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## PROCEEDINGS OF CONVENTION.

Aug 1 1908.—Democratic County Convention called to order by J. K. Mitchell and H. D. Pruett elected President, D. Dorward, Jr. Secretary.

J. D. Brown elected as a delegate to State Convention

E. R. Yellor elected to Congressional.

H. W. Hale elected as a delegate to Senatorial Convention.

J. K. Mitchell was elected delegate to Judicial Convention, Court of Criminal and Civil appeals, and Supreme Court, and to District conventions.

I. L. Gray was elected delegate to Representative Convention.

Jno. L. Woskom elected precinct chairman prec. No. 3.

W. S. Street elected precinct chairman voting prec. No. 6.

H. D. Pruett elected precinct chairman voting prec. 1.

R. N. Miller elected prec. Chairman prec. 5.

W. C. Fullilove elected prec. chairman prec. No. 4.

W. M. Jackson elected precinct chairman prec. No. 2.

Instructions to delegates to State Convention:

Resolved that this convention instruct its delegates to the State Convention to favoring the insertion of a plank in the party platform for some form of guarantee of

Bank Deposits.

Resolved that the delegate to Congressional Convention be instructed to vote for incorporation in the platform what is known in U S Congress as Crumpacker Postal Bill, that is to grant a right of trial by jury before a man's business can be declared a fraud and his publishing business be closed out.

### Hard Lines for Bachelors.

"Korea's the wrong place for bachelors," said a traveler. "Bachelors in Korea are considered as children and have only children's privileges. You enter a rest house and call for palm wine. The pretty little amber colored waitress says:

"Married?"

"No," says you.

"Heraus then," says she, and out you go, unslaked.

"You want to vote but they won't let you if you are not married.

"You apply for a job somewhere. How many children have you?" is the first question you're asked. And as soon as you say you're unmarried they laugh in your face to think that you should presume to apply for work anywhere."—New York Press.

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R. L. PERMINTER, Mgr.

TELEPHONE NO. 51

### Letter to Sheriff Clark.

Gail, Texas.

Dear Sir: We asked City Drug Co. Crystal Springs, Miss. to sell Devoe. They wanted to know, of their own knowledge, how it compared with another paint they knew all about—it was sold right there, and considered good.

They painted the house of W B McCluney two coats on purpose to test the two paints against one another: one coat Devoe 6 gallons; the other paint 10 gallons. Difference \$20; \$7 for paint, \$13 for labor.

That other paint is made in New Orleans; is pure; is considered an excellent paint, and has a good deal of local good will.

But the standard of paint has been low all through the southwest. That paint is thin; it is, you see, six-tenths of a paint. Devoe saves \$20 over it on half a small job.

It is a case of local best compared with actual bust.

Yours truly

15 F. W. DEVOE & CO.  
New York  
P S D. Dorward & Co. sell our paint.

Prof. Bills, brother of Mrs. Will Clark has engaged his services to the Park school for the next term.

### Elected Sheriff of Borden County

A telegram was received here by a member of the family of Mr. S. S. Williams yesterday informing them that John R. Williams received the nomination in the recent primary election in Borden county, for sheriff and tax collector of the county. John's many Hillsboro friends will be sincerely gratified to learn of the distinguished honor conferred upon him and the people who have entrusted him with the responsible office will find that they have committed no mistake in the choice they have made, for he will prove himself both capable and faithful in the discharge of every duty.—Evening Mirror.

### County Court.

The case of Homer West charged with injuring and defacing the school house at Tredway was tried Monday. H. R. Debenport representing the State and M. J. Thornton deft. The jury assessed a fine of \$25.00 and costs against deft. Fine and costs \$34.05.

J. D. Black who was in yesterday from his farm north of town says his tanks are dry and crops are beginning to need rain again.



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### PRESIDENT OF FARMERS UNION.

Mr. Neill Gives His Views on the Tex Laws,

Fort Worth, Tex., July 13.—President D. J. Neill of the Farmers' Union yesterday gave out the following interview regarding the tax laws now being discussed in this State.

"There is being a careful hidden assault made upon the laws, which have been secured through the efforts of the farmers' Union in recent Legislatures of this State, and a part of the program is to deceive the individual taxpayers as to the effects of these laws upon them. It is being talked and urged throughout the State because renditions are increased this year this means an increase in taxes, which is not true. An investigation will show to any man that taxes of the individual taxpayer have not been increased but have been decreased by these laws, notwithstanding the school money appropriated to each county has been increased. I find upon investigation that the total ad valorem tax to be collected from

individual tax payers this year is more than a million dollars less than the amount collected in 1906 and 1907.

