Co., Druggists.

Mrs. Sol Dreeben returned his business there.

W. P. Bonner will move his stock of Millinery which she will stock of dry goods into the new building between Pool Brothers of San Sabs. We wish Bro. Moore success in his new field.

# To The Ladies

You are cordially invited to attend the

Grand Millinery Opening Tuesday and Wednesday, March 23d and 24th at the

# Dreeben Millinery Store

In Charge of Mrs. S. Dreeben, in the Posey Music Store, Across from Postoffice

# I Have Moved

my stock of Millinery into the W. P. Bonner Dry Goods store between First State Bank and Pool Bros., and will have my first Display of Tailored Hats

Tuesday and Wednesday, Mch. 23-24

Will be glad to have you call and inspect my line of Millinery"

Mrs. J. E. Moon

# MARCH 17th

Come and See the New SPRING MILLINERY

My line, as usual, will be complete. will have hats in all sizes and prices. Am sure the most fastidious can be pleased. Everybody is cordially invited. You will find me at the same stand, next door to H. L. Rix Furniture Store space with Berry & Devenport.

Mrs. Mattie Gass Big Springs, Texas

Jones & McGowen again ready for buisness first door east of Coffee & Huckeba.

Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's.

John Johnston left Sunday for Fort Worth where he will beated for rheumatism.

One gallon of carbon for one dollar at Reagan's.

Robt. Sears, manager of the a location in Dallas and will move Babtist Workers association at

Ladies, if you want muslin un-derwear of any kind and want it for a little money, see Ayers &

Mrs. J. E. Moon has moved her stock of millinery goods into the new building which will be occupied by W. P. Bonner.

A full line of all kind of musical instruments, sheet music at Posey Music House. 21-tf.

Rev. J. M. Reynolds attended Art Leather Shops, has secured the meeting of the West Texas

building between Pool Brothers of San Saba. We wish Bro. and the First State Bank Monday. Moore success in his new field.

Cold drinks at Ward's.

We sell the celebrated Bush and Gerts pianos and organs Posey Music Honse.

A. R. Wetsel says he will have the Western Hotel completed about April first and will have the neatest and most commodious rooming houses in the city.

The latest in fountain drinks always found at Ward's.

Ward takes great pride and inerest in his soda fountain and always serves the latest and best drink's.

After next Monday W. P. Bonnes will be found in the new building between Pool Brothers and the First State Bank.

We carry everything kept in a irst class Drug store. - R. L. Mc-Camant & Co., Druggists.

Wiedemann's Big American Show will give two performances here on the 15th under canvass. Street parade at 1 p. m. Don't miss it.

We have been spending considerable time and money to make our drug store the popular place. -R. L. McCamant & Co., Drug-

F. W. Korn of Fort Worth is here to look after his buildings that were damaged in Wednesday fire's.

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# PRESIDENT TAFT'S OFFICIAL FAMIL

SKETCHES OF THE NINE EMINENT MEN FORM-ING HIS CABINET.

P. C. KNOX HEADS THE GROUP

Pennsylvanian is Secretary of State-Franklin MacVeagh, Chicago Mershant, Holds the Treasury Portfo-No Jacob M. Dickinson, Tennessee nocrat, to Manage the Army-Affairs of the Agricultural Department Left in James Wilson's

Philander Chase Knox of Pennsyl vania, secretary of state in the cab-inst of President Taft, was born at Brownsville, Pa., in 1853. He was teated from Mount Union college, Thio, in 1872, and three years later was admitted to the bar. During the 1 1877 b tant United States district attorney for the western district of Pennsylvania. In the latter year he formed a law partnership with James H. Reed which still exists and which has represented many large corporations, inclinding the Carnegle Company. Mr. Knoz entered President McKinley's cabinet as attorney general in April, 1901, serving until 1904, when he was elected United States senator from Pensylvania. The latter position he resigned to become the head of Presitent Taft's cabinet.

Wilson Retains His Place.

Only one member of the Roosevelt sabinet retains his portfolio under Mr. Taft. That is James Wilson of lowa, secretary of agriculture. So exceffent had been his work in that posttion that there was no serious talk of making a change. Born in Scotland in 1835. Mr. Wilson came to the United States in 1852 and three years later settled in Iowa. In 1861 he engaged in forming in Tama county. He was a member of the lowa assembly for three sessions and speaker of the house for one session, and also was a member of the lowa state railway commission. In 1873 he was elected to congress, serving two terms, and was sent to the national legislature again for one term in 1883. He was regent of the State university of Bown in 1870-74, and in 1890 was made director of the agricultural experiment station and professor of agriculture at the lowa Agricultural college, Ames, la. In 1897 he became escretary of agriculture.

MacVeagh for the Treasury. Franklin MacVeagh, secretary of the treasury, was born on a farm in Chester county, Pennsylvania, graduated from Yale in 1862 and from Columbia Law school in 1864. He began the practice of law in New York city but ill-health forced him to abandon it and in 1865 he went to Chicago and engaged in the wholesale grocery business: In this and other commerofal pursuits he has amassed a large ne. Before entering the cabinet he disposed of his holdings in the big er ocery firm and resigned as director of the Commercial National bank of Chicago. Mr. MacVeagh has always been interested in movements for the public welfare, locally and nationally.

Dickinson is War Secretary. ob M. Dickinson of Tennessee ad Chicago, the new secretary of was born in 1851 at Columbus, He graduated from the Unidied inw at Columbia college,

at the University of Leipsiz and in He served several times by special commission on the supreme bench of Tennessee and was assistant attorney general of the United States in 1895-97.

Postmaster General Hitchcock. The first cabinet officer selected by Mr. Taft after his election was Frank H. Hitchcock of Massachusetts, who gave up his place as first assistant postmaster general to manage successfully the Taft presidential campaign. He has been given the office of postmaster general in the new cabinet. Mr. Hitchcock was born at Amherst O., in 1867, and graduated from Harvard in 1891 and from Columbia Law school in 1894. Since 1891 he has been a government official. Nagel Has Commerce Portfolio.

Missouri has been rewarded for its switch to the Republican column by the appointment of Charles Nagel as secretary of commerce and labor. Mr. Nagel is a leading lawyer of St. Louis and the west. He was born in Texas in 1849, moved to St. Louis when a child and graduated from the St. Louis Law school in 1873. He has en senior member of the law firm of Nagel & Kirby, professor in the St. Louis Law school and a trustee Washington university. in 1881-83 was a member of the Missouri house of representatives, and in 1893-97 was president of the St. Louis city counlican national committee and for years has been an intimate friend of Mr. Taft. He was one of Mr. Roosevelt's most enthusiastic supporters. As an attorney Mr. Nagel was identified with several important cases dealing with the numerous complications in the affairs of the Five Civilized Tribes in the then Indian territory.

