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CAPITALIST'S PROPOSAL TO BUILD IRRIGATION DAM

Colorado River Power Company, with Millions of Capital, Send Man Here to Inspect Irrigation Field With View of Financing Proposition.

A few days ago The Ledger made mention of the visit of a party of gentlemen to Ballinger, who up to that time had not made their business known, but who by their action caused a rumor to go out that they were here for the purpose of getting a line upon the great Colorado river irrigation proposition.

The gentlemen in the party arrived here Monday evening, and Tuesday they made a trip up the river, accompanied by Surveyor Powell. They were out all day, and returned to Ballinger late Tuesday evening. Wednesday morning they called on a number of the leading citizens, and men who are interested in the irrigation project, and consulted with them, and another trip was made out over the territory which it is proposed to put under irrigation, and after looking the field over the entire party spoke in the most enthusiastic terms of the proposition. Mr. Rockwell, a member of the party and who is irrigation manager of the United States Department of Agriculture, stated that it was one of the finest propositions in the State. This was his opinion after going over the field. Of course a survey and a thorough test would have to be made to determine whether it was a feasible proposition or not. Mr. Rockwell, who is an expert on such matters, said that the land that would be in the district was very desirable for irrigation, having a clay foundation and was composed of a soil that would not require a great amount of water, and much less water than is required by much land that is under irrigation in other sections of the State. This we all know is true, as crops are made here on a much less rain fall than could be produced in other localities and on soil of a different nature.

After going over the field, and before leaving Ballinger, C. H. Alexander, of Dallas, who is at the head of the Colorado River Power Co., which company owns practically all the dams and water plants along the Colorado river in Texas, and with a capitalization

are worth millions of dollars, left a proposition with H. Giesecke for the people to consider and act upon. Briefly the proposition is this: "If the local committee will employ an engineer, one that the government will recommend and have the surveys made, and determine whether a dam can be built on the proposed site that will stand, whether the reservoir will hold water or not, and whether the land in the proposed district can be irrigated by gravitation. If the engineer's report is favorable in that it shows the proposition to be a feasible one, Mr. Alexander's company will take the report off the committee's hands and refund every cent of money expended in determining the questions, and will build the dams and put in operation the greatest irrigation project in Texas. If the report should be unfavorable, and after by a thorough examination it was shown that from any cause the irrigation project would be a failure, then the committee would be out the money expended in so finding, and the matter would be dropped. Mr. Alexander says his company means business and that they will not consider for a moment any report except one that is made by an engineer that is thoroughly competent and one that is backed or recommended by the Government.

Mr. Rockwell, who is recommended by the Government and in fact who is connected with the irrigation department of the U. S. Agriculture, spoke in the most optimistic terms of the proposition as sized up from a common view point. He did not think that an engineer would find any trouble in making a survey that would show otherwise than favorable and most feasible.

Mr. Alexander was accompanied to Ballinger by his nephew, who has charge of the work of building the great water power dam at Marble Falls, and he reports that the work at that place is progressing nicely. There is no question about the ability of Mr. Alexander's company having the

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NEGROES PREVENT LEEVE BREAKING

**Pending the Arrival of Sand Bags
Negroes Pit Their Bodies
Against Mississippi Flood
and Win in Fight.**

New Orleans, May 1.—Quick work by determined farmers and a small bunch of willing negroes, who were thrown into an impending crevasse in the absence of sand bags, today saved another disaster along the turbulent Mississippi river. The dozen negroes, who lay in the gap of the Poydras levee holding back the water until sand bags could be filled to take their places, risked their lives but saved the day when it appeared hopeless to even try to hold the fast crumbling embankment.

The Poydras levee, which is only thirteen miles south of New Orleans, began to cave rapidly shortly after 5 o'clock this morning. When the situation was discovered the entire batture one hundred feet wide and extending from the levee to the river bank two hundred feet out had caved. The alarm was given and within twenty minutes a score of negroes were brought up by a planter who lives a few hundred yards south of the scene. When this small force

arrived water about two inches deep was pouring over the embankment.

It seemed too late to prevent the crush which would spread flood waters over a large area of Plaquemine and St. Bernard parishes, entailing heavy damage to plantations. Two thousand empty sand bags were being brought up from the farm house just below, but the flow of water across the top of the levee had to be stopped immediately or sand bags and all labor within ten miles would be useless.

A desperate chance was taken when two twelve inch boards were put along the top of the broken levee and a dozen negroes held them in place. The human sand bags might be taken with the very next sluice of the levee but they held on until a row of bags filled with dirt were put in place behind the board. Other bags were hurriedly dropped in the gap and soon a hundred more negroes and white men were filling sacks and carrying them to the gap.