While the State school tax, all of which has been returned to the county for use in schools is somewhat increased, the increase is not as great as the decrease in the the State ad valorem taxes and the State advalorem and school taxes combined will not amount to as much this year as they did in 1907.

"It is being urged, however, that local county and school district taxes and special taxes on account of bond issues will be increased by the operations of the new laws. This I find upon investigation is absolutely unfounded. The local authorities have full power to reduce the rate of these taxes in proportion to the increase in values after the renditions are all completed, and if they do this there can not be any increase in the amount of taxes paid by the individual taxpayers. It behooves you to get in touch with your Commissioners' Court and all other local tax authorities at once and see that they make proper

reductions as provided by the law

"If this is done—and it ought to be no trouble to get it done—your taxes will be less than they were under the former laws; and as your school money will be increased more than 1.00 for each child, you will get the benefit of the corporation tax reform measures which the Farmers' Union has been enabled to get enacted in this State. I have fully investigated this subject and know whereof I speak".

The late movement to deceive the people inaugurated by the railroad, Insurance and other corporations, backed by the tax dodgers among the people has signally failed, though it threatened to engulf the administration in defeat at the polls. When the veil was torn away and the facts laid bare by the governor, sober second thought was all the masses needed to convince them of the righteousness of our new tax laws, and that the honest tax payer should be protected alike from corporations and individuals, who have been dodging their equitable share of taxation. The new tax laws merely affirm the law as it stood before on the Statute book: that taxation should be uniform i.e. that all should be taxed in proportion to the value of their property whether persons or corporations, that as we all equally share the protection and benefit of the law, so should we contribute our part in maintaining it and bear equally the burdens it imposes.

### Praying for Rain

Richmond Times-Dispatch: Drouth has fallen upon the State of Virginia, heavy and parching, and in the country many eyes are turned anxiously toward the skies. It is an untimely dryness, and, in a sense, an unreasonable one; for in these summer months there has been a considerable excess of moisture, and June gave rain enough to soak the ground thoroughly. But after that has come fierce heat and blazing sun shine, day after day, to burn the juices from the roots of the growing crops; and the soil has grown seared and dry as a bone. Now every scorched cornhill in the state is crying aloud for water. Men and women prayed for rain in many churches in Virginia Sunday, and prayed earnestly and in faith. It is a pleasant thing, in an age of natural law and of science, of charts and weather kites, of bureaus, instruments, observations and predictions, that people should still ask relief from drouth in simplicity upon their knees.

Some one asked W. J. Bryan if he believed in advertising, and the famous Nebraskan replied: "The fellow who tries to attract business without advertising it is like the fellow who threw his sweetheart a silent kiss in the dark. He knows what he is doing, but nobody else does."

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# THE MYSTERY

By STEWART EDWARD WHITE  
And SAMUEL HOPKINS ADAMS

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ued paper, with black leather over the hinges. No external label suggested its ownership or uses, but through one corner, blackened and formidable in its contrast to the peaceful purposes of the volume, a hole had been bored. The agency of perforation was obvious. A bullet had made it.

"Seen something of life, I reckon," said Trendon as the captain turned the volume about slowly in his hands.

"And of death," returned Captain Parkinson solemnly. "Do you know, Trendon, I almost dread to open this?"

"Pshaw!" returned the other. "What is it to us?"

He threw the cover back. Neatly lettered on the inside, in the fine and slightly angular writing characteristic of the Teutonic scholar, was the legend, "Karl Augustus Schermerhorn, 1409½ Spruce street, Philadelphia, Pa."

The opposite page was blank. Captain Parkinson turned half a dozen leaves.

"German!" he cried in a note of disappointment. "Can you read German script?"

"After a fashion," replied the other. "Let's see. Es wonnte sechs—und-dreissig unterjake," he said. "Why, blast it, was the man running a haberdashery? What have three dozen undershirts to do with this?"

"A memorandum for outfitting probably," suggested the captain. "Try here."

"Chemical formulae," said Trendon. "Pages of 'em. The devil! Can't make a thing of it."

"Well, here's something in English."

"Good," said the other. "By combining the hypersulphate of iridium with the fumes arising from oxide of copper heated to 1000 C. and combining with picric acid in the proportions described in formula x 18, a reaction, the nature of which I have not fully determined, follows. This must be performed with extreme care owing to the unstable nature of the benzene compounds."

"Picric acid? Benzene compounds? Those are high explosives," said Captain Parkinson. "We should have Barnett go over this."