Navy Under Meyer's Charge. President Taft's secretary of the navy, George Von L. Meyer of Massa chusetts, has had wide experience as a business man, legislator, diplomat and cabinet officer. He was born in Boston in 1858 and graduated from Harvard in 1879. He then entered business and has been prominently conected with a number of financial and mercantile concerns. His career as a public official began in 1889, when he was elected to the Boston common council. He then served on the board of aldermen, and in 1892-96 he was a taken place before the Texas Legislamember of the Massachusetts isgislature, the last two years being speaker of the house. In 1900 Mr. Meyer was sent to Italy as American ambassador, of San Jacinto, and W. P. Zuber, anand in 1905 was transferred to Russla. In January, 1907, President the sick during the memorable fight, Roosevelt called him home to enter his cabinet as postmaster general. This portfolio he has relinquished for that of the navy. Mr. Meyer's home to Hamilton, Mass.

Ballinger Secretary of Interior. After about one year's service as commissioner of the general land of fice, Richard A. Ballinger of Seattle, Wash., has entered the cabinet as secretary of the interior. He is a native of lows, having been born in Boonesboro in 1858. After attending the University of Kansas and Washburn college at Topeka, he went to Williams college, graduating in 1884 and afterward studying law and removing to Washington. He was United States court commissioner in 1890-92 and later was judge of the supreme court in Jefferson county,

Attorney General Wickersham. George W. Wickersham, who becomes President Taft's attorney general, has had the reputation of being one of the ablest lawyers in New York city. Born in Pittaburg in 1858, he studied civil engineering in Lehigh university and in 1880 graduated from the law school of the University of Pennsylvania. For two years he practiced law in Philadelphia. In 1884 he became associated with the law firm of Strong & Cadwalladare, to which Henry W. Taft, brother of the president, belongs.

ODD FELLOWS ALLOWED USE OF HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR MEETING.

# APPROPRIATION BILL READY if and Criminal Procedure reported the following bills:

Governor is Authorized to Investigate \$184,000 Due From Uncle

Austin: The house Tuesday morn tives for their meetings during the convention in Austin in March, 1916, opinious become final.

Resolution was introduced by Schluter giving to the Nut Growers' asso- requiring execution of appearance bond ciation the privilege to rent state land in cases of appeal in criminal cases. on the Colorado river water front for Favorably-Mr. Hudspeth's Senate ninety-nine years at a rental of \$1 per bill, regulating the fees of District Ab year, the property to be maintained torneys. as a park and known as the Hogg Memorial park. The resolution was made the special order for Wednesday morning.

The house passed finally the house bill relating to permits of foreign corporations and the Adams bill with va- general appropriation bills are ready, rious amendments exempting a number of counties from the hide animal fort will be made at the regular see inspection law.

During a greater part of the morning the house was engaged in a discus sion of the scope of the Kennedy investigation.

The senate devoted practically the morning session Tuesday to debating the Gaines house bill providing for the establishment of sixteen agricultural and mechanical schools in the state one in every congressional ditsrict, the bill having passed the house. The question came up over the adoption o the favorable majority report and adverse minority report. This question is still being debated, as there seems considerable opposition to the measure in the senate.

Austin; The senate is determined to accomplish as much work as pos sible during the remainder of the sion. In accordance with this determination, Senator Murray had adopted a resolution Monday that the Chair recognize each senator in turn, begin ning on the left of the senate chamber, and unless there are objections. such sensior will have the right to call up for passage any bill he may have. A resolution was also adopte to hold night sessions every night this week to consider local bills.

With but a few days left of the regular session of the Thirty-first legislature, it is expected there will be som exciting times in the house and sen ate, principally in the house. The sen ate is in a stubborn mood, at least it was last week, and probably most of the general measures will be relegated to the rear, should it be decided to take up the general appropriation bill.

Bill Not Yet Signed. Governor Campbell has not yet signed the anti-race track bill and refuses h to indicate when he will, should he

Recovery of School Lands.

The Administration measures pro viding for the recovery of school lands that are alleged to have been taken fraudulently from the State were act-ed upon by the House Committee on Reforms in Civil and Criminal Procedure, following some sensational charges against wealthy land owners by J. J. Terrell, former Land Commissioner of Texas, employed by the Governor to assist the Attorney General's department in this undertaking, and the refutation of some of those charges as "slanderous and violent," by Representative Lee of Tom Green County.

Award Medals of Gold.

The most impressive ceremony, in the way of patriotic endeavor, that has ture in many years was the awarding of gold medals to Alfonso Steele, only living actual participant in the battle other survivor, who was detailed with a ceremony which was conducted in the Thirty-first House of Representa-tives this afternoon. Representative Louis J. Wortham made the presentation, chosen by his colleagues to thus represent the people of the entire State of Texas.

Bills Signed by Governor.

The Governor signed the following bills Friday: Bill exempting Clay County from the

operation of the hide and animal inspection law. Bill ratifying the contract of lease between Galveston County and the

Galveston, Colorado and San Francisco and other railroads—the causeway bill. Bill amending the charter of Gal-veston—West End filling bill.

Sunflower independent school dis-

State Buys Lands. Gov. Campbell Friday received the report of the purchase of fifteen additional acres adjoining the San Jacinto battlefield, the price paid for the same

being \$1531. New House Bills. By Mesers. Goodman, Boswell a

O'Bryan: Providing for the erection of a monument to the Texas-Mexica war veterans, to be placed on the Cap tol grounds, and appropriating \$10,00 therefore

by Mr. Mason, which provide for the State Board one month earlier than at present, and for the automatic tax board to announce the rate earlier.

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House Bills Reported.

Unfavorably-Senate bill by Mr. Stokes, providing that in cases of citation by publication such cases may be

disposed of at the first term of court. Favorably-Bill by Mr. Adams, requiring the printing and publishing of ing extended a privilege to the Odd the written opinions in the Supreme Fellows to use the hall of representa- Court, Court of Criminal Appeals and Court of Civil Appeals, as soon as the

Unfavorably-Mr. Brownlee's bill

IN THE SENATE

Appropriation Bills Ready. Senator Willacy, chairman of the senate finance committee announced Monday that the senate and house except a few minor items, but no efsion to pass this bill.

New Bills Offered,

Senator Kellie introduced a bill authorizing the governor to investigate the claim of \$184,000 said to be due the state by the federal govern for the protection of frontier Indian depredations. Mr. Willacy introduced a bill amending the corporation laws so as to permit a corporation to have twenty-one directors.