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NAMES OMITTED FROM LIST.

In the report of the Cemetery Association published in yesterday's paper, the names of Mrs. C. C. Formwalt, Mrs. Oscar Harber and R. J. Decns were left from the list of contributors. It was an oversight and we are glad to make the correction. We also wish to state that some have contributed to the cemetery fund since the report was made and these names will be published later. All those who wish to help in beautifying and maintaining the cemetery are requested to send in their contributions before the next report is made.

In commenting on the report yesterday we stated that the Association was paying \$12 per month for sexton when we should have said \$20. It is very necessary to keep a man employed to look after the trees, and keep the walks cleaned off and free from weeds. Those who want their lots cared for should see the sexton and arrange with him to look after the work for them.

IT MIGHT RAIN.

The man who is drawing his salary for handing out to the impatient public twenty-four hours in advance, weather predictions, says it is going to be unsettled tonight and tomorrow. We certainly hope the old man will guess it this time, and that it will stay unsettled until it settles this disgruntled element with a soaking rain.

J. S. Blocker, of the Wylie ranch country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

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There is an ordinance against leaving your horse standing on the streets without anchoring him to a hitch post. This ordinance is being flagrantly violated every day. A run-away team, people injured and perhaps killed and somebody will be responsible. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

Another inch and a half of rain would replace the smile that is growing a little dim again. It is remarkable the amount of boosting necessary to keep that optimistic spirit alive in some people. What's the use to worry? It does not lengthen life nor hurry the rain maker.

The building of the big irrigation dam on the Colorado river and placing the water within reach of the farmer is a million dollar proposition and until men with the million dollars can be interested and made to see that it is a feasible proposition, there will be nothing doing on the big scale. The men with the money are becoming interested, as will be seen from a news item appearing elsewhere in this paper. We are going to irrigate.

There is not a country on the face of the earth that does not have reverses, and is free more or less from some objectionable features. If such place could be found we would all be breaking our necks to get there. Take the average life time and figure back and you will find no country that exceeds our own healthy and beautiful Central West Texas when we take into consideration all the advantages and disadvantages. Its true that we have had our reverses during the last two or three years but there is a great day coming, and when we again get "in clover" it will be the other country that will be up against it from the effects of some calamity. Only a few years ago we all remember that the weathy black land belt went through trying times on account of the boll weevil. At that time this country was prosperous and in full bloom. Today there are sections of country that have been placed on the charity list on account of storms, fires and floods. It seems best to the ruler of this universe that He administer unto his people punishment from time to time; perhaps to teach them that there is a God, and cause them to obey his commands.

CLOSES POST OFFICE AND GOES VISITING.

Edwin Schuhard closed up his postoffice in allinger last week and came to Menard on a visit. He has the leading postoffice over there.—Menard Messenger.

Unfortunately for those who receives so much mail from "Please Remit" on the first of each month. Edwin did not throw the keys away when he closed up. Oon Swett, Alex Sanders, J. Audiee Reese, George Stokes, Emmett Davis, Rural Carriers, Leggate, Hall, Baker and Smith have been taking care of Ed's interest during his absence.

DID YOU KNOW.

That John L. Wortham had resigned as secretary of state and that Senator F. C. Weinert of Seguin, had been appointed by Gov. Colquitt to succeed him?

That Mrs. Grace Smith shot and instantly killed Clarence Murphy, a Chicago saloon keeper, when he attempted to eject Mrs. Smith from his saloon?

That the oil mill at Dublin lost its seed house and business office by fire and that 300 bales of cotton was damaged early Friday morning? Loss estimated at \$8,000.

That a passenger train on the Big 4 railroad near Middletown, Ohio ran into a freight train Thursday morning and killed two people and seriously injured nine others?

That Sidney Thomas, superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb school at Austin, was very low and not expected to live from appendicitis?

That Rev. Truett, the great Baptist preacher, had closed a ten days meeting at San Angelo and returned to his home at Dallas

That the rebels were threatening to cut all railroads leading into the Mexican capitol and that Americans had been warned to leave that city?

That Capt. William Drennan, pioneer Texan, and at one time companion of Kit Carson, died at his home in Mineral Wells, yesterday?

That recent heavy rains on the Texas coast country have interfered with marketing garden truck and there is a scarcity of produce on the city markets.

BAPTIST PASTOR WILL ARRIVE TOMORROW

R. T. Williams received a letter from the new pastor of the Baptist church. Rev. Broome, stating that his car was loaded and that he would arrive in Ballinger Saturday afternoon and would be here to preach Sunday morning, but there would be no services Sunday night on account of the revival at the Methodist church.