"Here's a name under the formula—Dr. A. Mardenter, Ann Arbor, Mich. That explains its being in English. Probably copied from a letter."

"This must have been one of the experiments in the valley that Slade told us of," said the captain thoughtfully. "Why, see here," he cried, with something like exultation, "that's what Dr. Schermerhorn was doing here. He has the clew to some explosive so terrific that he goes far out of the world to experiment with its manufacture. For companions he chooses a gang of cutthroats that the world would never miss in case anything went wrong. Possibly it was some trial of the finished product that started the eruption even. Do you see?"

"Don't explain enough," grunted Trendon. "Deserted ship, Billy Edwards, mysterious lights, Slade and his story—any explosives in those? Good enough far as it goes. Don't go far enough."

"It certainly leaves gaps," admitted the other.

He turned over a few more pages. "Formulae, formulae, formulae. What's this? Here are some marginal annotations."

"Unbehasslich," read Trendon. "Let's see, that means 'highly unsatisfactory,' or words to that effect. Hi! Here's where the old man loses his temper.

Listen! 'May the devil take Carroll and Crum for careless'—h'm—well, 'pig dogs.' Now, where do Carroll and Crum come in?"

"They're a firm of analytical chemists in Washington," said the captain. "When I was on the ordnance board I used to get their circulars."

"Fits in. What? More English? Worse than the German this is."

The writing, beginning evenly enough at the top of a page, ran along for a line or two, then fell, sprawling in huge, ragged characters the full length. Trendon stumbled among them indignantly.

"June 1, 1904," he read. 'It is done. Triumph (German word.) Eureka. Es ist gefullt. From the (can't make out that word) of the inspiration—God-like power—solution of the world problems.' Why, the old fool is crazy! And his writing is crazier. Can't make head or tail of it."

The captain turned several more pages. They were blank. "At any rate, it seems to be the end," he said.

"I should hope so," returned the other disgustedly.

He took the book on his knees, fluttering the leaves between thumb and



"Here beginneth a new chapter," said he quietly.

finger. Suddenly he checked, cast back and threw the book wide open.

"Here beginneth a new chapter," said he quietly.

No imaginable chirography could have struck the eye with more of contrast to the professor's small and nervous hand. Large, rounded and rambling, it filled the page with few and careless words.

June 2, 1904.—On this date I find myself sole occupant and absolute monarch of this valuable island. This morning I was a member of a community, interesting if not precisely peaceful. Tonight I am the last leaf. "All his lovely companions are faded and gone," the sprightly Solomon, the psychic nigger, the amiable Thrackles, the cheerful Perdosa, the genial Pula and the high minded Eagen. Undoubtedly the social atmosphere has cleared; moreover, I am for the first time in my life a landed proprietor. Item, several square miles of grass land; item, several dozen head of sheep; item, a cove full of fish; item, a handsomely decorated cave; item, a sportive though somewhat unruly

volcano. At times, it may be, I shall see the lack of company. The sea gulls alone are not distrustful of me. Undoubtedly the sea gull is an estimable creature, but he leaves something to be desired in the way of companionship; hence this diary, the inevitable refuge of the empty minded. Materially I shall do well enough, though I face one tragic circumstance. My cigarette material, I find, is short. Upon counting up—

"Hang his cigarettes!" cried the surgeon. "This must be Darrow. Finkicky beast! Let's see if it's signed."

He whirled the leaves over to the last sheet, glanced at it and sprang to his feet. There, sprawled in tremulous characters, as by a hand shaken with agony or terror, was written:

Look for me in the cave.

PERCY DARROW.

The bullet hole in the corner furnished a sinister period to the signature.

Trendon handed the ledger back to the captain, who took one quick look, closed it and handed it to Congdon.

"Wrap that up and carry it carefully," he said.

"Aye, aye, sir," said the cockswain, swathing it in his jacket and tucking it under his arm.

"Now to find that cave," said Captain Parkinson to the surgeon.

"The cave in the cliff, of course," said Trendon. "Noticed it coming in, you know."

"Where?"

"On the north shore, about a mile to the east of here."

"Then we'll cut directly across."

"Beg your pardon, sir," put in Congdon, "but I don't think we can make it from this side, sir."

"Why not?"

"No beach, sir, and the cliff's like the side of a ship. Looks to be deep water right into the cave's mouth."

"Back to the boat, then. Bring that flag along."

The descent was swift, at times reckless, but the party embarked without accident. Soon they were forging through the water at racing speed, the boat leaping to the impulsion of the sailorman's strongest motives, curiosity and the hope of saving a life.