Thomas Investigation Matter, Senator Sturgeon, chairman of the Thomas investigation committee, said Monday the committee has not yet completed its report on charges of vio lation of the anti-lobby laws. The stenographers are now working off it. The report may not be ready until Tuesday morning.

Regulating Barbering.
Senate Judiciary Committee reported favorably Senator Peeler's bill regulating the practice of barbering. Also House bill preventing the delivery of liquors to minors without the written nsent of the parent or guardian.

Towns and Cities.

Senate Committee on Towns and City Corporations reported favorably House bill amending the city charter of the city of Dallas so as to provide for the election for the issuance of bonds for sewerage disposal.

Sill Effecting Druggists. Senate bill No. 267, by Messrs. Stu on and Hayter, seems to have been misunderstood in some sections. In an Interview with Dr. B. T. Van Zant, president and general manager of the Paris Wholesale Drug Company of Paris. Texas, he explains that the bill does not in any way affect the prohibitton druggists doing business in pro-hibition territory to supply alcohol along with other items in the drug line

Bills Passed by Senate.

The Senate Thursday night passed the following local bills:

to their retail druggist customers.

Senate bills validating title in United States to land on which Fort Bliss stands; incorporating Lubbock Wichita Falls independent school dis tricts; altering jurisdiction of County Courts of Concho, Crockett and Ed-wards Counties, and exempting Mayerick County, from hunting law.

By Mr. Crawford: Providing for a special election for the Assuance of bonds by the city of Dallas for the purpose of creating a saultary sewage disposition for that city.

House bills restoring civil and criminal jurisdiction to County Courts of San Augustine and Henderson Coun-ties; providing road systems for Polk Karnes, Jack, Kaufman and Coryell Counties, and fixing time for holding ourt in Forty-sixth District.

By Mr. Wortham et al: Providing traveling expenses for the Atto By Mr. Crisp: Creating a State Oil

By Mr. Stamps (joint resolution); Providing for the aubmission to a vote of the people of a constituti amendment creating a State printing plant, for the printing of all State ents and the publishing of all

text books used in the State. By Mr. Terrell of McLennan: Providing that the jury wheel method of selecting jurors shall apply in counties with a city of over 40,000 inhabitants, it now being 20,000 inhabitants, the idea being to exempt McLennan coun

By Mr. Real: Correcting errors is bill passed at this session exemptmber of Southwest nties from the hide and animal inection law.

By Mr. Veale: Correcting errors in the bill passed at this session creating the Sixty-Ninth judicial district in the

New Senate Bills.

Mr. Bryan: Giving the local op-

By Mr. Ward: Changle & holding court in the Po-tal District, and giving

Revenue and Taxation.

Trials of Winter

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tion reported favorably the bills im to a cold or cough. They lead return of tag rolls to Assessors by the where. Be wise: use Simmon's Cough

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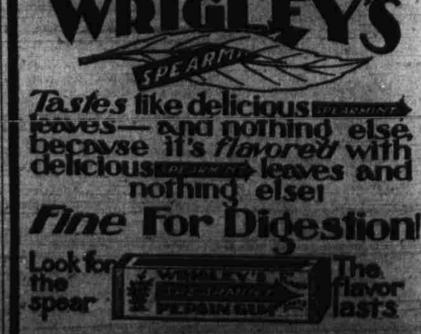
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SYNOPSIS.

Gerard Chambers, son of a wealthy imperter and a student at an eastern cologe, was awarded a membership in the fluster of the Gemini, a secret organization, founded by Rodney Graves. The seclety was exclusive, only seven being dmitted. The members were known as zerosons. A meeting was held and each sember was awarded the "call of desiny" Chambers was told to pass a seriod as a sailor and not set foot in forth America for a year. Then he say to be assigned to snother year's sile. He must make his own living unsaisted, and keep everything a secret. Herry obtained a berth as supercargo an an ocean freighter bound for Urania, oboth America, loaded with guns for semiles of that government. Chambers as captured and thrown into a dungeon. Sarine Bostos, adopted daughter of Genciette, ministered to his wounds. Each ministered to his wounds. Each lands a strong impression on the other. erry was sentenced to die. Upon prome of Marina's love. Capt. Pilaro freed hambers. All three united with Gennaredo's rebels, Chambers being made a strong his provent of the control relied the fugitives to Jimines, various ruses. At Escalor Jerry de orders to search for a lost gold He accidentally met Mike. They ed upon one of the plotters, who new them off the trail. The pair in the mountains. They discove note hermit calling himself Jose, adding him when he seemed near Jose promised to tell them. a service give them a partial knowled the location of the lost mine, of the location of the village for ons. While was sent to the village for ons. While he was away and was exploring, Yaqui Indians the camp. Jerry was stricken wor. Mike returned, searching for or.

CHAPTER XXVI.--Continued. "Tommy! Tommy!" cried Mike, al-ost insunely, dashing out of the s and running up the stream.

there are you. Tommy, lad? For the sale, where are you?"
Schind a great boulder he found ry beading over so that his face a only a few inches above the

Tommy! Thank God I've found you

Jerry looked up, but the expression

in his eyes and the absolute lack of recognition checked Mike.

"One more drop of water," said Jer-17, his voice weak and trembling and

very strange, "and I'll go-"

"My God, he's crasy!" gasped Mike. He lifted the wasted body of the young man to a sitting position and felt his brow. "The fever is burnin' him up, sappin' his very life!" he went on. He carried him back to where the as were stored, and a few utes later the feverish, delirious lead was on a pillow made of a coat and his body lay on a blanket. Then constructed a shelter of leaves and

Mike administered large doses of hisky and quinine and remained at his side until he began to show signs of normal mentality. It was plain to in that Jerry was almost starved and that the great quantities of water he had drunk had made his condition

Mike had laid in provisions enough to last two hungry men for two weeks, but he made them last five full weeks, at the end of which time he had nurse Jerry back to health. The Sevently on of The Gemini was not the ong, husky fellow he had been be-the fever selsed him and sent wandering in the wilderness delirious, but he felt strong enough to continue the search for the lost gold Mike brought his stron-ument against continuing the but Jerry was obstinate, and the engineer submitted to his

But we'll not be apart after this

m for a long time. ablished another camp, this er the brooklet and at a

they decided to wait until the next morning before starting over it. After they had gone about three miles back over the old trail Mike suddenly checked his burro and whispered excitedly:

"Did you see it, Tommy-a light on the trail? Or have I got 'em?'

Before Jerry could answer he saw a light bobbing up and down far down the path.

"What in thunder can it be, Mike?" e exclaimed.