MAN WHO KILLED SHIELDS ACQUITTED

The case of Frank Rucker, charged with the murder of C. F. Shield at Trickman in December, 1911, accupiel the attention of the district court from Monday morning until Wednesday night of this week with the result that

Rucker was acquitted.

Probably no sadder tragedy has ever occurred in the county. They had lived neighbors for years, both being men of influence and enjoying the confidence and esteem of people not only in the immediate community but throughout the county. In fact, he ceased, although serious, but not any strictly religious citizen in the country. Very tall, of an exceedingly quick wit, with a knowledge of the Bible scarcely surpassed by any theologian, familiarly known as "governor of Trickham" he could hardly have concealed his identity for an hour in any hamlet of Texas. The evidence is too familiar to most of our readers to justify a repetition here.

The case created quite a good deal of interest among the local people as well as those from Trickham. All day long during each of the three days of the trial the court room was filled with eager listeners.

In addition to the district attorney the firm of Woodward & Baker, who had been the legal advisers of the deceased, were retained by the prosecution. The lawyers for the defense were Snodgrass & Dibrell, and Critz and Woodward. Certainly no fault can be found with the able manner in which the case was handled by the attorneys on both sides.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

WEBB LAW AT WORK IN OKLAHOMA

The first seizure of liquor under the Webb liquor law occurred in Chickasha, Okla. It is stated that 300 gallons of whiskey was seized and spilled by the county attorney and his deputies. The bottles were broken in front of the court house and the gutters ran six inches deep in whiskey. Some of the liquor was branded as being fourteen years old.

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Purely Personal

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Homan, of Rowena, were among the visitors in Ballinger Friday.

T. G. Marburger and little son returned home Friday morning from a short business trip to San Angelo.

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Uncle Joe Routh, of Andrews, Texas, came in Friday at noon to visit relatives and Ballinger friends a few weeks.

John H. Webb, and J. H. Booth of the river country, south of the city, were transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Trammell, of the Norton country, left Friday at noon for San Angelo, where they go to attend the funeral of his brother who died in that city Thursday.

L. E. Low, of the Winters country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger a few hours Thursday afternoon.

Sallow complexion is due to a torpid liver. HERBINE purifies and strengthens the liver and bowels and restores the rosy bloom of health to the cheek. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Company.

Roy Smith, of Maverick, who had been visiting his uncle W. P. Jones of the Valley creek country, left for his home Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Bishop, of the Winters country, left from this point Thursday afternoon for the east to visit relatives and friends a few days.

Joe Ostertag, the furniture man, had business at Rowena between trains Thursday.

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Mrs. H. O'Bannon, of San Angelo, came in Friday morning and will give a violin solo at the trained nurses school graduating exercises in Ballinger at the Carnegie Library tonight.

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Harroll Walker, who now holds a position with the Santa Fe machine shops at Cleburne, spent a day or two with his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Walker and Ballinger friends, returned to his new home Friday.

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Geo. E. Smith, of the Commonwealth Trusts Co., of Houston came in today and is here for the purpose of selling a cottage he owns on Ninth street. Mr. Smith has an ad in this paper on the front page, offering the property for sale, and he says he is going to sell it or give it away by noon tomorrow. It is a good chance for some one wanting a home to pick up a bargain or as an investment Mr. Smith is offering a good proposition.

Madames Young and Thomas and Misses Young and Routh Crouch, of Miles, came in Friday morning and were the guests of Mrs. Lindley and attended the closing exercises of the graduating class of the trained nurses school at the Library Friday night.

METHODIST REVIVAL CONTINUES WITH INTEREST

The Methodist revival continues with increased interest at the Methodist church. A large crowd was present last night and listen to a splendid sermon by Rev. Redman. The prayer meetings will be held over town again this afternoon. Two services are being held daily. We will publish Sunday announcements tomorrow.

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Mrs. Tom Ward and little daughter, Addie, of Ballinger, are visiting at the home of L. H. Ward and Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Beaumont.—See Saba Star.

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Capitalist's Proposal To Build Irrigation Dam

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ability to put through any project they undertake. He placed the proposition before members of the local committee that removes any doubt that might exist along that line. And they are anxious and ready to carry out the proposed plan as soon as the report is ready for them to act upon. When put through on the plan as above outlined the proposition would be nothing but a public service corporation and would be subject to the laws governing such matters, and the revenue to be gained would be in supplying water to the land owners that would come within the district, or within reach of the main ditch. This the water consumer, or irrigator would pay for at the rate to be fixed, which is also governed by law. In this way the matter would not cause the land owners to take any risk and would be all to gain and nothing to lose for him. As we view it this is the only possible way the proposition can be handled and it is certainly up to the man who is interested to join hands with the committee and leave nothing undone that will bring about the completion of the preliminary work and the compiling of a report that will show the feasibility of the proposition.