## CHAPTER XXIX.

WITHIN half an hour the gig had reached the mouth of the cave. As the cockswain had predicted, the seas ran into the lofty entrance. Elsewhere the surf fell whitely, but through the arch the waves rolled unbroken into a heavy stillness. Only as the boat hovered for a moment at the face of the cliff could the exploring party hear, far within, the hollow boom that told of breakers on a distant subterranean beach.

"Run her in easy," came the captain's order. "Keep a sharp lookout for hidden rocks."

To the whispering splash of the oars they moved from sunlight into twilight from twilight into darkness. Of a sudden the oars jerked convulsively. A great roar had broken upon the ears of the sailors. The invisible roof above them, the water heaving beneath them, the walls that hemmed them in, called with a multiplication of resonance upon the name of Darrow. The boat quivered with the start of its occupants. Then one or two laughed weakly as they realized that what they had heard was no supernatural voice. It was the captain hailing for the marooned man.

No vocal answer came, but an indeterminate space away they could hear a low splash, followed by a second and a third. Something coughed weakly in front and to the right. Trendon's hand went to his revolver. The men sat stiffened. One of them swore in a whisper.

"Silence in the boat," said the captain in such buoyant tones that the men braced themselves against the expected peril.

"Light the lantern and pass it to me," came the order. "Keep below the gunwale, men."

As the match spluttered, "Do you see something a few rods to port?" asked the captain in Trendon's ear.

"Pair of green lights," said Trendon

"Eyes, seals!"

"Seals! Seals! Seals!" shouted the walls, for the surgeon had suddenly released his voice. And as the mockery boomed the green lights disappeared, and there was more splashing from the distance. The crew sat up again.

The lantern spread its radiance. It was reflected from battlements of fairy beauty. Everywhere the walls were set, as with gems, in broad wales of varied and vivid hues. Dazzled at first, the explorers soon were able to discern the general nature of the subterranean world which they had entered. In most places the walls rose sheer and unscalable from the water. In others turreted rocks thrust their gleaming crags upward. Over to starboard a little beach shone with Quaker grayness in that spectacular display. The end of the cavern was still beyond the area of light.

"Must have been a swimmer to get in here," commented Trendon, glancing at the walls.

"Unless he had a boat," said the captain. "But why doesn't he answer?"

"Better try again. No telling how much more there is of this."

The surgeon raised his ponderous bellow, and the cave roared again with the summons. Silence, formidable and unbroken, succeeded.

"House to house search is now in order," he said. "Must be in here somewhere unless the seals got him."

Cautiously the boat moved forward. Once she grazed on a half submerged rock. Again a tiny islet loomed before her. Scattered bones glistened on the rocky shore, but they were not human relics. Occasionally beaches tempted a landing, but all of these led back to precipitous cliffs except one, from the side of which opened two small caves. Into the first the lantern cast its glare, revealing emptiness, for the arch was wide and the cave shallow. The entrance to the other was so narrow as to send a visitor to his knees. But inside it seemed to open out. Moreover, there were fish bones at the entrance. The captain, the surgeon and Congdon, the cockswain, landed. Captain Parkinson reached the spot first. Stooping, he thrust his head in

at the orifice. A sharp exclamation broke from him. He rose to his feet, turning a contorted face to the others.

"Poisonous," he cried.

"More volcano," said Trendon. He bent to the black hole and sniffed cautiously.

"I'll go in, sir," volunteered Congdon. "I've had fire practice."

"My business," said Trendon briefly. "Decomposition; unpleasant, but not dangerous."

Pushing the lantern before him, he wormed his way until the light was blotted out. Presently it shone forth from the funnel, showing that the explorer had reached the inner open space. Captain Parkinson dropped down and peered in, but the evil odor was too much for him. He retired, gagging and coughing. Trendon was gone for what seemed an interminable time. His superior officer fidgeted uneasily. At last he could stand it no longer.

"Dr. Trendon, are you all right?" he shouted.

"Yup," answered a choked voice. "Cubbing oud dow."

Again the funnel was darkened. A pair of feet appeared, then the surgeon's chunky trunk, his head and the lantern. Once, twice and thrice he inhaled deeply.

"Phew!" he gasped. "Thought I was tough, but phew-ee-ew!"

"Did you find?"

"No, sir. Not Darrow. Only a poor devil of a seal that crawled in there to die."

The exploration continued. Half a mile, as they estimated, from the open they reached a narrow beach shut off by a perpendicular wall of rock. Skirting this, they returned on the other side, minutely examining every possible crevice. When they again reached

To be continued.