"A goblin or somebody comin' this way." The next moment the burros were led into a thicket at the side of the trail, far enough away so that they could not be heard, and the two men secreted themselves within a few feet of the pathway. The light came nearer and nearer, until a man on burro-back could be seen. The light came from a lantern fastened to the saddle, and was brilliant enough to make the features of the rider dis-tinguishable. Ten yards from where Mike and Jerry lay the rider got off his burro and began to tighten the girth. The animal was hard to manage, and the man cursed it roundly. At his first word Mike clutched Jer-

ry's arm excitedly. "Riaz!" he whispered, faintly.

The man soon remounted and pro-ceeded on his way. The light showed the smooth face of a young man. After he had passed them about 50 feet they crawled to the edge of the trail and watched him out of sight.

"Rias!" exclaimed Jerry. you know?

"It's the voice I heard from the 'old man' that night in Vera Cruz, I'll swear. Tommy, the voice I heard that night was an unusual one, and the voice we just heard was the same. What shall we do?"

"We must find where he goes, by all means," said Jerry, his blood running fast and hot. "A thousand to one he's headed for where they are, and if he is we shall find her!"

They set out afect to follow the man with the lantern. It was not long before they had picked their way to within 100 feet of the rider. They retraced those miles and were surprised to see the man turn up the newfound pathway, which they had decided to go over on the following day.

He had not gone up the mountain side very far when he dismounted and sat down at the side of the trail. Mike and Jerry crept up 50 feet nearer, and then lay back in the bushes to await his further proceeding. Pres-ently they saw another light come suddenly into view about 100 yards farther up, at a place in the open.

"There's a cave up there," whispered Jerry, "and that's where this fellow is bound for."

The new light came nearer, and in ten minutes it was near enough to show the outline of the man carrying it.

"The burro was ready to drop in his tracks," said the man Jerry and Mike had followed, "and I had to give him a rest." The other man came up and

"It has taken you a long time to go and come. And now you rest!" He sat down beside him. Mike, again "Andre!" whispered

clutching Jerry's arm.

"What did you find out?" asked

"He is at Parral, and he is almos ready to scour the country with government troops. The whole town knows of his presence there and of his mission, and every man seem willing to run us down and risk his life to rescue her. On many sides I heard the belief expressed that we were on this trail, and one man even went so far as to say that we were hidden near the red-topped mountain. There are those who know every cavern on this trail, and our situation however careful we may be, is dan

"When will they start out?" "Forerunners will leave, heavily armed, on fast horses, in the morn-

Rias, we must get away from here to-night!" said Andre, now on his feet and moving about nervously.

"Three of us would be mighty weal if they should come upon us," said Riaz, who, too, was visibly excited.

"Only three o' thim," whispered Mike, and he gripped his revolver. "We can skin 'em!"

Without saying a word Jerry started to crawl towards the two men, Mike following at his heels. When they and gone to within a dozen feet of them Mike's knee came down hard on a piece of dead wood which broke in and brought the gaze of Andre quickly in their direction. With their that they were about to be discovered, they stopped still.
"What was that noise!" Andre

"Only an animal, I guess," answered

They continued to move forward, but had not gone more than five feet when Mike's hand come down on sa





"Only Three o' Thim," Whispered Mike. "We Can Skin 'Em!"

expression of pain.

It was a human voice!" The next moment Jerry and Mike were in the trail, their revolvers leveled at the heads of the two men.

"One move, one sound, and you will be shot!" commanded Jerry, with deadly calmness.

Andre made an attempt to reach for his revolver, but before he could touch the butt of it Jerry's weapon crashed against his forehead and he sank to the ground with a groan. Riaz's neck was in the terrible grasp of Mike's big hands, and, after a minnute's struggle, he, too, was on the ground helpless.

The two were dragged into the bushes, and a few minutes later their clothing, torn into strips, bound their hands and legs and gagged their mouths.

"Just to make sure," said Mike "Now for the other one!" said Jer-

ry, starting up the trail.

"Cautious, cautious, Tommy, lad," warned Mike. "We can get there just as easy by bein' careful."

With the lanterns they picked their way through the brush to the spot where they had seen Andre's light as it came suddenly into view. They walked almost into the mouth of a cavern, and it is probable that Jerry would have gone in if Mike had not grabbed him by the arm and pulled him behind a ledge at the side of the fissure. Mike whispered into Jerry's ear, and the next moment, imitating Andre's voice as best he could, the younger man called out:

"Felipe, come here." A minute later Felipe came out of the cavern, and before he could raise a hand Mike's fingers were at his throat and Jerry's hands at his mouth. Mike pressed so hard into his neck that he soon was lying on the ground as one dead. Jerry pulled the body behind the ledge and Mike bound the legs and arms and gagged his pris-

"Now for Marina!" cried Jerry, in a loud whisper, stepping towards the "Wait!" exclaimed Mike, in a white

per, catching his arms. "Do you hear?" The sound of rustling skirts reached Jerry's ears, and he moved back behind the ledge again.

Carrying a lantern, the strange woman stepped out of the opening and called for Andre. Jerry and Mike jumped for the opening, the former reaching it just in time to prevent her from closing an iron door. He grabbed her, but before he could get her in his power he telt a tinge of pain in his arm. The woman had tried to kill

upturned thorn and he uttered a faint | him with a dagger. It was not long before she was overpowered. Her "It is somebody!" exclaimed Andre. hysterical screaming brought forth sounds of rapping on an iron door farther back in the dimly-lighted cavern.

"It is she!" Jerry cried, running down the narrow corridor. "Where are you. Marina, where are you?"

"Go down the steps to your left," was the faint response.

Jerry ran along until he reached as avenue to his left, down which he went for 10 or 12 feet, when he came to two or three steps.

"Are you here?" he cried, hammer ing on an iron door. "Yes," was the answer. "One of the

others has the key." Jerry called to Mike, who dragged the strange woman to where he was

"Bind her securely, Mike," said Jer ry, "and both of us will try to break the door down." After the woman had been rendered absolutely helpless

against the door many times before the lock finally gave way. Standing before them, in the dim

light of a candle, stood the frail, emaciated Marina Bostos. "Thank God!" cried Jerry, and the

next instant she was in his embrace, look on?" her arms around his neck.

### CHAPTER XXVII. .Tre Lone Searcher.

"What did little Mikey tell you Tommy?" said the big Mike, in a tone of triumph. "I knew you'd get her some time."

The shock had been too much for Marina, and she fainted in Jerry's arms. He carried her out into the open air, Mike following with the bound woman, whom he set down at the side of the squirming Felipe.