Mr. Alexander and his party started at the mouth of the Colorado river and traveled up the stream to Ballinger. Mr. Rockwell went West from Ballinger and Mr. Alexander returned to Dallas.

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THE JAPANESE "NIGHTMARE."

John Warren Hunter, a prominent West Texan, who is at present in Santa Ana, California, writing to the San Angelo Standard of the Japanese question as it seen on the Pacific coast, says:

"The Jap has become the 'Nightmare' of Southern California. He is an incubus that the state is now trying to throw off and she will succeed. Let me tell you something about these little brown people, as seen here at close range, and then you will more clearly understand why they have become so very obnoxious to the people of California. First, the Jap is a gregarious cuss and in the matter of co-operation, he is peculiarly of the old-time populist brand. But he is an exclusivist, strictly. Like the Chinaman, every Jap belongs to an organization whose laws and regulations control all his actions and to stand in juxtaposition to one or more laws and rulings of his 'tong' means excommunication, if not annihilation. Emisaries of one of these organizations will select one of the richest spots in Southern California for future operations, and in this spot or district Mr. Jap will purchase, at any price asked, a tract, say 20, 30 or 50 acres. A crew of his countrymen will follow and very soon every foot of this land is in a high state of cultivation. The next step is to buy up every acre of land in that locality and if it can not be bought, they will attempt to lease it for a term of years, offering a higher figure than anyone else can afford to pay. Should there be Americans in that district who refuse to sell or lease, the Japs will make it a point to lease all the lands around him and in the course of time, freeze him out. They have the patience of Job, and they take their time and can wait even five, ten or twenty years. All this time their num-

bers are increasing; they toil from dawn till dark, they force a generous soil to yield more abundant harvests, they practice rotation of crops, every foot of ground is laid under tribute, and through their local organizations they get better prices for their produce. A shack that would scarcely serve as a domicile for a San Angelo boy's burro, is all the shelter a Jap asks. It serves as a place where he may eat his coarse and scant food, and where he may sleep. With him he brings all the vices of his country and refuses to adopt even the least of the virtues of his American neighbors. He neither borrows nor lends, religion he has none, and if you visit him he asks your business and then goes about his work. No time for civilities, no time for visitors. In a trade, he is a Quaker and his rule is yea, yea, or nay, nay; in another respect he conforms to a rule contained in our Methodist discipline—unknown to many of my brethren—wherein we are admonished against the use of many words in buying and selling. The Jap is a man of few words at any and all times when dealing with the American.

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"You have read much of the bill now pending before the California legislature which shuts down the lid on alien land ownership. The bill will become a law and will apply not only to the Jap and the Chink, but to the Englishman and other aliens of whatsoever nationality. It not only forbids ownership, but it cuts off all the rights of land lease by aliens. Under the proposed law all lands now owned by aliens will be sold by the State and the proceeds turned over to the alien owners with the admonition to 'hike.' And the measure will prove the salvation of Southern California."

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Capitalist's Proposal To Build Irrigation Dam

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John Warren Hunter, a prominent West Texan, who is at present in Santa Ana, California, writing to the San Angelo Standard of the Japanese question as it seen on the Pacific coast, says: "The Jap has become the 'Nightmare' of Southern California. He is an incubus that the state is now trying to throw off and she will succeed. Let me tell you something about these little brown people, as seen here at close range, and then you will more clearly understand why they have become so very obnoxious to the people of California. First, the Jap is a gregarious cuss and in the matter of co-operation, he is peculiarly of the old-time populist brand. But he is an excelsivist, strictly. Like the Chinaman, every Jap belongs to an organization whose laws and regulations control all his actions and to stand in juxtaposition to one or more laws and rulings of his 'tong' means excommunication, if not annihilation. Emissaries of one of these organizations will select one of the richest spots in Southern California for future operations, and in this spot or district Mr. Jap will purchase, at any price asked, a tract, say 20, 30 or 50 acres. A crew of his countrymen will follow and very soon every foot of this land is in a high state of cultivation. The next step is to buy up every acre of land in that locality and if it can not be bought, they will attempt to lease it for a term of years, offering a higher figure than anyone else can afford to pay. Should there be Americans in that district who refuse to sell or lease, the Japs will make it a point to lease all the lands around him and in the course of time, freeze him out. They have the patience of Job, and they take their time and can wait even five, ten or twenty years. All this time their num-

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