**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

To the State Constitution Fixing the Compensation of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by amending Sections 5 and 17 of said Article 4 so as to fix the compensation of the Governor at eight thousand (\$8000) dollars per annum in addition to the use of the Governor's mansion, fixtures and furniture, and the compensation of the Lieutenant Governor at twenty-five hundred (\$2500) dollars per annum.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 5 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to provide that the Governor of the State shall receive as compensation for his services, an annual salary of eight thousand (\$8000) dollars and with the use and occupation of the Governor's mansion fixtures and furniture, said Section 5 as amended, to read as follows:

Section 5. He shall, at stated times, receive as compensation for his services an annual salary of eight thousand (\$8,000) dollars, and no more and shall have the use and occupation of the Governor's mansion, fixtures and furniture.

That Section 17 be so amended as to read as follows:

Section 17. If during the vacancy in the office of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor should die, resign, refuse to serve or be removed from office or be unable to serve or if he shall be impeached or absent from the State, the President of the Senate, for the time being, shall in like manner administer the government until he shall be succeeded by a Governor or Lieutenant Governor. The Lieutenant Governor shall receive an annual salary of twenty-five hundred (\$2,500) dollars per year, and no more. During the time he administers the government as Governor, he shall receive in like manner the same compensation which the Governor would have received had he been employed in the duties of his office, and no more. The President of the Senate, for the time being, shall, during the time he administers the government, receive in like manner the same compensation which the Governor would have received, had he been employed in the duties of his office.

Sec 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue and have published the neces-

sary proclamation for the submission of this resolution to the qualified voters for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas, as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, to be voted upon on the day of the next general election of the State of Texas, which will be held on the day fixed by law therefor. All persons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots as follows: "For the amendment to the Constitution fixing the salary of the Governor at eight thousand (\$8000) dollars per annum, and the Lieutenant Governor at twenty-five hundred (2,500) dollars per annum." And those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots as follows: "Against the amendment to the Constitution fixing the salary of the Governor at eight thousand (\$8000) dollars per annum, and the Lieutenant Governor at twenty-five hundred (2,500) dollars per annum." And the sum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication, proclamation and election.

[A true copy.]

W. R. DAVIE,  
Secretary of State,

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

To the State Constitution Relating to Commissioners' Precincts.

Joint Resolution to amend Section 18, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to provide for subsequent redistricting of a county into commissioners' precincts, defining the manner thereof; for submitting same to the electors of the state, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 18, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Each organized county in the State, now or hereafter existing, shall be divided from time to time, for the convenience of the people, into justice precincts, not less than four and not more than twelve. The present county courts shall make the first division. Subsequent divisions shall be made by the commissioners' court provided for by this Constitution. In each such precinct there shall be elected, at each biennial election, one justice of the peace and one con-

stable, each of whom shall hold his office for two years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified; provided, that in any precinct in which there may be a city of eight thousand or more inhabitants, there shall be elected two justices of the peace. Each county shall in like manner and in the first instance, be divided into four commissioners' precinct, in each of which there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof one county commissioner, who shall hold his office for two years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. Subsequent divisions of a county into commissioners' precincts shall be made as is now or hereafter may be provided by law. The county commissioners so chosen, with the county judge as presiding officer, shall compose the county commissioners' court, which shall exercise such powers and jurisdiction over all county business as is conferred by this Constitution and the laws of the State, or as may be hereafter prescribed.

Sec. 2. That the sum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of defraying the necessary expense of submitting the above proposed amendment to the people of the State, at the next general or special election in the manner required by law, by the Governor of the State.

[A true copy.] W R DAVIE  
Secretary of State.

**TAXATION—SUBMITTING  
AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.**

Joint Resolution amending Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, increasing the amount of tax that may be voted on school districts and providing for a majority vote of the property tax paying voters of such district to vote such tax.

Section 1. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed twenty cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sour-

ces, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts within all or any of the counties of this State by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within such school districts for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. The Governor of the State of Texas shall and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election or at a special election called by the Governor and the sum of four thousand (4,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of publication of such proclamation. At such election the qualified electors voting and favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on the ballot as follows: "For amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State relating to public free schools," and those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on the ballot as follows: "Against amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State, relating to public free schools."

[A true copy.] W R DAVIE,  
Secretary of State.

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**District Officers.**  
 J. L. Shepherd .....Judge  
 M. Carter .....Attorney  
 Court convenes eighth Monday  
 after first Monday in February and  
 September.