He then ran down to where Andre and Riaz lay. Andre still was unconscious, but Riaz' eyes were open and he was trying to release himself. "You fellows must be lonesome down here. You're invited to join a little party up farther," and the next moment he was dragging the men after him, a coat collar in each strong hand. He placed the three men and the woman side by side and, standing off a few feet surveying them, he laughed as only a great, big-lunged Irishman can

Mike's whisky bottle was brought into service, and it was not long before Marina's eyes were open. Jerry cently lifted her head to his knee and opressed a kiss to her lips.
"Go on, Tommy; I won't look,

snickered Mike. "I've got somethin' pretty good to look at myself." Felipe's face gave evidence of great

him out. He took the gag from his mouth and said: "See here, you yellow divil, we've

got you and got you good. Tell me what you know - everything you know, and it might go easier with you. What's in that cave?"

For a moment Felipe was silent, but the fierce flashing eyes of the big captor cowed him completely. "What will you do for me?" he

"You tell me and I'll tell you what

I'll do, and if you don't tell me, you'll soon see what I'll do. Now, come on -quick!"

"A counterfelting plant." "Is that all?"

"Yes."

"You're a yellow divil of a liar!" Mike did not know why he said this. "There are three skeletons." "Where?"

"In one of the smaller rooms." "Which room?"

"Wheregshe was found," indicating

"You heartless devil!" cried Jerry, his hands clenching and his eyes blazing viciously. He started to rise, but Mike told him to sit still. "And this is the way you treat a

woman, eh?" said Mike. Felipe dropped his eyes. o

"Now, what would you say if I was to choock you back in that room and turn out all the lights and lock the door?"

Felipe trembled. By this time Andre was equirming, and Mike went on: 'Ah, ha; another county heard from! Felipe, you're a divil, but 'Andy' here's six divils in one. He actually made an effort to resist us down the trail. Isn't he the fearless lad, though? But," and his voice was stern and ominous "he'll get all that's comin' to him, with interest. Let Gineral Bostos lay hands on him!"

"But you are not going to turn me over to Bostos?" cried Felipe.

"Where were you to have received the ransom from him?" Mike asked. "That had not been settled on definitely."

"How much did you demand?" "Two hundred thousand dollars." "Wheel You didn't want much! Now, what are you willin' to pay us to

be a little merciful?" "Anything-everything!

"You miserable puppy, you'll pay what Gineral Bostos demands," roared "The soldiers will sho down like the dog you are, and that' would be too easy for you. They ought to take you and 'Andy' and that onceon-a-time 'whiskers' here and string you up by the thumbs till you're dead.

Tell me who you are." "Felipe Brazais so help me God!" "And pretty 'Willie' over there," pointing to Andre, "what's his name?"

"Andre Callara." "What!" exclaimed Mike. "Is he the divil that's stirred up all Europe

with his counterfeiting games?" Felipe nodded his head and qualled under the vicious glare from Andre's

eyes. "Every country in Europe, Tommy, said Mike, "offers an immense reward for the capture of this fellow 'Andy.' Damned if this ain't the biggest catch

o' the season." Riaz' faithful burro had wandered up to the cave with the heavy load of the two men threw their shoulders provisions, and hilke immediately relieved it of the burden. He lost no time in opening the sacks, which contained wines and many delicacles.

> "Why, Tommy," he sald, "we can sort o' celebrate the occasion fittin'ly; and won't it be nice for thim to

"What shall we do now, Mike?" Jerry asked.

"We must keep a lookout for the 'cops,' and it's just as well that we stay right around here till it's light enough to travel safely."

Mike relieved the men of their revolvers and took the dagger from the woman and then removed the gags. The first thing Andre did was to subject Felipe to a withering fire of oaths and swear that he would have his life.

"Now, here, 'Andy,' old boy," said Mike, "there's at least one lady present, and you've got to cut out all that nasty talk. If you say another word on goes the muzzle again." Andre knew that he meant what he said, and he was sufferly quiet thereafter.

When daylight came Marina was much stronger, and after drinking some of the high-grade coffee procured by Riaz in Olito the day before, Jerry and she walked to a spot a little way down the mountain side, where they sat down.

"Marina, that note told all," said Jerry, drawing her head close to his, and that kiss you impressed on my hand through the porthole was your confession."

There was another kiss-a kiss that sealed a compact.

After he had told her how he had come to find her she related her experiences from the time she left the

fear, and Mike determined to try ranchman's home in charge of the dead body of Capt. Pilaro.

"The government's men at first started to take us back to their own ranks," she said. "but one of them suggested that we be taken to Barceldola, and that I be held until a ransom was paid for my restoration. It was in Barcedola that my captors met Andre and Felipe, who gave them a big sum of money to turn me over to them. A story came out that I had been spirited to Barcedola, and at one time the police were very close upon us. They kept me in seclusion, however, for weeks, when they decided to take me to Havana, there to make their demand. On the Pardacina they figured that it would be dangerous to be seen with me in Havana, for my picture had been printed in the newspapers there. Felipe's fear was responsible for the hurried passage to Vera Cruz, thence to this place, where I have been for weeks.

"Riaz operated with Andre in great counterfeiting schemes in Madrid and Paris, and it was in Madrid that the police almost succeeded in capturing Felipe, who had foined Andre only a short time before. They were forced to leave Spain, and they came to Havana, from where Riaz, a Mexican by birth, came to these mountains and began to counterfelt gold coins. The plan of Andre was to circulate the spurious money in the northern part of the country and to keep me captive until they were ready to sail for Japan. Felipe, however, insisted that my father be asked for the ransom without delay, and Andre communicated with him to the effect that I would be turned over to him at a point near Paloma, which is not difficult to reach from here, the Florido river, flowing near the village, rising only 15 or 20 miles from here. Father came as soon as he could to Mexico, and another day or so would have found me back in his care, and-" 9

"Your father bad" decided to have the authorities search for you," said Jerry; "and if we had not met Riaz in the trail last night and followed him here they would in all probability have succeeded in getting away. You might have been lost to me forever."

"They had planned to kill me before they would turn me over without receiving the ransom," she shuddered.

Late that afternoon five or six rurales came down the traff on horses. Mike met them at the intersection of the trails and led them to where the four captives lay on the ground. The counterfelting outfit and much of the spurious coin was found. The leader of the rurales charged the kidnapers with murder after he had discovered the skeletons in the room in which Jerry found Marina, but the men swore that the bones were there when they first reached the cave, and that they must have been the remains of prospectors who had been slain by

the Yaqui Indians. The prisoners were taken back to Ojito, Marina, Jerry and Mike bringing up the rear of the little procession. At the mining village an engine and a coach were immediately pressed into service, and a short time later Marina was in the arms of Gen. Bostos at the station in Parral. She was taken to a hospital to regain her strength before proceeding to San Diego, Cal., where the general intended that she should remain until the following spring.