**County Officers.**  
 E. R. Yellott .....Judge  
 W. K. Clark..Sheriff & Tax Collector  
 Rodway Keen ..... Clerk  
 D. Dorward, Jr.....Treasurer  
 S. L. Jones .....Tax Assessor  
 No Attorney.  
 Court convenes first Monday in  
 February, May, August and Novem-  
 ber.

**Commissioners.**  
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 W. P. Coates.....Precinct No. 2  
 J. H. Wicker.....Precinct No. 3  
 C. E. Reader.....Precinct No. 4

**Secret Orders.**  
 Mason.—Meets Saturday night on  
 or preceding full moon.

W. O. W.—Meets first Saturday  
 night after each full moon, and on  
 Saturday night two weeks thereafter.

**Churches.**  
 Methodist: Preaching every first  
 Sunday R. v. J. W. Childers, Preach-  
 er in Charge.

Church of Christ: Preaching every  
 second Sunday. Eld. H. D. Pruett,  
 Pastor.

Presbyterian: Preaching every  
 third Sunday. Rev. W. W. Werner,  
 Pastor.

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 fourth Sunday.

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grasses being the needle and mes-  
 quite.

The rainfall here is sufficient  
 for abundant and successful  
 farming. The products of the  
 farm are cotton, corn, maize, cane  
 Kaffir, wheat and oats. Wheat  
 and oats have not been grown  
 extensively in this county, but  
 some parts are specially adapted  
 to the raising of small grain. We  
 find the gardens bedecked with  
 beans, peas, turnips, onions rad-  
 ishes, beets, potatoes, peanuts  
 and watermelons. The orchards  
 furnish peaches, pears, apples,  
 grapes, plums and apricots. The  
 wild fruits are grapes, plums and  
 mulberries. At present orchards  
 are comparatively few, but bear  
 good and abundant fruit. Agri-  
 culture is fast becoming the lead-  
 ing industry. The lands which

only a few years since were trod-  
 den under the foot of the buffalo  
 and mustang pony, and the howl  
 of the lobo and the yelp of the  
 coyote were the only signs of life  
 now are under fence and the soil  
 beneath the plow. At present the  
 whistle of the farm boy, the songs  
 of the milk maid, the bark of the  
 neighbor's dog, the rattling of  
 wagons, and the hum of gins are  
 some of the indications of life and  
 civilization.

Stock raising is still a leading  
 factor in the progress of our  
 county. Borden county takes  
 pride in raising some of the best  
 horses, cattle and hogs. Poultry  
 does extremely well in this local-  
 ity.

The development of this county  
 has been quite rapid the last six  
 months. During that time there  
 has been a nice little town built

up. The Methodists have erected  
 a handsome church building at  
 Durham in the South-Eastern  
 part of this county.

Gail, the county seat is a  
 small town but is building fast.  
 There are eight business houses,  
 besides a bank, two hotels, a  
 restaurant, a livery stable and  
 a wagon yard, two blacksmith  
 shops and a new gin. Several  
 of these improvements have  
 been recently erected. Borden  
 county is almost sure to average  
 one-half bale per acre to all  
 lands planted in cotton. I have  
 lived in Borden county for eight  
 years and have never witnessed  
 a complete failure in crops. The  
 lands about Gail have not here-  
 to fore been for sale, hence the  
 slow development. At present  
 some of the pastures are for sale  
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 tricts of a mountain county of  
 Kentucky decided they would  
 send Jabe Johnson to the Legisla-  
 ture. He could read rather well  
 owned twenty acres of ground,  
 three horses and two cows.  
 Therefore, being the big man of  
 his district, it was fitting that the  
 honor should be done him.

When he and his wife were get-  
 ting ready to go to Frankfort  
 many admiring friends came in  
 to say good by.

"Mirandy," said one of Mrs.  
 Johnson's aunts, "I reckon you'll  
 be gwine to theayters and all 'em  
 high falutin' things."

"Yes," responded Mrs. John-  
 son, as she placidly tied on her  
 sunbonnet, "I'm gwine, but I'm  
 not gwine to take enny part."—  
 Holland's Magazine for February.



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## STATE FAIR OF TEXAS. DALLAS, TEXAS.

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Dallas, Texas, July 21:—If expenditure of money is taken into consideration the coming meet of the State Fair of Texas this fall, October 17 to November 1, next, will eclipse all preceding Fairs in new buildings, entertaining features and educative exhibits. The earnings of the Fair of 1907, amounting to \$105,000, are being expended by the officials of the association in building fitting homes for the various industries of the State. In exhibitions and premiums that will serve to develop these industries, and in clean and up-to-date entertaining for the patrons of the Fair. Of the sum mentioned the directors appropriated \$30,000 for a fine arts' textile building; \$25,000 for the completion of the agricultural and manufacturer's building and \$40,000 for a new steel grandstand. The completion of the toilet and sewerage system, begun last year, will necessitate 10,000, making a total of \$105,000 for improvements.

The above improvements are not haphazard. They are constructed for the years to come, and when completed, will make the Texas State Fair Grounds the greatest of the kind on the North American continent. The ground now absolutely swarm with workmen, all busy with their respective duties, and each striving to outdo the other in getting these new structures completed by October 1, seventeen days before the gates swing inward on the twenty-third annual meet.

Letters have been received from the various sections of the State asking for space in agricultural hall for the display of the pro-

ducts of the soil, and already over half of the space in this building is taken for this purpose.

E. J. Kiest, president of the Fair Association, is desirous that every agricultural community in Texas be represented during the coming Fair, as it is the purpose of the institution to upbuild the State by exhibiting to the thousands of visitors from this and other states the products of the various sections of the state. President Kiest said: "The demand for space for both exhibits and privileges is far greater than ever before in the history of the Fair. Every foot of space in our exposition building and in our implement and vehicle department is taken. We will have a greater livestock display than last year. Our offerings in every department are increased and several new departments added to the Fair. In a word this great Texas institution, we believe, will give the people more amusement, intellectual entertainment, more genuine sport and more of thorough diverse education, than was ever heard of before at any State Fair anywhere."

Every department of the Fair is receiving its proportion of increased facilities for the accommodation of its patrons, and the premiums will be enlarged to meet the worthy demand of every class of exhibits.

For further information address State Fair of Texas, Sydney Smith Secretary.

### Violators of Hygienic Laws.

It is not only in the rural districts that unsanitary conditions about the house cause disease and the deaths that are set down as the dispensation of Providence. In towns and cities there are homes which are whited sepulchers with their clean, shining fronts, their freshly watered lawns, blooming flower-beds, inviting verandas and cool charming rooms. But the backyards! There is the inside of the sepulcher. Heaps of decaying rubbish, little stagnant cesspools—result of poor drainage—uncleaned stables and henhouses from which emanate odors, fraught with germs of disease. In many homes of cultured persons where the laws of hygiene are known, there is a strange disregard of these, a carelessness in the treatment of left-over food and of milk and butter—those prime absorbers of impurities; a neglect in the removal of rubbish and garbage and in the airing of beds and bed-clothing. Such neglect affects not only the one household, but those adjacent, the winds hastening to carry the poison afar. —Mary E. Bryan, in Uncle Remus.

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sessions, and as an indispensable to happiness or even enjoyment. It is astonishing how little effort or care we take to preserve it. Nothing promotes health more than cleanliness, we seem forgetful of this truth as we make the back yards and alleys in Gail. The dumping place of garbage, empty cans, old paper, offensive hides and other filth that are a serious menace to the health of the town, and if continued will be the fruitful cause of fever and contagious diseases. Under these conditions we cannot have a pure atmosphere and sickness will surely follow, sooner or later. Let us clean up the garbage, burn up the trash, and use a plentiful supply

of lime. There has been recently a cleaning up movement in the towns all over the Union in the interest of health and should we not act wisely and follow the example they have set us.

For every boy and girl in this world has a place that they can successfully fill. The place is here and the only requisite is a fitness to fill it and our schools are the greatest aids to the acquiring of this fitness. Knowing this our town very liberally supports her school interest and offers the most practical facilities possible for acquiring this fitness, and the boys and girls of the county are invited to come and share in these advantages.



## Local and Personal

Miss Mary Leake who has been at Lubbock for the past three months working on the Avalanche, returned to her home here last Saturday evening.

Miss Grace Hopkins who visited friends and relatives in Post city last week returned to her home on last Friday.

D. E. Naylor and family who have been residing in Post for the past few months, are in our town for a few days. They are on their way to their ranch in Uvalde county.

J. A. Smith is ill this week from a bilious attack.

We are glad to report that Grandma Cathey is still improving and able to sit up at times this week.

Mrs. Ras Cathey of Big Springs and daughter Mrs. Jim Miller of Gail both went to Big Springs on last Saturday.

J. H. Doyle and family were visiting in Gail last Sunday.

Misses Myrtle and Ora Smoot attended church in Gail on last Sunday.

Mrs. Mayfield and family mother and sisters of Mrs. M. J. Thornton are visiting the latter, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rodgers attended the Baptist meeting here Sunday.