"And the brave men who rescued ou," said the general, in the presence of Jerry and Mike, "shall be rewarded. They shall go to the Pacific coast, too, and remain until they are ready to leave. This is not the first time that Capt. Chambers has shown his bravery, and-"

"Capt. Chambers?" said Mike, in a bewildered way, looking at Jerry. 'And your name ain't Tommy Flannery?"

"I am Jerry Chambers," smiled the son of Gemini.

"Well, what do you think o' that!" It was decided to keep Marina in the Parral hospital for a day before proceeding to El Paso, where a train would be taken for the coast town.

"Well, this is better than huntin' for the end o' the rainbow down there where they burn camps and scatter skeletons around," said Mike, when he and Jerry were alone in the hotel that night.

"But we're not going to give up the hunt, Mike!" said Jerry, who quailed under remembrance of the instructions from The Gemini;

"Good hivin, Tommy-I mean Jerry, you don't think for the little end of a minute that you're goin' back there again, do you?"

"That I am, Michael O'Connor, even if I have to go alone.

"Well, you're both the doctor and the patient in this case; lad. I said I'd stick till we got the girl, and I've kept my word like a little man; but I didn't say I'd stick till we found the end of a rainbow. I am not going back to that mountain.'

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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### **Around Center Point**

The most important thing, at least the one most talked of, is soon.

Davis were united in marriage position. If Simpson can't make last Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. a success of it there is no need May their voyage through life be for any one else trying. a long and happy one.

Rev. Tom McCarley filled his regular appointment at Center Point Saturday night and Sunday night. Rev. McCas in, a Pesbyterian minister, preached at 3:30 o'clock. Cood congregations at each service.

Mr. Editor, we ask you to watch Center Point. Now, we ask you to come over or send a staff correspondent, as there will be a great display of oratory on the night of the 19th of this month. W -- have a Debating and Literary Society in progress here. Our subject for debate on the 5th inst. was, "Resolved that a compulsory education would be the best for Texas under present conditions." Affirmative, J. A. Kinard; negative, B. F. Hill. The decision was rendered in favor of the affimative. At our next meeting the question for discussion will be, "Resolved, that woman should have the right of suffrage." Affirmative, J. A. Kinard, Prof. A. A. Scott; negative, Rev. H. J. Skipper, Rev. Martin Davis. If you want a newsy paper be sure to come out.

School is progressing in a way satisfactory to all. Have an enrollment of about 120.

Some of the boys are still plow-

Mrs. H. J. Graham has been very sick but in convalescent

Jones & McGowen, who were burned out by the fire Wednesday, have opened a fresh stock of groceries in the building first door east of Coffee & Huckeba on Third street.

### B. and P. Class Program At Presbyterian church next Sunday,

March 14.

Subject, Aeneas and Dorcas. Text, Acts 9:31-43. Leader, Otto Schaefer.

Prayer. Responsive reading, Eph. 6:10-18. Give the main events between last Sunday's lesson and today's-Archie

What was Peter's experience with Aeneas?-Bertha Sanders. Peter's experience with Dorcas-Effic

Powell. "How can we aid the poor?-Mrs. W C. Barnett.

Duet-Mrs. T. F. Shepley, Mrs. Bert R msey. select reading Mrs. W. S. Kennon.

Questions-R. E. McCain. .

B nediction

### First Presbyterian Church.

Rev. J. Gilmore Smith, Ph. D., the newly elected evangelist of El Paso Presbytery, will be with u - next Sunday in the interest of home missions and will preach at the morning service as we as in the evening at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend thesesservices.

T. N. STRIBLING, Pastor.

Commissioners' court has been in session all week. The first two days were devoted to school districts. Election officers for each district were appointed and Saturday, April 3nd. was designated, as trustee election day. The court has devoted the rest of the week to road matters.

Mitchell & Park have sold their drug business to J. D. Biles and Tom Gentry, who will continue The business under the firm name of Biles & Gentry. They are both well known here and will be heartily welcomed to our commercial circles.

Household Goods for Sale.

I have for sale one large refrigerator, two iron beds, mattresses and springs, chiffonier, chairs, tables, cook and heating stoves. south of Fourth street.-Mrs. death. Robt. Sears.

C. W. Simpson has bought the West Texas News at Colorado and the continued dry weather. How- will probably discontinue its ever, we are hoping for a rain publication. The paper has had troubled existence for some time Tom Hammond and Miss Viola and has never been a paying pro-

Akin, died at her home in Daw-They can be seen at my residence older inhabitants who will regret the regular Y. M. C. A. Lyceum on Johnsen street, second door to hear of this good woman's Course. The seventh number of

> mal school and a large sanitarium are some of the possibilities for Big Springs in 1909. She is go. ical entertainment for fifty cents. get part of them. The railroad is Non-season ticket holders will be others or not.

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Mrs. Agnes Akip, wife of E. T. The Schubert Symphony Club.

The Schubert Symphony Club son county on February 22. They which is coming under the ausformerly lived in this county and pices of the Y. M. C. A., Friday, have many friends among the March 28th. does not belong on the Lyceum Course will come Another railroad, a state nor- April 2nd. Seasons ticket holders of the Lyceum Course will be admitted to the Schubert Musing after them and will be sure to This includes reserve seats.

sure to come, whether we get the charged one dollar. Everybody should see the Schuberts entertainment as it is one of the highest class musical performance on the

road.

The Fort Worth Record of March 6, says: A meritoriours program, excellent as to selection and pleasing as to redention, was given last night at Bush Temple, where the Schubert Symphony Club and Lady Quartette appeared under auspices of the Epworth League of the First Methodist Church. A crowd of good size was present.

The program was comprehensive, embracing vocal and instrumental music, the composition of Sarasate, Del'Acqua, Schubert, Aubrey Stauffer, Dudley Buck, Vieumxtemps, Waldteufel, Estrada and Strauss, and readings selected competently. The audience manifested especially its appreciation of the quartette numbers.

Prominent on the program were two Dallas girls-Miss Leeta Lynn Corder, who is well known in local musical circles, and Miss Anna Pearl Weatherington, monologist and reader. Each sings well, the one possesing a soprano voice of unusual strength and tone, and the other singing quite acceptably an alto part. They were encored repeatedly.

In his playing of the mandolin, notably, and the violin, Thomas Valentine Purcell was very entertaining. Miss Lovie Zendt Purcell, second alto, won applause.

Some Weather

Monday a raw northeast wind lew until about noon, when it changed to the south and became warmer. About five o'clock the wind went to the west, became colder and clouds began to gather, I it looked as though we w going to get rain, snow or sleet. Snow fell at several places, but not enough to be of any benefit. and by night the clouds had floated away. A big frost was seen Tuesday morning but it is thought no damage of any consequence was done, owing to the dry weather.

It turned cold again yesterday afternoon, and some time in the night began to sleet and kept it up at intervals until nearly noon today. As we go to press the indications are that we may get more sleet or rain.

J. O. Gibson, the tailor, in the front basement of the Ward building, makes a specialty of cleaning and pressing cloth-

Mayor Geo. D. Lee returned Saturday from Galveston where he attended the I. O. P. Grand Lodge, and reports a most pleasant time.

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Mothing uncertain about the work of oan's Kidney Pills in Big Springs, selection of a location for a Baptist day from B. Reagan, who is at-Lee Powell, living in the southern towns that are bidding for the location of the institution. In addition to the \$25000 given by the town that secures the sanitarium, \$50000 will be given by the promoters.

H. C. Read and wife left Friday night for Kentucky in answer to the there.

D. McDonald, in the Va

"Custer's Last Charge" will be

a message stating that Mrs. Read's father was very ill and not expected to live. We trust they found him better on their arrival

The Dawson County News shows marked improvement un-ter the editorship of Chas. Houser, who will se doubt continue to prove the paper.

The total estimated income of Ft. Worth for 1909 is placed at \$633,000. An average of about fifty bales of ection are marketed on the streets of Brady daily.

The 2-year-old daughter of W. D. Hoover, who resides north of Dublin on rural route No. 9, was drowned in a well Friday.

A regular fifteen-minute street service was put on at Mineral Wells Sunday by the Mineral Wells Lakewood Park Street railway.

After sixty-one years' residence in Dallas County, Mrs. Irene Perry died Puesday at her home in Cedar Hill, twenty-four miles from Dallas.

There are being erected in Tyler many substantial homes and on the South Side in particular a half dozen handsome residences are under con-

The receipts at the Sherman postoffice for the month of February, 1909, compared with the receipts in same onth in 1908 show a net increase in

Under the new city charter of Ft. Worth, which will be presented to the Legislature, at is made possible for women to become members of the School Board.

The town jail at Calvin, Okla., was burned Monday and a prisoner, a journeyman printer, an old man whose name was unknown there, was cremat-

Miss Mabel Eddy of Simmons' College, Abilene, Texas, formerly of Carroll College, Wankesha, has been appinted to the chair of French at Lawrence College of Milwaukee.

L. C. Griscom, Ambassador at Rome, has sent his resignation to the State Department at Washington. He intends to devote himself to business after reaching the United States.

The City Council of Weatherford has ordered a city election to determine whether bonds amounting to \$12,000 shall be issued for the construc-

tion of a new central school building. A school bond election was held in Abilene to decide whether or not \$40,-600 worth of school bonds should be issued and those favoring the issuing

of the bonds won by a vote of 138 to 4. Further evidence that former Presi-ant Roose eff is leading the simple life in every respect was furnished Sunday when Mr. Roosevelt and his wife came through the slush and anow

on foot to church at Oyster Bay. & Cotton shipments to date amount to 14,000 bales at San Angelo, and it is estimated that from 500 to 600 more will be received before the season is entirely closed. This is slightly below

estimates made early in the season." Miss Roxte Grove, one of Brownrood's young ladies and of one of the best families of the town, has sacrificed home and friends and has left, for Brazil, where she expects to teach in a missionary school established by Dr. Bagby at Sao Paulo.

" A 100-mile flight by homing pigeons of Dallas lofts is set for April 11. Pigeon enthusiasis arranged for this flight at a meeting held Thursday night, and decided that there ould, beginning with next Sunday, be preliminary races. The first race will probably be from Arlington or Fort Worth. The 100-mile flight in April will be from Strawn.

It is reported that beginning with day the international and Great orthern shops at Palestine will again resume the nine-hour day. For some time they have been working eight hours, and this change will be wel-

While laborers were blasting rock at San Autonio they found sig skeletons, believed to have been Indians Arrow heads, war paint and other weapons were found near by. They will be given to a scientific society."

Under the auspices of the Texas Sunday School Association, a tour party composed of four or six promi-nent Sunday School workers began last week at Cameron a series of Sun-day School railies that will not be concluded until the latter part of this month

John Pettit and Pat Corried were run over and killed at Eagle Lako Sunday by a west bound Sunset patterner train Pieces of the bodies were tance of almost half a falls.

The matter of erecting a steel bridge acrose Sulphur River at Green Haw Ferry is now under consideration by Naples business men, who hope to have tills bridge erected with the assistance of Red River and Bowle Counties. Estimated bridge will cost \$1000

That natural gas may be piped to arious stiles in Louisians, Arkansas be Taxas from the helds in Caddo wish, whose supply is said to be prac-cally inexhaustible, now seems prob-

DURING THE SHOPPING



Maude-Men are getting so deceltful, you can't trust your best Triend. Percy-And what's worse, you can't get your best friend to trust you.

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England, March 22, 1908." Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Bosto

where the scald had been. Her skin

is just like velvet. Mrs. Hare, 1, Henry St., South Shields, Durham,

Thanks to the Burglar,
The dark lantern flashed through the flat. Then came the gleam of a

"Hands up!" hissed the head of the family: "You're a burglar." "Y-yes," gasped the intruder, as he faced the cold steel.

"What have you stolen?" "Your wife's pug dog."
"H'm. Er—if that's all you may

meak out quietly." "And your motherin-law's parrot." "You don't say. Well, here is some

"And your daughter's phonograph." "Good! Here's some more loose

change, "Also your son's punching bag." "What! Great Scot, man, come out to the library and I'll open a special bottle."-Tit-Bits.

Might Look for Recovery. The following was told of the pa tient of a well-known New York phy-

The patient, an elderly gentleman, became quite ill while the doctor was absent upon a vacation, the indisposition being the result of too frequent potations. A female nurse was at once ngaged to care for him in his hotel. A lady, residing in the same hotel scame aware of his illness, and in-

terested herself to the extent of one morning inquiring concerning his condition of the chambermaid. "Shure, ma'am," replied Maggle "an' I think he do be getting along very well. The nurse was sittin' on his lap this mornin'!"

His First Visit.

The wide check of his suit and his monocle proclaimed his nationality from afar. His first American acquaintance, met on the steamer, had supplied him with an immense amount of strange and wonderful information about the United States.