Rev. Bishop and wife from Tahoka arrived in Gail on last Saturday. Mr. Bishop is holding a protracted meeting here which will continue till Sunday evening.

J. J. Plaster, Jno Story, Mr. Brooks of Runnels County and J J Callender of Grimes county, J M Pyle, Albert Hart of Mitchell county and 3 others from Eastland county are in this locality prospecting. They are pleased with the condition of our crops and think we have very productive land.

Kelsey, representing McCord & Collins of Colorado was here taking orders early this week.

J E Crow J L and D M Shannon of Madison county stopped in Gail on Friday. They were prospecting and left here for Garza county.

F. W. Park and family of Julia were here to attend the 11 o'clock services Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J E Benham were in last Monday from their ranch on the plains. Mr. Benham says his 65 acre field of cotton is the best crop he ever had and promises to yield a bale to the acre.

Our Sheriff W. K Clark received a telephone message Monday from Clyde, Callahan county, to look out for and arrest Matthew Lee and Miss Lula Simmons who had eloped from Clyde, on their arrival here. Intelligence has been received that the couple went direct to Post and were married there Tuesday.

We regret to hear that J A Smith's sickness has developed into typhoid fever.

Miss Della Gilmore and Jim Swan of Anson were married in Tahoka Sunday July 26 at 4 o'clock Judge Bartley officiating—Tahoka News.

We have what promises now to be a bumper cotton crop, tho the recent cloudy pleasant weather is favorable to plant lice, and they are damaging some crops.

Prof. Wallace left for Anson Tuesday evening. He carried a wagon and team to move his household goods here.

Mrs. T. P. Blankenship and daughter, Miss Ethel left on the hack Wednesday morning, to join Mr. Blankenship at Graham, where they expect to make their future home. They have made many friends in Gail who regret to see them leave.

A. B. Spears after an absence of several months at Texico, N. M. returned home last Friday. Mr. Spears reports abundant rains, fine crops and the country rapidly settling up about Texico. All the land within a radius of 8 miles of the town has already been taken up.

J C Benton of Garza county cut a melon on Sunday that weighed 52 lbs. Water-melons and other fruits succeed well in this locality.

T. J. Benton of Garza county was here on Monday.

Little Miss Zadie May Bills, step-daughter of W. A Clark has an obstinate case of fever this week and was no better yesterday.

Prof. Shaw of Big Springs was in the city yesterday, and gave a demonstration of the efficiency of a patent fire extinguisher on a bonfire in front of the First National Bank.—Stanton Reporter.

When we consider the fact that no insurance is carried either on goods or buildings North of the public square, where nearly all of our business houses are located the need of protection from fire strongly appeals to our better judgment.

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- For Sheriff and Tax collector.  
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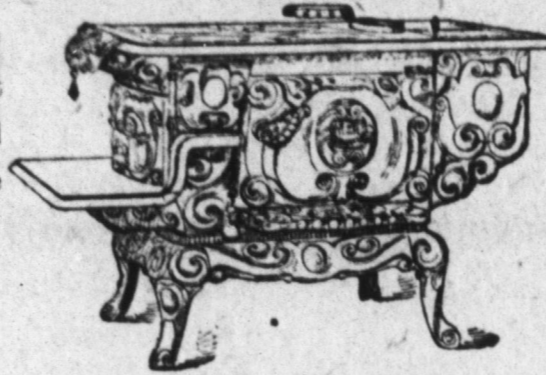
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Prof. Marley son of E. S. Marley of this county has contracted to teach the Tredway school, the term to begin in December.

Mrs. Mat Cathey is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. L A Pearce is on the sick list this week.

### A New One For Him.

"The climate here is salubrious, isn't it?" remarked the tourist.

"Say, friend," replied the native, "just write that there word down fur me, will yer? I git tired o'swearin' at this climate in the same old way. That's a new one."—Philadelphia press.

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors, and especially Mr and Mrs. Scarlett, Mrs. Dilahanty and J A Baker, for their kind assistance and attention during the sickness of our father and mother.

Respectfully

M L Cathey, Brothers and Sisters

Mr. Witt was shaking hands with the Gailites on last Tuesday. He reports flourishing crops in his neighborhood.

Grandma Pierce, from near Post who made her home here several years ago, has now returned to visit her old friends of this town.

H C Kennedy and son left here yesterday evening for Big Springs to get wire and fencing lumber for their ranch near Gail

Clyde Fairly and family of Scurry county, arrived here yesterday evening and left this morning. They are on their way to the plains to visit Mr. Mrs. J J Curry, parents of Mrs. Fairly.