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> CONGENIAL WORK And Strength to Perform It.

A person in good health is likely to have a genial disposition, ambition,

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ton girl, "I was a railroad stenog-rapher, which means full work every

"Like many other girls alone in a large city, I lived at a boarding house. For breakfast it was much, greasy meat, soggy cakes, black coffee, etc. "After a few months of this diet. I used to feel sleepy and heavy in the mornings. My work seemed a ter-rible effort, and I thought the work was

to blame-too arduous. "At home I had heard my father speak of a young fellow who went long distances in the cold on Grape-Nuts and cream and nothing more for breakfast.

"I concluded if it would tide him over a morning's heavy work, it might help me, so on my way home one night I bought a package and next morning I had Grape-Nuts and milk

for breakfast. "I stuck to Grape-Nuts, and in less than two weeks I noticed improve-ment. I can't just tell how well I feit, but I remember I used to walk the 12 blocks to business and knew how good it was simply to live.

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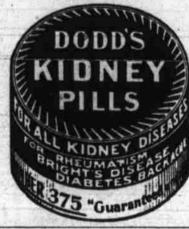
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**BIG SPRINGS** . .

A Narrow Escape.

Last Saturday Mrs. S. H. Kelsey was the victim of an ace been raging several days west of and cident which might very easily town. The fire originated in have been serious. She was re- New Mexico Tuesday sometime. novating some clothing in the It had burned through Gaines cates kitchen, using gasoline, while a county when the wind veered to and 29. fire was burning in the stove. It the south and turned the fire is supposed the air of the room north and it burned in that direcbecame impregnated with the tion until the wind changed into fumes of this highly volatile fluid, the west bringing it across the corner of Terry and Dawson countil the wind changed into the wind changed into the corner of the her hands and clothing ablaze. day morning burning several pastures, which will do a great deal of damage to stock.—Lynn singed and had it not been for the County News. presence of mind of her daughter, Miss Edna, who immediately

with the general land office.

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No alum, no lime phosphates.

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A Big Fire.

A very destructive fire has

The officer's degree team and wrapped her mother in clothing, Camp left Saturday night for smothering out the fire, the lady Houston to attend the state conwould probably have been fataly vention of Woodmen of the World. burned and the house destroyed. Those going from here were B. It was a very close call, and Mrs. Reagan, J. W. Ingham, W. R. Kelsey is to be congratulated up- Purser, H. W. Leeper, L. Maulon her escape.—Snyder Coming din, J. M. Bates, R. B. Zinn, M. Ingham, L. S. Moss, B. P. D. S. Cunningham of Terry Posey, Jack Smith, Jim Crencounty was here Tuesday on his shaw, H. P. Pentecost, R. way home from Austin where he Fleeman, Ben Wilks, F. W. had been on business connected Moore, B. Greenwood, E. Lowe, J. C. Baumgarten and J. Cordill

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managment and cotton classing in the next two years.

A. & M. College.

ting. It is a policy of the state the destination. be conducted on regular College has been constructed. life plans and this will give a Dave and W. P. Soash, who large number of teachers an op- were in the city Monday, declares portunity to understand how Col- it is their intentions to have the lege systems are established.

ing is an important feature

school it is desired to make the to guarantee the building of the cost to each a minimun expense. new railroad, too. According to Those who attend will live in the the Soash brothers and the raildormitories that are used for road men who were in Big Springs the student body during the reg- Saturday night, \$125,000 was ular college year. They will be subscribed towards the new line. served with meals at the mess- Whatever else is needed will be hall which seats six hundred guaranteed by the land people. students and the service will be In speaking of the new town under the directions of B. Shisa project Monday, the Messrs. who has been college steward Soash indicated their purpose for thirty years. Rooms, board, to make Soash a civic model. laundry, janitor service and in-cidentals will be provided and been taid out. Wide streets and the entire cost for six weeks will broad sidewalks will complete the be \$40.50, which is less than \$1 improvements in the town. At per day. The summer school present a line of autos is plying mmer normal will open between Big Springs and Soash.

Fort Worth Star Telegram.

Just received, a swell line of d July 26, 27, 28

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Will Build New Road.

College Station, Texas March A new railroad will be built out 10 .- The applications for enroll- of Big Springs, the money for ment for the summer school of which is already guaranteed, and the A. & M. Coffege of Texas and a model town established in West the summer normal are numer- Texas by Dave and W. P. Soash ous and President Milner believes of Waterloo, Iowa. Futhermore now that it will result in a very these Iowans have purchased the large attendance. Many farmers famous Slaughter ranch of will attend, the course in agricul- 200,000 acres, north of Big ture, animal husbandy, creamery Springs, and expect to settle it

being attractive. It is arranged In futhering this model town that the farmers can take any plan and cutting up the big ranch group of studies and remain into farms, the Soash brothers either two, four or six weeks and will run big homeseeker excurget the benefit. The cotton class- sions through Fort Worth to Big Springs twice each month. The For teachers, the summer nor- Rock Island will be used to this mal promises to be very interes- city and the Texas & Pacific on

educational department to locate | The new railroad will be twentysummer normals at those places two miles long, connecting the where the best facilities are model town with Big Springs. available, and this school has In honor of the land agents the been established at the A. & M. town will be called Soash. It College because of laboratories, has already been laid out by large section rooms etc. It will engineers and an immense hotel

entire ranch under cultivation In arranging for this summer within two years. They expect

Just received, a swell line of the celebrated Packard Shoes for men's spring wear at Ayers & Ball.

Electric Steer's Head

to Welcome Cattlemen

A big illuminated banner will be displayed in front of the Worth hotel at Fort Worth all next week during the cattlemen's convention, It will be an immense steer's head made of elecic lights. The length from tip to tip will be twenty-two feet and from top to bottom sixteen. Red lights will be used for eyes and vari-colored streamers will flank the whole.

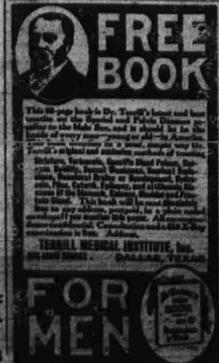
It will face the Texas & Pscific depot and spell a welcome to all who see it.

Announcement

Dr. A. Aronson, expert optician, will arrive here March 16th, and will remain three or four days. Those who need his services can find him at Mitchell & Park's Drug Store. Scientifit adjustment of glasses a specialty.

Dr. Aronson needs no introduction in Big Springs, as his skill is well remembered by the many patrons who have called on him during his visits for the past several years.

Mrs. J. W. Ward, grand matron of the O. E. S., instituted a lodge of that order at Snyder last week with the requisite membership.





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